

Expect the Unexpected

Luke 1:26-37

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When you walk with God, expect the unexpected.

Your Pace of Rhythm

“You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus” (Luke 1:31).

God’s pace for Elizabeth and Mary were totally different!

Where is God causing you to pump the brakes?
Where is God prompting you to pick up the pace?

“In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps” (Proverbs 16:9).

Your Moments in Time

“When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife” (Matthew 1:24).

God does not tell us the details in advance.
God is never in a hurry, and he is never late.

“God makes everything happen at the right time. Yet none of us can ever fully understand all he has done” (Ecclesiastes 3:11, CEV).

Your Place of Location

“So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David” (Luke 2:4).

“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times” (Micah 5:2).

Your place of origin, your stops along the way, and your current location are orchestrated by God!

God *“marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him”* (Acts 17:26-27).

December 14, 2025



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Welcome to Living Creek!

It’s a joy to have you worshipping with us.

Helping people follow Jesus

Living  Creek
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

TODAY

It's **Coffee Corner Sunday!** Join us for fellowship in the Church Office between/after services.

The **Elder Election** and **congregational vote** are **TODAY** after each service to approve renewed 3-year terms for Jeff Smith and Charlie Thompson and to approve an updated Constitution/Bylaws for LCCC. Copies of the updated Constitution/Bylaws are available on the table by the door. If you have questions, please see one of the Elders.

This Christmas season, please pray for our Christmas Outreach projects. We pray that our gift of new toys, hats, gloves, scarves, and socks is a blessing to the elementary children receiving them through the **Village of Monee Holiday Giving Program**.

This month we are seeking prayers and special contributions for our **Benevolence Fund** to provide crucial financial assistance to individuals and families facing significant needs within our church and community. To give, visit livingcreek.org/contribute > Fund: Benevolence or note on your Giving Envelope by **Sunday, December 21**. May God bless both those who receive and those who generously give this December.

2026 Bible Reading Guides are available on the table at the entrance,

Add your **photo** to CCB! To be included in our directory, email your picture to livingcreek@livingcreek.org.

LOOKING AHEAD

There will be one service on **Christmas Eve** at **4:30 PM** (livestream) with Birth-PreK Worship.

Come join us for the next **Prayer Night** at The Well on **Tuesday, January 6**, at **7 PM**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The **Children's Ministry Christmas Escape Room** is on **Saturday, December 20** from **3:30-5 PM**, for **Kindergarte-5th grade** children. Contact Ms. Becky at msbecky@livingcreek.org to register.

We need **helpers/volunteers** for our **Birth through PreK** children. Contact Becky at msbecky@livingcreek.org if you are interested in this rewarding ministry.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The Well meets **TONIGHT, 6-8 PM**.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Our weekly budgeted need for the General Fund is \$9,724. The average weekly giving for November was \$8,595. The Greater Things fund balance is \$571,080.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Smart Phone & Tablet Users can follow today's message and scriptures on the **Bible** app. Click on More > Events and Search for Living Creek to follow along.

Have you joined our online directory: **Church Community Builder (CCB)?** Visit livingcreek.ccbchurch.com to take a look!

The Lord's Supper

If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper (gluten-free communion is available). There are two stations in the back of the room. We use a two-cup system. The bottom cup contains the bread and the top cup contains the juice.

Giving



*We also invite you to continue in worship with your giving as a sign of support for our ministry. You may mail in or drop off your gifts at the Church Office. Online giving is available by scanning the QR code or via our website at livingcreek.org > Contribute or by texting **GIVE** to 833.245.8300.*

What's your Next Step?

Find it at livingcreek.org > Welcome > Your Next Step.



Communication Link

Do you have a **prayer request, praise or comment?** Are you ready to take your **next step?** Would you like more information about **baptism or membership?** We'd love to hear from you! Scan the QR code to connect with us.

Worship Service Experiences

- **Livestreaming** at 9:30 AM on YouTube
- **Online** at livingcreek.org
- **Children's Worship Service** at 11 AM (Birth - 5th grade) at The Wave, 4854 W Court ST, Monee
- **Worship Service** at 9:30 & 11 AM at The Well, 4840 W Court ST, Monee

Ministry Center/Office

4820 W Court ST, Monee, IL 60449

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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