

October 2017

Words from Our Pastor- Bob Mitchell

For the past several months, our church has been in a season of significant change. Beloved staff members have moved to larger fields of ministry. First there was Jon, then Zak. Then Jessica, and now Matt. Add to these changes some long-time members, like the Gotschalls and Grissoles, who have meant so much to our congregation, have moved out of the area. Our loss of these wonderful people is the gain of other church families.

Change hasn't been limited to wonderful people moving. For many years, the worship committee has talked about changing the look of the platform in the sanctuary. Talk finally turned to action this last month. Now what we see when we worship has cer-



tainly changed! Many thanks to those who volunteered their time and skill to help produce these changes.

Another change that is currently stirring behind-the-scenes began when last month, Jon Knapp emailed the audio of a talk that was given at a conference that he attended earlier this year. He believed that we could benefit from giving it consideration. As I listened to this presentation, various aspects of our LPC vision, that have seemed a bit jumbled or disjointed over the years, all came into alignment. It's as if

God used this talk to give me the picture like the one that's on the front of a puzzle-box to see where all the various vision-pieces are to fit. The leadership is currently working through aligning all of the vision pieces in order that we might have a more effective ministry.

So that while many of the changes we've experienced this year have produced a sense of loss, I believe that there are other changes up God's sleeve for our church family that will actually be a significant addition for years to come.

Trusting that we cling to Jesus in all seasons of life together, I remain,

Your Pastor, Bob

Important to Note:

- Men's Oktoberfest
- Trunk or Treat

Pastor Matt Kirkland

The prophet Micah is well known for asking the question "What does the Lord require of you?". It's a great question to ask yourself regularly. His answer was to "seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with the Lord" (Micah 6:8). I hope all of us might care



about justice, mercy, and humility, all qualities born in a believer's heart. But, I think the growing Christian also adds obedience.

Knowing God's call for you demands following that call, but choosing not to follow that call will cause faith to diminish. Spiritual growth does not happen when living outside of obedience.

I guess I say all this because, as I have taken

Pastor Matt Kirkland (continued from page 1)

another pastorate starting in November, and this is my last Life@Lincoln article that I will write (that would be over 250 articles if you're keeping track), I just want to be obedient to the work of the Holy Spirit in my life. And that is

my prayer for the people of Lincoln too, because I believe obedience leads to abundance.

So, what does obedience look like for you? How can you be more open to the movement

of the Holy Spirit? What does the Lord require of you???

Your friend and pastor,
Pastor Matt

From Pastor Fred Jantz—BUILDING EXPANSION REPORT



THIS HAS BEEN DONE:

1. Purchased empty lot at 6241 Gettysburg on 12/2015 - \$100K for 3/4 acre.
2. Purchased house 6245 Gettysburg on 12/2016 - \$222K
3. Abandoned House moving concept in favor of demolition (half the cost). Worked with PGE for street disconnect. Approval from city to remove houses. Struggled with homeless use of empty houses. Houses gone and temporary fencing put up to control 'dumping'.
4. Changed from out of state Architect/Builder due to many unique California regulations and requirements. Gracious release from contract with only hours logged charged. Formed local team: Siegfried Engineering --- WMB

architects --- Diede Construction.

5. Began the process of design/build. Soil testing done. Full survey work of land base. Site improvement documentation.....much behind scene work.
6. Capital Campaign completed with pledges of almost \$1.7 Million.
7. Existing Reserves of approximately \$250,000 identified.
8. Line of Credit established of \$500,000 with Church Investors Fund.

THIS IS IN PROCESS:

1. Three wells need official abandonment. Purviance Well Drillers.
2. Receiving full documentation of anticipated costs. Siegfried + WMB + Diede + listing costs from city for building permits

etc., and other requirements.

3. Get final building plans for review and final decision making on the details. Get approval for full master site development.

THIS IS TO COME:

1. Put the project out for bids.
2. Get building permit from city.
3. Work on issues with storm drain, parking lot, Gettysburg street repair and gutters/sidewalk.
4. Prayer for the process and decisions. The ongoing ministry, unity of church and finances.
5. A practical, usable place for classes and activities to reach out to people and disciple them.

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Children's Ministries - Kristen Lambdin



AWANA is off to a great start. We had 50-55 kids the first two weeks, which is double the number of kids we

started with last year AND the registrations are still coming in! God is good! I want to give a big shout out to my club leaders: Kathy Jantz, Gela Wachholz-Yee, and Duffy Ruffin, and to all my volunteers who sacrifice their time every week for these kids. Thank you for the impact you are making in the kids lives!

