

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

October 17, 2018



This Sunday
October 21
after
Worship

Bring food to share after church: vegetables or salads, pasta dishes or desserts. (No chips.) We'll order the fried chicken and provide drinks. If you have a cooler, please pack your cold food in the cooler and leave it in the car until after church (limited refrigerator space). If you have hot food, hurry to the kitchen to heat it after church — or bring a crockpot! \$2 per person for chicken and a drink.

Worship at Lake Shore
The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

The Worship of God

October 21, 2018

Sermon

Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture

Job 38:1-7, (34-41)

The Faces of Beloved Community



**A traveling photography exhibit
highlighting the people and places of
CBF Global Missions.**

at Lake Shore, October 14– November 7

42 large, high quality photographs
curated on behalf of the CBF Missions Council, drawing on
the best of thousands of photographs of “beloved
community” around the world.

“Chinese Society and the Third Revolution” Dr. Xin Wang

Wednesday night seminar
October 24 — 6:15 p.m.



Following our visit with Brittany and Casey in Chengdu, China, last Wednesday night, Dr. Xin Wang Baylor will talk with us about China — yes, the overall situation for religion, but also broader reflections on China: things that have been changing, things that have staying pretty much the same re: the standard of living, the educational system, the policies and personality of Xi Jinping.

Dr. Wang is an associate professor of Chinese Studies and the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core and director of the Asian Studies program at Baylor, will talk with us about China.

He was born in Xi’an, an ancient capital of China and completed his master’s and doctorate in education at Baylor. In addition to his recent book *Higher Education as a Field of Study in China: Defining Knowledge and Curriculum Structure*, his publications have been mainly focused on the civic culture of the emerging middle class in China and China’s higher education reform. His recent research projects include China’s newly emerged urban art communities. Besides teaching and research at Baylor, he directs and leads the Baylor in China study abroad program every summer.

Prayer for the World,

*Offered by Melanie Nogalski
on worship on October 14*

We beseech thee, Oh God, to hear our petitions and requests for the needs of those around us.

We see the ongoing struggles of those suffering from the aftermath of earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia—the plight of public officials to make difficult decisions regarding destroyed towns and villages, the displacement of survivors wondering where they should go and how they will make a living, the grief of those who have lost family and friends, the helplessness of those remaining to restore that which cannot be quickly restored. Be with these in need this day, Oh God. Comfort them.

We also pray for those who have suffered displacement in another part of the world due to hurricane, storm surge, and devastating rains. For those suffering from the effects of Hurricane Michael, bless those who gather in makeshift places of worship today. Let

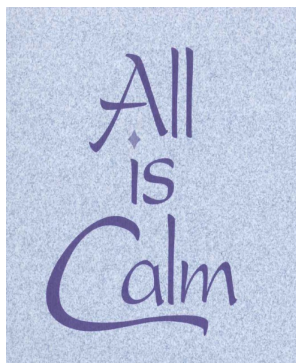
them feel encouraged that others remember them and intercede on their behalf. Bless those who seek to help their neighbors find places of shelter, locate safe drinking water, and find food. Let your spirit encourage others to join the local efforts in cleanup and restoration. Bless the educators who will seek to re-gather the community of children they serve into schools that have been damaged by the storm.

We remember that there are many around the world who have been displaced by war already—refugees who have been in search of safety for a very long, long time. They are joined by other refugees who long for peace, justice, and a future for their families that will allow them to flourish and contribute to new communities. Let us not become weary in our support of refugees in need. Let us not become discouraged that our countries and political systems falter in their support. Remind us that when we do the least of these, we are serving your son Jesus Christ and fulfilling our love and commitment to you. Give us

glimpses of hope that keep us faithful at this very important task.

For those in our congregation who are suffering with illness, we pray for your comforting presence for them this day. Let us be your hands and feet to serve them as best we can. For those who have lost loved ones and friends in recent days, we grieve with them. Be with them as they deal with the suddenness and inexplicable reality of loss. As we hug those who have lost loved ones, as we place our hands on their shoulders, we ask that your presence be felt. We ask that they are reminded that you also love these dear ones.

