Soundings July 2024 - 3511

Hi Friends,

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Summer is in full swing already! Pastor Adam is three weeks into his sabbatical, and we are grateful that he is taking this well-deserved time of rest for rejuvenation. Please continue to lift him and his family up in prayer throughout the summer, and that it brings them nothing but peace, joy, knowledge, and rest.

I completed my first month of leading the 10:30am Summer worship unity service, and the worship team and I are happy that we are having a very seamless transition. We kicked off the summer worship schedule by sending off our accompanist, Paul Herrington, to his new job at First Presbyterian Church of Warren. We have been blessed to have him as part of our worship team and enjoyed getting to know him and his love for music. As his final encore, he and Michael Brooks played Beethoven's 5th Symphony ending with a standing ovation. It was the perfect send-off.

I also preached the first of six sermons: a message on the parables of the kingdom. Two of our guest preachers, Reverend Marianne Grano and Ruth Azar, finished leading the June services. And what an amazing message they both provided for us! We look forward to having our two guest preachers in July, Ron Sandison and Isaac Chung.

So far this summer, we have been staying very busy! I have moderated my first session meeting, working toward connection through prayer leading the session in a transformational prayer exercise. We prayed together and discerned what the future might look like after we pass the baton off to the next leadership group. It was a successful meeting.

We are very excited for other upcoming summer events like Lake Shore on the Lawn and summer camp! We have the Lakeshore Ukelele Strummers kicking us off on July 7th at 6 pm, and Summer Camp from July 24th to July 28th. Look to the E-blast for even more information about these events!

As summer flies by, take a moment to respond to Jesus. I challenge you to reflect with him in this very moment. Pause, take a deep breath, reflect on a favorite passage, and ask Him to reveal how you can join in His work - today, this month, and in the summer ahead. May God bless you abundantly. I'll be in touch next month!

In the rest of the Spirit,

Brendan

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"ONLINE SERVICES" TAB OR DOWNLOAD THE APP!
FEEL FREE TO ASK THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY OUESTIONS

THE SUMMER UNITY SERVICES AT 10:30AM WILL BE LIVE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE AND FACEBOOK

THE WORSHIP OVERFLOW ROOM WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CHAPEL FOR THOSE WHO MAY NEED TO STEP OUT OF THE SANCTUARY DURING SERVICE





SABBATICAL REFRESH / REFOCUS

Pastor Adam is on his sabbatical from June 9, 2024 and will return at the church on September 8, 2024. For more information about his sabbatical, please contact the church office to request a brochure.

During this time, please refrain from contacting Adam under any circumstances. Thank you for your understanding.

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2024

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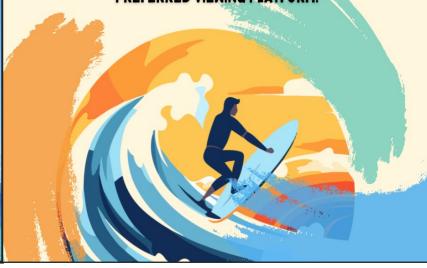
3/25 MARIANNE GRANO

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NOW YOU CAN GET YOUR JESUS ANY TIME DAY OR NIGHT!

SURF THE WEB NOW AND GET ACCESS TO SUNDAY'S
LIVESTREAM! CLICK THE BUTTON BELOW AND CHOOSE YOUR
PREFERRED VIEWING PLATFORM!



CELEBRATING WHAT GOD IS DOING AT LAKE SHORE

On June 9th, 2024, we held an end of the year celebration for our thriving Sunday School Program on our church lawn. A hot dog lunch was served, and the children blew bubbles and played lawn games. A special highlight was a petting zoo along with horse rides! About 25 children and their families enjoyed the festivities.

Earlier at the 10:45am Service, during the Children's Moment, gifts of plants were given to the Sunday School Teachers & Shepherds, and awards for Bible verse memorization were given to the children. Pastor Adam asked the group of children to raise their hands if this year in Sunday School they:

- (1) Had fun?
- (2) Learned more about God?
- (3) Made new friends?
- (4) Grew closer to God?