Two weeks ago we started a new curriculum in KidZone. It is called the Gospel Project and it is a walk thru the Bible that tells the big story of the Bible in ways that are relatable for kids.

In the next couple of weeks you will start seeing information on Trunk or Treat and how you can be involved!



Deacon Message

"This is my body broken for you. This do in remembrance of me." Luke 22: 19b

The deacons are responsible for preparing the communion table for this very sacred act of worship. Communion supplies are purchased, the bread is cut, the "wine" is poured, the table is draped and the elements are arranged on the communion table for the pastor and deacon to serve. We are honored

to serve the body of believers in this way and your contributions to the deacons support this important ministry.

Attention Students: The scholarship applications are due November 1st. The deacons are accepting applications for scholarships for any member of Lincoln who is attending a program of higher education whether that be a college or vocational training. Your application should indi-

cate that you have regular attendance at LPC or a church in the area you are attending school. Each applicant should send a Letter of Request indicating the college s/he is attending, church involvement, current address, phone number and should be mailed to Lincoln Presbyterian Church 900 Douglas Road, Stockton, CA 95207, ATTN: Carol Sharpe or email them to Cheryl@lincolnpres.org.



Security Reminder

Praying for the peace and prosperity of Stockton should be a part of every believer's daily prayer time. Otherwise, how will the city ever change for the good?

Unfortunately, churches are considered easy targets for vandalism, property damage, and theft. A big THANK YOU to our volunteers who patrol the LPC parking lot & church grounds during regular church services.

In addition to prayer, there are some practical things you can do to

avoid becoming the victim of property theft, especially when it comes to having your vehicle broken into:

1. Don't leave valuables in your car, even if they are out of sight. This includes sunglasses, cell phones, GPS devices, electronic mounting devices, chargers, cables and accessories, books, Bibles, gym bags, etc.
2. Don't leave your house keys or your garage door opener in your vehicle. After breaking into your vehicle, any thief can easily gain access to your home with these

items.

3. Don't leave mail in your car as it provides your personal information to a thief, making it much easier to steal your identity.
4. Don't keep your vehicle registration or insurance card in the vehicle. A thief can use your registration to make a fake title and potentially get a title loan against your vehicle.
5. Always lock your car, roll up your windows, close your sunroof, and activate your car alarm if you have one.

Directory Updates



Robert & Bonnie Moore
9644 Theresa Cir 95209

Brandon & Alissa Doolan
7073 Stabulis Rd
Valley Springs 95252

Gabe & Bree Laguna
5310 Lyle Ave 95210

Treasurer's Report-Carol Bedell

August Financial Report



Operating Fund:	August	YTD	% of Annual Budget
Income	\$58,602	\$497,132	62%
Expense	<u>\$60,702</u>	<u>\$467,571</u>	59%
Net	(\$ 2,100)	\$ 29,561	

We are 67% through 2017 and are \$29,561 in the black. Though we aren't making our revenue projections, we have vacancies which allows us to be financially strong. The Kingdom Growth Fund has \$321,273 and the Rental Fund has \$22,897.

Men's Lunch



When: Saturday, Oct. 7th
at 12 noon

Where: Hungerford's Bier Garten.

Serving: Brats, Pastor Fred's red cabbage, Giant Pretzels, German Potato Salad

Donation: \$5.

For more info contact:

Ed Gray 478-4988
edgray47@hotmail.com

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Adult Discipleship

Sunday Mornings

7:25am: "Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament" is a 10-week study giving insights and understanding of Jesus as the fulfillment of scripture, specifically in Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. Join us in the Fireside Room. Led by Patrice Verhines and Carol Bedell, light breakfast included.

9am - **"My Story"** Led by Merilee Chapman in the Library.

10:20am: "My Story" Led by Lise Karnes in Pastor Matt's Office.

10:20am: "The Gospel According to Luke" with Pastor Van Selow and Lavon, in the Fireside Room.

Wednesday Evenings

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



Calling All Veterans

We will be creating a video for Veteran's Day this year and would like our Veterans' help. If you are a Veteran and would be willing to be part of

this video, or just want more information, please call, email or drop a note at the office and we will be in contact. Thank you!

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cheryl@lincolnpres.org



Pastor Appreciation Month

We are promoting Pastor Appreciation in October. Each Sunday in October we will have a basket at the information desk in our Lobby available for worshipers to

place cards of appreciation addressed to individual Pastors; Al Van Selow, Matt Kirkland, Fred Jantz, and Bob Mitchell.



