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# WDJSAD



# What Did Jesus Say And Do

# SWSWD

"So What Should We Do"

Jesus came to earth.

To show us what to do

To show us what to say

And to provide for our guilt and shame

We would love to have you join us Sundays at 8:15 or 10:45

## Jon Hathorn - Pastor / Head of Staff



This is a picture of Babe Ruth and those two little girls are my mom and her twin sister. They met Babe Ruth in 1927. They had their picture taken with him. My grandma watched him hit a

couple of times. Babe asked if he could have a picture with the girls, because he had never seen twins before. Pretty cool story. The absolute reality is this - all of this is true, but they really don't know Babe Ruth, they just know about him.

There are many people who are very well known for one reason or another. Here are some examples:

- Denzel Washington acting
- · Abraham Lincoln -freeing slaves
- Steve Jobs technology
- Martin Luther King -civil rights
- The Beatles music
- Betty Crocker food

These are people we know about, and then there are a few people we actually know. When we think about Jesus - many people know some facts.:

- \* Born in Bethlehem to mother Mary
- \* A great teacher miracle worker
- \* Died on the cross for us
- \* Rose from the dead
- Ascended into heaven
- \* Sits at the right hand of the father



At Lincoln we want more than knowing a few facts about Jesus. We want to help people Know Him and experience Him, worship Him, follow Him, and serve Him. Our vision statement is important: "To Know And Love God, To Know and Love People, and to bring the two together through Jesus Christ."

This is the desire of our church - To Know Him more and more, and to share His love and forgiveness, and help others to have that same experience of knowing Him as well.

I hope that you are finding a strong connection with the Lord and with people who are encouraging a stronger connection.



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Scan this QR Code to check out the groups that we have on our website.

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#### Justin Linscheid - Assistant Pastor



had a pastor growing up who loved to say that prayer is like the breath in the lungs of the church. When we stop praying, it's as if we are cutting off the body's oxygen supply—eventually, it cannot

survive. Christ has called His church to live in communion with Him, to engage in ongoing conversation with Him. He is the Head of the Church, our Teacher, our Father, and our Friend.

I want to invite you to join me for a time of morning prayer each Sunday from 7:15 AM – 8:00 AM in the Fireside Room (Church Office Building). This is a space to pray together, receive prayer, or simply sit in the presence of God before we begin our Sunday worship. My plan is to continue these gatherings at least through Palm Sunday, and I would love for you to be part of it.

Churchwide Garage Sale - March 29

Mark your calendars! Our Churchwide Garage Sale is happening on Saturday, March 29, from 7 AM – 12 PM. This event is a blessing to our community and an important opportunity to raise funds for much-needed commodities for our Food For You program. Not only does it help provide assistance to those in need, but it also allows our neighbors to find valuable items at affordable prices.

This is a big event, and we need your help! Whether you can assist during drop-off times or on the day of the sale, your time and effort will make a difference. If you're willing to serve, please contact me at Justin@lincolnpres.org.

If you have usable, valuable items to donate, we would love to receive them! Please see the drop-off times listed.

Thank you for being part of a church that prays, serves, and gives generously.

God Bless, Justin



Saturday 3/22 8am - 12pm

Sunday 3/23 12pm - 2pm

Monday 3/24 8:30am - 7:30pm

Tuesday 3/25 8:30am - 3:00pm

Wednesday 3/26 8:30am - 3:00pm

Thursday 3/27 8:30am - 3:00pm

Please bring gently used items to our church activity center.

Donation slips will be available. If you have books to donate, please



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#### Josh Imboden - Director of Student Ministries



Looking Back:

n January, we took 20 students to Hume Lake for Winter Camp, where they encountered God's agape love and learned

that only a relationship with Jesus can truly satisfy. Along with powerful worship and teaching, our students had a blast competing—our box sled team placed 4th, and our middle school boys took 2nd in broom ball! They also wrestled with deep questions like Why do bad things happen? and How do I know I'm saved? while memorizing Romans 10:9.





#### What's Going On:

Both our Middle School and High School groups have launched Youth Alpha, and it's going strong! Each week, students are diving into engaging videos and open discussions, asking deep theological and life questions. The conversations have been lively, honest, and thought-provoking as we explore faith, purpose, and what it means to follow Jesus. Join us Sunday nights for High School (6-8pm) and Wednesday nights for Middle School (6-7:15pm). You can catch up on these videos with the QR code below, as well as find our youth calendars, sign up for events and find our Instagram.

