lake Shorelines newsletter

Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 18, 6:00 pm



We will offer our gratitude to God with a service of hymns, scripture and communion.

Thou that has given so much to me, give one thing more—a grateful heart; not thankful when it pleases me, as if Thy blessings had spare days; but such a heart, whose pulse may be Thy praise. —George Herbert



Pie Fellowship

after the 6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Service

We need members to bring pies of any sort. Not everybody needs to bring one, but we hope that we can have a good variety. It would help the Fellowship Committee if those bringing pies could slice them first at home. Please make the slices fairly small, so that people can help themselves to several pieces of pie from different people. Also, please bring a pie server that is marked with your name.

November 14, 2018

Worship at Lake Shore

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday
After Pentecost

The Worship of God

November 18, 2018

Sermon

Val Fisk

The Scripture
1 Samuel 1:4-20 and 1 Samuel 2:1-10

Guest Preacher on Sunday, Val Fisk



Val Fisk is an MDiv candidate at Truett Seminary, graduating in December. Val currently serves in the college ministry at University Baptist Church in Waco and is pursuing opportunities as a college and young adult minister after graduation.

For more information about Val, see page 3.

Church Business Meeting

Wednesday, November 28

- To announce new committee members
- To vote on new deacons (nominated: Kay Bailey, Judy Bowman, Donna Casstevens, Vernon Davis, Preston Dyer, JoLeen Eiklenborg, Jenna Swanson)
 - To discuss the 2019 budget

(Vote on budget, without discussion at end of service on Sunday, December 2)

Give Until You SMILE

When Beth and I first visited Lake Shore Baptist in 2003, it was the first time either of us had set foot in a Baptist Church. We were not likely candidates for membership. Beth had been raised as a Roman Catholic, and I had been raised as an Episcopalian. We both took extended hiatuses from organized religion in our early adult years, and after getting married, had our longest membership in a Methodist church in Kirkwood, Missouri. Talk about a journey of faith! But the thing that struck us quickly and forcefully about Lake Shore all those years ago was that this was a church with both its heart and its head in the right place.

When it comes to heart, we recognized that Lake Shore is a welcoming place that doesn't seek to judge. It's a place that is steadfast in its adherence to the teachings of Christ and the simple premise that God's love knows no bounds. Over the past few years, there have been times that Lake Shore has paid a price for this single-minded devotion. We've even lost some valued members as a result. I'm enormously proud of the fact that this has not deterred the church leaders and

congregants from their principled stance.

Lake Shore's head is also in the right place. The worship services are thoughtful and a catalyst for real reflection. I can't think of a time when I didn't leave feeling better than when I arrived. But even beyond worship, there is just an innate wisdom, a commonsense goodness to the way people approach things at Lake Shore that I appreciate more than I can put into words.

This is the time of year when each of us needs to demonstrate that our hearts and our heads are also in the right place. Lake Shore needs -- no, deserves - the generous support of every single person that attends on regular basis. Certainly, we have a talented congregation and staff, and we need the time and effort that they can contribute. However, I am not reluctant to point out that talent and time are not enough; they alone don't keep the lights turned on or provide our staff with medical benefits or allow us to help those in need. This is why I unabashedly encourage every person to pledge a monetary gift to the general budget for 2019. If each of you will take time to feel deeply and think deeply about what Lake Shore means to you, I know you will.

Mike Raymond

Baylor Steppin' Out at Lake Shore

As you can tell from these pictures, last Saturday our church was full of happy Baylor students, sixty-plus members of Chi Omega sorority, who worked on projects inside and outside the building. Thanks to Lake Shore folks Don SoRelle, Ellen Brown, Joy and Roger Poehls, David Davis, Naomi Fox, David Mosley, Louis Garcia, Gordon Lawrence, Sarah Randles, Sharlande Sledge — and JoLeen Eiklenborg, who did a superb job of coordinating jobs and encouraging students and church members to get a huge amount of work done in a little over three hours on a cold Saturday. Thanks to all the rakers, clippers, and cleaners!



























Children's Corner

Thank you to all who came out to celebrate Claire (and Zach) with us last Sunday. Thank you especially to the children who helped give Claire flowers, who made notes for the Heltons to read, and who shared hugs and tears with Claire as we sent them on to their new church.

Jennifer and I are extremely grateful for those who volunteered to help fill in Sunday School roles, helping with Way of the Child on Wednesday nights, and for those who are volunteering with extended care. It truly takes a village, and our Lake Shore children's lives are better with you in them.

— Jenna Swanson, co-chair (with Jennifer Bronson) Children's Education Committee

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This one-day food drive collects non-perishable food and stocks the shelves of area food banks and pantries beyond the holiday season.

On the Friday before Thanksgiving, volunteers from the Boy Scouts, H-E-B Grocery Company, and other community organizations, collect food in 9 counties. Food for Families is the largest one-day food drive in Texas.

Be a part of this tradition and help your fellow Central Texans. Please donate non-perishable food products that people need most. Those products are: canned meats, tuna, chili, stew, chicken, canned vegetables, cereals, baby food, peanut butter, dry beans, rice, flour, sugar, corn meal, pastas and sauces.

