

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

February 26, 2020



LENT

For the early church, Lent was just the opposite of a dreary season of restriction. It was understood as an opportunity to return to the life of natural communion with God.

— Marjorie Thompson

The Gathering

On the first Sunday of every month we gather food and supplies in the basket by the front door of the sanctuary. This month we are gathering snacks and supplies for our children's center. Here are some items that the Center can use: laundry detergent, dryer sheets, graham crackers, saltine crackers.



Worship at Lake Shore The First Sunday of Lent

The Worship of God
March 1, 2020

“What’s in Your Wallet?”
Charlie Fuller

The Scripture
Matthew 4:1-11

The Celebration of Communion

Ash Wednesday Service

Tonight, 6:00 PM

The early church observed Lent as a time of repentance and renewal — a way of preparing for Easter. During the eighth century, the church began observing Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, as a solemn day of confession. The name Ash Wednesday comes from the sign of ashes that the worshipers receive on their foreheads as an act of repentance and a symbol of mortality. We hope you will join us for this service of prayer, silence, hymns, and confessions, as once more we each hear the words: “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”



Blessing the Dust A Blessing for Ash Wednesday

All those days
you felt like dust, like dirt,
as if all you had to do
was turn your face toward the wind
and be scattered to the four corners
or swept away by the smallest breath
as insubstantial—

Did you not know
what the Holy One can do with dust?

This is the day we freely say
we are scorched.

This is the hour we are marked
by what has made it
through the burning.

This is the moment we ask for the blessing
that lives within the ancient ashes,
that makes its home inside the soil of
this sacred earth.

So let us be marked not for sorrow.
And let us be marked not for shame.
Let us be marked not for false humility
or for thinking we are less than we are

but for claiming
what God can do
within the dust,
within the dirt,
within the stuff
of which the world is made,

and the stars that blaze
in our bones,
and the galaxies that spiral
inside the smudge we bear.

—Jan Richardson

“Healing in the 21st Century: Expectations and Realities”

Mike Attas, Seminar Leader
Wednesday, March 4 — 6:15



We welcome Michael Attas back to Lake Shore next week. He was last here when he preached for us on Christ the King Sunday last year.

Having graduated from Baylor with a bachelor's degree in psychology, Mike earned his medical degree from The University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and completed his residency and fellowship training at the University of Kentucky Medical Center where he also served as Chief Resident in the Department of Medicine. Dr. Attas is Board certified in Internal Medicine with a subspecialty in cardiovascular disease. Most of his professional career has been here in Waco with Cardiology Associates.

Alongside his career in medicine, Dr. Attas earned a Master of Divinity with an emphasis in ethics and moral theology from the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin. He is an ordained priest, serving for several years as an assisting priest at Waco's St. Paul's Episcopal Church. In 1999, Dr. Attas combined his passions for medicine and spirituality to direct the Medical Humanities program at Baylor, a program designed to foster an understanding of the spiritual, ethical, economic, and literary aspects of health care.

He has also taught at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, the Department of Medicine at Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Baylor College of Medicine, the University of Wyoming College of Medicine & Family Practice, and the University of Colorado Medical School. In 2015 In retirement Mike and his wife, Gail, enjoy traveling, especially to locations where Mike can fly-fish. Mike and Gail are parents of three children: Jason, Jessica, and Amanda.



A Case Against Hunger

March 15, 18, 22, 25, 29 April 1, 5

Lake Shore's annual drive to help
replenish the shelves at Caritas

Here's how it works:

- The Caritas covenant group orders cases of food that will be delivered to Lake Shore.
 - You may purchase food before and after Sunday School, after worship, and before Wednesday night supper.
 - You may choose between canned meats, cereal, canned vegetables, rice, peanut butter, and pasta. Children may purchase macaroni & cheese by the box rather than by the case.
 - Caritas will pick up the food Lake Shore has purchased to help fill the shelves.
- The Mission of Caritas is “to provide urgent support to people in need in our community through emergency assistance with food, prescription drugs, clothing, household items and utilities and through two thrift stores.”

—Sponsored by: Caritas Covenant Group

Shorelines Smashers

The newly christened Shorelines Smashers will play in their inaugural appearance Thursday, February 27, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dub L R sports complex on Lake Shore Drive. We would love to see some friendly faces in the crowd to support us. Stay tuned for more scores and game times as the season continues.



Family Corner

Upcoming Events:

February 26:

Ash Wednesday Service 6 o'clock:

Infant care will be provided. We do, however, invite toddlers and up to join us as this is a powerful way to share in the life of faith with children.

June 15-20: Youth Camp

July 27-30: Passport Children's Camp

All Church - MYSTERY DINNER!!

Sunday, March 22, from 5 pm - 7 pm!

A Very Fun Way to Get Acquainted with Others in the Church!

The Mystery

You will not know to whose home you will be going or who will join you there until you show up that evening.

The Dinner

Welcoming Lake Shore families are anonymously hosting you in their home for delicious small group dinners. You'll be asked to bring a salad, side or dessert.

By March 15, you will receive an email, telling you the address of your dinner, what to bring, and how many people will be at the meal. Sign up in the hallway or by emailing Krysta at krysta@lsbcwaco.org with your reservation.



