

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

November 13, 2019

OUR CHURCH HOME BUILT ON A SOLID FOUNDATION

When I think back on all this church and our church family has meant to our family, I am filled with gratitude. It has been a safe harbor with accepting and tolerant people. It has been a place that nurtures our spiritual growth even amongst times of doubt.

Jesus made it clear: it is better to give than to receive. Each time we practice that teaching, it just feels good and right, doesn't it? Studies show even little toddlers, before they can speak, show a tendency toward altruism.

So, this November I will let my grateful spirit move me to approach pledge month with an open hands approach and fill out my pledge card on December first. —*Van Jones, Stewardship Committee*

Worship at Lake Shore The Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost

The Worship of God
November 17, 2019

"Not one stone will be left upon another"
Blake Burleson

The Scripture
*Isaiah 65:17-25, Psalm 98,
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, Luke 21:9-15*

Blake Burleson, Guest Preacher

We welcome Blake Burleson to our pulpit this Sunday. Dr. Burleson teaches world religions at Baylor University. *Texas Monthly Guide to Texas Colleges and Universities* listed "Religion with Blake Burleson" as one of the four "best classes" at Baylor University. He teaches primarily in the Department of Religion, but he has also taught African Studies, Swahili, and Sports Ethics. He has traveled extensively on the African continent since 1978 and directed the African Studies Program at Baylor from 1996 to 2003. A member of the International Association of Jungian Studies and a member of the Advisory Board for *Spring Journal*, he has given public lectures and presented academic papers on Jungian studies in the U.S., Europe, and Africa. In 2007, Burleson was invited to give a plenary address to the XVII International Congress of the International Association of Analytical Psychology.



Ordained to the ministry in 1986, Burleson has served Baptists as teacher, pastor, administrator, missionary, deacon, adviser, and chaplain. He is a founding board director for Africa Exchange, a mission-affiliate of Cooperative Baptists and is a member of Seventh and James Baptist Church, a progressive fellowship focused on the arts and social justice. He was ordained in 2013 as an abbot in the Oriental Orthodox Order in the West, an ecumenical monastic order; Blake practices centering prayer, *lectio divina*, the Anglican rosary, and chanting as a part of his daily office. He uses contemplative praxis in the classrooms in order to help students cultivate attention and develop listening skills. In 1982 he married Sandy Evans. Sandy, also a Baylor graduate, is a computer programmer, a master gardener, and a stencil artist. They have two grown children, both of whom are married. Blake's hobbies include carpentry, painting, backpacking, and hiking.

In his role as Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, Burleson serves the 26 departments of the College of Arts and Sciences and their 6,500 undergraduates. He is responsible for strategic development, implementation, and oversight of systems and programs to improve the College's recruitment, retention, and graduation of undergraduates.

Bio of Charlie Fuller, Candidate for Intentional Interim Pastor at Lake Shore

Charlie Fuller is a native of North Little Rock, Arkansas, a two-time Baylor grad, and most recently the Executive Pastor of The First Baptist Church of the City of Washington, DC. Needing to be nearer their family, Charlie and his wife, Cindy, moved back to the Southwest this past August.



In Charlie's first life he was a music professor; he holds music degrees from Baylor, West Texas State, and Arizona State Universities. He completed that career as Professor Emeritus of Music and Dean of the School of Fine Arts at Ouachita Baptist University in 2007. While he always considered his teaching a form of ministry, upon leaving Ouachita he sensed a call to do ministry in a different way and completed the M.Div. degree at Truett Seminary in 2010.

What followed was a position as Minister for Congregational Life at Second Baptist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas, work as a volunteer oncology chaplain, a credential in personal coaching, and a D.Min. degree with a focus on congregational systems leadership, and the time ministering in Washington, DC. Charlie recently completed Consulting Training at the Center for Congregational Health.

Charlie and his wife, Cindy, met during their undergraduate days at Baylor and have two adult daughters and four grandchildren who all live in Plano, TX. Cindy is also an accomplished musician who was on the music faculty at Ouachita for seventeen years.

Whether working as a professor, dean, administrator, chaplain, or pastor, Charlie's focus is always on relationships. Healthy relationships are the key to the effectiveness of any shared endeavor, whether musical, professional, or pastoral. He has always sought to put people first and sees in each individual the reflected light of our shared Creator.

Example of sermons:

<https://www.firstbaptistdc.org/listen-to-sermons/2019/5/13/good-news-or-fake-news-may-12-2019>

Called Business Meeting

Wednesday,
November 20 6:15 pm

- to vote on the recommendation of the Interim Committee to call Charlie L. Fuller as our Intentional Interim Pastor
- to discuss the proposed 2019 budget

See Charlie Fuller's bio on the left of this page.

Family Self Sufficiency Banquet

November 19

If you would like to help,
contact Sandy Londos.



Places to Serve Committee Coordinating Council

Each fall the Committee Coordinating Council appoints members to serve for three-year terms on our committees. The CCC likes to hear directly from you about where you would most like to serve. Please look at the "Places to Serve" form inserted in this newsletter and review the committee descriptions to identify a committee that matches your interests and/or skills. "Places to Serve" forms are also available in the hallway for the next two weeks. Fill in your form and place it in the "completed forms envelope" (also in the hallway) by Wednesday, November 20.

— Kim Kellison, Chair Committee Coordinating Council

Family Corner

Family Christmas Workshop December 7, 9-11am

Come and join us for crafts and wreath making!
Please RSVP to Megan@lsbcwaco.org
or sign up in the hall.

The Deacon Nominating Committee

The Deacon Nominating Committee solicits your recommendations to the committee. The list of deacons proposed to the church by the committee should reflect diversity in gender, age, ethnicity, and spiritual gifts. It will help the committee immensely to have a strong list of possibilities recommended by church members. 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 **Wednesday, November 13**. Forms can be found in the church office and on the table in the hall outside the office.

