

Vernon Davis, Preaching

Vernon joined Lake Shore just ten months ago when he moved here from Austin, bringing a lifetime of meaningful experience in congregational life. His faithful presence in our worship each week — sitting on the second row with David and Magi and other members of the Davis and Clark families — is a gift to our church family.

Vernon has extensive pastoral experience — at Grace Temple Baptist in Denton, as Associate at

South Main Baptist Church in Houston and then, from 1971-1983, as the beloved pastor of First Baptist Church of Alexandria, Virginia, a church where he and his wife, Bennie, made life-long friends.

In 1983 Vernon joined the faculty of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, assuming the role of Vice-President in 1987. The Davises moved to Abilene in 1995 — the same year their daughter, Carol, and her husband, Brett, moved to Waco, where Brett was pastor at Lake Shore. Vernon was on the faculty of Logsdon School of Theology as professor of theology and director of graduate studies in theology. He became Logsdon's dean in 1998.

At Lake Shore Vernon is a member of the Bereshith Sunday School class, and he serves on the Personnel Committee. Vernon wrote the devotionals for May 14-20 in the current issue of *Reflections*. One of Vernon's new Lake Shore friends, Bob Baird, says: "I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know Vernon. Our lives have many commonalities, and I have appreciated his insights about life and Baptist life in particular. Vernon and his wife raised two wonderful children, both of whom have made marvelous contributions to Lake Shore. What a gift now he is to this community."

Vernon's wisdom and pastoral spirit are gifts to us all. We wholeheartedly welcome Vernon to our Lake Shore pulpit this Sunday.



Worship at Lake Shore The Third Sunday of Easter

The Worship of God April 30, 2017

Sermon

Vernon Davis

The Scripture *2 Corinthians 4:5-6, 5:14-20*

Business Meeting — Tonight Wednesday, April 26 – 6:00 pm

Agenda:

- 1. Financial report
- 2. Proposal from Buildings and Grounds Committee (discussion only, no vote) The whole hour is devoted to the business meeting.

Wednesday, May 17 – 6:00 p.m. Agenda:

Proposal from Building and Grounds Committee; limited discussion Vote on proposal Seminar from 6:30-7:30. Choir practice at 7:30.

Click Here for proposal.

Supper Reservations

Because both of these meetings fall on Wednesday nights, we know that some of you who are not on the regular Wednesday night supper list may want to join us. . \$6 per adult; \$3 per child; \$15 per family. **Menus:** April 26, Joan's spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert; (reservations due Wednesday, April 26) May 17, pizza, salad, dessert, (reservations due Tuesday, May 16)

Prayer for the World

This prayer was offered in worship on Sunday, April 23, by Matthew Whelan.

God of mercy,
we no longer look
for Jesus among the dead.
For he is alive; he is the Lord of life.
And you are the God of resurrection.
You are the God
who brings life out of death.

We are alive with the lives
you have given us in birth,
and the new lives
you have given us in rebirth,
the risen life we have in Christ.
From the waters of death,
you raise us, you renew us, you strengthen us.
Please continue to increase your life in us.
Help us to grow
into the fullness of the life
we have in You.

On this weekend of Earth Day, we pray for your creation.
Our forebears could see your work in the constellations.
The sign of Aries—the sign of the ram—seemed to speak to them of the Lamb who takes away the sins of the world.
Even now, we can catch glimpses of resurrection in the soil beneath our feet, in the way it brings life out of death, in the way the land we live on and the lives we live are its gifts.

Give us eyes to see and hearts to heal the damage we have done and continue to do to what you have made. Help us to be wiser in discerning our needs and less burdensome in meeting them. In this time of Easter,
we especially remember those places
that seem to proclaim your cross
rather than your resurrection.
For the people of Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan.
For those of Somalia, Yemen, and South Sudan.
For people crossing borders—
the deserts between Mexico and the US,
the seas between Africa and Europe.

But we also believe you are in these places. You are especially close to suffering and death. You are especially near to all those in need. Even before we cry out to you, you are with us. Give us the courage to look for you there.

We give special thanks this Easter for all those lives across the centuries that have been transfigured by the resurrection, that have been its witnesses in the world.

Give all of us gathered here the grace to give testimony to the risen Christ and to reflect him in our own lives.

Almighty God, Jesus has risen from the dead. We present our prayers to you, through the same risen Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen.

The Enneagram:

A Tool for Christian Spiritual Formation

Saturday, June 17, 9am-3:30pm

Led by Jon Singletary, Dean, Diana R. Garland School of Social Work, Baylor

Please reserve your spot by paying \$25 (includes lunch) by June 11 (40 places available)

Checks made payable to Lake Shore with Enneagram in the memo line



Children's Corner

Bike-A-Thon is coming up fast! It will Sunday, May 7 at 4:00 pm in the back parking lot, with a cookout to follow! Be sure to check out the display in the hallway to sign up for what you can bring to the cookout, and to grab an envelope for your child! Kids can collect pledges up until the time of the Bike-A-Thon, and money will be due the following Sunday, May 14. Proceeds will support hunger relief for victims of famine in Yemen, South Sudan, Nigeria, and Somalia add to our church's donation to Action Against Hunger. Come join us for a great afternoon of bikes and burgers!