Val Fisk, Guest Preacher on Sunday, cont. from page 1 Val Fisk is an MDiv candidate at Truett Seminary, graduating in just one month! She grew up in rural Illinois and studied ministry at Judson University, just outside of Chicago. Val currently serves in the college ministry at University Baptist Church in Waco, and is pursuing opportunities as a college and young adult minister after graduation. Her truest passions in ministry center on bridging the gap between academic world and church pew, teaching all Christians about their call to deeply know and love scripture. Val says, until she "finds a place to put that passion into action" she will be "returning to Illinois to live as an unemployed avocado-loving liberal in her mom's basement, finally fulfilling the destiny of all millennials." Val's recently discovered loves include The Prayers of Kierkegaard, the Netflix original movie To All the Boys I've Loved Before, and spin classes. Her long term loves include her two cats, Neville and Minerva, the whole of the Harry Potter universe, and The Prophetic Imagination by Walter Brueggemann.

Celebrations...

Megan Grant was ordained on Sunday, November 11, at Covenant Baptist Church in San Antonio as Reverend of the Gospel Word. A former Lake Shore member, Megan has served at Covenant and is now Youth Minister at St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church in Keller. She is a third year Master of Divinity student at TCU's Brite Divinity School in Fort Worth.

Sarah Francis and James Kennedy will marry this Sunday, November 18, in Dallas. Sarah is the daughter of Barry and Barbara Francis.

Prayers for...

Claire, Zach, Peter, and James Helton as they move to Monroe, LA this week.

Nathan Stone, who has been diagnosed with early, level 1 bladder cancer and will begin treatment in a few weeks. He does not need visits, but other forms of encouragement are welcome. Our prayers are with Nathan — and with Pat as she is a constant presence to him.

Becky Kennedy, whose father, Eddie Still, died on Friday night at her brother and sister-in-law's house in Fairhope, Alabama. She was able to see him last week.

Willie and Patty Field, after Willie's time in the ER Sunday night. They returned home after midnight, and Willie will seek further consultation this week.

Jonah Warren, four-year-old son of Jennifer Bronson and John Warren, who had eye surgery at Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth this morning, November 14.

Linda Olson, who will have shoulder surgery in Dallas on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, November 29.

The family of Flo Wise, who died at The Delaney where she had lived for about two months. Her memorial service will be Sunday, November 18, at 3:00 p.m. at DaySpring Baptist Church.

Dorothy Clark, Magi Davis's mother, who is at St. Catherine's. Trinette Jones asks for prayers for their family.

Kurt Kaiser, who peacefully passed from this life on Monday morning, November 12. Please hold his wife Pat in your prayers, along with their children, grandchildren, and Kurt's many friends around the world who will miss him. He played at Lake Shore, four months ago, on July 15, 2018, A Celebration of Life service will be held at First Baptist Church Waco at 2:00 pm on Friday, November 16. A reception will follow at First Baptist Church, Waco.

Michelle Powell, whose mother, Margot, received a difficult diagnosis last week.

Conway, Melanie, and Rebekah Briscoe, who have suffered many losses and changes recently. Conway's mother, Margaret Briscoe from St. Louis, had to have emergency heart surgery recently, followed by the installation of a pacemaker and then, late last night, an additional emergency heart procedure. When she is released from the hospital, the plan is for her to move to Waco and live with Briscoes while she recovers. Also this week, the Briscoes had to say "goodbye" to their cats who were almost 18 years old and "suffering too much." Melanie's father, Andy Moore, is at the Delaney.

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian
Sheena Gibbons, Pianist/Organist
Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager
Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC
Krysta Pittman, Office Manager
Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor
Ross Tarpley, Minister of Music



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 18

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

6:00—Thanksgiving Service Pie Fellowship

Tuesday, November 20

3:00—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 21

No regular supper or activities

Volunteers for Sunday, November 18

Extended Care: Emily Hinojosa Ushers: Mike Raymond

Beth Raymond

Save the date: 2019 Women's Retreat

February 22-23 here at Lake Shore Retreat Leader: Rachel Sciretti

Eat Dessert First!

Judy and Buddy Prather will be in town a few days in early December. Stop by the "green room" to visit with them and have an early dessert.

December 4, 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Staff Notes

Office will be closed
Thursday and Friday,
November 22 and
23, for Thanksgiving.
Kyndall is at a conference
in Niagara Fall this
week.

Sharlande will be out November 20.

No Regular Wednesday Night Supper

Menu on November 28

Shepherd's Pie Dessert

Lake Shore Youth

Wednesday - 11/14

5:15pm - Dinner in the sanctuary

6:15pm - Seminar: Youth Panel on Retreat, Youth Ministry, and So Much More (Moderated by

Stephen Swanson)

Sunday - 11/18

9:30am- Sunday School

5:00pm - No Youth because...

6:00pm - Thanksgiving Service (followed by PIE!)

POTENTIAL MOVIE NIGHT!

We are also looking at days and times to go see Fantastic Beasts 2 this week or next (Maybe both!). Please email

stephen.c.swanson@gmail.com if

you are interested (and watch the

Instagram chat). We will be happy to cover the cost of a ticket if you want to go, just let Stephen know in an email.



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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 \$6,567.00.

Year to date needs \$442,211.40 Year to date received \$349,599.55

<u>Difference</u> (\$92,611.85)

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