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Pastor Jon Hathorn - Passions, Giftedness and Duties



A penny.
A piece of
molded copper
that actually
costs more to
make than it is
worth. I know

people who put them on
railroad tracks when they
heard trains coming. The idea
is to have a flattened piece of
copper in an oval shape that
flared up on the ends.

Our church gave away
pennies a little over a month
ago. What was special about
these Penny's was the punch
out of a cross. We asked
people to put them in their
pocket or put them in their
purses - every day for a
month. Each day we were
going to try and focus on a
simple and profound thought
"Lord help me seek first Your

Righteousness."

I hope you found yourself
trying that because all too
often we seek money,
hobbies, popularity, and
selfishness way more than
how we seek God and His
righteousness. Just a simple
reminder, Matthew 6:33
reads "Seek first His kingdom
and His righteousness and all
these things will be given to
you."

May you and I do this. Good
idea pastor. And yet then we
ask - how do we do this?

With heart, with time, and
with regularity.

Our heart must desire the
Lord - with prayer and with
the Word of God. I remember
when I was little and stared
out the window and just

enjoyed looking at the rain.
Let's sit and just enjoy God
and find out more about Him
through His Word.

There must be some time
investment. After all, time is
our most precious commodity
and it's irreplaceable. We
must take time to be with
Him.

Regularity means a pattern of
getting together. When will
we put Jesus in our calendar.

Men I am very interested in
helping you make an
appointment with the Lord,
Wednesday nights in the fall.
I hope you will consider
joining our group.

God bless you as you "Seek
First His Kingdom"

Jon

Important to Note:

- Office Closures
- Family Water Day/
Church Picnic
- Global Leadership
Summit

Fall Kickoff :

- Team Kids
 - Youth Programs
- ⇒ Junior High
- ⇒ High School



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There is one thing that I want to highlight that I am thankful is happening and two things that I want to highlight that I am anticipating in the future.

I am thankful for our Evangelism Master class currently taking place in June and July. One speaker in the class said, *"We would all love to make Jesus' last commandment our first priority, but sometimes we just feel so overwhelmed to add another thing to our plate. So, what if you and I decided that we weren't going to start a new program, but that you and I were going to reconnect with our first love? If we are connected with Jesus in love, it will create a natural overflow of the love of God. You can let your own experience of knowing Jesus create a joyful eagerness in you to share Christ with others."* This is the essence of

evangelism. It isn't primarily a program or event; it is a lifestyle of loving Jesus and sharing Him with others. It is Jesus that others need.

We don't have to have all the answers. We don't have to have the perfect program. We need to have the Savior and to invite people to taste and see that He is good. If you are reading this in early July, I encourage you to join us for the last few weeks of this class taking place on Sundays at 9:30AM in Agape Hall.

There are also a couple upcoming opportunities that I am anticipating. One is National Night Out on Tuesday August 6th from 6-8PM in our church parking lot. This is a great night of connection with our local neighborhood and an evening of providing awareness about various local community services that are available in our city. Join us for a

night of live music, BBQ, hula dance, games, and hanging out with our neighborhood.

Also taking place in August, we are hosting an "Understanding the New Testament" seminar August 9-11 with Dr. David Nystrom of Western Seminary. The format will be as follows:

Friday the 9th 7PM-8:30PM

Saturday the 10th 9AM-12PM

Sunday the 11th 9:30AM-10:30AM

Come and gain a deeper understanding of the contents of the New Testament and how it fits together.

I am praying for both a great couple of months of both input and output as we grow deeper in our faith in Christ and reach out to a lost world in need of Him.

God Bless,

Pastor Justin

Director of Student Ministries - Josh Imboden



If you haven't already met Josh, stop by the office to say Hi!. He has been off to a great start getting the youth ready

for summer camp and involved many, many other summer activities.



July Events

July 7	Nerf Wars
July 14-19	Summer Camp
July 21	Water Day
July 28	HS Pool Party
July 31	JH Pool Party



August Events

August 6 National Night Out - come support our Youth Booth

Fall Kickoff Youth Programs: Come hear about what we have coming up for our youth

August 25 HS starts meeting
August 28 JH starts meeting

Children's & Family Ministries - Jenelle Maloy



Summer
is
here!

