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The Christian Call

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WHAT
FAITH
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What Faith Looks Like

Faith is not just something we say. It is not just felt! It can be seen! I love the old Indiana Jones movie where he is required to step out in faith onto an invisible bridge over a deep chasm. He discovers rather quickly that a little dirt on the path will show the way and confirm his suspicions of an unseen bridge. It's such a great illustration of walking by faith. We can't see what's ahead, but we have to believe that God has made a way and that He will show it to us.

Walking by faith means living like there's more to life than the eye can see. A life of faith recognizes that what we can't see is more real, more true, and more powerful than what we can see with our own two eyes. The problem is that we use our physical eyes to judge everything. If I can't see it or touch it, I question if it's real or not. We're not used to opening our spiritual eyes and seeing with faith.

When the Hebrew writer says, "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus," (12:2) that can't be done with physical eyes so the writer must be talking about spiritual eyes. **Faith** is trusting what the eye cannot see!

Eyes see our enemy approaching and our backs against the sea; faith sees the water parting and our journey across on dry ground.

Eyes see the walls of Jericho too tall to scale; faith sees the walls tumbling down.

Eyes see storms; faith sees Jesus calming the storm.

Eyes see a dead body; faith sees an empty tomb.

Eyes see our faults; faith sees our Savior.

Eyes see our guilt; faith sees his cleansing blood.

Eyes look in the mirror and see a sinner, a failure; but faith looks in the mirror and sees a robed prodigal bearing the ring of grace on our finger and the kiss of our Father on our face.

Eyes see an empty tomb; but faith sees Jesus alive.

I think there's a good chance I spend too much time focused on what I can see and not what God can do.

Jesus once said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. With God, all things are possible." Prayer today: Lord, help me to not focus on my troubles, but help me to fix my eyes on Jesus. Amen!

Current Sermon Series:



7/03	Abraham & Isaac	Hebrews 11:17-20
7/10	Jacob	Hebrews 11:21
7/17	Joseph	Hebrews 11:22
7/24	Moses	Hebrews 11:23-29
7/31	Rahab	Hebrews 11:30-31

JOLLY SENIORS MEETING
**Now meeting the 4th *Wed. of the month*

DATE: *Wednesday, July 27
 @ 10:00 am—12:30 pm

PLACE: Fellowship Center @
 Lincoln Christian Church
 204 N. McLean St.
 Lincoln, IL 62656

PROGRAM: Darin Akin

DEVOTION: Ryan Edgecombe

LUNCH ENTRÉE: Chicken from Guzzardo's!

NEXT MEETING: *Wednesday, August 24, 2022!

Welcome!
New Church Members:

Sherri Mester 5/29/2022
 Alex Donaldson 6/5/2022





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Our LifeGroups will be taking a break for the summer. But, there are still great opportunities to learn the Bible, meet new friends, and serve our church through our Adult Sunday School Classes.

We have five classes for adults that meet every Sunday morning at 9:30 am. These classes are taught by smart, committed teachers and led by a dedicated team of leaders who plan class parties, service projects, and other get-togethers!

Join one of our classes during the summer. Visit several classes and pick the one where you feel most comfortable!

- ⇒ Beacons
Room 15 | Seniors | 9:30 am
- ⇒ Crusaders
Room 16 | Empty Nesters | 9:30 am
- ⇒ Encouragers
Family Room 1 | Seniors | 9:30 am
- ⇒ Open Door
Room 305 | School-Age Parents | 9:30 am
- ⇒ LambSeekers
Room 304 | Mixed Ages | 9:30 am

You can check the discipleship website for more information at: lincolnchristianchurch.org/adults



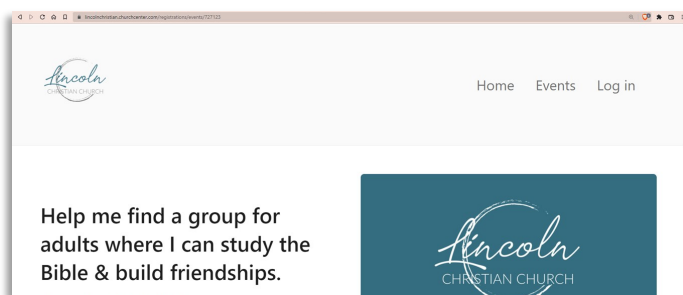
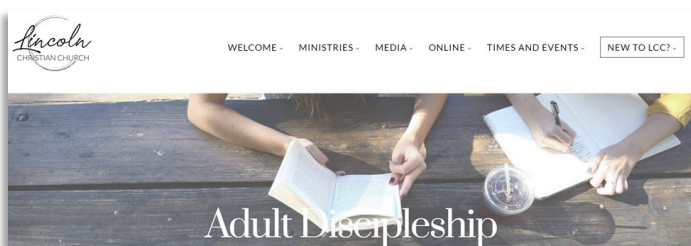
Take Next Spiritual Steps this Fall!