We know the needs are great, Oh God, but as we are reminded in our sacred texts, if you care for the tiniest sparrow that falls, how much more will you care for us, your human creatures who call on your name for help and deliverance? Continue to be our great Helper and Deliverer, Oh God. We beseech thee. Amen.



This Advent we are re-visiting an Advent theme and beloved banner: “All Is Calm.” Those words were a prayerful hope to hold on to the first time we focused on them; they will be again in 2018. We seem to need them now more than ever.

It’s a Lake Shore tradition to create its own booklet of Advent meditations, a series of personal reflections written by our

members. This is the time for writing meditations so that the book will be ready for the first Sunday of Advent — December 2 this year.

This year we invite you to focus on the phrase “All Is Calm.” As you ponder these words, especially in this world that is often far, far from peaceful, search for the calm, quiet ways Christ has come to you. The holy gift of Christmas does not come in grand gestures. And, like Christmas itself, calmness is a pure gift of grace that comes every once in a while, even amidst the rush and stress of our daily lives and the whirlwind of news that seems to want to send our world over the edge every day. When we pay attention to the gift of calmness, may we recognize things that make for peace.

We need 23 meditations this year. If you would like to write one, please send an email to sharlande@lsbcwaco.org for prompts and writing guidelines.

The Deacon Nominating Committee & Committee Sign-Up

The Deacon Nominating Committee solicits your recommendations to the committee. Please make your recommendations on the nomination form and place your list of nominees in the designated box in the hallway outside the church office door by **Sunday, October 28**. Forms can be found in the church office and on the table in the hall outside the office.

Qualifications for election as a deacon (per the bylaws):

- member of Lake Shore Baptist for at least two years
- at least 18 years of age
- involved in ministry
- committed to attendance at deacon meetings and retreats
- intentional in his or her quest for a mature faith
- regular attendance in worship and other church programs
- committed to regular financial stewardship through the church budget
- given to reconciliation and reflective of the biblical model of servanthood and personal moral integrity.

Committee sign up sheets are also in the hall. Sign your name to the committees you would like to be considered for in 2019. Please complete these forms by **Sunday, November 4**.

Children's Corner

RSVP for Company of Parents

Please be sure to **RSVP by tonight** for the Company of Parents gathering this Friday at 5:45 in the Teen House. Our topic will be sharing rituals, routines, and resources we've found helpful in bringing faith formation home and into our daily lives. Dinner will be Poppa Rollo's pizza, so if you're able please bring \$2-3 to help offset the cost. You can also sign up for childcare and/or to bring salad, drinks, or dessert when you RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/2NpCgSQ>. Hope you can join us!

Skype Call Tonight

Reminder: tonight during the seminar/children's activities hour we'll have a church-wide Skype call with Brittany & Casey Ramirez in Chengdu, China - our kids are invited and encouraged to attend, and think of a question they might want to ask!

Welcome, Angela Whorton



Lake Shore is delighted to welcome Angela Whorton to our Lake Shore community.

Angela admits, "Honestly, I was concerned about finding a church home when I moved to Waco." She found Lake Shore through an Internet search while she was still living in Houston.

"Besides being a welcoming and affirming community, it appeared Lake Shore embodied the values I feel are important in a church home - community, inclusion, justice, spiritual development. " After attending for a while, meeting people, and becoming involved, Angela decided that she wanted to "officially" be part of Lake Shore. Her presence here since last spring has been such a gift to us.

Angela's immediate family is in the Central Texas area. She moved to Waco to be closer to her mother. After receiving a B.S. in Education from Baylor and an M.A. from Texas Woman's University, Angela worked in the DFW and Houston areas, mostly in the areas of administration and management. Her vocation was as Director of Connections at Resurrection MCC in Houston.

When Angela saw the note in the newsletter mid-summer that we needed volunteers for Wednesday night supper, she showed up the next week with open hands and told us, "The newsletter said you needed servers. I'm here to help." And so she has continue to lend her gifts for ministry on Wednesdays, at our "3 feet or so" day, and through her gracious, joyful spirit.

"I'm happy to contribute however I can best serve and share any knowledge I might have that would be of help," Angela says. " My prayer is that LSBC continues to be Christ's eyes, hands, and feet in this world."

