

# Summer Sabbath



Top 4 pictures: Carolyn Rodabough, "My 'little bit of heaven.' The little pinkish flowers are a type of wild orchid - Fairy Slippers, and are only 2-3 inches tall.. I love flowers and hiking!" Bottom photo: Pam Smallwood, "View from the Rodaboughs' cabin at dusk in the Red River Upper Valley, New Mexico." If you would like to contribute a digital photo to our "Summer Sabbath series" please send your picture to harlande@lsbcwaco.org and krysta@lsbcwaco.org.

#### Worship at Lake Shore The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God July 16, 2017

Sermon

Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43



### Blessings on this house!

Join us for a housewarming Kyndall's new home 9535 Brookhollow, 76712 Saturday, July 22 10AM – Noon Blessing at 11:00 Light breakfast

# Fall Planning Meeting CTC Group Leaders

Caring Through Community (CTC) Groups

July 30, 4 pm

### A letter from Curtis

My Dear family through Christ:

I have shared this news with the choir, and with the pastoral

staff of our beloved Lake Shore Baptist Church; I feel that it is time for all of you to be informed of developments from my end.

I have received a full time job offer of appointment from Eastern Kentucky University. With the greatest reluctance and sadness I am forced to announce my departure as your Director of



Music. At Eastern Kentucky, I will be teaching voice, and conducting the operas. The university also wishes for me to build the opera program.

Though short, my time at Lake Shore has enriched me beyond measure. As many of you know, within my first week of appointment as your music director, I was diagnosed with severe cardiovascular disease, which required immediate open-heart surgery. My surgical incision got infected, and I am still being treated for that wound.

Though brand-new to the church, for at least a month, not a day went by where I did not have at least one visitor from Lake Shore. Usually the visits were accompanied by some great tasting and healthy meal, but in every case I was treated to your time, conversation, and caring. This made a tremendous impact on my recovery, and also made me truly eager to rejoin the staff as soon as I was able. I know in my heart that Lake Shore nursed me back to health, in mind, body, and in spirit.

Complicating my recovery was the fact that I was let go from my full time position at Baylor University one day after my surgery, for reasons that are still unclear. After this happened, it became very unlikely that I would be able to remain in Waco long-term. I have decided to pursue this matter legally. Many of you have strong ties to Baylor, and I do not wish to divide your loyalties, but, I also must do what I think is fair and just. This situation sent me into an emotional free-fall, and your collective friendship and support helped me to turn that around.

My work with the music program at church has given me focus and purpose. Every step of the way I have felt tremendous support from the clergy, the choir, and the congregation. Believe me when I convey that leaving this position is heartbreaking for me, as I feel that with the support of my clergy, staff colleagues, the choir, and the congregation, I was able to realize my lifelong goal of being able to make an impact on the spiritual lives of people that I have grown to care about, through music.

I still have strong ties to the Waco community, and will spend my vacations here in town; on such occasions, I plan to attend Lake Shore as a congregant.

I am proud of the work that this church does in terms of social awareness and justice. To have been associated with this community-driven congregation is something that I will always be proud of, and while I am sad to be resigning this post, I also feel sure that this will not be the end of my Lake Shore experience. For those who wish to be in touch, please take my email address: <a href="mailto:curtisstreetrman@gmail.com">curtisstreetrman@gmail.com</a>

Through the great fellowship of Christ, I thank you all for your caring love and support.

Curtis Streetman

#### The Ramirezes are moving to China!

Help them move their things from their house to yours by coming to

## A Moving Sale

In the front yard of the Teen House this Friday and Saturday, July 21 and 22 6:30am-11am



For More Information on the Ramirezes Ministry Click Here

Items include:

dining table and chairs, desks, toddler toys, camping equipment, tools, smoker, and more!

### Children's Corner

#### Passportkids Camp July 28-31

Passport Kids Camp is coming up in just

a few weeks!
Parents, please be sure to check your email for a very long but very important list of camp details you'll need to know! And



don't forget to turn in your camper's completed medical and other forms in the folder outside my office ASAP!