All of them excitedly responded by raising their hands to every question with a resounding "Yes!"

Our Sunday School Program has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years, and this year was no different. An average of 26 children participated weekly. New this year was the addition of a monthly Bible verse that the children memorized. Many of the children, across ages, successfully memorized several of them this year. Our hope is that these verses will live in their hearts and stay with them for years to come.

It takes many adults (and even some teens) to run such a successful program. There are three Coordinators who direct and supervise the Sunday School Program, each tenure lasting three years. This year Sheena Michels, Nicole Thompson & Alison Grosch held these positions. They are responsible for choosing the curriculum (Spark House), coordinating volunteers, ensuring craft supplies are ready at hand, and hosting the Opening section weekly, as well as several other organizational duties. 20 rotating Teachers & Shepherds (classroom aides), and a 6-person sub list are the bare minimum needed to have things run smoothly. An interesting fact is that more than half of the volunteers in this program don't have children 3-10 years old. This is a testament to our loving & serving congregation and how God is moving through Lake Shore Church.

There are 3 classrooms – one for ages 3-5, another for 1st & 2nd graders and a 3rd-5th grade classroom. There is also a theatre room where videos can be viewed together. There has been so much growth in the program, we are contemplating opening a 4th classroom in the future. What does an average Sunday School, 45-minute time slot look like? After the Children's Moment in service, adult volunteers walk the children downstairs. All the children gather for an Opening time where one of the three Coordinators introduce the topic of the day, and they watch a short five-minute video to get excited about the activities ahead. They then break out into their classrooms with their Teachers & Shepherds to read Bible passages, and answer questions, and participate in a fun activity & craft time. The children enjoy all facets of their time together and learn while they are laughing and having fun.

We are thankful for all the volunteers and Coordinators who give so freely of their time to create such a great Sunday School Program at LSC. And we are always looking for more people to help make it even more successful. If you are interested in serving in this program, please reach out to the church office, and someone will get you in touch with one of the current Coordinators. A simple background check and a one-hour training is all it takes to get started making a difference in children's lives and sharing your love of God with them. Volunteers rotate so there is not a weekly commitment to make. The Coordinators provide you with all the materials you need to teach or help in the classrooms, including a step-by-step script of instructions for the weekly lesson.

We are so grateful for the many ways that God is working through our church that affects both membership and the local community. Our fantastic Sunday School Program makes a positive impact in the lives of children and their families, glorifies God, and exemplifies the Caring, Growing & Serving body of Christ we are at Lake Shore Church.

JUNE GUEST PREACHERS

GUEST PREACHER HIGHLIGHT

CRE Ruth Azar



Ruth Azar is a longtime friend of Lake Shore Church, serving as a commissioned ruling elder and founder of The Second Mile Center, with whom we collaborate closely. Established in 2006 in response to what Ms. Azar describes as a divine calling. The Second Mile Center of Detroit receives ongoing support from the Presbyterian Women in Detroit, who remain actively involved. The Center provides charitable and educational services, fostering partnerships to empower and uplift individuals without regard to race, color, national or ethnic origin. Our church happily supports their initiatives, and we love to have them be a part of this church community. In her message "Speak Life to Let Your Light Shine," she urged us to be warriors for positive change. She spoke about using uplifting words in a negative world as the Bible affirms the impact of our speech. Ruth's mission is to spread God's message of speaking life into those who feel broken. She reassures us of our worth, God's love, and the forgiveness available to all. We appreciate the moving messages she shares with us.

GUEST PREACHER HIGHLIGHT

Rev. Marianne Grano



We are happy to highlight our guest preacher, Reverend Marianne Grano. Currently Marianne works as an attorney at Kienbaum Hardy Viviano Pelton & Forrest P.L.C., using her God given gifts for the betterment of others. Her concentration of legal work is in commercial and municipal law, but also has experience in the ecclesiastical courts of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Not only that she has served as the Stated Clerk at the Presbytery of Detroit for four years. She is responsible for keeping the records of the Presbytery, as well as keeping up with reporting requirements, reading the records of our various churches, and advising our churches on matters of polity, procedure, and risk management. For eight years, she served as the reverend at University Presbyterian of Rochester, and spent five years as the associate pastor at Starr Presbyterian Church. One of her church members described her as "a guiding light, a voice of reason, a prayer warrior, and a dear friend." We are thrilled to hear what messages she has to bring this summer, and we are blessed to have her on our team at the Presbytery of Detroit.



