

Soundings

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Lake Shore
CHURCH

Ordinary Time

“And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,”
Colossians 1:10 NIV

Do you know what season we are celebrating in the Christian calendar? It's the little thought about and celebrated “Ordinary Time”. It's the time of the year when our sanctuary is decorated with its green paraments, and if the choir was able to sing, they would wear their green stoles. Ordinary Time runs between Epiphany and Ash Wednesday, and again from Pentecost to Christ the King Sunday (Advent). This “green” season of the Christian calendar signifies it as a time of growth and new beginnings. A time to rest and renew our spirits in the Lord. In sporting terms, I would call it the “off-season”; the time to rest up, let your injuries heal, refine techniques in your game, make-over your image, re-center yourself and your priorities and prepare for the upcoming season. In the old days, the off-season was the time to indulge, slack off, and get “out-of-shape”, but now athletes know the importance of off-season conditioning and training to keep them sharp for the season. In fact, how you spend your off-season reflects in how well you play during the season. I see our “Ordinary Time” off-season as somewhat of the same as in sports. Advent and Christmas; Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. These major Christian celebrations take us on emotional and spiritual highs and lows, as we go through introspective waiting, preparation, and suffering, before we experience the goodness of the incarnational birth, the joyful power of the resurrection, and the amazing gift and power of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. On the other hand, Ordinary Time is just that, ordinary. But in fact, it is the time where the focus is in how God is growing each of us! Some theologians have even suggested that the seasons of celebration are the times to evangelize by inviting friends to worship services and sharing your faith with them, while Ordinary Time is the season to concentrate on building and strengthening your own faith in God in preparation for evangelism. We are spending the first part of Ordinary Time refocusing on Christ's Mission, and Our Calling. I hope you have been reminded and reinvigorated to Proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom, Provide for the Needs of the People, and to Protect the Most Vulnerable in Society. And we will continue the second half of the series in February as we discover how our unique SHAPE (Spiritual Gifts, Heart/Passion, Abilities/Talents, Personality, Experiences) helps us fulfill our Calling as followers and apostles (those who are Sent) of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So I ask, how is God growing you this season of Ordinary Time? Maybe you discovered a new or re-discovered an old dream that is challenging your faith this past Advent and Christmas. Maybe you have been inspired by Christ's Mission and you are striving to live it out as you share the good news of God. Friends, this is the time to embrace it and to work whole-heartedly in growing in our knowledge of God. Something that continues to speak to me is God's Call to Follow. 2020 served up curveballs and circumstances changed all around us, but through it all, God continues to call us onward. For the Chung family, that means we continue to discern where God is leading us to live and serve in the global world. We are excited about possibilities and ask for your prayers as we continue to listen for God's confirmation! In the meantime, it's been an honor and pleasure sharing our lives and our ministry with you at Lake Shore Church. I am so thankful for this season I have had at Lake Shore and for this season of Ordinary Time, as I have had the time to reflect and discern and follow Christ's Mission with you all. Ash Wednesday, Lent and Easter will be here before we know it, so soak in the last few weeks in being ordinary! Use this time before the Lenten season begins to find where the growth is happening in your lives and to nurture it as you water your soul. Grace and peace to you from Jesus Christ our Lord, in this season of Ordinary Time.

All for Him!
Pastor Isaac

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**IN-PERSON Worship @ 10:30am
on Sundays in the Sanctuary
This service is Live-Streamed also**

**ONLINE @ 9:15am
Pre-recorded service premieres
on Facebook at 9:15am**

**All on-line content is now available
through the church website!**

**Go to - www.lakeshorechurch.com
click on the "online services" tab**



**Wednesday, February 17 @ 7pm
Join us for an Ash Wednesday Service
In-Person and Live Streamed**



**Mark your calendars for
Palm Sunday - March 28th
Easter Sunday - April 4th
More details to come**



**Lake Shore Church's Growing
Tomorrow Legacy Circle**

Have you taken advantage of the opportunity to
include the church in your will or final plans?

