

# Lake Shore Lines newsletter

April 3, 2019

Extravagant God,  
who gave all, even yourself  
without calculating the cost,  
your love is everywhere.

You do not hold  
your love back to be  
admired from a distance,  
but pour your precious gift  
out for us at a great price.  
Like perfume from an overturned bottle, it spills  
from your heart into ours.

So may we love — purely, dangerously, wildly,  
extravagantly, creating a scandal of grace.

Let us love for love's sake,  
seeing each day as the chance  
to do a spontaneous, irrational, risky act of love  
in Christ's name  
whose love so amazing, so divine,  
demands our souls, our lives, our all.

— Sharlande Sledge



## Worship at Lake Shore The Fifth Sunday of Lent

The Worship of God  
*April 7*

Sermon  
*Ross Tarpley*

The Scripture  
*Isaiah 43:16-21*

Celebration of Communion



## Contemplative Prayer

A Series on Wednesday Nights during Lent  
6:15 — after supper

We will explore how contemplative prayer can be a pathway to repentance and transformation, deepening our awareness of communal and systemic sin and opening our hearts to become agents of love. Instead of listening to a lecture, during Lent you will be invited to participate in the practice of prayer. (No prior contemplative experience required! There is space for everyone—even the fidgety and those averse to silence.) — *Kyndall and Ross*

## The Gathering



On the first Sunday of every month we gather food in the basket by the front door of the sanctuary. This month we are gathering snacks and other items for our Children's Center. Here are some items that the Center can use: graham crackers, saltine crackers, Goldfish crackers, bananas, apples, Cheerios, and applesauce.

# Palm Sunday Soup Supper

April 14, 6:00 pm

a Holy Week meal and a time of prayer for our  
Central American sisters and brothers seeking asylum

Our money for the soup and bowls, as well as donations, will help

## La Casa de Maria y Marta

in San Antonio as the volunteers welcome and befriend refugees and asylum seekers. Glenda Ramsower of Lake Shore makes the bowls. Lake Shore's missions budget pays for the soup.



This year we are so glad that John Garland, pastor of San Antonio Mennonite Church, in the heart of San Antonio, will be with us at the Soup Supper to tell stories of the religious experiences of refugees who have stayed at his church where the sanctuary and other areas are transformed into "rooms in the inn" whenever they are needed.

"For the past three years, Garland has provided aid and comfort in Jesus' name to asylum seekers eking through the U.S. immigration system."

Because of its location in downtown San Antonio, not far from the bus terminal, Garland's congregation offers respite care to thousands of immigrants, mostly Latin Americans, who have fled north to save their children. Typically, they are detained when they cross the Rio Grande, seeking asylum. After being separated from family for weeks, they are reunited, manacled with GPS devices around their ankles, then released to join sponsors somewhere in the United States. (based on a story by Marv Knox in *The Baptist Standard*)



*Pastor John Garland greeting asylum seekers at La Casa de Maria y Marta at Antonio Mennonite Church upon their release from detention.*

\$15 (adults) and \$5 (children)  
for soup to eat (your choice of two  
Central American soups made by our Global  
Missions Covenant Group) and a bowl to take home.  
**Sign up in the hallway or contact the office  
for reservations by Wednesday, April 10.**



*La Casa de Maria y Marta offering hospitality by transforming the church into an "inn" for their guests.*

Volunteers working through the Interfaith Welcome Coalition, which includes the ministry of La Casa de Maria y Marta, advocate for reform and compassion at all government levels. All day every day volunteers are at the bus station and at the airport to welcome mothers and children coming out of detention. They give each woman and child a backpack filled with helpful supplies for the journey. They help explain the complicated journeys and help to calm fears. A trauma-informed overnight shelter, La Casa de Maria y Marta at San Antonio Mennonite Church, is provided for families whose travel is interrupted for any reason.

Read more here: [https://  
www.sanantoniomennonite.org/](https://www.sanantoniomennonite.org/)

### Like to add something to the children's backpacks?

La Casa de Maria y Marta volunteer Jo Pendleton suggests these gifts:

- Matchbox cars (something the slim IWC budget doesn't regularly have funds for)
- coloring books (Celtic ones from The Dollar Tree are good) and the smallest packs of crayons (8 count)
- bags of Hershey Kisses (At the Soup Supper you'll find out why they ask for these.)

## Children's Corner



The Easter Walk is soon approaching. If you will be available to help on Wednesday, April 17, please get in touch with Barb Francis or Jenna Swanson.