Deacons Retreat

February 28-February 29

The Deacons Retreat will be Friday night from 6-8 for a first aid/AED refresher at the church and Saturday from 8:15 to 4:00 at the Fields' farm. Patty and Willie will provide breakfast and lunch on Saturday. *Take Hwy. 6 South towards Marlin. Take the Battle Lake Road exit. Drive about 5 miles on Battle Lake. After you have driven through the Battle Lake Golf Course, look for Fields' driveway on the left — a street sign with their name and address, but it can be difficult to see. Follow this gravel road. Their house is not visible from the road. For more information call Patty Field at 254-644-1908*

Celebration for...

Kyndall Rothaus, who adopted Leila today, after fostering her for two years. Leila is now two years old.

Prayers for...

The Ramirezes — Here is part of an email Brittany sent last Saturday night from Penang, Malaysia, where they are making their home right now: We still feel like we are in survivor mode trying to get used to all this. We thankfully have a car here (our supervisors) which helps us get around. There are a lot of Chinese people here which will be good and I found some schools for Juniper that are English and Chinese, so that will really help her transition back to speaking Chinese. Please continue to pray as we sort all this out. Pray for our Asia team over here as we discern having our meeting or not. Pray for Juniper. She has been amazing with all this change. She truly is a remarkable kid and I think God has gifted her for all the craziness our life has been lately. Pray for us as we discern and explore possibilities for ministry among Chinese here. Pray for our friends in Chengdu who are still stuck in their homes for a month now. It seems they will be stuck inside for at least another month, possibly more.

Keep following the Briscoes on Conway's Caring Bridge.com page. Join others in praying for a liver donor and successful surgery for him.

Christina Houser got her new leg last week. Our good hopes and prayers to Christina on every step she takes!

Ibby Jones is still taking it easy after her fall last week.

Robin McDurham had breast cancer surgery earlier this month.

It's not too late to prepare a meal for Robin and Doug between now and February 29. Here's the Meal Train link: <https://mealtrain.com/yo713m>

To our friends at Lake Shore:

We deeply appreciate your love and support through Robin's cancer journey. We've been continually reminded of the power that comes from a loving community. Her healing has been faster and smoother than we expected. We are thankful.

— Doug and Robin

Bishop Malkhaz Songulashvili



Last Sunday, Reverend Dr. Malkhaz Songulashvili, the Metropolitan Bishop of the Evangelical Baptist Church of the Republic of Georgia, visited our church and delivered a sermon called "Learning Forever." Hear his sermon by [clicking here](#).

Our Church Staff

Charlie Fuller, Transition Pastor

Cindy Fuller, Organist/Pianist

Louis Garcia, Custodian

Megan Grant,

Minister to Youth, Children, and Families

Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager

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RETURN SERVICE
REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 1

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

Wednesday, March 4

5:15—Supper

6:15—Children's Activities

6:15—Seminar

7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Missions Calendar

Meals on Wheels

Every Monday, Wednesday,
Friday

Children's Center

Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30

Carver Park Food Pantry

First and Third Friday of the
month.

LET'S TAKE CARE OF THEM

REFUGIO PROGRAM FOR CENTRAL AMERICAN IMMIGRANT CHILDREN

Items needed (All clothing items have to be new):

- Boys underwear (sizes 4T/5T, 6/7, 8/10, 12/14)
- Boys white T-shirts (sizes 4T/5T, 6/7, 8/10, 12/14)
- Boys socks (XS, Small, Medium)
- Slippers (all sizes)
- Girl camisoles (4/5, 6/7, 8/10, 10/12)
- Bralettes and sport bras (10, 12, 14)
- Girls socks (XS, Small, Medium, Large)
- Travel/duffle bags
- Hygiene products (brush/comb, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, deodorant)

MUCHAS GRACIAS !!!

<https://refugio.urbanstrategies.us/>

Volunteers for Sunday, March 1

Extended Care: Elizabeth Dell
Ushers: Aaron Abel
Tillman Rodabough
Greeters: Cassie Smith
Pam Allen

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

[Sunday School Classes](#)

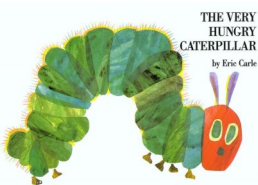
Wednesday night supper March 4

Spaghetti and Green Salad

children, \$3.00, youth & adults, \$6.00

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

Reading Picture Books to Preschoolers



As we begin 2020, we want to continue a ministry in our Children's Center that both preschoolers and volunteers enjoyed in 2018. We hope you will volunteer to read to preschoolers this spring. You may choose to read to one of 7 classes of children, ranging in age from 6 weeks-5 years. All times will be 9:30-10:00, with seven volunteers for seven classes each day. Teachers will be in the room to help things run smoothly. If you have a favorite children's book to share, please bring it. Wonderful children's books are available in the church library, and a basket of books will be available in the Children's Center Office. This is a fun way for us to celebrate and support the Children's Center. Thank you for volunteering! [Sign up here](#), or contact Beth Raymond for more information.

—Children's Center Board

Immigrants and the Bible: Karen Gonzalez lecture

The Center for Church and Community Impact (C3I) and Baylor Multicultural Affairs are bringing author, preacher, and advocate [Karen Gonzalez](#) to Waco on March 2-3. Karen Gonzalez is the author of *The God Who Sees: Immigrants, The Bible, and the Journey to Belong* as the Barbara Chafin Endowed Lecture Series on Family Ministry. The lecture will take place on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 6 pm at the Bobo Spiritual Life Center.