#### Mark Your Calendars:

Broomball (Mar 15, 2025): This is the perfect event to bring a friend! Whether you're battling it out in broomball or skating together on the ice, everything is more fun with a buddy. Don't miss this chance to hang out, have a blast, and make it a night to remember.

Youth Car Rally (Apr 12, 2025): Rev up for the ultimate Car Rally! Grab your phones and get ready for an epic adventure filled with clues,

challenges, and highspeed fun. Race against the clock, rack up points, and compete for awesome prizes!



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# Raquel Perez - Director of Children's & Family Ministries



e are only two months into 2025 and God is doing extraordinary things within the hearts of our LPC kiddos. By God's grace, we have had the privilege of gifting bibles

to five kiddos last month alone. We had 200 gospel tracts taken by kiddos to be given out for Valentine's Day at school. We had a child decide to be baptized. We gifted all our 2nd-5th graders who are part of our TeamKid program with a copy of "The Awesome Book of Bible Answers for Kids" by Josh McDowell. AND our LPC kiddos sent Valentine's Day cards to EVERYONE on our church visitation list!!



There are so many awesome events and activities coming up. We have our Toddler Playtime in March and our TeamKid Family Board Game Night in April. Our LPC kiddos will also be partnering with Showered with Love all March long, so be on lookout for their blue Love Donation Bins.



Visit our website to subscribe to our weekly LPC Kids Newsletter. It is the best way to get up-to-date information about what's happening with the kids and families of LPC.

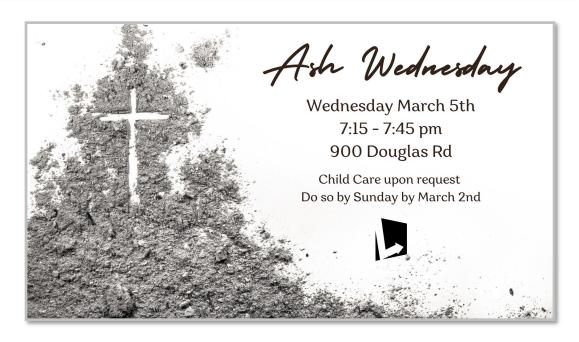


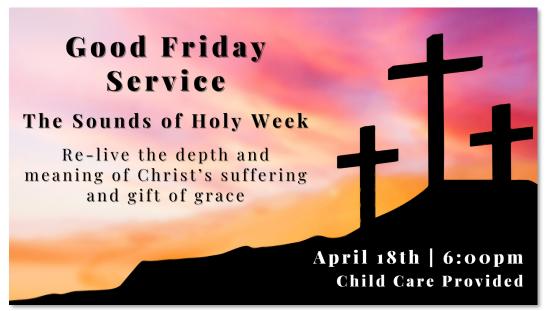


If you have any questions, contact me at raquel@lincolnpres.org.

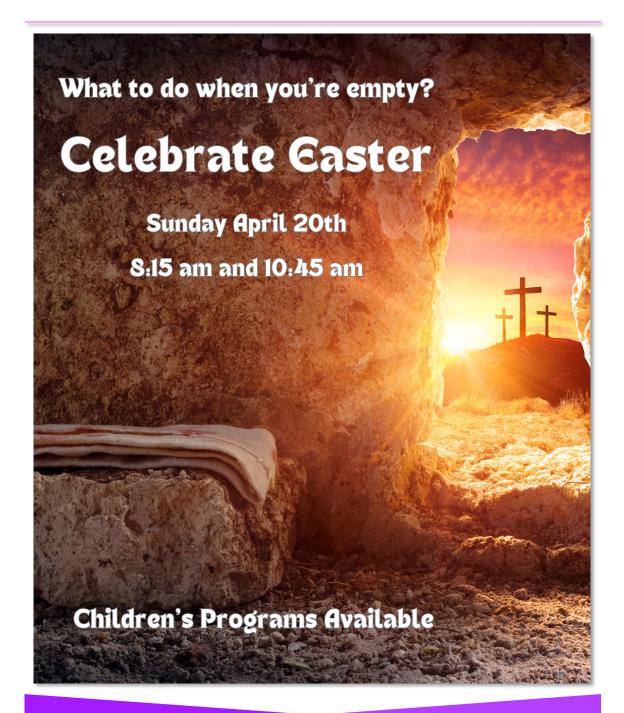
God Bless you and yours.

