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# The Christian Call

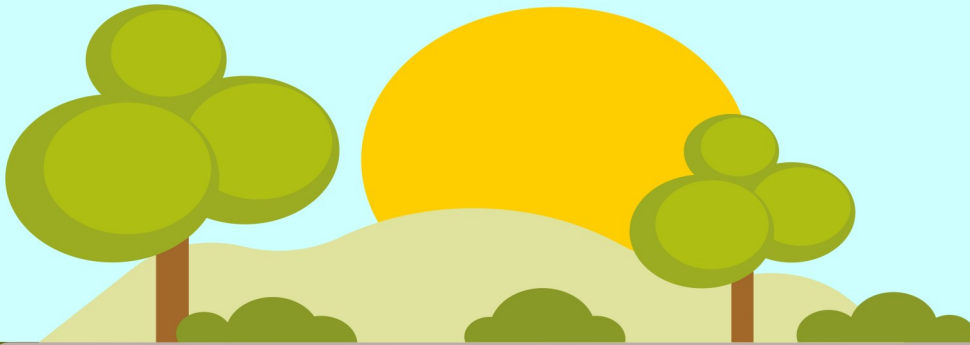
## Worship Services

8:15 am | Sanctuary  
8:15 am | Fellowship Center  
9:30 am | Fellowship Center  
10:45 am | Fellowship Center

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## KidMin Family Game Day @ the Park

8.28.22 | 3:00-4:30pm | Kickapoo Creek Park Pavilion 1



Kick Ball | Whiffle Ball | Yard Games

# FALL SIGN UPS

SIGN UP FOR  
GROUPS CLASSES STUDIES STUDENTS KIDS CHOIRS

SIGN UP TO  
SERVE ON A MINISTRY TEAM

AUGUST 14 AUGUST 21 AUGUST 28



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## Ron Otto Preaching Ministry

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### Be A Light

We're all familiar with lightning bugs or fireflies, whose little bodies produce a chemical reaction which causes a small light to emit. Now, Korean scientists have developed a cat that glows in the dark. (Probably started glowing after too many CAT scans!) Deep in the sea, there are creatures which have been created by God to emit light. There is a fish called the "flashlight fish," which has a luminescent on its head. It can turn its light off and on at will, presumably to attract or blind its prey.

There are many man-made glow-in-the-dark items: watches, pajamas, toys, and now diapers. Unlike sea creatures and the fireflies, those man-made novelties require exposure to a light before they can actually glow in the dark.

God wants us to glow in the dark. Jesus is the light giver, and we are the light bearer. Why?

1. The world is dark and getting darker. "Evil men and imposters will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived." (II Timothy 3:13) What's God's plan for a dark world? Fill it with light.

2. We are the light God wants to shine. "He who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life." (John 8:12)

"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light." (Eph. 5:8)

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden." (Matthew 5:14)

Can you hide a city? Not likely! Its lights can be seen for miles. God is not a secret to be kept.

The world prefers darkness. So some Christians cover their lamps, but Jesus teaches us to shine and shine brightly.

The light we have comes because of our relationship to Jesus Christ. When it's time for the sun to go down, the moon rises! Jesus is the sun... we are the moon. We have no light of our own; we just reflect his light. Jesus said, "You are the light... and I will not hide you from the world."

Our upcoming sermon series is called, "Be a Light." This fall and for the next nine months, Lincoln Christian Church goes public with our brightness.

### Upcoming Sermon Series: Be A Light



9/04	"GO and..."	Matthew 28
9/11	Love Intentionally	Luke 5:27-31
9/18	Invite Boldly	Luke 14:16-24
9/25	Speak Courageously	I Corinthians 2:1-5

**JOLLY SENIORS MEETING**

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 21\*  
\*(Note we'll meet 1 week earlier than usual this time!)  
@ 10:00 am—12:30 pm

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

**PROGRAM:** Route 66 Barbershop Quartet!

**DEVOTION:** Greg Wooten!

**LUNCH ENTRÉE:** Baked Chicken!

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, October 26, 2022

### Welcome!

#### New Members by Baptism:

Eli Roemer	7/24/2022
Kadin Osland	8/18/2022
Lillian Manuel	8/19/2022





**Brandon Boyd**  
**Adult Ministry**

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### The Smart Stepfamily DVD Study: 8 Weeks to a Healthier Stepfamily

