

# SOUNDINGS

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Lake Shore  
C H U R C H

Dear Friends:

Church is essential! The fact that this has to be declared shares something about the church's standing in society today. Not even a generation ago, church going was a way of life, no one thought it a non-essential luxury for those who like that sort of thing.

Lake Shore Church is an essential business but this is not news to us in the church. But what about those who live around us? There is the old question, "If your church was no longer here, would the community notice?" We have always had a heart for the community and in these last two months our heartbeat has only gotten louder. New people have noticed this ministry. They have noticed our worship and our message of hope. They have heard news about our food pantry and we have not only received the community's appreciation, they have offered their support. More people now "like" our church on Facebook than we have on our membership roster.

Because of our essential work we have never shutdown. We have gotten laser focused on our mission. We haven't missed one Sunday of worship. We haven't turned away one hungry mouth. Our youth group is still meeting, we have launched a new Family Sunday School, and we have started a new small group (aka Anchor Group). Lives are being changed. We have even added to our number as we have received a new family into our membership.

God's Spirit is at work teaching us how to do ministry in this time. Sure, our worship has moved online and our building closed for a short time. But our ministry has not been on "hold." No doubt this time has been disruptive, but it is in the disruption that God speaks anew (check out the new sermon series).

Now, as stay-at-home restrictions ease, we enter a new phase. We have decided, in conjunction with local guidelines, that our building is open again for meetings of ten or less (see inside for more information). Our current challenge is discerning how and when we prudently resume in-person worship. The logistical challenges are hard enough, but the bigger challenge may be how diverse our thinking is on this. Some are eager to meet in person and are impatient to wait much longer. Others insist it's unwise to meet until there is a vaccine. There are plenty who fall in between.

Brett McCracken wrote an article titled, "Church, Don't Let Coronavirus Divide You." In the midst of differences in sincerely held convictions about resuming in-person worship, he speaks about how we might offer love in the spirit of humility to one another. As we seek to move forward in unity, we can provide a prophetic witness to our divided society. I commend this article to you.

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/church-dont-let-coronavirus-divide/>

Your leaders are actively involved in working through a very intentional process of deliberation as we plan for our return to in-person worship. Such intentional discernment can be slow work but it means all voices, both inside and outside the church, can be considered as we seek the Spirit's will. As we wait, if you think it is taking too long, I ask for your patience and grace. When the time comes, if you think it is too hasty, I ask for your understanding. I also covet your prayers. Will you join me in praying for our church and for our leaders? I thank you for all of your support. Truly, the outpouring has been tremendous!

In Christ,

Pastor Adam

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During these uncertain and ever changing times, your leaders and staff at Lake Shore Church are doing all they can to keep you informed and connected to your church family. The Sunday Worship Service is being streamed online, the weekly eblast is sent out every Thursday afternoon, numerous emails are sent to keep everyone up to date and "in the loop", and Facebook posts are plentiful. Add text messaging to that & you should always be in the know!

As the building is currently closed, the best way to ask a question or get information is through email, though the church is still receiving phone calls during regular business hours (Mon-Thurs / 8am-6pm) Please find staff emails listed below:

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Food Pantry will continue to operate on it's regularly scheduled dates and times as a drive-thru service. Also, during the Stay-at-Home order we will be an emergency food pantry. What that means is that a person in immediate need can call the office, and shortly thereafter, pick up a bag of groceries (in a drive thru fashion too). Please pass that information to anyone you know who may be in immediate need. Thank you.

### June - Food Pantry Dates

6/8 Monday 1-2:30pm

6/17 Wednesday 5-6:30pm

6/22 Monday 1-2:30pm

## IT'S BEGINNING...

Our building is beginning to re-open! If you have a committee, team, small group, or other group and you are ready to start gathering in person again, we want to welcome you back.

Following current guidelines, we are asking everyone entering the building to maintain social distance (6 feet), wear a mask, and keep your hands sanitized. For now, we are inviting groups of ten (10) or less to gather. Please schedule your meetings through the church office. Pre-scheduling is more important than ever and will allow us to make sure your room is clean and sanitized before your arrival.

We ask everyone in the group who is attending to come and go without lingering or roaming around the building. If you need them, bathrooms are of course open! The church office is open again too, but please only visit the office if you have official church business.

Thank you.

## Pastor Adam has started a new sermon series titled *"Holy Disruption"*

We can certainly agree that this pandemic has been disruptive. We have been forced to stay home. Many of our fun activities have ceased. Church hasn't met in person for months. We miss and mourn all that is lost. But God has also been at work. We have a new appreciation for things once taken for granted. New opportunities have emerged. Good things have happened. How do we make sense of it all? What does it all mean? Might we even call this liminal time, "holy"? Holy, simply means, "set apart for God." How is God using this time? How does He make it holy? We know in the course of history this time will be fully redeemed. Holy Disruption!

As we begin a new church season, the Season after Pentecost, we start by talking about the disruptive power of the Spirit, which fell upon the disciples and birthed the church. Before the Spirit came they appear stuck. But with the Spirit's power, the church began to explode.

