



**MAY 19, 2024 – 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM**

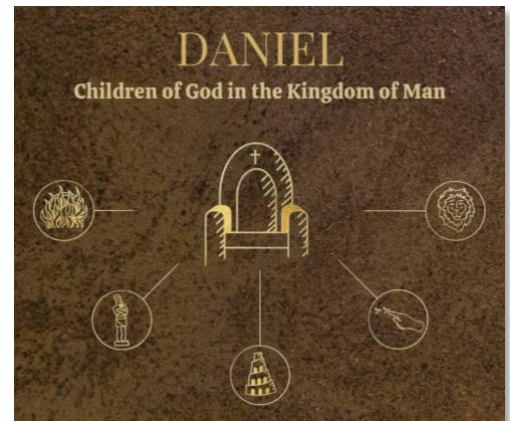
Welcome to Lincoln!  
We're glad you chose to worship with us today!

**Worship Music Selections:**

Blessed Be Your Name  
I'll Follow You  
I Speak Jesus  
How Great Is Our God

**Morning Prayer:**

Justin Linscheid - Assistant Pastor



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**Coming Up:**

- May 19 Today is the VBS Volunteer Meeting
- May 19 Today is the Gospel Center Rescue Mission Graduation at LPC
- May 27 Memorial Day - Office Closed
- June 1 Men's Breakfast
- June 2-5 VBS (in the evenings)
- June 15 ECO Presbytery meeting here at Lincoln
- June 16 Guest Speaker - Thomas Boone, Mission Director
- June 30 Patriotic Pancake Breakfast

Call or email the office for more information on these events,  
or sign up for the Weekly Update



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Sunday Services, and more).

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# "Stick To Your Commitment and Keep The Faith"

By Pastor Jon Hathorn

Daniel 6

The World often targets the faith of believers

Examples of *"Sticking to Your Commitment"*

There is always an excuse to do less. Less reps. I want to get up late. I want to leave practice early. I don't want to go today. I have a hangnail. There is always a reason why we don't want to meet a certain standard. It takes a person who has an order to them, to not give in to the mediocrity. I take it as a challenge. I take it as a person more than as a player. I don't identify with being a player as the most important thing. It's being a person.

WE NEED TO STICK TO OUR COMMITMENT – AND KEEP THE FAITH

Daniel 6

## BACKGROUND

If you remember in chapter 5, the king dies, and a new ruler takes over – Darius is his name

Several key interesting background thoughts.

1. Darius is actually more of a title than a name.
  2. Many scholars believe that this is actually Cyrus, the Persian King who let the Jews return to Jerusalem.
  3. This destruction of Babylon and the rise of the Persians follows the order of the falling kingdoms described in the dream that Nebuchadnezzar had.
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Several key facts in chapter six.

1. A new king results in new leaders.
2. 120 territorial leaders are appointed, with Darius thinking.
3. Daniel is at the top again – not just in order of appointment, but importance of appointment.
4. Other top leaders are so jealous of Daniel that they start looking for things he has done wrong.
5. They trick the king into making a law that Daniel will break, because Daniel is so devoted to practicing and following God.
6. These other men lied to the king, deceived the king, and touched his personal vanity and greed.
7. They were basically telling Darius he could be a God.
8. Daniel is a man of prayer, and prayer to anyone except Darius means the lions den.
9. Daniel feared God way more than he feared the lions.
10. The king loved Daniel and knew the power of the God Daniel followed.

### Faithfulness to God has no AGE limitations

Keep the faith no matter how old you are.

- When Daniel was a TEENAGER
- When Daniel was about FORTY YEARS OLD
- Daniel is now about EIGHTY YEARS OLD
- Hebrews 10:23 “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”
- Daniel was faithful throughout his life – we see that in each story of Daniel

### Faithfulness to God has no LOCATION limitations

Keep the faith – everywhere you go

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All over the World, the faith of believers is attacked

- In JERUSALEM
- In BABYLON
- In front of ENEMIES
- In the midst of THREATS
- In the midst of CHALLENGES
- In the FURNACE
- Against all odds
- On the way to the Lions den
- In the Lion's den

The speed limit doesn't change when there is a police officer with a radar gun pointed at you and your car

### Faithfulness to God has no EXCUSES

Keep the faith – no matter what you are offered or confronted with

We learn so much from:

- > Jesus' faithfulness
- > Paul's faithfulness

### Faithfulness to God brings MIXED REACTIONS

Keep the Faith and when we do - God blesses.

The nonbeliever learns the value of believing.

The believers are encouraged and cheering on the faithful.

"Well Done GOOD and FAITHFUL SERVANT!"

Bottom Line:

God honors the faithful

Let's **Keep the Faith**



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## Deacon Message

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where your *treasure* is,  
there your *heart* will be also.

Matthew 6:21

During the month of June, your contributions to the Deacon Fund will go toward providing financial help for students who will be attending college and/or trade school this fall, whether it be in person or online. Your generous donations make this valuable and life changing experience possible.