Healthy blended families are often a challenge to achieve, to navigate; we want to help! Ron L. Deal, director of FamilyLife Blended and one of the nation's leading experts on Christian stepfamilies, gives couples keys to building a healthy stepfamily. The eight DVD sessions offer useable solutions for everyday living, practical tips for raising stepkids, and ways to strengthen the couple's marriage. Deal's personable presentation combines instruction and encouragement that affirms both husbands and wives and their intent to build strong families. Class meets Wednesdays at 6:30 pm beginning September 7. Cost is \$15. Scholarships are available. Pay on first night of class. Sign up at: [blendedfamilytuneup.com](http://blendedfamilytuneup.com)



### Men On Fire

Join with other men as they study ways to apply the powerful truths of the Bible to daily life. Join the Men On Fire team teaching on how to live as Godly men. Fire meets Wednesday evenings this fall beginning September 7.

### You Can Make an Impact

A key step in your spiritual growth is to join a ministry team to serve our church family, our community, and our world. You can serve as a greeter, kitchen worker, groundskeeper, and more. We have a place to serve for everyone! Find more information at: [lincolnchristianchurch.org/impact](http://lincolnchristianchurch.org/impact)



### Newcomers Reception

On Sunday, October 16, following each morning service, we will be holding a newcomers reception in the Fireside Room. If you are newer with us, we would like to take about ten minutes of your time. We would like to introduce ourselves to you and give you some information about next steps. (This will really help us put a name with a face!) Please pick up your kids from the children's ministry before you come to the reception. We have a small gift for you as a way of saying "thanks" for attending! No signups necessary.



### Are You "Running on Empty?"

If you have never been part of a LifeGroup, sign up now! LifeGroups are groups of 3-10 people who meet together, usually in a home or a restaurant.

Existing LifeGroups resume meeting the week of September 11.

If you are *new to LifeGroups*, you have two options:

- 1) Sign up to lead a group of 3-5 friends to discuss our fall series "Running on Empty". We provide you discussion questions and a coach to help! Or...
- 2) Sign up to be placed in a group for the series.

Stop by the Fireside Room on September 4, 11, or 18 to learn about being in a LifeGroup this semester.

Or visit:

[lincolnchristianchurch.org/group](http://lincolnchristianchurch.org/group)

Or text the word "groups" to **309.322.0740** for more information!





## Zach Ramsey Student Ministry

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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>.



### Fall Calendars

Be sure to pick up Fall Calendars for both Jr. High and High School at the Student Info Desk or online: [lccstudents.com/events](http://lccstudents.com/events)

### 5th -12th Grade Sunday School

Sunday School meets 9:30 – 10:30 am every Sunday morning. Come learn more about Scripture!

- ⇒ 5th Grade – Room 17
- ⇒ 6th-8th Grade – Family Room 2
- ⇒ 9th-12th Grade – Room 12



### Jr. High Bash – 6th-8th Grade

Hey 6th-8th Graders, the Jr. High Bash will be Fri., September 23 from 6-9 pm. It is going to be incredible! \$7 at the door for pizza, pop, and tons of games. It's going to be awesome!

Hey 6th-8th Graders  
join us for OnMission  
October 28-30!



It is going to be an incredible weekend of serving people in central Illinois and around the world. We will serve others and help them know who Jesus is. 8th Grade Students who attend OnMission can apply for a scholarship for \$100 towards Move! That means that what you pay for OnMission is taken off the cost for Move. How sweet is that? Cost is \$100; more details closer to time!



### WE NEED YOUR HELP AT QUEST!!!

We are changing our Quest program to target K-5th Grade Students. We need adults who love to help at-risk kids kick-start their faith! Quest meets during the school year on Thursday afternoons, 3:30-5:15 pm. Email or talk to Zach Ramsey if you are interested.

### Need Money for Events? Buy Gift Cards, Earn Cash Back!

Families! Family Fundraising Accounts help you raise funds through physical

or online gifts cards that earn cash back rebates for you to use for trips. You pay for the value of the gift card and a percentage of that money goes to your account at the church. You can buy gift cards at the Student Info Desk in the Family Room or online. For more info come see us at the Student Info Desk in the Family Room or visit:

[lccstudents.com/parents](http://lccstudents.com/parents)





**Marcia Wells**  
**Children's Ministry**



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**CONGRATS** to all of our kids who Moooooooooooooved UP on Promotion Sunday!



