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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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# AWAKEN

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



## Journey to the Cross

7:00 pm  
Good Friday, April 7  
Sanctuary

*relive the Last Supper and the events that led to the Cross*

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### Awaken

The article read: "Woman wakes in morgue freezer." Yikes! In Poland, a 91-year-old woman has shocked her family – and public – by waking up in a morgue after being declared dead. Despite 11 hours of cold storage, Janina Kolkiewicz was discovered to be alive and well after mortuary staff detected movements in her body bag. Again . . . YIKES! Sounds like something from a scary movie. The article went on to say it's not that uncommon. Please, let this be uncommon, right?

Yes, Easter is all about a man coming back to life in a tomb. But make no mistake about it, Jesus was certainly dead. There's a huge difference between a mistaken death and a true resurrection. The evidence of his restored life is quite overwhelming. After all he experienced, the flogging, the nails, the spear, he appeared to many not as barely able to stand, but as the picture of strength.

If the resurrection story is true, and the evidences are staggering, then it has the power to change everything. If welcomed, it can cause a great awakening in us. If embraced, it will change us in the most profound ways. Hope is awakened. Joy will be awakened. Our purpose for living and our courage to face tomorrow will all be awakened.

Most of us are either easy risers or slow risers. I wake quickly in the morning. My wife wakes slowly, making the most of a snooze alarm. Our grandchildren are fun to watch after a night at Papa's. Some are quick risers and some are slow risers. If I say to Ben, "Who wants pancakes?" He immediately sits up and moves toward the table. Alex moves much slower. He likes to have his back rubbed as he's waking. He likes to be held a little at first.

Our world is the same when it comes to resurrection awakening. Some of us were quick to accept it. Many are slow. Regardless, once a person wakes up to its truth . . . it changes everything in the most explosive ways. This Easter, we begin a four-week sermon series titled "AWAKEN." I am most excited about this series! We need this awakening. I need this. This is going to be a great Easter season.

Please join us Resurrection Sunday, April 9, at 8:15 am in the Sanctuary or in the Fellowship Center at 8:15, 9:30 or 10:45 am in all here at Lincoln Christian Church!

### Upcoming Sermon Series: Awaken



04/09 Hope Awakened

04/16 Joy Awakened

04/23 Purpose Awakened

04/30 Courage Awakened

### JOLLY SENIORS MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, April 26, 2023  
(Back to our usual meeting on the 4th Wed. of the month!)  
@ 10:00 am — 12:30 pm

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

PROGRAM: Linda Storm!

DEVOTION: Ryan Edgecombe!

LUNCH ENTRÉE: Turkey from Guzzardo's!\*

\*Remember to bring sweets to share!

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 @10am!

### Welcome New Members by Baptism!

Aiden Frye 02/27/2023







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## Join the Team!

Ministry Teams serve our church family and our community. There is a place for everyone to serve—we need over 400 people every week to carry out God's work for Lincoln Christian Church. We have roles for greeters, kitchen workers, landscape team, handyman team, and many more! Info at:

[lincolinchristianchurch.org/serve](http://lincolinchristianchurch.org/serve)



### Newcomers Reception

On Sunday, April 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 sign-ups needed.

### Do you need



### Prayer Fuel

Looking for ways to improve your prayer life? Need fresh ideas and inspiration in talking to God? Sign up for our Fuel 4 Prayer newsletter at:

<https://bit.ly/3HW89jS>



### Grounds & Landscaping Team

A great first place to serve at Lincoln Christian Church. Each summer, church attenders step forward to take a small section of landscaping and keep it weed-free and looking sharp throughout the summer and fall. Sign up at the Welcome Center!

### Men on Fire

Join with other men as they study ways to apply the powerful truths of the Bible to daily life. Join Mike Lee as he leads Men on Fire on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:45pm in Room #300.



### More Info Online

For more on Groups, Classes, and Studies, you can find detailed information at:

[lincolinchristianchurch.org/connect](http://lincolinchristianchurch.org/connect)



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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>.



### Read Books, Raise Money for Move

Every High School Student can raise money for Move by reading a book from the Student Ministry Bookshelf and writing a 1-page reflection. \$15 per book and you can read up to 4 books. That's \$60 off the price of Move! The Student Ministry Bookshelf is available at Fuel and The Gathering.