God uses times of disruption to set us on new courses and to make us more holy. In this series, we will explore times of disruption and how God worked and spoke through it, even changing the course of history.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



4th Brady & Raymond  
Filipek  
7th Cheryl Kindlinger,  
Bryan Troyer  
9th Jenna Dell  
11th Madison Cook  
13th Carole Koviak,  
Dona Matlin  
14th Holly Koehler  
16th Natalie Grosch  
Marco Bronzetti  
17th Jeanne Bolt  
18th Donna Mullins  
19th Rick Fantucci,  
Cathy Phillips  
20th Cassidy LaRowe,

Kyle Huyghe  
Katherine Tarrant  
21st Scott Glowniak  
22nd Tom Dick, Barb Lamb,  
Stephan Tarrant,  
Stacie Thompson  
23rd Elizabeth Schweitzer  
24th Curtis Chase  
25th Amanda Hering  
27th Madison Crussen,  
Rosemarie Nichiols  
28th Skip Bearance  
Anna Markesino,  
Yvonne Weaver  
29th Carol King,  
Catherine Lewis  
Ryan Mazmanian  
30th Chrissie Harris

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1st Carl & Jean Rohde  
2nd Brett & Andrea  
Mazmanian  
Scott & Marge Sumner  
3rd Tom & Linda Dick  
4th Ed & Theresa Harvey  
David & Crystal Jenken  
7th Ron & Sandra Wallace  
15th John & Jennifer Hunter  
19th Rex & Marj Richards  
22nd Brian & Sheryl  
Miezckowski  
26th Tim & Gail Thompson  
27th Charles & Frances  
Bozick  
Lew & Darlene Ruddock  
29th Bob & Leigh Hovis



Until we are able to take our offering in person, there are a few different ways to get your donations to the church. Of course, you can always write a check and put it in the US Mail (office staff will still be collecting the mail). Or you can go to our church website - [www.lakeshorechurch.com](http://www.lakeshorechurch.com) - click on the "Donate" tab at the top of the page, and choose either PayPal or FaithStreet. Both are user friendly, fee free for givers and safe, secure places to make your offering. Either can be used to make a one time gift or to set up a recurring gift.



As always, we are a blessed and grateful church community. Thank you all.

## LEADERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

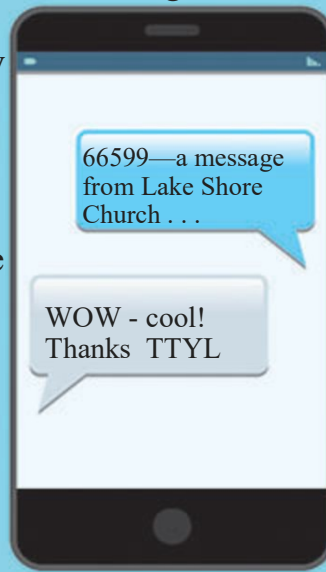
Hello everyone!

Natalie Corbett was born and raised in Saint Clair Shores, MI – she attended Lakeview High School and went on to earn her undergraduate degree from University of Detroit Mercy. In 2010, Natalie moved to Washington DC for an internship, there she met her husband, Sean (from Pittsburgh). Natalie and Sean remained in DC until 2018. They were married by Pastor Adam at Lake Shore Church in October of 2013. On December 29, 2016 they welcomed their first daughter, Kennedy. In 2018, they moved back to MI to be closer to family. They welcomed their second daughter, Sofie, on July 16, 2018 and officially joined Lake Shore Church in the fall of that same year. Natalie became a Deacon earlier this year and in addition to being a mom and serving her church she works full time as an executive assistant at a consulting firm. Natalie enjoys spending quality time with her family and friends. She and her family travel to Pittsburgh as frequently as their schedules allow to spend time with their family there. Natalie, Sean and their daughters reside in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI.

**A New Deacon -**

Natalie Corbett

We sure hope you have already taken advantage of the new TEXTing format we rolled out a couple of weeks ago!! Such a quick and easy way to stay in touch! If you have not received any text messages from Lake Shore Church (66599) - there have been at least 3 so far . . then the office must not have your cell phone number—insert sad face emoji— 😞 Just give the office a call @ 586-777-8533, or use the link in the eblast, or send an email to [jeanette@lakeshorechurch.com](mailto:jeanette@lakeshorechurch.com) or text your name to 66599, and we'll make sure you're included in the next text message!!



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Hello

### Memorial Day Drive-By Parade Honoring WWII Veteran, Don Weatherup



Machine Gunner - Army  
Germany & Belgium  
Bronze Star  
Purple Heart

Thank you for your service!  
The 50+ cars in your “parade” are but a token of our appreciation!



Thank you so much for supporting me through my many years of college. I appreciate all of the cards, packages, and prayers. I graduated in December of 2019 from Wayne State, and am in the process of finding a job in secondary education, teaching Social Studies.

Again, I appreciate all of the support and kindness.

Sincerely,  
Zachary Rohde



### Lake Shore Church Kids NEW Facebook Group for parents with kids pre-k through 5th grade



We have recently added a new group to our Lake Shore Church Facebook page—Lake Shore Church Kids! This is a private group so you must join to enjoy all the perks, but that is easy to do!

We encourage everyone to share pics or clips of what you and your child/children enjoyed in the weekly post. And to share the group/page with your friends and family.

And if you don't have a Facebook account, there is not a better time to get one!!

Seriously though, each week's lesson should also be available on the church website—[www.lakeshorechurch.com](http://www.lakeshorechurch.com), ministries, kids.

Join us in this fun new adventure - we can't wait to see you online!