

August 2018

Words from Our Pastor- Bob Mitchell

It's 4:30 on a Wednesday morning. I would normally be at the gym by now, but yesterday I tweaked my back to the point that lifting is not going to happen today. I wish my back had informed my internal clock that it was OK to sleep in, but it didn't so here I am laying on the couch praying.

After some prayer, I decided to engage in what has become a very familiar early-morning routine: I scroll through a podcast-app which contains daily sermons from 90 different preachers that I can listen to and receive inspiration from. One sermon title caught my eye:

"Praying Boldly"

It was on James Dobson's podcast, so I knew it would be national-caliber teaching. Sensing that my prayers



could use an injection of boldness, I clicked on to the podcast, only to be pleasantly surprised that it was a sermon delivered at the National Day of Prayer by Mark Batterson. One of the points that Pastor Batterson made was:

If you want God to do something new, you can't keep doing the same old thing.

You should do something new. Change your routine.

As a church, we are doing something new this year: we have designated two 21 day

seasons as seasons of prayer. Last January 8-28, we focused on the discipline of prayer and fasting. Half way through this year we are going to set aside 21 days as Prayer and Fasting Days (July 30 – August 19).

During this season, we are going to open up the Sanctuary on Wednesday nights for a 30-minute prayer gathering, beginning at 5:30. If you want God to do something new in your life, your family or your circumstances, make plans to join others in this season of prayer. And who knows? Maybe we'll be the next podcast sharing our stories of how God has answered us when we prayed boldly!

Prayerfully,

Pastor Bob

Important to Note:

- Prayer & Feasting
- National Night Out
- Youth Back-to-School Parties
- Awana Begins
- Pictorial Directories

Jon Hathorn - Pastor of Church Ministries



When I was a child, I loved playing Follow the Leader. But if I remember correctly, the fun part

was trying to get the other people to fail. That's not leadership at all, in fact, that's just like many leaders in the real world - Bossy, Timid, Lazy, Inspirational,

Production Oriented, Demanding - these might be the words that come to mind when you hear the word leader. Maybe you're even thinking of words like Dictator, Bad Attitude, Blamer, Withdrawn, Loser or I-T-O - which stands for *In Title Only*.

In the Bible, when we look at the life of Jesus, we learn

about servant leadership. This is the type of leadership we hope to see in our church. I recently read several articles about servant leadership and wanted to share five characteristics & highlights with you.

Servant leadership is about the people not the task. This is where we care and inspire others. We care about them

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“Only the weak hit a fly with a hammer.”

as people, we see them as husbands and wives, dads and moms. This must regularly take place. *“People don’t care how much you know, until they know how much you care.”*

Servant leadership is about communication. When we fail to communicate we fail to value others. Communication involves listening and respecting the questions and the opinions of others. Communication also involves knowing that we all shared and now that a decision has been made, we function as a team toward the success of that decision. *“We probably won’t always agree, but we must communicate”.*

Servant leaders have character. They are people who have honesty, integrity, respect and selflessness. *“Adversity doesn’t create character but it sure*

does reveal it.”

Servant leaders admit their weaknesses. Servant leaders often don’t usually know the most about many things, but they know someone who does know more than they know. Their focus is not self, but rather accomplishing what’s best and right. They ask things like: who knows more than I do, who can do this better, how can we all improve and how can I improve? Yes, the technical nuts and bolts are important, but the people are important as well. *“Only the weak hit a fly with a hammer.”*

Servant leaders have courage. They are willing to ask questions, as well as provide clear direction. They let others use their gifts of details. Responsibility is vital – it prevents

dictators holds the weak responsible. There is a balance of hesitancy and information gathering with confidence and accountability for a vision. *“The goal of leadership is not popularity.”*

In our effort to value leadership and value training – I am working on emphasizing servant leadership. It is called I³ – standing for ***Influence, Involvement and Instruction.*** There is a clear desire to value each of our servant leaders by Inspiring and valuing you with thanks, training, and equipping.

You are loved and appreciated so much.

Let’s make sure our leader is Jesus Christ, and enjoy a life of following Him.

Pastor Jon

Pastor Fred Jantz



There is lots of work going on behind the scenes for the new activity building. Soil tests, well closures, engineering, plans, cost analysis, final plans, etc. We hope to file an initial site preparation permit in August and begin the site prep work in

August. We are setting a tentative ground breaking for Sunday morning September 16. at the conclusion of each service. This may be subject to change due to weather or permit process delays. Thanks for understanding.

INTERESTED IN GIVING INPUT AND GUIDANCE TO THE NEW BUILDING?

AUGUST 12 at 6 pm in the Fireside room we hope to form some sub groups that will give guidance to kitchen details, color choices, finishing of lobby and classrooms and other details. If this interests you, come see an overview presentation.

Pastor Fred

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Student Ministries - Jr. High Houseboat Fun!

I hope this finds you having an incredible week. Recently our junior high students went to a retreat on a houseboat and they had an awesome time. Students were blessed by inspiring messages from Miranda our Assistant Director of Student Ministries and Harry Ulep our Student Worship Leader. We also took the students to an A's vs. Giants game and had a great time of fellowship.