Is this something you might be interested in?
Something you might want to talk to someone about?
Need more information on?

Call the office @ 586-777-8533 and they can direct
you accordingly.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



1st Lee Esterling
2nd Karen Battjes
Judie Steele
4th Susan Huhn
7th Tara Aldea
Cheryl Smark
Anna Thomas
8th Rick Skerkowski
10th Bev Wall
11th Abby Morawa
Carl Rohde
Shannon Wojcik

12th Seth Schloss
13th Leigh Hovis
15th Vivian Parker
Jon Dolsen
16th Josh Daniels
17th Jeff Flanigan
19th Lew Ruddock
Jacob Opperman
20th Steve Smark
22nd Carolyn Hammons
Edith Johnson
Zachary Rohde
23rd Rich Semmelroch
27th Margaret Fantucci
Crystal Jenken

28th Sue Goeddeke
Makenna Michels

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

7th Frank & Sara Welch
23rd Jacob & Cassidy
LaRowe
25th Paul & Donna Kidwell
28th Ken & Anna Be



February Food Pantry Dates

2/8 Monday 1-2:30pm
2/17 Wednesday 5-6:30pm
2/22 Monday 1-2:30pm

Food Pantry dates are as listed to the left for January
We are continuing the drive-thru pantry and are seeing new faces all the time. The Clothes Closet is closed indefinitely and we cannot accept any donations at this time.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support.



SURVEY

2021



Watch your US mail and your email for a very important survey to make its way to you. The Worship Task Force is looking for your answers! They are conducting this survey to listen and to try and discern where Lake Shore Church is headed post COVID19. So this is your chance to make sure that your concerns and wants and beliefs are heard (read).

All the details about how and when will be included with the survey.
Thank you for participating in this questionnaire and for your honest feedback.

Just a reminder that there is only one full time office staff person.

Please be patient and wait an extra minute (or two) if you're at the door and leave a message if you call.

Thank you for your understanding.



The church will be closed on
February 15th in honor of
President's day.



ZOOM Sunday School

This has been SO much fun! We get to “see” all our Sunday School friends, even if they can’t actually come to the church! In January, we had 16 wonderful smiling faces in class with us—how cool is that?!

Mark your calendars for the rest of the ZOOM Sunday School dates so you don’t miss out!

February 21st, March 21st, April 18th and May 9th.

Watch for a packet to arrive each time with all your fun papers!



2021 Per Capita

The 2021 Per Capita is \$43.55 per church member. Same as last year. This is our per member, Presbytery stated dollar amount, that we as a church, are required to pay to Presbytery annually. Your gift of that amount helps to keep our annual budget balanced—thank you.

There is a designated envelope in your box of giving envelopes for this offering.

Questions? Call Jeanette in the church office - 586-777-8533

**What is
Per
Capita?**



2021 FLOWER CALENDAR

You can find the Flower Calendar on the bulletin board across from the office. These weekly bouquets grace the Sanctuary and are a wonderful way to honor or remember your loved one.

The instructions are on the bulletin board with the chart. Thank you!!



When the Lake Shore, Lakeview or South Lake School Districts are closed due to inclement weather, the church is closed also.

Please remember to check your local radio to TV school closing listings, as we would not want you to go out in bad weather only to find the church building closed.

What: Yoga on a Chair!

When: Thursdays at 10:30-11:30am

Dates: Feb 18-April 29 (no class on March 18th)

New room: Please meet in Fellowship Hall downstairs.

Class fee: \$12/drop in; \$55/5 class pack; \$100/10 class pack

Please bring a yoga mat, strap and blocks (if you have them). During the pandemic I will not provide yoga props. Also, please wear a face mask. Chairs will be placed minimally 6 feet apart. For that reason, it's best that you pre-register for class so that we have room for you and don't have to turn you away. Please contact Mandy directly to pre-register or find the direct link in the eblast.

If you have any questions, feel free to call or email me.

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