Week of the Young Child

Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center April 24-28, 2017 Music Monday



Tasty Tuesday



Other Physical Improvements

We have been discussing large, costly projects at church but we also want you to be aware of a couple of smaller projects which you will see at church in the next few months. We will be installing a sloping sidewalk and railing out the downstairs main doors to make the entry more accessible for everyone. The sidewalk will slope on both sides of the door, and there will be a railing installed to prevent a person from walking out the door and stepping directly off the sidewalk into the parking lot. The Children's Center will be installing a new sign on the front lawn in a couple of months. The new sign will look like the current church sign (it will be brown with white lettering) but it will be smaller.

Celebrations...

At the 2017 American Library Association (ALA) Midwinter Meeting held in Atlanta, the Board of the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) officially endorsed a report authored by a task force led by Bruce Evans and that included Allison Yanos. The report, "Core Competencies for Cataloging and Metadata Professional Librarians," defines the baseline skills, abilities, and behaviors for professional librarians engaged in cataloging and metadata activities regardless of institution type. Bruce was recognized for sharing in a task force that updated the standards in the profession for librarians.

Kate Smallwood and Zac Henderson will be married on Saturday night in Austin. Kate, the daughter of Pam and Roy Smallwood and the sister of Emily, grew up at Lake Shore.

Soup Supper

At our Palm Sunday Soup Supper, we raised \$3,290 that will be sent to Action Against Hunger for their mission of famine relief in Yemen, Somalia, South Sudan, and northeast Nigeria. We pray that our gifts will relieve the hunger of some of our brothers and sisters in these countries who live in lands of political instability and limited food availability.

Our great thanks to Glenda Ramsower, who offered the great gift of making the majority of our soup bowls again this year, and to her granddaughter Mackenzie, who helped her with this project that was both huge and meaningful to them. We are also grateful to Paul McCoy of Baylor who truly believes in the mission our Soup Supper and contributed beautiful bowls again this year. No one could have brought our attention to the needs of the people we were helping through Action Against Hunger than our speaker, Dr. John Ssozi, originally a Catholic priest in Uganda who know teaches economics at Baylor, whose words set our meal in the context of Holy Week.

Two other "thank you's" to Kay Avant for the Somali Chicken Soup and to the Global Missions Covenant Group: Carolyn Rodabough, Steve Gardner, Henry Kari, David Hendon, Myrl Luper, Don SoRelle, Sandy Londos, and Laura Lind who planned the offering and the evening.



Our Church Staff

Kathy Coleman,

Director, LSBC Children's Center Louis Garcia, Custodian Claire Helton, Minister to Children Zachary Helton, Minister to Youth Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager Krysta Pittman, Office Manager Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor Fake Shore Baptist

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 30

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

Curtis Streetman, Music Director

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:30—Soulfriends

Tuesday, May 2

1:30—Staff meeting

Wednesday, May 3

5:15—Supper

6:00—Children's Activities

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FEELS; WHAT TO DO

QUARTERLY MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

5:30 to 7:30pm

St. Alban's Episcopal Church

parish hall

305 N. 30th Street

(but park in the lot at 29th and Columbus to be

right at the parish hall)
This event is free and open to all, but

you MUST reserve a space by Tuesday, April 25 by calling 717-7903 or emailing

<u>Io@welterfamily.org</u>. Dinner is provided

by the CRRC board, with donations

accepted.

6:00—Dessert auction

7:00—Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday night supper May 3

Burritos from Chipotle chips and salsa desserts from the auction!

children, \$3.00

youth & adults, \$6.00
Write krysta@lakeshorebcwaco.org
by Sunday noon to add or cancel

Volunteers for Sunday, April 30

Extended Care: Jen Bronson!
Ushers: Ron and Claudia Beal!
Scarlett Ucci
Rachel Whitenton

WEEKLY YOUTH UPDATE

ABRIDGED

This Week

Wednesday // Meeting in the Teen House after C and C's

Sunday // 9:30am Sunday School,

5pm Youth Meeting

Beyond This Week

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May 3rd // Dessert Auction for Connor's Eagle Scout Project

May 5-7th // Spring Retreat May 15th // Noah's Birthday!

"Everybody today seems to be in a hurry. No one has any time to give to others: children to their parents, parents to their children, spouses to each other.

World peace begins to break down in the homes." - Mother Teresa

For more, see the Youth bulletin board in the hallway. For questions, or to subscribe to the full Youth Update, email zach@lakeshorebcwaco.org.

Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, May 9, at 10 am

Staff Notes

Kyndall, Claire, and Zach will be at the Alliance of Baptists Annual Gathering in Raleigh, North Carolina, April 26-30.

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2017 budget of \$486,000.00 are \$9,346.15. This week's budget receipts were 26.941.22.

Year to date needs \$158.884.61 Year to date received \$151,421.33

Difference (\$7,463.28)

To give online, please click here.