Angela is in Care Group 2: Neugebauer, Garcia, Briscoe

Celebrations...

Joan Parsons turned 90 last Sunday! A member of Lake Shore for it's first 59 years, she now lives near family in Spring Hill, Tennessee.

Steve Gardner had an heart angiogram on Friday. He received the necessary stent in one of his arteries and a balloon in another. Celebrating the early detection and treatment of the blockages!

Prayers for . . .

Patty and Willie and Claudia Field and their whole family, especially Jacob's parents, Wesley and Shannon Field, and his brothers, Gabe and Steven, in this time of intense pain of loss. We trust in God's everlasting love and care for them. In all the ways we can, may we surround them with "God's kind of love." Wesley and Shannon's address: 375 Whitetail Creek, China Spring, Tx 76633

Jerry Gordon, as he remembers the life of his son, Zach, and grieves his loss.

Barbara Francis, whose 91-year-old father is anticipating heart surgery in Tucson on Monday, October 22. Barb will go to be with him during the surgery, and her sisters are taking shifts of a few days each after that.

Annette Brister at The Arbor House, who always appreciates a call or a visit.

Joe Brooks and Karyn-Miller Brooks as they care for Joe's son and his new family.

Prudencia and David Tonghou as they look forward to the birth of their first son this month. Prudencia is registered at Target. You may check this [link](#) to select a gift for their baby. Their youngest daughter Konyui turned four-years-old on Saturday.

Honor's Class

We continue to take Sunday school to The Delaney where Honor Horn has lived since January. Formerly called the Philians, we now call the class Honor's Class. She has been a loyal member of this class over forty years. She joined Lake Shore in 1964. This past Sunday, we welcomed a good friend to our group who had been our Meals on Wheels client for over a decade. Please pray for us as we nurture this new ministry in our community.

—Beverly Hill

Desserts for Wednesday Night Supper

If you would like to bring enough dessert for eighty to eighty-five people on a Wednesday night, please let Sharlande or Krysta know. We need desserts for October 24; November 7, 14, and 28; and December 5 and 12. Thank you in advance for the chocolate cakes, apple cakes, brownies, cupcakes, chocolate chip cookies, and anything else you would like to bring. The Wednesday night supper crowd will love to eat your dessert!

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian
 Sheena Gibbons, Pianist/Organist
 Claire Helton, Minister to Children
 Zachary Helton, Minister to Youth
 Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager
 Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC
 Krysta Pittman, Office Manager
 Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor
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CALENDAR

Sunday, October 21

9:30—Sunday School
 10:45—Worship
 12:00 — Fall Lunch
 3:00—Newsletter Deadline
 4:00—Soulfriends

Monday, October 22

5:30 — Spanish class

Tuesday, October 23

3:00—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, October 24

5:15—Supper
 6:15—Children's Activities
 6:15—Seminar
 7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Volunteers for

Sunday, October 21

Extended Care: Steve Swanson
 Ushers: Barbara Hobbs
 Willie Hobbs

Wednesday night supper October 24

Chicken tetrazzini, garlic bread,
 jello, and salad
 children, \$3.00
 youth & adults, \$6.00

Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday noon
 to add or cancel reservations.

*If you would like to bring dessert one week
 in November or December, let us know!*

Suggestion Box...

A suggestion box has been mounted in the hallway near the church office allowing everyone the opportunity to submit recommendations/comments on church events, processes, seminars, etc.



Staff Notes

Gordon is on vacation this week.

Sunday - 10/17
 9:30am - "Time Well Wasted" in the annex
 5-7pm - Final prep meeting for Fall Retreat.
Mandatory for all attending Fall Retreat!

Wednesday - 10/21
 5:15pm - Dinner in the sanctuary
 6:15pm - D&D&JC

Upcoming
 10/19 - Company of Parents
 10/26-28 - Fall Retreat in San Antonio

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

LSBC Electricity Costs with solar panels! 49% reduction!



Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2018 budget of \$486,000.00 are \$9,826.92. This week's budget receipts were \$4,898.00.

Year to date needs
 \$402,903.72

Year to date received
 \$323,873.98

Difference
 (\$79,029.74)

To give online, please click [here](#).