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Emily Cook Timothy Thomp 7/12 Donna Polon

7/14 Patricia Wolf

7/16 Sofia Corbett

7/17 Jett Mazmanian

7/18 Jeffrey Bearance

Phyttis Semmetroch

7/19 Jennifer Ackerman

Julie Bednarski

7/20 Dick Marino

7/24 Renee Bronzetti Jacob Droska Jackie Mallov

7/25 Cynthia Van Houzer

7/27 Margaret Hall Gayle Spiewak

7/29 Jackie Borkowski Miley Mieczkowski

7/30 Sidney Schloss

7/31 Dan Ackerman

Patricia Bolle

7/6 James & Charlene Wunderlich

7/7 Linda & Dale Graber

7/16 Rich & Cheryl Kindlinger

Robert & Jeanette Mazmanian 7/18

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7/25 Katherine & Alexander Partridge

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Summer vacation has started. But with it comes food insecurity for many families. They rely on free lunches and snacks for their kids during the school year. We are here to help with that food insecurity.

If you or someone you know is in need of free food and clothing, our food pantry/clothes closet is open the following dates in July:

Monday 7/8 Wednesday 7/17 Monday 7/22

1:00-2:30pm

Please share this information with anyone you know who may need help. We are an equal opportunity provider. All are welcome

Thank you for always supporting Mission.

are always in need of spaghettios, egg noodles, corn, green beans

Youth Group Summer Fun! SAVE THESE DATES

Summer Camp! July 24th-28th for ages 3rd grade through 2024 high school graduates

'Whoa Zone Waterpark! Saturday August 17th from 9am-5pm MESSAGE SHERYL MIECZKOWSKI FOR DETAILS!

AKE SHORE ON THE LAWN

Jefferson Lawn at Lake Shore Presbyterian Church All are welcome!

JULY 7TH AT 6PM

LAKESHORE UKULELE STRUMMERS

AUGUST 11TH AT 6PM

VBS CELEBRATION FEATURING THE BAND

SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 6PM

ADAM RETURNS! FEATURING THE BAND



Please feel free to bring lawn chairs and blankets for your co

JULY GUEST PREACHERS

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HIGHLIGHT

Pastor Ron Sandison



You can find Ron's Website at https://www.spectruminclusion.com/

And his Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/SpectrumRonSandison

Ron Sandison works full time in the mental health field and is a professor of theology at Destiny School of Ministry. Sandison has a Master of Divinity from Oral Roberts University and is the author of many books "A Parent's Guide to Autism: Practical Advice", "Thought Choice Action: Decision-Making that Releases the Holy Spirit's Power", and "Views from the Spectrum: A Window into Life and Faith with your Neurodivergent Child". He has memorized over 15,000 Scriptures including 22 complete books of the New Testament. Ron and his wife, Kristen, reside in Rochester Hills, MI, with their daughter, Makayla.

Dr. Amos Yong, Professor of Theology & Missions at Fuller Theological Seminary, praised Sandison saying, "If the world fears the diagnosis of autism, then Ron Sandison's prescription helps us discover instead how those across the autistic spectrum are variously gifted instruments of the Holy Spirit to accomplish God's redemptive work in the world."

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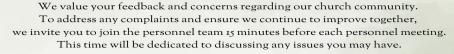
Rev. Isaac Chung



Pastor Isaac Chung has been a friend to Lake Shore Church for many years now. Early in the Covid-19 pandemic, Isaac stepped in alongside Pastor Adam as worship leader and director, helping us get through a difficult period of time. Our church has prayerfully supported Isaac as he has supported us. Isaac and his family were called to mission work in South East Asia back in late 2022, and we are lucky that he has taken the time to serve our church whenever possible. We value his mission work that him, his wife Misty, and their children are all taking part in. We are excited to welcome Isaac back on Sunday, July 28th as he delivers a message about "Excuses and Disappointments" as part of the Exodus series taking place throughout July. In his message, Isaac will dive into Moses' initial doubts and disappointments despite God's provision. We will understand that it is God's leadership, not human capability, that drives the Exodus. We eagerly await Isaac's arrival, and are happy to welcome him back within the church's walls.