- *Katy Abel, Rick Allen, Gail Boyd, Bruce Evans, Tom Millay, Jeanne Murphy, Laura Davalos-Lind*

Will You Answer?

Shalom Children's Center started over 14 years ago with a grassroots group of supporters from Lake Shore who knew and loved Christiana Owusu and her heart for her village.

We were amazed at how sharing just a fraction of our resources makes a dramatic difference to the education of hundreds of children in a corner of Africa we would otherwise not know about.

To make supporting and sustaining the school easier, we started Song for Shalom, a 501c3 earlier this year.



Go to this [link](http://www.songforshalom.org) to find out how to join our monthly support team.

www.songforshalom.org

We will send you a t-shirt as a thank you



We were so glad that Lela Wallis brought Christiana here on Sunday for Sunday School, worship, and lunch. Christiana is a gift to so many people, here and in Ghana.

Prayers for . . .

Van Jones' friend and colleague Douglass Lawson asks for prayers while he is receiving treatment for cancer in New Orleans.

Missy Davis is in hospice care at Ridgecrest. Our prayers are with her and with JoLeen.

Megan's grandmother will have back surgery November 15.

Prayers for her safe surgery and quick healing.

Tillman Rodabough is in his second week of physical therapy.

Cassie Smith is at home, recovering from her recent surgery.

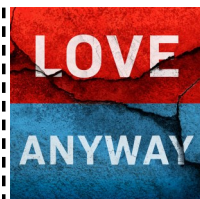
Laurie Tsuchiya, the daughter of Sherry Castello and the late Don Castello, died on Saturday, November 2, at her home in China Spring. Laurie's memorial service is Saturday, November 16, 1:00 pm at the Lake Shore Funeral Home. Sherry is a dear friend of Lake Shore's. We pray for her and her sons in their loss of Laurie.

Christiana Houser, daughter of Scott and Ana Marie, who, after struggling with pain caused by a congenital venous malformation for many years, after many, many surgical procedures, hospitalizations and failed chemotherapy trial, has decided to go forward with amputation of her leg 12/3. The hope is that with recovery she can regain her former ability to live life and aspirations of getting in to law school. We pray in faith that it will be so.

Brittany and Casey Ramirez, as they wait for their visas to be processed.

Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 24, 6:00 pm
Lake Shore's traditional service
and pie fellowship



Love Anyway

If you have not yet had a chance to watch *Love Anyway*, about Jeremy and Jessica Courtney's decision to move to Iraq, where they co-founded Preemptive Love Coalition, [click here](#) to watch the film. Emily Fau called our attention to Jeremy's receiving the Distinguished Young Alumni Award from Baylor in 2016. [Click here](#) to read that story. Don't miss the link at the bottom of the page to *The Baylor Magazine* story.

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian

Sheena Gibbons, Pianist/Organist

Megan Grant,

Minister to Youth, Children, and Families

Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager

Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC

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Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 17

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

Wednesday, November 20

5:15—Supper

6:15—Children's Activities

6:15—Business Meeting

7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Missions Calendar

Meals on Wheels

Every Monday,

Wednesday, Friday

Children's Center

Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30

Family Self-Sufficiency

Sunday School Classes

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

WACO
Habitat for Humanity®

SAVE - the - DATE

NOVEMBER 14, 2019

Habitat Harvest

Baylor Club
1001 S. Martin Luther King
Happy Hour | Dinner | Auction
5:30 - 8:30 pm

Volunteers for

Sunday, November 17

Extended Care: Elizabeth Dell

Ushers: Beth Raymond

Mike Raymond

Greeters: Genie Dyer

Preston Dyer



Anali Looper, director of the Waco
office of American Gateways
invites Lake Shore to celebrate their

their new office

at an Open House

2323 Columbus Ave., Suite C

Thursday, November 21, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Anali has spoken to us several times about the mission of American Gateways: to champion the dignity and human rights of immigrants, refugees and survivors of persecution, torture, conflict and human trafficking through exceptional immigration legal services at no or low cost, education and advocacy. Lake Shore supported American Gateways both through our Soup Supper this year and through our Rally for Refugees.

Thanksgiving Interfaith Worship Service

Seventh & James Baptist Church
Monday, November 18, 7:00 pm

Readings and prayers from
members of different faith traditions

Youth Chorus of Central Texas

Sponsored by the Greater Waco Interfaith
Conference wacointerfaith.org; Facebook:
Greater Waco Interfaith Conference

Wednesday night supper November 20

pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes,
baked apples

children, \$3.00, youth & adults, \$6.00
Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday noon
to add or cancel reservations.

Bekah Briscoe has a role in this week's
performance of *Fiddler on the Roof* at Midway
High School.

FINE ARTS Mids Presents:

Fiddler on the Roof

Tickets:

www.midwaysisd.org/FineArts

THU NOV 14 7 PM

FRI NOV 15 7 PM

SUN NOV 17 2 PM

MON NOV 18 7 PM

*Friday's Performance will be moved to Saturday the 16th if there is a conflict with HS Football playoff game.

"Where Does God's Love Abide?" Seeds Worship Service

Thursday, November 21, 7:30 p.m.
Richfield Christian Church
4201 Cobbs Drive in Waco

A service centered in the realities of
National Hunger and Homelessness
Awareness Week

Preaching by Jeremy Everett

Music by Guilherme Almeida

Special music by
Holy Spirit Episcopal Church Choir

Preparing the Church for Advent



Tuesday, November 26

1:00 pm until . . .

Let Sharlande know if you can come that
afternoon to help us get the banners and
greenery up in the sanctuary.