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The Christian Call

Worship Services

8:15 am | Sanctuary

8:15 am | Fellowship Center

9:30 am | Fellowship Center

10:45 am | Fellowship Center

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Total Offering for the 38th Harvest in 2021
\$103,163.19



Grand Total for World Hunger since 1984
\$2,660,217.85



Ron Otto
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REACH

It probably wasn't my finest moment. I was mad; I can admit that now. I shared the following statistic one Sunday, "95% of Christians never invite anyone to church." I was reprimanded by a man after, "We're not supposed to invite people to church; we're supposed to invite them to accept Jesus." I was pretty confident he had never done either. I wanted to unload on him, but God wouldn't let me (you know the feeling). However, I did respond, "If you don't have the boldness to invite others to church, I doubt you have the courage to invite them to accept Jesus." (Too far?)

This November, we need to set aside our John series long enough to rekindle our generosity campaign we titled **10,000 Reasons**. Although our campaign is partially to upgrade our church facility, please don't miss the heart behind it. We want to reach more people. Inside the campaign was also money for livestreaming, which gets the word out farther, monies for our Local Impact ministry, and monies to create a safe environment when people attend.

Let me be clear! Our church is not a facility. Our people are the Church. Our ministry is not this building. Our ministry is souls. We don't exist to build bigger and better structures, but to reach the lost. However, with that being said, this building we have does enhance our ministry. It gives us a workable area to introduce people to Jesus; a place for our youth to gather and discover their own faith, and a space for our children to be taught the stories of Scripture. No question about it, our building has been our number one evangelistic tool. I truly question how successful we would have been all these years without it.

I'm grateful for past generations who stepped out in faith and built this place. Thousands have come to know Jesus Christ right here. Constructing a church for God's use brought the early Christians in Lincoln many blessings and joys. It gave them deep satisfaction knowing that their sacrifices would add more faces to heaven. Now that satisfaction is ours. Now those joys belong to us! And keeping a strong and vibrant ministry in the downtown area thrills us.

Current Sermon Series:

REACH



- Nov. 7 Reach Through Gospel Conversations
- Nov. 14 Reach Through Inviting Others
- Nov. 21 Reach Through Financial Generosity
- Nov. 28 Global Impact Sunday

Jolly Seniors

The Senior's monthly gathering will meet at LCC on Tuesday, November 23 @ 10 am. If you're not already signed up for the monthly Jolly Seniors newsletter, call the Church Office at 217.732.7618 to be added to the mailing list!



**Mark your
calendar for
Jolly Seniors!**



Brandon Boyd
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ready for your next step?

LIFESTEP 2

Connect to Your Spiritual Growth

Sunday, November 7
5:00-7:00 pm

includes dessert • no childcare



sign up at lincolnchristianchurch.org/lifestep or stop by the Welcome Center

Announcing: LifeStep #2

At Lincoln Christian Church, we want to help accelerate your spiritual growth by introducing (or re-introducing) you to five important spiritual habits. With these habits, you can begin to really experience the abundant life and spiritual health that Christ wants us each to have. This is one of the two classes that we would like each of our adult members and attenders to take along their spiritual journey, but you can take them in any order. This class meets on Sunday, November 7, from 5:00-7:00 pm. We will provide dessert. No childcare provided. Sign-up at the Welcome Center or at lincolnchristianchurch.org/lifestep.

FOUR
19
disciple



Sunday School

Adult Sunday School

A great first place to connect with new friends and to learn the Bible is one of our six adult Sunday School Classes. We have classes for all adults. Our classes are fun places to study the Bible with friends. Stop by the Welcome Center or visit lincolnchristianchurch.org/next for class options.



Does Your Marriage Need a Tune-Up?

- **67%** of married couples experience a significant decline during the first three years of their newborn's life.
- **70%** of couples report to having marital conflict over money & finances.
- **86%** of young couples expect their marriage to last a lifetime. However, only 56% of Americans will celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary.

So many people do lifelong training in so many things — if you're a golf enthusiast, you go to the driving range a couple times a week. If you're a lawyer, you take continuing education. If you're an artist, you take workshops. And somehow, there's this belief that we don't have to work at learning how to be a couple; it should just come naturally. That is just very backwards thinking. Every marriage could use a tune-up from time to time.

Navigate to marriagetuneup.org, and we will text, and also email you, 30 days of marriage encouragement in the form of short texts, quotes, and reminders to begin your marriage tune-up!

Next Steps Website

For the latest information on the adult discipleship ministry, joining groups, classes and studies as well as finding a place to serve in ministry, check out our website!

lincolnchristianchurch.org/next

Welcome to the Family!

New Members:

Jonathan & Madison Lyonhart 9/12/21

New Members by Baptism:

Bill & Lauri Bates 10/11/21

Ella C. Roemer 10/24/21



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Stay informed with Text Updates from the Student Ministry

For Jr. High, text **jhfuel** to 97000.

For High School, text **thegathering** to 97000.

You will receive text messages from Lincoln Christian Church. No purchase necessary. Message & data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. Reply STOP to stop, HELP for help. Terms: <http://97000.co/t>. Privacy policy: <http://97000.co/p>.



5th Grade Bash

Join us Friday, Nov. 5 from 6-8 pm for a great night of games and food! Only \$5 at the door! Sign up at lccstudents.com/events.



Post – High School

We will have Post from 8-9 pm after the Gathering on Sunday, Nov. 14 in the Gym.

We will play some games, hang out, and have a few surprises! Sophomores bring drinks/snacks.

MISSION DOMINICAN Team Meeting

Our first Team Meeting will be Monday, Nov. 15 from 7-8:30 pm in Rooms 15 and 16.