JOIN US FOR "Fresh Feedback"

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!



Your participation is crucial to the betterment of our church community, and we look forward to hearing your thoughts.

Next Meeting:

WEDNESDAY JULY 17TH AT 7:00PM

PLEASE REACH OUT TO SHERYL MIECZKOWSKI, SO WE CAN NOTE YOUR ATTENDANCE

samlll706@yahoo.com

Join the Lakeshore Ukulele Strummers!

Join in on rehearsal, or come to listen! Wednesdays from 1:30 - 3:30

Any skill level is welcome!

email jenna@lakeshorechurch.com for more information



Upcoming Performances

Lake Shore on the Lawn at Lake Shore Church July 7th at 6:00pm

Lake Shore Church Worship Service, July 14th at 10:30am

Concert at Wahby Park July 29th at 7:00pm

BREW FOR JESUS

"Brew for Jesus" is a beer-based Bible study designed to be discussed in a small group setting.

This study is meant for Christians and those seeking to learn more about Christ by looking at what is involved in brewing beer and how that can serve as an analogy to concepts in Christianity.

LOCATED AT

TUESDAY EVENING AT 7:30PM

SIGN UP IN THE CHURCH LOBBY, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE, OR SPEAK WITH PASTOR BRENDAN.

Deacon Spotlight!

Nancy Boyle

I am Nancy Boyle. I grew up in Lake Shore Church. My name was Nancy Ako<mark>m,</mark> and I went to the nursery and Sunday school here at Lak<mark>e</mark> Shore Presbyterian Church. My father, Stuart Akom, was on the board here in the 1960's, and my mother was, Bonnie Akom. I played on the girls softball team in the 1960's also. My first marriage was held in the Sanctuary in 1976, and I became Nancy DeRocha. We moved away for many years. Ten years ago, Pastor Adam, married my husband and I, and I reioined the church. I am now Nancy Boyle, and am very happy to serve as a Deacon here. I feel I am home again.

Shelby Hunter

My name is Shelby Hunter and I am excited to serve as a Deacon. I am a lifelong member of the church-I was born into it. I work as a receptionist/office assistant at a law firm in Mt. Clemens and as a server at Buffalo Wild Wings a couple days a week. In my spare time, I like to attend Detroit Tigers and Red Wings games and hang out with my family. I am currently getting ready to buy my first house!



10:30am Unity Service

Summer Sundays: Child Care ages 3 – 2nd grade Nursery available for infants through age 3

Camp

JULY 2024



* = a Small Group Sun	Mon	6pm Band Practice Tue	1:30pm Ukuleles 7pm Men's AA Wed	7:30pm AA and Al Anon Thu	Office Closed Fri	7:30pm NA Sat
	1	2	3	4 Office Closed 4TH -/ JULY	5	6
7 Communion 11:45am Trustees 6pm Lake Shore on the Lawn	8 1pm Food Pantry	9	10 5:30pm Camp Meeting	11 10:15am GFC*	12	13
14 12pm Pumpkin Patch Team Mtg 7pm Camp Meeting	15 7pm Session 7pm Deacons	16	17 5pm Food Pantry 5:15pm Events Team Mtg. 6:45pm Personnel	18 10:15am GFC*	19 10am Liturgy Team Mtg.	20
21 12pm VBS Orientation	22 1pm Food Pantry	23	24 Youth leave for Camp	25 10:15am GFC*	26	27
28 12pm VBS CPP Training Youth return from	29	30	31			



Neither the rain nor the fish flies could stop our 10:45am planned outdoor worship in June!!

The band had set up under a tent, so we just turned it all around and worshipped in the Welcome Center!