ATTN STUDENTS:

[Click Here](#) to find the scholarship application. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Dunn, chairperson of the Deacon Scholarships: [pagd49@aol.com](mailto:pagd49@aol.com) cell: 337-8141

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## Weekly Announcements

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### **GCRM Graduation:**

Today May 19 at 2:00pm here at Lincoln. Come and support those who have worked so hard to achieve this goal at the mission.

### **VBS Volunteer's Needed:**

*Today May 19th come to a quick VBS Volunteer Meeting after second service in Agape Hall to discuss ideas and more. Help us uplift and encourage the LPC kids to seek God and His Kingdom.*

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## Annual VBS:

June 2-5 - **Kingdom Seekers** theme! The kids will be exploring what it means to be a follower of Christ. We will jump into a night filled with singing, Bible stories, games, crafts, and more!

## Men's Breakfast:

June 1st @ 8am. Food, fellowship & faith. Join us!

## Evangelism Masterclass:

June 2nd through July 28th at 9:30 am in Agape Hall.

If you plan on attending the class please [Click Here](#) to note your online connect card.

For more information contact:

Pastor Justin - [justin@lincolnpres.org](mailto:justin@lincolnpres.org)

The graphic features a background of a blue sky with soft, out-of-focus light spots and a range of golden-brown mountains at the bottom. The text is centered and reads: **Evangelism Master Class** and **June 2 - July 28 - 9:30 am**. Below the text is a grid of 18 small portrait photos of diverse individuals. At the bottom of the graphic, there is a blue and orange gradient bar containing the text: **Engaging Culture** (with 'Culture' in a stylized font), **AN EVANGELISM MASTER CLASS**, and **HOSTED BY DR. STEPHEN AND KATHY PALAN**.

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# Prayer Requests

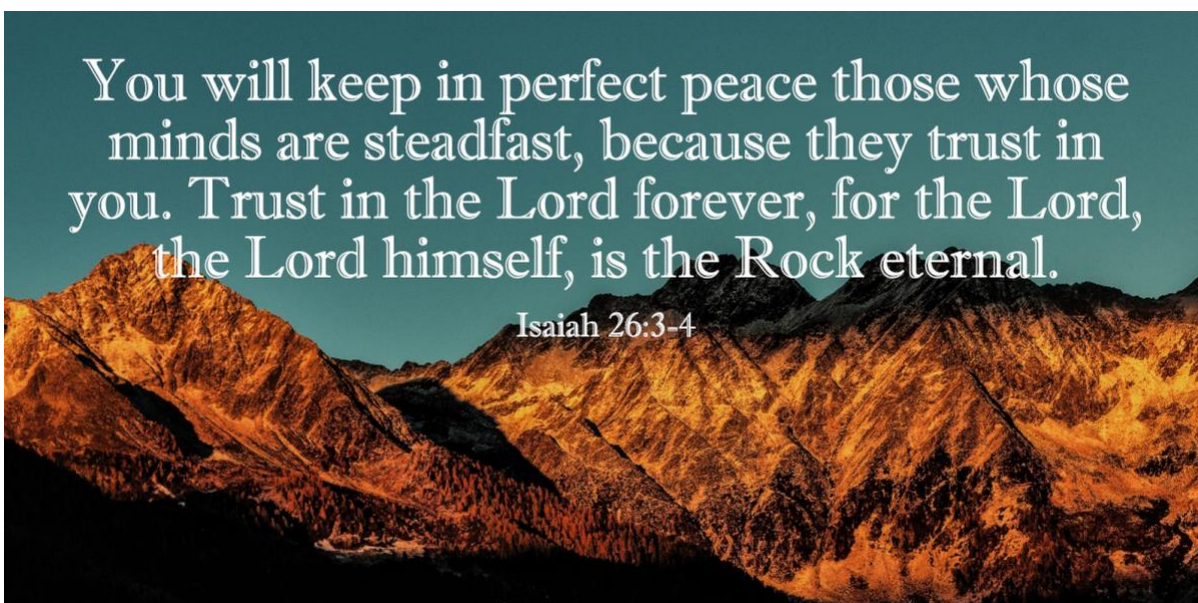
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Please Pray for our Weekly Prayer Families & Missionary . . .

- *Jesse Kenyon - Police Chaplains of Stockton*
- *Michael Gotschall - I'd like to thank God for His leading, weight loss and the new horizons He is opening at this stage in my life.*
- *Bob & Maureen Gibson , Barbara Gil, Scott & Jody Graham , Tyler Graham*

To reach the Prayer Chain,  
call Terri Long, 957-3816  
or email her at [TLong54@sbcglobal.net](mailto:TLong54@sbcglobal.net)

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## **LPC Ministerial Staff**

Pastor/Head of Staff - Jon Hathorn

Assistant Pastor - Justin Linscheid

Director of Children's & Family Ministries - Jenelle Maloy

Director of Music/Worship Leader - Tom BetGeorge

Director of Student Ministries - Harry Ulep

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If you have a prayer request, you can email it to the office or [Submit a Prayer Request](#) through our website.

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## Resources available on our website:

[Connect Card / Prayer Request](#)

[Young Adult Ministry](#)

[Student Ministry activities](#)

[Kids Ministry activities](#)

[LPC Daily Devotionals](#)

[Adult Bible Study](#)

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