**HAPPY**  
**GRANDPARENTS**  
**DAY**

**Sunday, September 11**  
**Bring a Grandparent(s)**  
**to Sunday School Day!**

Kids invite your

grandparent(s) or a special friend to visit your class on Sunday, September 11, at the 9:30 hour! They can stay for a few minutes, meet your teacher, and see your classroom. (Parents, if grandparents need to use the elevator that day, please encourage them to do so!)



This fall will be full of special events for kids and families, like the Park Day and Grandparents Day. Plus, there are more special events

to come! We could use extra hands with some of those special days from time to time. If you would like to help with some special one time events, just let Miss Marcia know by emailing:

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**KIDS CLUB FALL 2022**  
**FOOD TRUCK PARTY PART 2**  
**September 7, 14, 21 & 28**

We had a blast this summer at Food Truck Party VBS! It was so much fun learning about God's provision for us, we didn't want it to stop! So, we are going to continue "On a Roll with God" this fall at Food Truck Party Part 2.

Kids Club this fall will be a little different. This fall kids Kindergarten through 4th grade will meet for two fall sessions. The first one will be during the month of September on the dates above. The second session will be October 26, November 2, 9, & 16. Each time we will have more fun learning what the Bible says from activities that include food! It's sure to be wild and wacky as we **discover** what the Bible has to say!

We will meet from 6:30-7:45 pm, so mark your calendars now! And while you're at it, check the information below for more special dates to add to your schedule!

**Family Sunday, August 28, 3—4:30 pm**

Families, join Miss Marcia and Miss Christi for an afternoon of fun at Kickapoo Creek Park! We will have games and lots of fun together! We'll be at the first shelter house area. We'll have kick ball, whiffle ball, bubbles, Frisbee games, a cool treat, and more! Plan to join us there! And remember to bring some friends with you!!





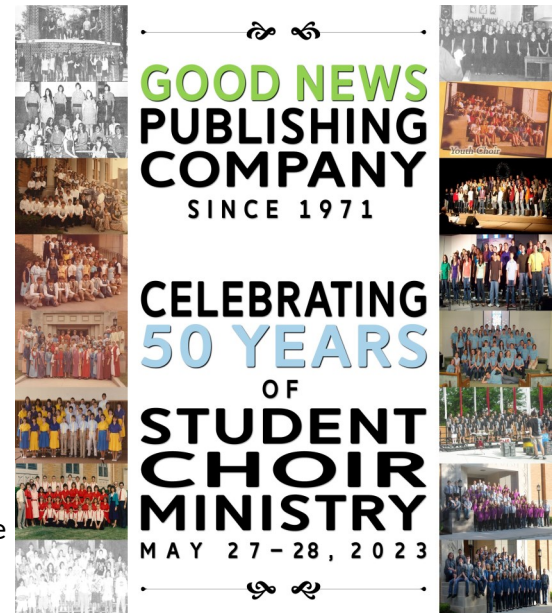


## Laurin Hill Worship Ministry

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**The 50-Year Reunion Concert for Good News is now May 27-28, 2023!**

We had to move the Reunion from 2022 to 2023. Plan to join us May 27-28, 2023! All former Good News students, sponsors, directors, and youth ministers, go to [lincolnchristianchurch.org/GN50](http://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!



The **Sanctuary Choir** kickoff is Wednesday, Sep. 7, at 6:30 pm. The Sanctuary Choir meets each Wednesday night from 6:30 – 7:45 pm. We present feature music and lead worship in the 8:15 am Sanctuary service. The Sanctuary Choir is open to those in high school and older. Even if you worship in the Fellowship Center services, there are lots of ways to work out your Sunday morning plan to sing with the Sanctuary Choir! Let's talk! We'll begin our Christmas music in October.



**Good News** is for students in 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades. Kickoff is Sunday, Sep. 11, at 5:00 pm. Good News consists of Student Choir, T.R.A.S.H.\*, & Student Drama Team. Good News includes relevant music, focused drama, and great service opportunities in a fast-paced, high-energy environment all leading up to a fantastic tour, June 6-13, 2023! Invite your friends! Pick up a brochure!

\*evaluation required for T.R.A.S.H.

