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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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Sunday, May 7

Celebrating 16 Years with Miss Marcia!



Cake and Punch  
Reception after  
each service

**EXPLORE**  
CHILDREN'S  
PROGRAMMING

Sunday, May 14, we'll enjoy  
an assortment of savory and  
delectable bite-sized quiche  
between services . . . join us!

Happy  
MOTHER'S  
DAY

## Celebrating **GENERATIONS** in May!

Sunday, May 21 is Student Sunday!

Student - Led Worship  
Student Speakers  
Graduates Celebrated  
Appel Scholarship Presentation & Offering  
Good News & T.R.A.S.H.



Sunday, May 28

Gene Shepherd, former minister,  
will be with us to speak as we  
Celebrate 50 Years of Good News!



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### Generations

When my father passed away, he made sure to hand down a few items to me that he knew were important to me. One item was his old guitar that I first learned to play on. Another, an old German train clock that belonged to my grandparents, plus my dad's favorite fishing rod, and his old hunting gun. I showed these items to an old friend once and he said, "I love this because you love this."

As much as I cherish these items...they are not my father's legacy. These are nothing more than hand-me-down trinkets. My father's greatest legacy is that he introduced me to Jesus. My father's greatest legacy is that he made sure I was in church every Sunday so I could learn God's Word and God's Story.

What do you want to be remembered for? How do you hope to be remembered by friends and family? Legacy is what lives on after you die. Everyone would like to think they are leaving a good legacy.

God also wants us to leave good legacies. He wants us to be aware of following generations.

*One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. (Psalm 145:4)*

*We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. (Psalm 78:4)*

Each generation bears a responsibility to pass faith on to the next generation. We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord so that the next generation will know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn will tell their children. That responsibility begins and ends with me, with us as a church, and at home, with mothers and fathers teaching their children.

Our series for May is titled Generations. We will be celebrating Marcia Wells' 16 years of Children's Ministry, as well as celebrating Mother's day, celebrating Student Sunday, and celebrating 50 years of Good News student choir tours.

Generation after generation after generation, all tell the same story of Jesus' birth, life, death, burial, resurrection, and second coming!

### Upcoming Sermon Series: Generations



05/07 Generations Starting Point

05/14 Generations of Faith

05/21 Generations of World Changers

05/28 Generations of Good News

### JOLLY SENIORS MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, May 24, 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: Judy McClarey!

DEVOTION: Paul Boatman!

LUNCH ENTRÉE: Roast Pork from Guzzardo's!\*

\*Remember to bring sweets to share!

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 28, 2023 @10am!





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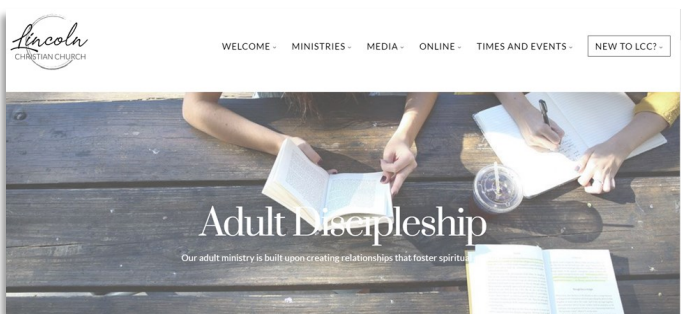


### THANK YOU to the Discipleship Team

As this semester draws to a close, I want to say *thank you* to all of our Sunday School Teachers, LifeGroup Leaders, Bible Study Leaders, Ministry Team Leaders, and Guest Relations Team Members! Thank you for investing your lives into the hundreds of people each week. God bless each of you!



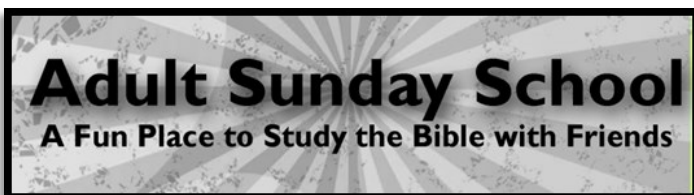
As a church, we are committed to Jesus' definition of a disciple. A disciple is one who is following Jesus. A disciple is a person who is being changed by Jesus. A disciple is a person who is serving in the mission of Jesus. I hope these principles will help you as you grow in your faith.



