

Worship Notes

Today is the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, also known as Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time is the season beginning the week after Pentecost Sunday until the Sunday prior to the week of Advent, known as Reign of Christ Sunday. “Ordinary” takes its name not from “mundane” or “common” but from “ordinal” as these Sundays are “counted” time between these Sundays. The church often explores life in Jesus Christ as it relates to everyday life during Ordinary Time.

Preaching Today

We are glad to welcome Dr. Mandy McMichael to our pulpit again today. Dr. McMichael is Associate Director of Ministry Guidance and Assistant Professor of Religion at Baylor University. She holds a BA in Music and Religion from Judson College, an MDiv and ThM from Duke Divinity School, and a PhD in American Religious History from Duke University. Dr. McMichael is an ordained minister in the Baptist tradition who has served in a variety of ministry roles, including church organist. Her current research focuses on the intersection of gender and American religious culture as it presents itself in beauty pageants. Her book, *Miss America's God: Faith and Identity in America's Oldest Pageant*, was published by Baylor University Press in 2019. Mandy and her husband, Chad Eggleston, are the proud parents of two children. They are active members of Calvary Baptist Church, where Mandy recently served on the Search Committee for Calvary's new pastor. Some of you met Mandy in early 2018 when she came to Lake Shore to introduce our Care Group leaders to the book *Everything Happens for a Reason: and Other Lies I've Loved* written by her good friend Kate Bowler. Others of you met both Mandy and Kate at a continuing education event at Truett. We're glad that all of us will have the chance to hear Mandy again today.

What Are We Singing?

Frances Ridley Havergal (1836–1879) wrote “Take My Life” after an unusually vivid prayer experience. She said that “during the night, these little couplets formed themselves, one after another, until they finished with ‘ever, only, all for thee.’” This hymn of whole-hearted consecration in successive stanzas dedicates the believer's hands, voice, money, will, and love to God's praise and service. The text's author, reared in a Church of England manse, was highly cultured, excelling in linguistics and music. She identified herself with the evangelical movement within her church and wrote more than fifty hymns, which came into common usage throughout the English-speaking world.

Please silence your cell phones during the worship service.

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Hearing assistance receivers available upon request.

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Welcome to Lake Shore

We hope you saw this sign on the front door as you came in this morning:

Lake Shore Baptist Church welcomes you and all persons. To protect you and us, we require that everyone entering the church wear a mask and practice social distancing.

We will give you a mask if you don't have one.

We STRONGLY recommend that all persons entering this church be vaccinated now, or as soon as possible.

And most of all:

WE WELCOME YOU.

For information about becoming a member of our Lake Shore, please contact one of our ministers.

Church Business Meeting August 22 at 4 pm

Progress reports will be presented from the following:

- **Transition Team and Task Groups**
- **Building and Grounds Committee**
- **Safety and Security Team**
- **Finance and Audit Committee**

Lake Shore Baptist Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Church Business Meeting

Time: Aug 22, 2021 04:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85622748164?pwd=UEZpcWdvdDIRSkJvdnNpSnNQlUE2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 856 2274 8164

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Tom Hanks, College Minister	Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor
	Jon Snyder, Minister of Music



Puah and Shiphrah, Hebrew Midwives, Artist Unknown

The Worship of God

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 22, 2021

We are a welcoming and affirming community of Christians, attempting to discover, articulate, and embody the meaning of the Gospel in the world today.
We welcome all at Lake Shore because we believe that God's love knows no bounds.

Prelude

“Prelude on HYMN TO JOY”
 arr. Carl F. Mueller
 Cindy Fuller

Meditation for Silence

Draw near, O God, in the silence of this hour. Settle us down;
 silence in us any voice but your own; speak the word you have for us;
 and give us courage to hear, believe, trust, and follow in even small ways.
 In your sight, may even our small ways be generous ways,
 for your world and work. Amen.

Welcome & Passing of the Peace

Sharlande Sledge

ONE: The Peace of Christ be with you.
 MANY: And also with you.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 124
 Jon Snyder

*Gathering Hymn

“There Is a Line of Women”
 LANCASHIRE

There is a line of wo - men ex - ten - ding back to Eve whose
 There is a line of wo - men who took on power - ful men de -
 So sing a song of Han - nah who bar - gained with her Lord; and
 There is a line of wo - men who stood by Je - sus' side, who
 role in sha - ping his - tory God on - ly could con - ceive. And
 fy - ing laws and scru - ples to let life live a - gain. And
 sing a song of Ma - ry who bore and bred God's Word. So
 housed him while he min - istered who held him when he died. So
 though, through end - less a - ges, their wit - ness was re - pressed, God
 though, des - pite their tri - umph, their sto - ries stayed un - told God
 sing a song of Shi - phrah with Pu - ah close at hand, en -
 sing of all the Ma - rys who heed - ed his re - quests, and
 va - lued and en - cour - aged through whom the world was blessed.
 kept their num - ber gro - wing, cre - a - tive, strong and bold.
 gaged to kill male chil - dren, they foiled the king's com - mand.
 now at hea - ven's ban - quet are Je - sus' fond - est guests.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Epistle Reading

Acts 5:12, 16-25, 27-29
 Steven Pounders

ONE: This is the word of the Lord.
 MANY: Thanks be to God.

Children's Time

Milo Grant

Children are invited to participate in Children's Time from their seats.

Blessing of Our Gifts

Bruce Evans

ONE: God, as you received the tears of Mary Magdalene,
 MANY: the hospitality of Zacchaeus,
 ONE: and the small coins from the widow,
 MANY: accept our earthly gifts and make them holy.
 ONE: Give us your heavenly food,
 MANY: and spread your blessings throughout the world.

Offertory

“Be Thou My Vision”
 arr. Ken Medema
 Cindy Fuller

Meditation for Silence

Without courage you can't practice
 any other virtue consistently.
 You can be kind for a while.
 You can be generous for a while,
 even loving for a while,
 but it is only with courage
 that you can be persistently and insisently
 kind and generous and fair.
 —Maya Angelou

Pastoral Prayer

Milo Grant

Hebrew Scripture

Exodus 1:15-22
 Mandy McMichael

ONE: This is the word of the Lord.
 MANY: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Call the Midwife”

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

*Hymn of Guidance

“Take My Life”
 HENDON

Take my life and let it be con - se - cra - ted, Lord, to thee.
 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love.
 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold.
 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no lon - ger mine.
 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea - sure store.
 Take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 Take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 Take my in - tel - lect and use eve - ry power as
 Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy
 Take my - self, and I will be e - ver, on - ly,
 cease - less praise, let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 thou shalt choose, eve - ry power as thou shalt choose.
 roy - al throne, it shall be thy roy - al throne.
 all for thee, e - ver, on - ly, all for thee.

*Pastoral Benediction

Mandy McMichael

*Congregational Benediction

“They'll Know We Are Christians”
 ST. BRENDAN'S

All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come, and all
 praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son, and all praise to the
 Spi - rit, who makes us one. And they'll know we are Christians by our
 love, by our love, yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Postlude

“Praise His Greatness”
 arr. Mark Hayes
 Cindy Fuller

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