### Scholarships for Move

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students who attended *On Mission* this fall can apply for a scholarship for \$100 for *Move*. That means that what you paid for *OnMission* is taken off the cost for *Move*. How sweet is that? Applications can be picked up at [lccstudents.com](http://lccstudents.com) or at the Student Info Desk and are due **Sunday, May 7**.

### Camp Scholarships Available!

We have 10 scholarships available for Jr. High and High School students to help them attend camp at Little Galilee. Applications can be picked up at [lccstudents.com](http://lccstudents.com) or at the Student Info Desk and are due **Sunday, May 7**. If you would like to use Family Fundraising Account funds for camp, contact the office by **Sunday, May 7**.



## Recognizing our High School Seniors at The Gathering and on Student Sunday



Graduation is around the corner, and we want to celebrate this milestone at The Gathering and on Student Sunday in all our Worship Services. Please let us know if you would like to have your High School Senior recognized by going to [lccstudents.com/seniors](http://lccstudents.com/seniors) by **Sunday, April 16** to sign up your senior for Senior Celebration and/or Student Sunday! Congrats Grads!



### Ribeye Sandwich MOOOVE Fundraiser

Sunday, May 7, we will have our Carry-Out Ribeye Sandwich MOOOVE Fundraiser for CIY Move! These carry out meals are a great lunch! You can purchase tickets in two ways. To help individual students, buy tickets from them Monday, April 17 thru Sunday, April 30. The second is to purchase tickets from the church office or at the door on Sunday, May 7. However, the proceeds from this second option will not benefit individual students directly, but will go toward the overall trip cost. Thank you for supporting the students of our church to go to such an amazing week at CIY!





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## SUMMER CAMP

The days will soon be getting warmer and before we know it school will be out! Make plans now to attend camp at Little Galilee! It is great that this well-equipped and well-staffed camp is so near Lincoln, and there's something for everyone! So many people point to Christian camping experiences as being formative in their spiritual development. Check out their website at [littlegalilee.org](http://littlegalilee.org). There you will find the schedule for camps, along with age groups and more. Make sure to sign up early, as many of the camps fill up quickly. You'll be glad you did!



## INTRODUCING HANNAH BRIMNER

We want to take this opportunity to introduce Hannah Brimner as the new LCC Preschool Director/Teacher! Miss Hannah comes to us from Kansas, Illinois, and is a graduate of Lincoln Christian University and Seminary. We are so glad to have her join the ministry team here at LCC!



A couple of fun facts about Miss Hannah: She loves sushi and crime documentaries! We think this means she will capably handle any snacks and solve any mystery cases of "who done it" in the classroom!

Make sure to take the opportunity to welcome her!



## BOOKS FOR BARKERS

In the spring of 2007, I stood in a room painting a wall with this kid that I thought was probably a junior or senior in high school. Making every attempt not to be awkward, but probably being awkward, I asked the typical "...so what classes are you taking this year?" To which he replied, "I'm in sixth grade." (To be fair, he was a REALLY tall sixth grader!) So began my acquaintance with Matthew Barker. As time passed, Matt went through our Jr. High, Sr. High, Good News, and Jr. Guide programs here at LCC. And then it was off to Kentucky Christian College to become a teacher. He spent summers back at Little Galilee where he met and fell in love with Sydney. They married, and off to Senegal, West Africa, they went to serve Jesus as teachers at the Dakar Christian Academy.

For the past year and a half, Kid Min has been giving offerings to help purchase books for the Barker's classrooms. So far, we are right at \$1,500! That's a lot of books! Our kids are impacting kids on another continent that they will probably never meet. What a tremendous opportunity for our kids to reach others and to know the blessing of giving.

To the parents who are encouraging your kids in this spiritual discipline of giving to others, thank you so much for helping them grow! If this a new idea for your family, by all means encourage your kids to give. The amount doesn't matter; pennies are great! The encouragement to think of the needs of others is what counts.

The kids are so excited as they look at our paper bookshelves that show all the books they are purchasing. Together we're making a difference. Partnering with Matt and Sydney is such a blessing!

Who knows how this project will inspire our kids as they grow? Could one of them be the next LCC Timothy to step out and serve in a special way? It's exciting to think about kids from LCC continuing to step out and serve in awesome ways just like that sixth grader from 2007!