### More Information Online

Details on Groups, Classes, Studies, and Ministry Teams can be found at:

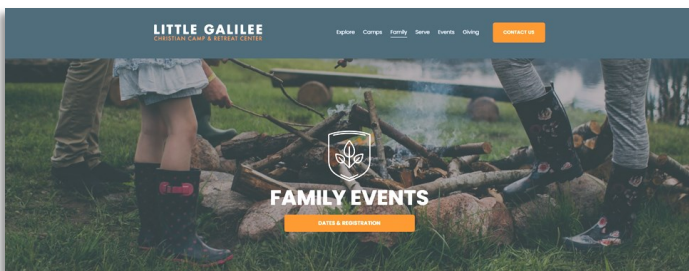
[lincolinchristianchurch.org/next](http://lincolinchristianchurch.org/next)



Our LifeGroups will be taking a break for the summer. But there is still great opportunity 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 for about an hour. These classes are taught by smart, committed teachers and led by a dedicated team of leaders who plan class parties, service projects and other fun get-togethers!

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



### Little Galilee Family Camp

A great opportunity for your family is one of the Family Camps at Little Galilee in Clinton, IL! This is a fun time to spend with family, grow in your faith, and make new friends. Family Camp 1 is Friday—Monday, May 26—29, 2023. The cost is reasonable. You may pick up a registration form at the Welcome Center or online at:

[littlegalilee.com](http://littlegalilee.com)





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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>.

### 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 at Fuel and also at the Gathering.



### 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 found at [lccstudents.com](http://lccstudents.com) or at the StuInfo Desk. **Due May 7.** If you would like to use Family Fundraising Account funds for camp, contact the office **by May 7.**