**HeartSong** is for 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Kickoff is Sunday, Sep. 11, at 6:00 pm. HeartSong includes service opportunities in music, worship, drama, and T.R.A.S.H.! HeartSong will sing in *Celebrate! Christmas* as well as a three-day tour in April 2023. HeartSong rehearses each Sunday from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Grab a brochure to invite your friends!

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**Kids Choir** will kickoff on Sunday, Sep. 11, at 6:00 pm. Kids Choir is for 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> graders. We have a blast learning about music, worship, and Jesus! Kids Choir meets each Sunday evening from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Come give it a try. We'll be working on some fun music for Christmas as well as our Spring musical in May 2023. Invite a friend or two or five!

**Kids Choir**

## LOCAL IMPACT

### Lincoln / Logan Food Pantry E-Newsletter



	<u>June</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>April</u>
Individuals served	1206	995	875
Children served	381	296	228
Households served	369	323	281

After months of rising food prices, many of our neighbors need support getting food. Many customers have commented, this will help my family a lot, especially since paying higher gas prices! In Illinois, 1 in 8 children and 1 in 10 people face hunger. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly food stamps, provides temporary help for people going through hard times. The combination of charitable programs (Lincoln Logan Food Pantry) and government assistance programs are necessary to help bridge the meal gap for people here in Logan County.

LLFP has a need for fresh produce! We are anxious to receive donations from area gardeners. SYSCO Inc. Lincoln office provides weekly donations of produce and sometimes frozen food items!

#### PATH Inc. Updates:

-Dial 988: started June 1, 2022. People may call 988 or 1.800.273.8255 for mental health/crisis intervention calls.

-Dial 211: started July 16, 2022. Operators ready to assist people with needs for Health and Human Services or social services.

#### Logan County 211 2nd Qtr. PATH Data:

-33 calls to 211

-3 Covid-19 contacts to 211

Thank you for your continued support! Our mission is to support food insecure people. Find us on Facebook!

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Hours:

Tuesdays 9-11 am

Thursdays 2-4 pm



## GLOBAL IMPACT

### [ChildrenOfPokot.org](http://ChildrenOfPokot.org) Education Fund



COPE was founded in 1997. The organization's headquarters is located in Lincoln, IL. The African Mission is located in Tapadeny, Pokot, Kenya. The purpose of the organization is to provide Christian education to the children of the Pokot tribe located in Kenya. The ultimate goal of COPE is to bring each of the Pokot children and adults to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Since 1997, the mission has grown and developed and become a center for the community, teaching Christian beliefs and ethics.

Board Members are Devane & Michaela Amalla—Executive Directors, San Jose, IL; Joan Buckles—President, Lake Fork, IL; Josh Turnery—Vice President, Clinton, IL; Michelle Willoughby—Treasurer, Clinton, IL; Linda Seggelke—Secretary, Lincoln, IL; Don Hoover, Lincoln, IL; Steve Kottelman, Lincoln, IL.

COPE's mailing address is PO Box 903, Lincoln, IL, 62656. However, there is no actual office. Thanks to computers, internet and telephones, the work of COPE is done in various locations by volunteers. Board Meetings are held via conference calls so that Board Members are able to live anywhere and still be active participants. Gifts to COPE may be mailed to the Lincoln address.

Our own Barb O'Donoghue was the founder and director of COPE Ministry. She left behind a legacy of courage, faith, love, and selflessness. COPE ministry is committed to keeping her vision alive, feeding souls and bodies in the Pokot Community in Kenya, and sharing Jesus with the world. It was Barb's wish that memorials made in her honor would be made to the COPE Ministry to continue taking care of her 'children'. We appreciate your continued prayer and support in the absence of our matriarch.

COPE Executive Directors, Michaela and Devane Amalla welcomed their new baby girl, Alinea Marie, on Saturday, August 13, 2022! Both are home and doing well. Prayer requests are for continued health for mom and baby; the Pokot Administration; relief food efforts due to armyworm infestation; inflation issues in Pokot and the US; wisdom for the COPE Board to seek God's vision for Pokot. Thank you for your prayers!





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# HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY

Kids (through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade) bring your  
Grandparent(s) or Special Person to visit your  
Sunday School Class during the 9:30 hour!

HARVEST OF TALENTS

## Musical Offering

FOR WORLD HUNGER

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 | 2:00 PM | SANCTUARY

Proceeds from the  
free-will offering will  
be used to feed hungry  
and hurting people all  
over the world.



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