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### to Vote on the Candidate for the Director of Music

In recommending Curtis Streetman to the role of Director of Music and in accordance with church policy and by-laws, we will vote on the recommendation from the Music Committee that has been approved by the Deacons.

### Candidate for Director of Music

On behalf of the Music Committee, we are very pleased to present to the church Dr. Curtis Streetman as our recommended candidate to fill our vacant Director of Music position. Curtis has been Assistant Professor of Voice at Baylor since August 2014, a role which includes functioning as the voice teacher to 15 voice majors and teaching the Lyric Diction Class. Curtis has a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance from Eastman School of Music, a Master of Arts in Music Education from Boston University, and a Doctor of the Musical Arts in Vocal Performance from Rutgers University.

Curtis feels drawn to Lake Shore because of the style of worship, the welcoming community attitude, and its service-minded activities. Curtis hopes to contribute to the community as a congregant and musical leader. Some key Baylor colleagues whom he holds up as models are part of the Lake Shore texture. Curtis feels that the music program should assist the pastor in her work, and that it should primarily be an agent in helping the congregation feel closer to God. Music is a gift from God, which should be celebrated and returned to God. Musical offerings should reflect the joy that we have in each other, our love for God, and our yearning to understand God.

Curtis directed the choir during the February 12 service. We hope many of you were able to meet him after worship.

—*The Music Committee:*

*Judy Davies, Kay Avant, Myrl Luper, Tom Hanks, Jerry Gordon, Nate Myrick, Beth Farwell, and Bruce Evans, Chair.*

## Worship at Lake Shore

The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

### The Worship of God

February 19, 2017

#### Sermon

*Kyndall Rothaus*

#### The Scripture

*Matthew 5: 38-48*

## Hearts Turned Toward China

Brittany and Casey Ramirez

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Brittany and Casey Ramirez received their Master of Divinity degrees (Missions and World Christianity) from Truett Seminary. Casey now works as the Academic Technology Consultant at Truett and Brittany is the Assistant Director in our Children's Center. Juniper is a happy 16-month-old in our children's center program. Brittany and Casey have a heart for China and working with the registered Chinese church. Brittany worked as field personnel with CBF from 2008-2010 as an Outreach Program Coordinator in Chengdu. She returned Texas to start seminary where she met Casey. They have gone back to serve in Chengdu in the summers, and Juniper even went while Brittany was 6 months pregnant with her! They are currently in the application process to go back to serve in Chengdu with CBF and work alongside the local Chinese Christians. Come hear them share about their previous work in China, the work of the local Chinese churches, and their discernment process for returning.

# Refugee Relief Event for International Rescue Committee

We are thrilled to report that as of Wednesday morning, the total raised by the Refugee Relief event for the IRC is \$6,042.15! Thanks to EVERYBODY who made the event last Friday night a success beyond all expectations. Thanks to all who attended, danced, performed (After Midnight and seven other musicians), contributed and purchased eighty silent auction items (everything from watermelon cakes to hand carved bookends), and especially all of the people behind the scenes who prepared food and drinks, arranged and operated the silent auction, and prepared the room. We were overwhelmed by the energy and gifts that filled the sanctuary and hallways of the church.

Michele Villarreal joined us from the Dallas office of the International Rescue Committee, where she is Development and External Relations Coordinator. She spoke briefly, but movingly, about her work. Based on her close interactions with hundreds of refugees, including those from the Syrian conflict, she said she has never had reason to fear any of the people she has picked up at DFW, even in the middle of the night; hers is one of the first American faces they see. What all the refugees have in common, she said, is a desire to get their kids into school after years of interruption of their educations by the civil war.

Our \$6,000-plus total does not include a few auction items yet to be picked up from the church office (and a few are still in the hall to bid on tonight) or gifts made directly to the IRC ([click here](#) to donate). The money we raised Friday night will be helpful to hundreds of desperate people, here in Texas and abroad. It is surely a boost to the spirits of those in the Dallas office. Here's a note we received from Michele Villarreal on Monday:

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We will look for ways to continue to connect with the Michele at the IRC and with others who welcome each person who arrives in this country, seeking assurance of safety and opportunities in their new home.

*Global Missions Covenant Group: Steve Gardner, David Hendon, Henri Kari, Laura Lind, Sandy Londos, Myrl Luper, Carolyn Rodabough, Sharlande Sledge, Don SoRelle*

*(Michele Villarreal — top center picture with Gwen Kari; far right on middle row with Steve Gardner)*





## Children's Corner

### School Supply Drive: Touching Miami with Love

During February our K-6 missions class is learning about a ministry run by CBF missionaries in Miami called "Touching Miami with Love." The kids have created a hallway display with a box to collect school supplies, and they'll be visiting some adult Sunday School classes this Sunday to make sure the whole church knows how they can participate!



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