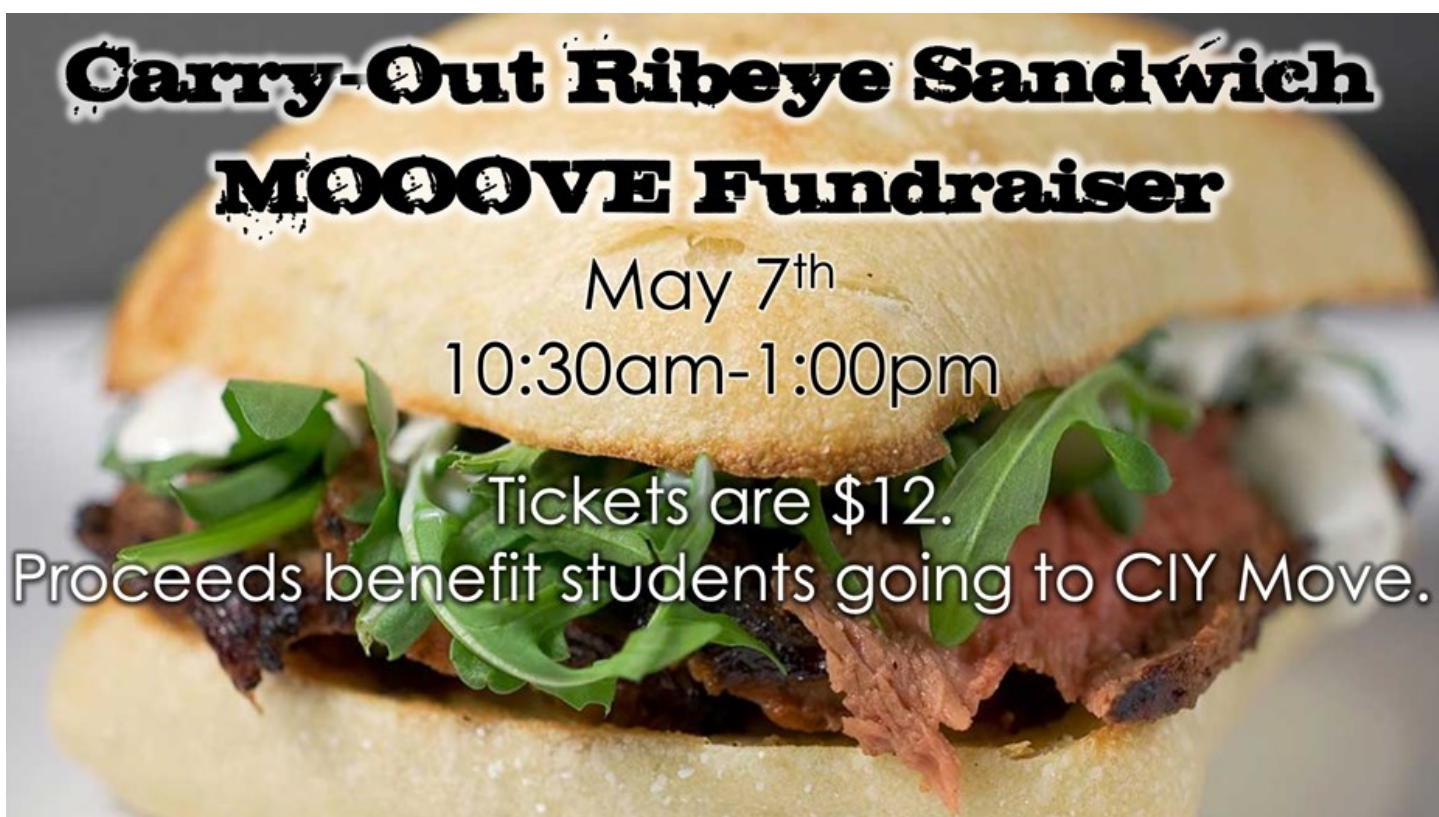
### Summer Bible Study

This summer at Greenhouse, we will work through 1 John. Bible Study will meet on Wednesdays. Greenhouse is for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade thru HS Graduates!



### Summer Calendars

Bible study and summer events information will be in the Summer Calendars. Available May 21 at the Student Info Desk and at [lccstudents.com](http://lccstudents.com).







## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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Dear Friends,

One of my most favorite encounters with Jesus happens in John Chapter 6. It is a familiar story—the “Feeding of the 5,000.” Jesus, surrounded by the great crowd of hungry people, turns to those closest to him and asks what they should do, where could they get food (although Jesus knew all along what He would do). Philip answers quickly, “it would take more than a half year’s wages to even buy enough for everyone to have one bite.” Every time I read Philip’s response I wonder if his tone was indignant about Jesus’ request. Whether he was or not, still we see his response is very different than that of Andrew, who was also present. Andrew pipes up and offers that there is a boy with five loaves and two fish, just a kid’s lunch. He sees it as a resource but just isn’t sure how this small amount could provide a solution, and he asks “how far will it go among so many?” I wonder if Andrew was more searching than Philip, if Andrew is expecting that something will happen, something yet unknown to him, something amazing?

Jesus doesn’t disappoint; He blesses the five loaves and two little fish and something truly amazing happens! What seems impossible is completely possible, and not only that, He provides abundantly with more bread than is needed!



In May of 1977, a student from Lincoln Christian College approaching her senior year came to Lincoln Christian Church to “learn the ropes of ministry.” She had no idea HOW to do this thing called ministry. It was an Andrew moment--a time to search for an answer of HOW to serve the church. She was embraced by a professional but humble staff who invested in her

deeply over that summer. For her, it was a life changing experience that was formative and laid a foundation for 45 years of ministry. In a very unexpected turn of events in 2006, she, Miss Marcia, returned to that very special place to serve among those who had invested so selflessly.

And so, as I end this leg of the journey, I say thank you for the influence and growth that serving LCC in Children’s Ministry over the last sixteen years has afforded me. I thank the leadership, volunteers, families, children and encouraging church family for your trust and support. With Jesus, it has been more than possible to see growth in the lives of many. Like Andrew, I expected that Jesus would do more than I could dream—amazing things. Jesus never disappoints us!