October Birthdays

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| 1 Lisa Erickson | 11 Ron Borth | 19 Molly Foster |
| Sandi Widmer | Mariah Goodman | Michael Orrison |
| 2 Bryan Colyer | 12 Dick Andersen | 22 Steve Stoddard |
| 5 Christine Frey | Marty Lamie | 23 Hunter Chambers |
| Sharon Jacobson | Trish Mitchell | 25 Karen Morelli |
| Gary Kudla | Charlene Nelson | 26 Jack Bennett |
| Tim Nguyen | 14 Zach Orrison | Lynda Farrar |
| 7 Tammy Hannon | Rhonda Messerer | 27 Barbara Gates |
| 8 Angie Marulo | 15 Christina Johnson | Cindy Abrescy |
| 9 Shirley Dvorak | 17 Cathy Graham | 30 Suzy Sage |
| Zach Graham | 18 Nancy Kaneko | Julie Figueroa |
| Cayla Hey | Andrea Shakespeare | 31 Judy Flaig |



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - 9:00 am Service

October 1

Greeters: Patty Roek, Lillian Harris
Ushers: Maria Montalvo, Betty Crecelius, Charito Lopez, Jane Carson
Security: Mark Gantt

October 8

Greeters: Ro & Tambi Loyd
Ushers: Barbara George, Ron & Joyce Korock, Craig Potter
Security: Jim Duncan

October 15

Greeters: Sandy Harmon, Jennifer Gutierrez
Ushers: Tim Sass, Howard Stokes, Dave Hungerford, George Grismore, Leroy Alford

October 22

Greeters: Carole Meehan
Ushers: John & Carol Sharpe, Dottie Edaburn, Lavon Van Selow
Security: Billy Heinrich

October 29

Greeters: Suedee Howell, Dave Hungerford
Ushers: Gabe Laguna, Prilla McGregor, Vaughn Pipes, Maria Montalvo
Security: John Sharpe

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - 10:45 am Service

October 1

Greeters: Bill & Merrilee Chapman
Ushers: Dave & Sharon Olney, Drew & Holly Meyers
Video Tech: Sam Kirkland
Security: Stan Kaneko

October 8

Greeters: Patrick & Heidi Fedor, Keith Evans
Ushers: Tom & Janet Beck, Bill & Carroll Johnston
Video Tech: Kaylee Webb
Security: Bill Wagner

October 15

Ushers: Dave & Sharon Olney
Security: Bob Yamaguchi

October 22

Greeters: Brant & Sandra Fetters
Ushers: George & Vicky Alavazo, Dave & Sara Blicharz
Video Tech: Tammy Hannon
Security: Bob Ramirez

October 29

Greeters: Bill & Merrilee Chapman
Ushers: Dave & Sharon Olney, Drew & Holly Meyers
Video Tech: Keith Evans
Security: Gabe Laguna



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

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

October Flowers

Call the office if you would like to sign up for a Sunday in October.

November Flowers

5 Jane Shuldberg
19 Susan Thomas
26 Leroy & Cynthia Alford

Pew Supply

October

4 Linda Davies
11 Lisa Richers
18 Ila King
25 Lorna Zink

OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion 7:30 am Adult Ed 9:00 am Worship 10:20 am Adult Ed 10:45 am Worship 6:00 pm Sr. High	2 6:30 pm Hula for Health	3 12:00 pm Quilting 1:30 pm Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Commission Mtgs.	4 5:45 pm Jr. High 6 pm: Awana Club CR Bible Study	5 5:30 pm Rehearsal	6	7 ECO Elder/Pastor Training & Presbytery Mtg @ Mt. Hermon Men's Octoberfest @ Hungerfords-Noon
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Weekly Schedule

Sunday

7:25am - Adult Sunday School
9:00am - Worship & Children's Sunday School
9:00am - Adult Sunday School
10:20am - Adult Sunday School
10:45am - Worship & Children's Sunday School
6:00pm - Sr. High Group
8:30pm - Young Adults (every other Sunday)

Wednesday

5:45pm - Jr. High Group
6:00pm - Adult Bible Study
Celebrate Recovery
Awana

Various Growth Groups meet in homes & at the church during the week. Please call the office for details.

Sermon Titles

October 1 - "A Storied Personality" - Ps 139:14
Pastor Bob Mitchell

October 8 - "A Past Opportunity" Romans 8:28
Pastor Bob Mitchell

October 15 - "The Other Side of Your 'And'" Acts 3:1-7
Pastor Bob Mitchell

October 22 - Pastor Matt Kirkland

October 29 - "What A Story!" Acts 13:36
Pastor Bob Mitchell

Lincoln's Mission:

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