

# Lincoln Park Church of Christ

## More than Conquerors

My very intelligent kids have been known to change the rules on me when I'm playing them a game. I cannot help but notice that there were no "bases" when the game of tag started. But it always seems that right when I'm about to catch one of those speedy children (through great effort and perseverance, mind you) that whatever object they happen to be standing near becomes base. Huh. Clearly I need to call a lawyer and get some sort of contractual rule agreement established before I commit to some game. Granted, I still catch them. It's just harder than I want it to be.

Jacob knew something about rule changes. These changes were a lot more serious than what happens in a game of tag. While at his uncle Laban's house he was working for livestock. Jacob had a very hard time getting ahead though because Laban kept changing what his wages were. Jacob said to Rachael and Leah, "You know that I've worked for your father with all my strength, yet your father has cheated me by changing my wages ten times. However, God has not allowed him to harm me. If he said, 'The speckled ones will be your wages,' then all the flocks gave birth to speckled young; and if he said 'The streaked ones will be your wages,' then all the flocks bore streaked young" (Genesis 31:6-8). There is something I want everyone to notice here. It is true . . . people do not always play fair. But when God is on your side you are going to be all right.

Last week we learned that when you are a part of the church Jesus Himself is caring for you. (See Ephesians 5:19-20). Or, as the Bible asks in Romans 8:31, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" If you stand with Jesus, as a part of the church, then God is for you! And if God is for you how can you lose? He can do anything. Doesn't that lead you to be confident? It doesn't matter what's going on around you. No matter what law is passed, no matter what public opinion may be, no matter what your relatives say . . . if you stand with God you cannot lose. You cannot be defeated. The kingdom of Christ will never be conquered. Never. And if you are a part of that kingdom neither will you.

AM Sermon: The Church is Mighty

Reading: Hebrews 10:35

PM Sermon: How to Disagree Without Sinning (Part 2)

### Sunday

	<u>Nov. 20, 2016</u>	<u>Nov. 27, 2016</u>
Song Leader	N. Middleton	R. Alt
Prayer	Chr. Middleton	R. Bone
Communion	M. Davidson	E. Stewart
Assist	R. Coss	P. Danz
Pass	J. Fussell	T. Jarvis
Pass	R. Castillo	D. Smith
Scripture	C. Fussell	Z. Thomas
Usher	T. Brooks	B. Hoffman
Usher	D. Mandernach	D. Clay
Prayer	D. Thomas	S. Danz

### Evening Worship

Prayer	M. Perry	T. Raupp
Communion	P. VanHorn	L. Montgomery
Prayer	B. Morton	Chu. Middleton
Bible Time	P. & N. Danz	No Bible Time

### Wednesday Midweek Bible Study

	<u>Nov. 23, 2016</u>	<u>Nov. 30, 2016</u>
Prayer	J. Fronczak	B. Smith
Song Leader	D. Smith	L. Montgomery

## ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

**SAMARITAN LADIES:** Every Wednesday at 10 am in room # 5.

**MEN'S GROUP:** Every Thursday at the Tim Horton's on Allen Rd. / Goddard Rd. in Taylor at 7:00 am AND 4:00 pm.

**HELPING HANDS BAG PAINTING PARTY:** Join us on Sunday, November 20 to paint bags for children in need, to be distributed by Wayne County Child and Family Services at their annual holiday party. The bags need to be filled and returned by December 4.

**THANKSGIVING SERVICE:** On Wednesday, November 23, all classes will meet in the auditorium at 7:00 pm.



**BLESSED HOPE:** Our youth group will be serving dinner to those in need on Friday, November 25 from 4:45-6 pm.

**LADIES' LUNCHEON:** Saturday, November 26 at 11:30 am at Ramsey's.

**ORPHAN'S LIFELINE:** Donations are due on Sunday, November 27.

**TEEN NIGHT:** Sunday, November 27 after the evening service.

**BACKPACKS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** If you would like to donate money to purchase school supplies for children in Nicaragua, (sponsored by the Mexican town Church of Christ) give your donations to any elder before November 30.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Saturday, December 10 at 9:00 am.