As I move to the next pathway on my personal journey, I am excited for the possibilities the future holds for Lincoln Christian. I am confident that Jesus will continue to provide abundantly and that amazing things will happen as you faithfully follow and trust Him.

Again, my heartfelt thanks for the blessing of serving at Lincoln Christian and prayers for the future in this place.

Love to you all, Marcia

“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.”  
Ephesians 3:20,21



## 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! Make sure to contact Miss Christi in the church office if you are interested in a camp scholarship for kids (up to kids completing fourth grade).

So many people point to Christian camping experiences as being formative in their spiritual development. Check out their online 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!





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SO EXCITED ABOUT  
GOOD NEWS 50!  
IT'S ALMOST HERE!

**50-Year Reunion & Concert for GOOD NEWS** Saturday & Sunday, May 27-28, 2023! To register for the event (step 2) please visit [lincolncchristianchurch.org/gn50](http://lincolncchristianchurch.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!

REGISTRATION IS  
NOW OPEN!

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[LINCOLNCHRISTIANCHURCH.ORG/GN50](http://LINCOLNCHRISTIANCHURCH.ORG/GN50)  
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CELEBRATING  
**50 YEARS**  
OF  
**STUDENT  
CHOIR  
MINISTRY**  
MAY 27-28, 2023

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

The bus has been moved!  
Thank you to all who sponsored miles!

**MOVE THAT BUS!**

- Lincoln Christian Church - Lincoln, IL
- Sun, Jun 8 | 8 pm  
First Christian Church - Lattrop, MO
- Wed, Jun 7 | 7 pm  
Zionville Community Church - Manchester, KS
- Thu, Jun 8 | 7 pm  
Community Christian Church - Scott City, KS
- Fri, Jun 9 | 7 pm  
Washington Ave Christian Church - Amarillo, TX
- Sun, Jun 11 | 10:30 am  
First Christian Church - Dallas, TX
- Mon, Jun 12 | 7 pm  
First Christian Church - Webb City, MO
- Tue, Jun 13 | 7 pm CLOSE-TO-HOME CONCERT  
Lakeside Christian Church - Springfield, IL



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GOOD NEWS  
HOME CONCERT!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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**GOOD NEWS**  
presents  
**EVERY  
THING**



Monday, June 5 7:00 pm  
**Lincoln Christian Church**  
204 North McLean Street | Lincoln, Illinois



## GLOBAL IMPACT— Kuki Christian Church Mission

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We treasure the longstanding partnership of our congregation with Dr. T. Lunkim for over 35 years: leading people to Christ through relationship, including Christian education and services through a theological college & seminary, a hospital, an orphanage, the sending of missionaries to Bhutan and Nepal, and spearheading the One Christian Church movement to unite the divided churches among the Kuki people.

We rejoice with Brother Lunkim for the planting of 25 churches and monthly baptism services in the mission fields of Nepal. Fellow Christians are working hard to start Meitei churches for stout Hindus to come forward to receive the Gospel. Please pray for the new converts there and in Assam State. Dr. Lunkim recently dedicated the new Kholunphai Christian Church building in Manipur South, which will serve over 250 congregations!

The 44<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Kuki Christian Church Manipur convened in January with more than 2,000 delegates from 206 local churches. Dr. Lunkim shared God's Word, focusing on relying on the Lord (Psalm 118:8). The 45<sup>th</sup> convention of the Kuki Christian Church in Assam convened in February with 1,500 delegates from 56 local churches, highlighting the Church's glorification (Matthew 16:18). Dr. Lunkim preached and challenged for renewed commitment to the unbroken church of Christ.

Mission field visits were made in January to Missionary Ajit Dooley (who serves on Majuli Island, the longest floating island in the world, where 14 churches have been planted with around 280 members) and to missionaries in Tripura: "We love KCC and will continue to uphold Restoration beliefs and doctrines; please do not leave us."

Our current mission budget provides a gift of \$300 monthly to KCC. Thank you for joining your Global Impact Team in prayer for our missionaries.