Children are welcome at the Soup Supper on Palm Sunday evening at 6:00. Special bowls are available for them for \$5.00 each. Please sign up in the hall outside the office. And look at the bottom of the previous page, in the blue box, for ways your family can help the refugees we will remember at the supper.



### Prayers for . . .

Elizabeth Buchanan, Rosemary Richards' daughter, who is in rehab at Zale-Lipsby Hospital in Dallas.  
Louise Clark, who is feeling a little better this week between doctor's visits.  
Fred and Nancy Gehlbach at home.  
Nathan Stone, who has an appointment at MD Anderson.  
Steve Swanson's father, Mark Swanson, went to the ER at Providence last Wednesday with chest pain and ended up having quadruple by-pass surgery on Friday. He is recovering better than expected and should go home today. Please pray for his recovery and for his patience with the healing process.  
Chris Williamson's 15-year-old sister, Alexa, had back surgery on Friday.



**Saturday, April 13**  
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Baylor students will help give our buildings and grounds a good spring cleaning.**

We need eight or nine LSBC people willing to supervise a Baylor students group of approximately 60 students who will be cleaning and straightening up the inside and outside of LSBC Church, Teen House and outside areas. The Baylor student groups will be assigned tasks such as outside cleaning of the playground, Peace Garden, and labyrinth, painting the parking and filling in a terrace with dirt. The inside tasks will be cleaning the baseboard, walls, door frames, washing windows, cleaning bathrooms. The task will be outlined for the Leaders in charge.

Are you interested in leading a group of 10 BU students? Assisting with Lunch? Serving and break-down? Call or email the church, Gordon Lawrence ([Gordon@lsbcwaco.org](mailto:Gordon@lsbcwaco.org)), or JoLeen Eiklenborg at (254)-717-4279, ([joeiklenborg@hotmail.com](mailto:joeiklenborg@hotmail.com)).

We will need the following equipment:  
10 Buckets and 20 clean wash rags  
5 wheelbarrows  
10 Rakes  
5 Shovels  
5 Brooms

If you are willing to provide a piece of equipment or two, please sign-up on the sheet outside of the office indicating what piece of equipment. Please put your name on the piece of equipment.

Thanks,  
*JoLeen Eiklenborg*



## Easter Hydrangeas

Every Easter, you have the chance to give flowers in honor or memory of someone you love. We will adorn the front of the sanctuary

with hydrangeas in celebration of the joy of the resurrection of Christ and the renewal of the earth. After worship on Easter morning, you may take the hydrangea home to plant. **Submit your order form and payment of \$15 for each hydrangea by Tuesday, April 16.**

I wish to give a hydrangea on Easter morning:

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

I have included \$ \_\_\_\_\_  by check or  by cash.

### 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  
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 Ross Tarpley, Minister of Music



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### CALENDAR

#### Sunday, April 7

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

#### Wednesday, April 9

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

### Staff Notes

Kyndall is in Niagara Falls, Canada, April 3-10 for a continuing education program with the Haden Institute at Mt. Carmel Spiritual Center.

### WEEKLY YOUTH UPDATE

LAKE SHORE BAPTIST CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY

ASAP - RSVP for Summer Camp/Retreat April 26th (waiting on Jon Singletary to email back; if anyone runs into him, give him a poke)  
 - Company of Parents: Enneagram and Understanding  
 May TBA - Company of Parents: Talking to Kids and Youth about Finances

### Volunteers for Sunday, April 7

Extended Care: Abigail Freiburger  
 Donna Casstevens  
 Ushers: Susan Johnson  
 Faith Kopplin  
 Greeters: Melanie Briscoe  
 Angela Whorton

### Sunday School Classes

### Missions Calendar

**Meals on Wheels**  
 Every Mon/Wed/Fri  
**Children’s Center**  
 Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30  
**Soup Supper**  
 Sunday, April 14, 6:00  
**“Dia de los Ninos/Dia de los libros” Day of the children/Day of the book.**  
 April 27th, 10 am - 2 pm.  
 2815 Speight Ave. Hosted by the Waco Hispanic Museum.  
 This is a Celebration with emphasis on literacy for children.

### Wednesday night supper April 10

Chicken Divan, Congealed Orange Salad  
 children, \$3.00  
 youth & adults, \$6.00

Write [Krysta@lsbcwaco.org](mailto:Krysta@lsbcwaco.org) by Sunday noon to add or cancel reservations.

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

### Spring Picnic at the Fields / April 28



## TICKETS! Now on Sale

\$35 per ticket. To purchase visit our website [caritas-waco.org](http://caritas-waco.org) or contact Ann Owen at 254-753-4593 ext. 213

April 23 @ 6 p.m.  
 Waco Convention Center- Brazos Room