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# **Daily Word of Encouragement**

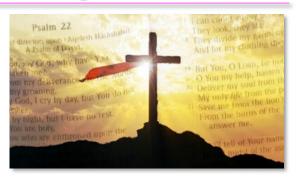
# The God Who Hears us and Helps us

"For he has not ignored or belittled the suffering of the needy. He has not turned his back on them but has listened to their cries for help." Psalm 22:24

Psalm 22 is a heartfelt expression of trust in God through pain and suffering. In it, David, the psalmist, openly acknowledges his anguish. Hurt is neither ignored nor dismissed but brought honestly before the Lord.

At the same time, David chooses not to deny or overlook God's goodness. He recalls God's steadfast love and faithfulness, declaring his trust in Him even in the midst of hardship. Psalm 22:24 offers us an incredible promise: God does not ignore our cries. He does not belittle our needs or turn His back on our pain. Instead, He empathizes with us, enters into our suffering, listens to our prayers, and brings help.

This psalm is also a profound prophecy about Christ's suffering on the cross. It vividly describes His pierced hands and feet and the soldiers casting lots for His clothing. Through these words, we see the God who not only hears our cries but takes our pain upon



Himself. Jesus, the greater David, bore the full weight of our suffering. He did not deny or avoid it; He entered it fully, showing His compassion for deep humanity. In your own struggles, know that God is with you. Like David, bring your hurts and cries to Him, trusting that He hears and loves you. Like Christ, entrust yourself to the Father who is near to the brokenhearted. He will not belittle your pain or turn away. Instead, He will carry it with you and for you, because He loves you deeply and is always listening. Open your heart to Him today. He is the God who sees, the God who cares, and the God who stays.

Lincoln's "Daily Word of Encouragement" is written by members of the Lincoln Family and shared each day as a source of inspiration and spiritual nourishment.



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# Birthdays



# March

Jenelle Maloy
 Jared VanZwaluwenburg
 Duffy Ruffin
 Camron Rezania
 Linda Davies

Lauren Sage

11 Jeida Lavender

Lette Asis

12 Rick Robbins
Craig Potter

Anna Woods

15 Donna Halboth

16 Dottie Edaburn

Liam Tacla

17 Janet Beck Kristen Colton

Tyler Solt

18 Jerry Crooks
Betty Mac Rae
Sherry Shields

19 Tess Reynolds
Joan Speirs

20 Tami Mc Gregor

22 Lanny Fertig

23 Char Gray

24 Lise Bachman-Karnes

25 Paul Singh

27 Marcus Nalls

30 Christie Ferguson

# April

Hal Armstrong
 Magdalin Zakhary

2 Tom Bet George Brittany Bobrow

3 Sydney Reynolds

4 Josie Ferguson

6 Elgin Robinson

9 Ralph SwannBill Chapman

9 Jim Duncan

10 Jamie Pena

11 Tammy Nalls

12 Gary Tacla

15 Leroy Alford

16 Jim Wilcox

22 Marie Todd

Bree Laguna
23 Regina Brown

24 Eve Barton

Kathy Vermillion

Noralee Willard

26 Carol Sharpe

27 Sandy Evans

Barb Vallendingham

Karen Johnson

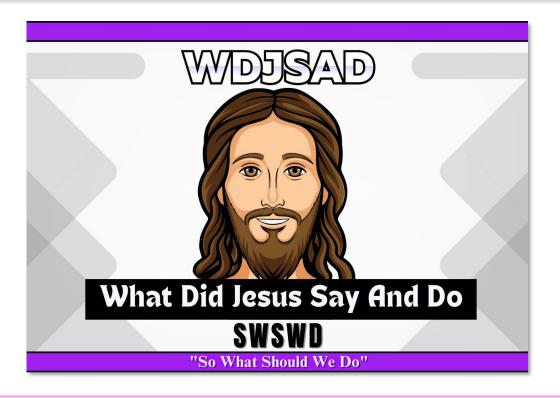
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### Sermon Series - 2025 THEME - WDJSAD

hat Did Jesus Say And Do! That's a great place to start for all of us. This year we are looking into several themes about what Jesus said and did. What He said about Stewardship. This will be follower by several series "HOW HE..: Trained, and Used Power. We'll then cover HIS GREATEST: Sermon, Stories, and Conversations. And possibly the most



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Sunday Worship: 8:15am & 10:45am

Sunday School: 9:30am

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Lincoln's Mission:

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm | closed 12-1pm | Friday 8:30am-Noon