On Sundays, August 14, 21, 28, you will have the opportunity to sign up for one of our groups, classes, and studies as well as being an important part in one of our ministry teams! These next steps will help you grow closer to God, build your friendship with others, and make a difference in our church, community, nation, and our world.

- LifeGroups (based on our fall sermon series! — “Running on Empty”)
- Sunday School Classes
- Women’s Bible Study
- Men on Fire
- Wednesday evening classes
- Serving in our maintenance ministry
- Serving in our kitchen ministry
- Serving in our funeral dinner ministry
- Serving in our safety team ministry

For the most update information contact me at: brandon.boyd@lincolnchristianchurch.org

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Instagram—[@lcc_stumin](https://www.instagram.com/lcc_stumin)

Facebook—[/lccsm](https://www.facebook.com/lccsm)

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>.

Summer Calendars Available

Bible study and summer events information are on the Summer Calendars which are available at the Student Info Desk and online at:

LCCstudents.com/events

Summer Sunday School

Incoming 6th-8th Grade students will be combined for the summer in Family Room 2. Incoming 9th Grade – Graduated Seniors will be combined in Room 12.

Jr. High Summer Bible Study

...for incoming 6th-8th Graders. We'll be working through the book of 1 Peter! D.I.R.T. (Deep In Rich Truth) will meet on most Wednesdays this summer, 12 – 1:30 pm.

Locations can be found on the Summer Calendar or online at:

LCCstudents.com/events



High School Summer Bible Study

...for incoming 9th-Graduates. We'll be working through James! Greenhouse will meet on most Wednesdays this

summer, 12 – 1:30 pm. Locations can be found on the Summer Calendar or online at:

LCCstudents.com/events



High School Laser Tag Shindig

Hey incoming 9th-Graduated Seniors, come with us to Belleville, IL to eat pizza, play some laser tag and arcade games, and drive some Go-Karts!

Wednesday, July 6 from 3:30 pm - 11:45 pm. More info on the LCC app or at:

LCCstudents.com/events

Jr. High Game Night July 20

Hey incoming 6th-8th Graders, on Wednesday, July 20 from 6-9 pm, come hangout at the church building for food and games! We will play video games and board games. It will be a great night to simply hang out! \$7 at the door for the food we'll provide for you!



Our 2022 trip is just around the corner! We are excited to work with GO Ministries July 19-26. We ask you to please pray for our mission trip, our team, and that God would use us for His Kingdom! There is a way for you to be a blessing on this trip and partner with the team without leaving the country!!!

We are taking game and craft supplies for one of the churches we will be visiting. By donating one of these supplies, you can be a blessing to a local church in the Dominican Republic and the kids that are hearing the Gospel! See the church office for a list of supplies.

Church! Help the Student Ministry by buying Walmart and Cracker Barrel Gift Cards !

You can buy gift cards at the Student Info 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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PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION



We have open spots for the 2022-2023 school year, and we would love to save one for your preschooler! Pick up an enrollment form from the Office, Children's check-in area, or online at: lincolnchristianchurch.org/preschool

POOL PARTY!

Save the date! Saturday, August 20, from 6-8 pm is our Family Swim Party at the Lincoln Rec Center, 1400 Primm Road. Invite your friends! We will see you there! Parents must accompany kids please!!



Before you know it, fall will be upon us, and we will all be starting new routines. We want to invite you to consider joining our Kids Ministry

Team! It can be messy and fun, challenging and fun, but most of all it is filled with awesome opportunities to invest and make a difference in young lives! Contact Miss Marcia to find out more information!



SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

Kids will be promoted to their new Sunday School class for the 2022-2023 school year. Plan to be here for this special day and congratulate our kids!



SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 3:00—4:30 pm

Join Miss Marcia and Miss Christi for afternoon fun at the park! We will have games and lots of fun together. Watch next month's Call for more information and details!