School is coming up and we are preparing our new series "How to be Awesome". This series will be fun and the focus of it

will be wisdom. Pray for us as we prepare for an awesome year of owning our faith and going with God on His mission.

Chad



Children's Ministries - Kristen Lambdin



What a busy month it has been in LPCKids! I love the summer months because there is

so much more we are able to do with the kids! Last week we took a group of kids to the \$1 summer movies on Wednesdays and we also hosted a Swim Party this last weekend! The kids had so much fun and it was great to be able to hang out and have some fun before school starts for many of them!

In Sunday school, throughout the month of July we have been talking about the life of Daniel. The kids have been learning how they can have a greater trust in God just like Daniel did!

It's already time to start planning for the upcoming AWANA year! Our first night will be Aug 22nd. Registration is up and ready to go on our website! We are looking for several volunteers to fill empty spots for this year so if you are interested in helping kids learn about Jesus contact Kristen at Kristen@lincolnpres.org or (209) 405-3869.





Directory Updates

Howard Stokes
1901 Lakeshore Dr
Modesto 95355

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Victoria@goldenbear.com

Pictorial Directory

Pictorial Directories are here! If you had a picture taken, there is a directory with your name on it in the foyer, or you can pick it up in the office during the week. If you

didn't have a picture taken, we purchased extra directories, also available in the foyer or the office, for \$5 each. Sorry, we are not able to make change.



Invest In Your Marriage

Adult Ministries wants to make you aware of this great evening for you and your spouse.

Coming to Stockton on Saturday September 15th!

Tickets are available in the LPC office.



National Night Out - Tuesday, August 7

LPC is hosting a community party in our front yard, at the corner of our driveway and Douglas Ave. Rick Webb's band will be playing as we

BBQ hot dogs for the neighborhood gathering. We would love to have you come out & enjoy some music, food & fellowship with us.

If you would like to help out, please contact the office @ 477-2783.



Lincoln Member Honored

Member Pat Van Oss recently enjoyed a river cruise from Budapest to Prague, where John & Charlotte Doisy bumped into her! They were able to snap this picture of Pat with the Captain and program directors being honored at the Inner Circle reception, as the traveler with the most trips with Grand Circle--27! She got a lovely necklace as a gift. We miss you Pat!

Ohana Luau

Please save the date for Lincoln's Ohana (Family) Luau! Saturday, September 8 from 4-7pm. This benefit, for Lincoln's Building Fund, is being hosted by LIFE Group "Hula 4 Health". There will be lots of wonderful food, boutique items for sale, and entertainment by the Hula group! Watch for ticket sales to begin soon.



Deacon Message

Jesus said "Feed my sheep....." (John 21:17c)

Deacon Dinners is a ministry that lovingly provides nourishing meals to LPC members who are convalescing from an injury, illness or other trau-

matic event. Please contact your deacon if you have need of this support.

If you love to cook, or could occasionally supply a purchased meal, please contact Bob Ramirez, Sherrie Kudla or

Holly Meyers and volunteer. This is a very rewarding activity and is also a ministry to the neighbors who see what a blessing it is to be part of the family of faith.



Adult Discipleship

Sunday Mornings

7:25am: "The Wisdom of God: Seeing Jesus in the Psalms and Wisdom Books" Join us in the Fireside Room at 7:25 am, and gain a fresh perspective on the Wisdom Literature. An incredible journey to see Jesus in the Old Testament, featuring Nancy Guthrie's DVD series. Light

breakfast served, led by Carol Bedell and Patrice Verhines.

10:20am: "1 & 2 Peter" with Pastor Al Van Selow and Lavon, in the Fireside Room.

10:30am: "Crazy Love" with Francis Chan. Led by Lise Karnes in Pastor Jon's office.



Wednesday Evenings

6:00 pm: A continuing book by book journey through the Bible. Led by Ed and Denise Miller,

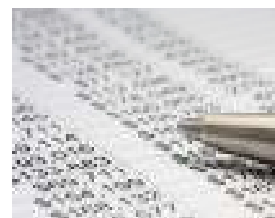
Treasurer's Report-Carol Bedell

June Financial Report

Operating Fund:	June	YTD	% of Annual Budget
Income	\$64,673	\$363,604	45%
Expense	\$74,092	\$347,508	43%
Net	(\$ 9,419)	\$ 16,096	

At the end of June we have \$16,096 as a net balance in the Yearly Operating Budget. The amount of cash available in the Capital Campaign at the end of June is \$608,571.

Did you know that LPC has a Special Gifts Committee and Fund? The Fund receives gifts in memory of a deceased person, in honor of a living person, a bequest upon death, or to meet a specific need of the church. Gifts may be designated for a specific need or undesignated. The Committee recommends all requests for expenditures from the Fund, which Session then authorizes. A Book of Remembrances is maintained in which all donations are commemorated, and thank you letters are sent to donors. Family, or those honored with a gift, are also notified. You might consider giving to this Fund and/or being willing to serve on the Committee.