Carolyn Neal, GI Team Member

## LOCAL IMPACT—Christian Child Care

Thank you for your generous support to CCC! Your support and prayful hearts are felt here at CCC! For those of you who may not know us, Christian Child Care, INC is one of LCC's missions. In 1989, we were founded through a vision from five local Christian organizations leadership, which deemed quality childcare a high need in Logan County. This is still a

truth today! These founding organizations were YOU- Lincoln Christian Church, Lincoln Christian College and Seminary (now Lincoln Christian University), Christian Homes, Inc., The Christian Village, and Jefferson Street Christian Church.

Since 1989, CCC has been a licensed childcare provider in our community. CCC provides Christ-centered, quality care for children from ages six weeks through twelve years of age, year-round. Our program is nationally accredited through the National Accreditation Commission. CCC is also recognized at the highest level of quality childcare as a Gold Circle of Quality designee, through the Illinois ExceleRate program. What does all that mean? It means children are supported in the best possible environment, with evidence-based best practices, and taught by educated teachers who chose children as their passion. It means the families we serve are supported holistically, so they can work and meet the needs of their family.

For 34 years now CCC has been blessed with community members, like yourselves, who have served on our Board of Directors and tirelessly gave their time and their talents. Sharing their professional backgrounds in education, finances, law, business, parenting, and more! This combined experience has led CCC to excel today. We need a strong board at our helm. We are currently looking to fill 2-3 Community Member Board of Director vacancies. We ask you to pray for CCC as we work to fill them. Please contact me at (217) 732-5750 or Cathy Huerd at (217) 737-7951, to inquire. CCC's Board of Directors meet on the second Thursday each month; we provide a meal at each meeting, and we work hard to keep our meetings under two hours. Would you consider being a part of CCC? We pray you can join us!

Playfully serving,  
Liberty L. Canady, CCC Director



## WOW (Widows of Wisdom)

Our next meeting will be at 11:30 am on Friday, May 5, at the home of Sharon Simonson ([15 Oakwood Dr](#)). A light lunch will be served. Weather permitting, we'll be outside as Cheryl Hall will help us all create a flower on fabric! Feel free to invite a friend, but please R.S.V.P. either way to Sharon at:

[217-737-9834](tel:217-737-9834)



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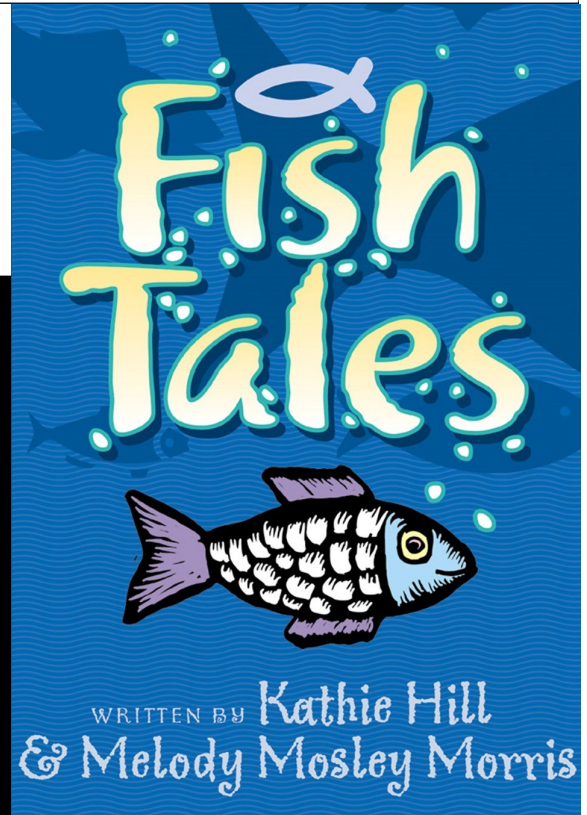
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# Kids Choir

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Sunday, May 7  
6:00 pm

Lincoln Christian Church  
Fellowship Center



## BLEACH & COMET® FOR CAMP!

Little Galilee Christian Camp needs bleach and Comet®  
for the summer camp season.

Bring the donations May 7 - 21 to the Family Room  
by the red wall!



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