By the time you receive this issue of *The Call*, "Food Truck Party" VBS will be behind us, and we will be looking toward fall already. We want to take this opportunity to thank

everyone who served, donated funds and supplies, prepared crafts, decorated, and prayed for us. To each and everyone of you, we say thank you for partnering in reaching kids and families this summer! We are so very grateful, thank you!!



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The 50-Year Reunion Concert for Good News is May 27-28, 2023!
We had to move it from 2022 to 2023 several months ago because Covid was still raging at that time when people were needing to make travel arrangements. All former Good News students, sponsors, directors, and youth ministers, go to lincolnchristianchurch.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 details!



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SENIOR CLASS OF 2022



WILLIAMSVILLE, ILLINOIS

GLOBAL IMPACT



TREKS—Serving in Asia

Tears were in many eyes as the group of women, seekers and believers alike, listened to a new sister give testimony of how God brought her to himself. Then she was baptized in the tub in her home. Friends brought gifts to celebrate the special occasion. Small groups like this one for moms are catalysts for growth and discipleship. Praise God for the fruit he is cultivating across the globe and through the ministry efforts of Scott & Kerry!

Life amid Covid restrictions continues to be a challenge for Scott, Kerry, and the family as they go to work and school. A one-day trip to another city for a passport renewal led to an 11-day stint in a quarantine hotel. They never know when they'll be called out for community testing or when their building will be locked down. They have to take a Covid test every 3 days. Dealing with uncertainty and lack of control is wearing on them and on many in their community. However, despite restrictions and uncertainty, Scott and Kerry are able to continue to train leaders, focusing on integrating leadership with discipleship.

Timothy, a rising high school freshman, and Rachel, a rising junior, are done with school for the summer and are enjoying a bit of a break—and being able to sleep in! Ellie has finished her first semester of college in Australia and has a few weeks of winter break during which she will visit her grandparents and attend a week-long Christian camp for college students. The rest of the family hopes to take a week of summer vacation in country at some point.

The Global Impact Team was able to speak with Scott during our June meeting via encrypted video chat. It was wonderful to see and hear him and to get an update on the ministry and family! He and Kerry ask that we join them in praying for continued growth among small groups and that others will take the step of faith into new life in Christ. They also ask that we pray that the Holy Spirit would work in their city to begin a disciple-making movement there. On a personal note, they ask that we pray for good family memories to be made this summer.

Barb Messner, GI Team Member

P.S. Join the Global Impact Team as we hear from COPE Executive Directors Devane and Michaela Amalla on Wednesday, July 13 from 6:30 –8:30 pm in Family Room 1. We will be updated on COPE's ministry and finances, and there will be a brief time for Q&A. All are welcome to come!

LOCAL IMPACT

Latest News



LCC, through the support of the Local Impact Ministry Team, purchased 10 box fans to donate to Community Action during this heat wave since summer has officially begun!

Below is a list of all our local ministries that Lincoln Christian Church regularly supports:

Christian Campus Foundation (AXIOM), Urbana
Christian Child Care, Lincoln
Food Pantry, Lincoln/Logan County
Habitat For Humanity, Logan County
His Hands Outreach, Lincoln
Inner City Mission, Springfield
Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln
Little Galilee Christian Camp, Clinton
The Christian Village, Lincoln

Thank you for your offerings that help go towards the needs of those right here in our very own neighborhood! We appreciate it and you!!

Cathy Huerd, LI Team Member

For more information and details on any of Lincoln Christian Church's missionaries or ministries, please contact us from the information below that is most convenient for you:

e: LCCChurch@LincolnChristianChurch.org

w: www.LincolnChristianChurch.org

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t: 217.732.7618 | Mon.-Fri. @8-12/1-4*

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This is our 27th year of having special event license plates for Harvest!!!

Reservations for these plates are now being accepted in
LCC's Office (204 N. McLean St.) during open *summer hours of
Mon-Fri. | 8 am—12 pm / 1 pm—*4pm

The new 2022 "H.O.T. Plates" will have:

- a white background
- black original artwork and security suffix
- required embossed lettering in black for our 39th Anniversary

To reserve your order for your preferred number, we must have:

- \$25 cash (or check payable to *Lincoln Christian Church*, Memo: *H.O.T. plates*) AND
- a legible copy of your ILLINOIS vehicle registration, valid through **October 2022** or beyond.

Thank you! ~Carolyn Neal 217.737.9170
(You may text me a pic of your registration!)

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