We've been having so much fun in the early summer months! We are excited about our upcoming events and programs, but first here is a recap of what has happened.

Our playground arrived! The KidMin team is excited for this addition to our campus. We have seen families fellowship together while their kids play. Hearing kids laugh and play together is pure joy.

VBS was heaps of EXCITEMENT!

Around 50 kids attended our Kingdom Seekers themed VBS. What an incredible time we had together exploring the mysteries of God's

word. Our memory verse rap of Matthew 6:33 was a big hit!

Burgers and Bowling had everyone smiling and laughing. The after was a fantastic fellowship time together where people of LPC simply bowled and ate burgers together while getting to know one another better.

In the words of our Head Chef Adalyne Pierce, "Kids Can Cook Was A Success!" She chose our menu of Chicken Fettucine Alfredo (from scratch), Garlic Bread and Caesar Salad. We had a BLAST cooking together and then serving the parents/guardians the delicious dinner.

Upcoming Events:

Family BBQ and Water Day!!

On Sunday July 21st after the second service, we are hosting a BBQ and water day on LPC campus. Join us for

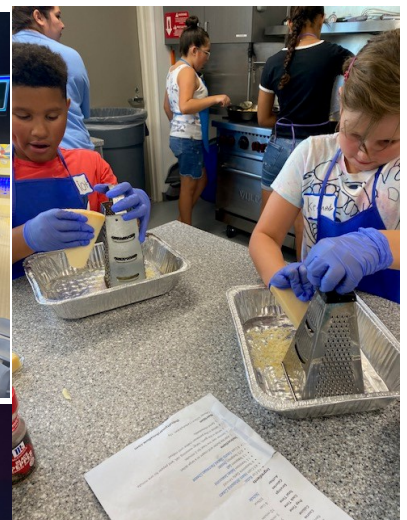


food, a giant water slide, and a dual slip and slide as the LPC church body comes together for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. More details are coming.

Kids camp at Koinonia is July 14th - 19th. Camp at Koinonia is for kids entering 3-6 grade. Filled with games, laughter, fun and Jesus, campers will have an amazing time while forming lifelong friendships and growing in their relationship with Jesus!

We desire all kids and families to attend events and programs. If you feel lead to attend an event and need financial assistance, please reach out.

In His Service,
Jenelle Maloy



DETAILS FROM THE 2024 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Greetings from the LPC Nominating Committee of 2024! We have begun our work to select candidates for the positions of Deacons and Elders for the class of 2026 and 2027 respectively. We invite your input in the process by submitting names for the Nominating Committee to consider. Please pray for a fellow church member(s) to come to mind that you observe has a heart for service and loves to bring people closer to faith in Jesus Christ.

Elders, together with the pastors, lead and direct the ministry of the church. They are persons of faith, dedication and good judgment. Elders serve on Session, the governing body of the church. They also chair various church teams through which all ministries are conducted. Twelve Elders are ordained to serve a three-year term.

Deacons, as set forth in scripture, are leaders who serve as the caring, compassionate arm of the church, providing loving support to all those in need within the church community. The primary area of service is the care of members. Ten to eighteen Deacons are ordained to serve a two-year term.

You will find nomination forms in the narthex at the information booth. Forms may be given to the church office (sealed in envelope) or to one of the Nominating Committee members as listed on the bottom of the form, or emailed to Duffy Ruffin at duffygr@comcast.net. These forms need to be returned to the Committee by September 15, 2024. You may put it in the offering boxes, mail or drop it by the church office in sealed envelope.

The Nominating Committee thanks you for your prayerful contribution of a candidate, and the church as a whole is the beneficiary of your aid. You are welcome to pose questions to the Nominating Committee: Duffy Ruffin, Casey Journagan, Bill Conley, Merrilee Chapman, Denise Miller, Cameron Pannabecker and Camron Rezania.

DETAILS FROM THE 2024 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

LINCOLN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NOMINATION FORM

This is a Nomination Form only

We are looking for candidates with the following qualifications:

Committed to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Committed members of LPC, actively serving and promoting the mission and vision of this church.