CIY Believe Has Ended

CIY informed us that they will no longer offer *Believe* as a program option for students. They are pivoting to other events to minister to Jr. Highers.

We are working on a Serve Trip for 6th-7th

Graders that will replace Believe and be approximately the same length and cost. More details in the spring!

Mark Your Calendar – CIY Trips

5th Grade *SuperStart*

February 25-26

Approximately \$75 + meals



8th-12th Grade *Move*

July 11-16

Approximately \$390 + meals



8th Grade students can still apply for a scholarship for \$100 for *Move*. Scholarship details will be available in the spring!

Hey Juniors and Seniors! Check out LCU's LEAP Program!



Lincoln Christian

University's Early Achievement Program (LEAP) is a great opportunity for high school juniors and seniors to get a practical and affordable jump on their college education. Through the LEAP dual enrollment program, students have the opportunity to enroll and receive credit for college courses while still in high school at a discounted rate. Begin your college journey now by enrolling in LCU classes either on campus or online! For More Info - Go to <https://lincolinchristian.edu/academics/programs/dual-enrollment/> **Seriously! You should check out this program!**



Help the Student Ministry by buying Cracker Barrel, Sorrento's and Walmart Gift Cards!

You can buy gift cards/certificates at the Student

Information Desk in the Family Room to help students take part in discipleship events. You pay for the value of the gift card and a percentage of that money goes to the Youth Fund to help students who need financial aid!



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MOMs GROUP

MOMs Group at LCC is all about supporting and encouraging moms and kids of ALL ages! Recently MOMs assembled and gave out hugs (Hershey's Hugs) to students at Lincoln College, to encourage them as they approach mid-terms. It was a fun evening for our moms and well received by the college students! Pictured are some of our moms at work putting together encouragement packages and students receiving hugs. Join our MOMs in praying for students of all ages!

And there's always room for more! If you would like more information about MOMs, just contact marcia.wells@lincolnchristianchurch.org.



KIDS CLUB

Treasure Seekers

Wednesdays | 6:30-7:45 pm

If you haven't joined us for Wednesday Night Kids Club, there's always room for more! This semester we are learning who God is and taking steps toward really knowing Him. We've discovered Him as Creator, Promise Keeper, Forgiver, Provider, and more! Kids sometimes have hard questions. During this series we have heard some of those hard questions and are working on helping our kids know that our God is holy and perfect. They are learning it is ok to have questions as we learn more and more about how to draw closer to Him. This semester has brought some of those challenging and really great questions, and we mix those in with some fun learning games and crafts pictured above. If you haven't joined us yet, please come soon!



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50 Year Reunion Concert for Good News
is May 28-29, 2022! All former Good News students, sponsors, directors, and youth ministers, please go to lincolinchristianchurch.org/GN50 to update your contact info, tell us when you were in GN, share memories, and photos, and keep up to date with all of the Reunion details!

Celebrate!

CHRISTMAS

Part 1, Dec. 12 | Fellowship Center | 8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 am

featuring
Adult Worship Choir | HeartSong | Good News
String Orchestra and Worship Band

Part 2, Dec. 19 | Sanctuary | 8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 am

featuring
Kids Choir | Handbells

"The Misfit Toys" in the Family Room between services

Global Impact

Kerala
Christian
Mission

kcm-india.org



Felix Matthew, James and Valsamma Abraham Southwestern India

In spite of isolation, bribes, corruption, government restrictions, and lack of medical resources, the churches in Kerala state are thriving by being the hands and feet of Jesus during the pandemic. There have been few Covid deaths in these churches due to the care of the Christians.

The mature churches started by Matthew Veragueuse many decades ago have matured and are working alongside smaller and start-up churches. Many are becoming human ambulances to take Covid patients to hospitals and field centers. People are scared to live in their homes and are camping around the churches with Christian teens protecting their vacant properties in contrast to the Hindu leaders who forbid their camping out on their property. Domestic violence has decreased because alcohol is forbidden to those camping on the church property. Hindu parents are allowing their young children to hear Bible stories and to receive missed schooling with some parents learning to read and write along with their children who, in turn, are teaching other children Bible stories and choruses. James and Valsamma Abraham, on-the-field directors, are studying crisis counseling courses to help those struggling with domestic issues resulting from Covid.

As a minority in Hindu India, the churches are becoming confident leaders in the communities, in faith, trust, and obedience to the living Word.

Please continue to pray for these churches to reach the Hindus and Muslims around them. Praise God for his marvelous works in India as these Christians continue as the hands and feet of Christ.

Janet Shaw,
LCC Global Impact Team Member

Local Impact

The Christian Village

The Christian Village, now known as Christian Horizons, was established in 1962 and opened in 1965 by five Godly men that saw a need for faith-based nursing care for seniors. The goal was to shift nursing home care from the strictly physical to include the spiritual as well. Stepping out in faith, these men acquired land and raised funds to make this dream a reality.

Christian Horizons' values arise from our belief that every person is loved by God and created in His image. Because of this, we strive to honor God and value people in all we do and with all of our resources. We promote communities where everybody belongs and each person's gifts are celebrated.

A special fund drive is currently under way to raise funds for the purchase of a blanket warmer for the 300 wing. Please prayerfully consider adding your dollars to this project. And, as always, we covet your prayers.

Julie King,
Residential Services Director

ChristianHorizonsLiving.org

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**Sunday, November 7
is time change.
“Fall” back one hour!**

GOOD NEWS
[high school choir]

Carry-out Pork Chop Dinner
Sunday, November 14 10:30 am - 1:00 pm

\$10 Menu: _____
*Grilled boneless pork chop, candy glazed carrots,
mashed potatoes with gravy and a roll with butter*

Purchase your ticket from any Good News student through Nov 7 to directly support
that GN student. Tickets can also be purchased in the office during the week.

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