August Birthdays

1 Cassie Loy	8 Gordon Cambra	20 Randy Bayne
2 Dotye Markham	Shannon Chapman	22 Charito Lopez
3 Melody Cancel	10 Dave Blicharz	24 Cameron Pannabecker
4 Bonnie Moore	11 Fe Asis	26 Stephen Hellmer
Madeline Bacaylan	12 Teresa Costanza	Kathy Jantz
Ron Bruegel	13 Dale Ludwig	27 Carole Wambold
5 Angie Lamie	Maria Montalvo	28 Roosevelt Loyd
Nikki Kudla	15 Barbara Hungerford	30 Nadine Kuhlman
6 Irene Cromer	16 June Smith	31 Eric Chapman
Emily Ferguson	17 Miranda Abrescy	
7 Bob Mitchell	George Alavazo	



21 Days - Prayer & Feasting

John 5:14 "This is the confidence in approaching God: that is we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."

As a church, we set aside two 21 day time periods to come to God. In January we pray and fast, and in August we pray and feast. It is our desire to pray and ask God for wisdom, strength, and intervention, and to

also thank and praise Him for blessings.

When: July 30 - August 19

In prayer we will come to God with our requests. Feasting is remembering and thanking God for His blessings. Please join us in a time of corporate prayer on Wednesday Nights August 1, 8, and 15, from 5:30—6:00 in the Sanctuary.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - 9:00 am Service

August 5

Greeters: Patty Roek

Ushers: Maria Montalvo, Betty Crecelius, Charito Lopez,
Jane Carson

Video Tech: Ron Korock

Security: Mark Gantt

August 12

Greeters: Ro & Tambi Loyd

Ushers: Barbara George, Ron & Joyce Korock, Craig Potter

Security: Jim Duncan

August 19

Greeters: Sandy Harmon, Jennifer Gutierrez

Ushers: Dave Hungerford, Leroy Alford, Frank Beasley

Security: Bruce Parker

August 26

Greeters: Carole Meehan

Ushers: John & Carol Sharpe, Dottie Edaburn,
Lavon Van Selow

Security: Billy Heinrich

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - 10:45 am Service

August 5

Greeters: Bill & Merrilee Chapman

Ushers: Dave & Sharon Olney, Drew & Holly Meyers

Security: Stan Kaneko

August 12

Greeters: Patrick & Heidi Fedor, Keith Evans

Ushers: Tom & Janet Beck, Bill & Carroll Johnston

Video Tech: Billy Heinrich

Security: Bill Bambas

August 19

Ushers: Dave & Sharon Olney

Security: Bob Yamaguchi

August 26

Ushers: George & Vicky Alavazo, Dave & Sara Blicharz

Security: Jim Wilcox

**Thank you, volunteers,
for making a difference!**



Flowers

If you have signed up for flowers, you will need to call the florist on Monday to place your order using a debit or credit card, or you may go to the florist to pay by cash or check.

Charter Way Florist
5620 N. Pershing Ave
956-9087

August Flowers

5 Charito Lopez
12 Betty Crecelius
19 Molly Foster

September Flowers

2 John & Maria Montalvo
9 Cynthia Alford
23 Nate & Lise Karnes

Pew Supply

August

1 Linda Davies
8 Lisa Richers
15 Ila King
22 Barbara George
29 Ila King

Thanks to the
Assembly Crew of the
August Life @ Lincoln!

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30 am Retired Guys' 5:30-6 pm Prayer 5:45 pm Jr. High 6 pm: Bible Study	2 7:30pm Mainspring (Young Adult)	3	4
5 Communion 7:30 am Adult Ed 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Adult Ed 10:45 am Worship 5:30 pm Adult Ministries-Fireside 6pm Sr. High BBQ Party	6 5:30 pm Hula for Health 6 pm Celebrate Recovery 6:30pm LIFE Group in Fireside	7 12:00 pm Quilting 1:30 pm Staff Meeting 5:30pm Music Rehearsal 6-8pm National Night 6:30 pm Men's Group 6:30 pm Outreach Mtg in Fireside 7:00 pm Commission Mtgs.	8 9:30 am Retired Guys' 5:30-6 pm Prayer 5:45 pm Jr. High BBQ Party 6 pm: Bible Study	9 7:30pm Mainspring (Young Adult)	10	11 6-8pm Hula Rehearsal (Agape)
				Leadership Summit-Manteca		
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Monday - Friday 8:30 -12 noon & 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

7:25am - Adult Sunday School
9:00am - Worship & Children's Sunday School
10:20am - Adult Sunday School
10:45am - Worship & Children's Sunday School
6:00pm - Sr. High Group

Wednesday

5:45pm - Jr. High Group
6:00pm - Adult Bible Study
Awana (Resumes August 22)

Thursday

7:30pm - Mainspring Young Adult Group

Sermon Titles

August 5— "I Quit Making Excuses"
Pastor Bob Mitchell

August 12 - "I Quit Complaining"
Pastor Jon Hathorn

August 19 - "I Quit Living in Fear"
Pastor Bob Mitchell

August 26 - "I Quit Comparing"
Pastor Jon Hathorn

Lincoln's Mission:

*To know and love God, to know and love people,
and bring the two together through Jesus Christ.*