## WORSHIP MINISTRY

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**50-Year Reunion & Concert for GOOD NEWS** Saturday & Sunday, May 27-28, 2023! To register for the event (step 2) please visit [lincolncruchurch.org/gn50](http://lincolncruchurch.org/gn50). By registering, you'll let us know you are coming, what vocal part you'll be singing in the Reunion Choir, reserve your choice of concert riser (standing or limited seated risers), all free! Once you have registered for the event on step 2, you'll receive a link to download the printed music we'll be singing and listen to the songs. Register today and tell your fellow GOOD NEWS alumni you are coming and they should too!

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[LINCOLNCHRISTIANCHURCH.ORG/GN50](http://LINCOLNCHRISTIANCHURCH.ORG/GN50)  
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TO LET US KNOW  
YOU ARE COMING!

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CHOIR  
MINISTRY**  
MAY 27-28, 2023

Sunday | May 28, 2023 6:00 pm  
**Lincoln Christian Church**  
204 N McLean St | Lincoln, Illinois

Sponsor a mile for \$5.77 per mile of our 2,189-mile June tour! We only have four weeks in March to "Move that Bus!" Track our progress each week at the big map in the Family Room! Thanks for your help!



THANKS FOR  
YOUR HELP!

HEARTSONG  
CONCERT!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**heartsong**

[jr. high choir] [T.R.A.S.H.] [drama team]

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**STAND  
FIRM**

Sunday, April 23 4:00 pm  
**Lincoln Christian Church**  
204 North McLean Street | Lincoln, Illinois



## GLOBAL IMPACT

### The Orchard Group

#### Tanner Green

Orchard Group was born in New York City and has been planting churches in metropolitan areas for over 75 years. They believe starting new churches is the best way to reach new residents, new people groups, and new generations with the Christian gospel. And they believe reaching people with the gospel is the best way to bring about enduring, positive change in our world.

Our church supports Tanner Green in his role as the New England General Director for Orchard Group. This role sees him involved in the recruitment, training, and support of church planters in the New England region. He took this position in 2021 after spending 10 years planting and growing SouthPointe Christian Church in Warwick, RI. Tanner currently works very closely with two new church plants; Beacon Church in Londonderry, NH and City Coast Church in Fairfield, CT. He is also serving as the interim minister at OceanPointe Christian Church in Middletown, RI.

Tanner and his wife Bethany have three children: Addi (12), Hudson (10), and Charlotte (7). Addi enjoys playing tennis and spending time with her youth group; Hudson loves playing basketball and chess; and Charlotte is involved in gymnastics and ice skating. Needless to say, Tanner and Bethany are kept pretty busy!



When asked for what our church can pray for, Tanner said their greatest request is for God to raise up more church planters in New England. He is constantly searching for individuals who can be the spark needed for a congregation to be formed in this area of our country. A region that is severely under church and in need of the life-giving hope of the gospel message. In addition, Tanner also asked for



our church to pray specifically against the burnout and struggles church leaders so often face when ministering in an environment so apprehensive towards the gospel message.

We are so grateful for the life-changing work Tanner does in New England by striving to bring the Bride of Christ to a region of our country that knows Him least. Please continue to lift Tanner and his family up in prayer as they continue to serve the Kingdom of God with our support.

Jacob Payne, GI Team Member

## LOCAL IMPACT

### W. o. W.

#### Widows of Wisdom

NOTE: Date change!

We will meet at 11:30 am on Friday, April \*14 (instead of the first Friday of April which is Good Friday:). Please meet at the home of Reva McFadden (1476 1950th St., Lincoln). Our meal will be potluck so bring your favorite side dish! Meat, drinks and dessert will be provided. Each lady should be prepared to talk about her favorite hobby or activity! Pictures or samples of those would be great. Hope to see you then and there!

Sharon Simonson, LI Team Member



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## Harvest of Talents Spring for Tea

Saturday, April 22  
11:30 am

LCC Fellowship Center  
Tickets available at the  
church office

March 1 - 26  
or until sold out

**\$25/Ticket**

All proceeds go to  
Harvest of Talents  
to alleviate world hunger



# **L.H. APPEL** scholarship

Applications are available in the church office.

These scholarships are awarded annually  
to members of Lincoln Christian Church who will attend a  
Restoration Movement Bible college full-time in 2023-24.

Deadline for completed applications is

**April 11**

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