**E & D MEETING:** Sunday, December 11 at 4:30 pm.

**HELPING HANDS LUNCHEON:** Monday, December 12 - Angelina's in SG, 11:30 am.

**WINTER QUARTER CLASSES**

**Sunday, December 11**

Auditorium: Adults  
Building Character (study of Proverbs)  
Teacher: Doug Wells

Fellowship room: Adults  
"Thinking How God Thinks - The 4:8 Principle" Teacher: Deron Smith

High School: Teachers: Chuck & Diane Middleton

**Wednesday, December 14**

Auditorium: Men's Class  
"Distinctiveness of the Church"  
Facilitator: Louis Montgomery

Fellowship room: Ladies' class  
Teachers: Diane Middleton, Barb Raupp  
High School: Bible Bowl Practice

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

GIL MALDONADO

SHERYL PROSISE

BOB & EVELYN MULLINS

LYDIA MULLINS

JOHNSON FAMILY

**CONTINUE TO REMEMBER**

Joe Antio, Shiho Benham, Virginia Clay, Mamie Davis, Ramona Douglas, Ryan Douglas, Laura Farr, Margie Frost, Kent Holliday, Ed Ingle, Dennis Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, Candy Lance, Ken Lewis, Pat Longoria, Don Mandernach, Randy Mathews, Landy May, Ben & Peg Morton, Betty Parsons, Faye Porter, Brenda Pro-sise, Margaret Rodriguez, Garry Ruphard, Jim & Val Toby, Maria Tolbert, Rebecca Vaughn, Judith Wegner, Jerry White, Lincoln Young

## ELDERS' EDIFICATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

## THANKSGIVING THOUGHTS

This month we will all pause and observe a day our nation sets aside as a holiday. It is "Thanksgiving Day." Hopefully all Americans will pause to remember just how grateful they should be for the privileges and blessings afforded us. It is doubtful that will happen because of the decided turn toward secular humanism our government and society has taken.

It hasn't always been that way. In 1863, a noble statesman from Kentucky wrote the following Thanksgiving Proclamation. Abraham Lincoln wrote:

*It is the duty of nations as well as of man to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations are blessed whose God is the Lord.*

*We know that by His divine law, nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world. May we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole people?*

*We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth and power as no other nation has ever grown.*

*But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.*

*It has seemed to me fit and proper that God should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged, as with one heart and one voice, by the whole American people. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November, a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father Who dwelleth in the heavens. — A. Lincoln, 1863*

What a pity that men who guide our government and men who greatly influence the morality of our society today do not have the sentiments expressed by one of the greatest leaders this nation ever produced.

Let us be thankful every day, and especially this season of the year. When we gather as families on Thanksgiving Day, let us be truly thankful for the benevolence God has lavishly poured out on us. — DRS

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

<sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

<sup>2</sup> I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

Psalms 9:1-2



## SCRIPTURE READING

<sup>35</sup> So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded.

Hebrews 10:35

### SERVICES

*Sunday*

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am and 6:00 pm

*Wednesday*

Bible Study 7:00 pm

### OFFICE INFORMATION

2957 Fort St.

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MINISTER

Doug Wells

ELDERS

Russ Bone Randy Coss

Chuck Middleton Louis Montgomery

THEME

*"Surrender to God in 2016"*

### SERVING THE LORD IN NOVEMBER



*Communion Preparation:* Julie Moran

*Care of Baptismal Clothing:* Julie Moran

*Closing the Building:* We need a volunteer.

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Bill Berry  
Jeanette Fogarty  
Charley Roberts  
Eleanor Starkey  
Pam Fiori  
Carole Johnson  
Samantha Bewick  
Kevin Danz  
Dan Bewick



Dave & Julie Moran

### DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER

1) Luke 21-22  
2) Luke 23-24  
3) John 1-3  
4) John 4-5  
5) John 6-7  
6) John 8-9  
7) John 10-11  
8) John 12-13  
9) John 14-16  
10) John 17-18  
11) John 19-21  
12) Acts 1-3  
13) Acts 4-6  
14) Acts 7-8  
15) Acts 9-10

16) Acts 11-13  
17) Acts 14-16  
18) Acts 17-18  
19) Acts 19-20  
20) Acts 21-22  
21) Acts 23-25  
22) Acts 26-28  
23) Romans 1-3  
24) Romans 4-7  
25) Romans 8-10  
26) Romans 11-14  
27) Romans 15-16  
28) I Corinthians 1-4  
29) I Corinthians 5-8  
30) I Corinthians 9-11

### CONTRIBUTION

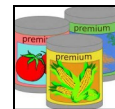
#### WEEKLY BUDGET

\$3,400

11-06-16 \$4,777

11-13-16 \$3,059

### FOOD PANTRY



#### Needed items

- Canned Chicken
- Complete Meals
- SpaghettiOs
- Tuna Helper