Leadership ability and organizational skills.

Compassion in human relationships.

An open-minded approach to ideas and problems.

Ability to equip people for ministry and work in a team-based leadership role.

I, _____,
(Your name) a member of LPC nominate:

(Candidate name)

for _____.
Elder or Deacon

What are the spiritual gifts of this candidate?

What additional reasons do you have for recommending this candidate? _____

Nominating Committee:

Elders: Duffy Ruffin and Casey Journagan

Deacon: Bill Conley

Members-at-Large: Merrilee Chapman, Denise Miller,
Cameron Pannabecker, Camron Rezania

Treasurer's Report - Carol Bedell - April 2024 - May 2024

April/May Financial Report

Op. Fund:	<u>April</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>% of Annual Budget</u>
Income	\$71,292	\$316,351	35%
Expense	<u>\$67,399</u>	<u>\$279,918</u>	31%
Net	\$3,893	\$36,435	



At the end of April we are 33% into the year and have received 35% of the projected income for the year and expended 31% of projected expenses for 2024. This leaves a positive balance of \$36,435. We also have \$33,416 in the Future Capital Projects Fund and \$40,000 in the Major Maintenance Fund. In addition we have received contributions for the Children's playground and will be able to fund the total project. God is good!

Op. Fund:	<u>May</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>% of Annual Budget</u>
Income	\$69,818	\$386,168	43%
Expense	<u>\$74,071</u>	<u>\$353,596</u>	39%
Net	(\$4,253)	\$32,572	

We ended May in the positive with \$32,572 and are at 43% of projected income for the year after 42% of the year. We have \$34,611 in the Future Capital Projects Fund. We are right on target. Thank you for your continued support of LPC.

Special Events



Evangelism Master Class - June 2 - July 28 - 9:30 am



**UNDERSTANDING
THE NEW TESTAMENT**

Want to understand God's word better?
Join us for a free weekend seminar with special guest Professor Dr. David Nystrom (Western Seminary). His desire is to help people grasp the Christ-exalting message of Scripture, so they grow in their love for God and so He is glorified through their lives and ministries.

 **FRIDAY AUGUST 9TH, 7:00PM-8:30PM**
SATURDAY AUGUST 10TH, 9:00AM-12:00PM
SUNDAY AUGUST 11TH, 9:30AM-10:30AM

FREE! JUST RSVP TO
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Dinners for Eight provides a relaxing environment in which to get to know other members and visitors of Lincoln Presbyterian Church. We encourage you to take this opportunity to use this program as an outreach to invite others to join

your group. The more the merrier! Your group may decide to meet for breakfast, lunch, dinner, or just dessert. You can plan a potluck meal in a private home, meet in a restaurant, a backyard Bar-B-Que, picnic in a park, have a pizza night, or maybe stage an ice cream fest.

Dinners For Eight is casual, relaxed, flexible, and fun. If you enjoy good

food and friendly conversation, then this is a perfect opportunity for you to make new friends.

New groups now forming. Sign up forms are available in the Narthex. Should you have any questions, please call:

Wethera Duncan (471-1405)

Deacon Message

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people."

I Timothy 2:1

Paul's letter to Timothy says that he should pray for the people he encounters in his work for Jesus Christ before anything else. The Deacons of LPC have an important job, to pray for their cluster members. It is well known that the

Deacons do a lot of ministry work to show love and care for our congregation, including Deacon Dinners, setting up for communion service, providing camperships and scholarships, providing memorial receptions and many other valuable services. The first priority for the Deacons, however, is to pray for their cluster members.

If you have a need for prayer for anything challenging your life, or if you want to share a

praise, reach out to your Deacon. All prayer requests are held in confidence by your Deacon unless you want your prayer to be shared with other Deacons in order to achieve a stronger voice to the Lord.

If you do not currently have a Deacon and would like to be assigned to one, you are welcome to contact Beverly Fertig, Moderator of the Deacons, at beverlyfertig@sbcglobal.net.



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. Arrangements are \$55.