#### **Combined July Sunday School**

Toddlers through 6th Grade are combined for the month of July in Room 206. Each week we'll hear from a special guest - a Bible character who will tell their story in character! Then our kids will get a chance to interview the actor behind the character and get to know some of the folks in our church who they may not have met before. Our combined Sunday School is a great change of pace and a chance for our kids to all learn and grow together!

#### Sharing a Little Cool Breeze



Fans for Waco

You can help make this summer a more bearable for those less fortunate. We're anticipating 100+ degree days this week. The heat is hard on everyone. If you'd like to bring a new or gently used fan, please drop it by the church during office hours. They will be equally distributed between Meals on Wheels and Caritas as a collaborative effort to support older adults. In some instances, your gift could be lifesaving.

#### Prayers for...

Curtis Streetman's infection that occurred after his heart attack is still present but is now considered "low grade." The doctors are aggressively treating it with antibiotics.

Preston Dyer is resting and healing well from heart surgery. Please call Genie before you drive out to visit.

Missy Davis is recuperating at home after her hip replacement surgery.

Boyce Vardiman has moved to Sodalis on North 19th Street for memory care.

Lesley Myrick is about to have a baby. Click her to sign up to bring meals https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/6grv8q

### Mission Waco Annual School Supply Drive

Mission Waco will offer new durable backpacks filled with selected items, for low-income parents to purchase. A donation box is at the church until July 25.

#### Here are some of the most needed items:

- Backpacks
- #2 Pencils
- Pens (blue, black, and red ink)
- White Tube Socks, youth/adult sizes
- Hand Sanitizer (small bottles)
- Pocket Folders with Brackets

# <u>Volunteers</u> are another precious resource Mission Waco needs. Contact Martie Sauter for details about:

- stuffing backpacks on Thursday, August 3 at 9:00 am, at The Rock on 16th & West
- working at the at the store at The Rock Saturday, August 5, at 8:00 am, and on August 8, at 5:00 pm

**Our Church Staff** 

Louis Garcia, Custodian
Claire Helton, Minister to Children
Zachary Helton, Minister to Youth
Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager
Krysta Pittman, Office Manager
Brittany Ramirez, Interim Director of LSBCC
Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor
Curtis Streetman, Director of Music



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#### **CALENDAR**

Sunday, July 23

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:30—Soulfriends

Tuesday, July 25

1:30—Staff Meeting

*Wednesday, July 26*NO CHOIR PRACTICE

#### Staff Notes

Kyndall will be out Monday, July 24. Zach and Claire will be out until Saturday, July 22.

On Thursday evening, July 20, at 7:00 P.M., attendees of the Alleluia Conference will experience "Lift Every Voice and Sing: A Celebration of Black Gospel Music." This event, led by Dr. James Abbington and Baylor church music students, will explore the history and vast repertoire of black gospel music.



Interspersed with commentary and Scripture passages, the congregation will



sing beloved songs from the rich African-American tradition. We invite you to join us for this special evening. The celebration will take place in Truett Seminary's Powell Chapel.

**EVENT DETAILS** 

**Date:** Thursday, July 20 **Time:** 7:00 P.M.

Location: Powell Chapel, Truett Seminary - Baylor

University Campus

Event Leader: Dr. W James Abbington

# Volunteers for Sunday, July 23

Extended Care:

Calleigh Swift Ushers:

Fred Gehlbach i Nancy Gehlbach

# WEEKLY YOUTH UPDATE

ABRIDGED

This Week

Wednesday // No youth activities

Sunday // 5-7pm evening youth meeting in the Teen House led by John Warren

For more, see the Youth bulletin board in the hallway.

For questions, or to subscribe to the full Youth Update, email zach@lsbcwaco.org.

#### Art Journaling as Prayer

July 29, 10 am to Noon Good Neighbor House 2301 Colcord Ave.

Join us to explore how your doodles and scratching's can become another avenue to communicating with God. No art experience necessary; supplies provided. Bring an open, curious mind and a desire to develop a closer relationship with your Creator. Free. Facilitated by Vicki Kabat. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:vkabat@gmail.com">vkabat@gmail.com</a> to ensure sufficient art supplies.

#### **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 3,456.00.

Year to date needs \$271,038.46 Year to date received \$237,549.00

Difference (\$33,489.46)

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