Charter Way Florist
5620 N. Pershing Ave
956-9087

July Flowers

7 Jesse Morones &
Debra Shull

August Flowers

4 Jesse Morones &
Debra Shull
18 Charito Lopez
25 Betty Crecelius

LINCOLN IS CALLING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN

Our Parking Lot Security crew is looking for a few good men to work one and a half hours, once a month. You will be a visual presence in the parking lot during one of our two Church services. We do not want you to contact anyone but to be a good witness and call 911 if you observed suspicious activity. We are in desperate need of volunteers to fill several vacancies during each month. If you can help us, please contact Mark Gantt our Parking Lot Security Coordinator at 209-665-7600 (Home) or 209-915-9775 (cell).

July/AugustCalendar

Sundays:

Sunday Worship - 8:15am & 10:45am
Live-stream service on YouTube @ 8:15am
High School @ 6pm - begins August 25

Mondays:

Hula for Health @ 5:30pm

Tuesdays:

Women's Bible Study @ 9:30am (Contact Carol Bedell regarding dates)
Quilting @ 12pm
Young Adults @ 6pm
Men's Basketball @ 6:30pm

Wednesdays:

Retired Guys Study @ 9:30am
Kids & Jr High @ 6-7:15pm - begins August 28th
Mom's Group @ 6-7:15pm - begins August 28th
Adult Bible Study @ 6-7:15pm

Thursdays:

Pickleball @ 6-8:30pm
Men's Bible Study @ 6:30pm

Dates to Remember:

July 4	Office Closed
July 7	Youth Nerf Wars
July 9-14	Youth Summer Camp Kids Summer Camp
July 18	Food For You
July 21	Family Water Day/Church Picnic
July 28	High School Pool Party
July 31	Junior High Pool Party
August 3	Men's Breakfast
August 6	National Night Out
August 8-9	Global Leadership Summit
August 9-11	New Testament Seminar
August 15	Food For You
August 17	BBQ Cookoff Outreach at QLBC Fall Kickoff for Kids & Youth Programs
August 25	High School Group starts meeting
August 28	Team Kid & Jr. High Group starts meeting

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July Birthdays

1 Tonya Tacla	12 Vicky Alavazo	22 Ken Mills
3 Carol Bedell	Scott Graham	23 Danny Bacaylan
Gabriel Peña	Karel Palmer	Nikki Pyeatt
4 Liz Cliburn	15 Brianna Lamie	24 Nancy Alameda
Bob Verhines	16 Beth Alyson White	26 Lisa Lavender
7 Scott Andersen	17 Charlotte Doisy	Juliann Johnson
Renee Schulz	Kristina Fontaine	Ron Markham
8 Kim Murdoch	Shannon Barker	27 Gina Senegor
9 Jacob Cramer	20 Suedee Howell	29 Cynthia Alford
Carol Meehan	Nancy Vincelet	Barbara Gill
12 Stan Kaneko	Elizabeth Pearson	30 Dave Morelli
		31 Peg Helland

August Birthdays

1 Emma Sage	9 Amanda VanZwaluwenburg	19 Sam Villagomez
2 Dotye Markham	10 Dave Blicharz	21 Greg Helland
4 Bonnie Moore	11 Fe Asis	22 Charito Lopez
Madeline Bacaylan	12 Teresa Costanza	Alyssa Linscheid
5 Angie Lamie	13 Dale Ludwig	24 Cameron Pannabecker
Nikki Cramer	Maria Montalvo	26 Stephen Hellmer
6 Emily Woo	14 Kathy Swann	Kathy Jantz
7 John Johnson	15 Barbara Hungerford	27 Carole Wambold
8 Gordon Cambra	17 Miranda Abresay	28 Roosevelt Loyd
Shannon Chapman	George Alavazo	30 Nadine Kuhlman
		31 Eric Chapman



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Friday 8:30am-Noon

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June 15**

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Lincoln's Mission:

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

Sunday Sermons

July 7 Philippians 2:12-18

July 14 Philippians 2:19-30

July 21 Philippians 3:1-11

July 28 Philippians 3:12-16

Aug. 4 Philippians 3:17-21

Aug. 11 Philippians 4:1-9

Aug. 18 Philippians 4:10-23

August 25 - We will begin studying the book of Esther

