

Soundings

April 2019 - 3451

Lake Shore
CHURCH

Dear Friends:

We have been talking about joy and difficulty. We don't often think of these two things together. But as we read Paul's letter to the Philippians we are learning that Paul experienced joy as he practiced his faith in the midst of suffering and persecution. His joy wasn't found in anything that he did so much as everything that he did was infused with his joy. That joy flowed from what Christ has done and was doing.

Lent is a time of discipline and our discipline is meant to draw us closer to Christ and the joy we find in Him. But that isn't all. The practices that Paul engages in: prayer, witnessing, humility, hospitality, simplicity, and giving, also drew him closer to others. Our faith is a journey of growth and we grow best with others who are there to mentor us, challenge us, and follow us. We see how Paul and the believers in Philippi share in a mutual and encouraging relationship grounded in their shared faith. It is a reminder that this faith is meant to be lived out and experienced in community and that spiritual discipline shouldn't be isolating nor is our salvation meant to be an independent or static affair. As Paul says, "...continue to work out YOUR (plural) salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12). Even in this fear and trembling he finds joy (v.18)!

At Lake Shore Church we are discovering His joy as we seek to live our life together in Christ. As we see increased opportunities for group study and scripture reading, as we find ourselves in new mentoring relationships both inside and outside the church, and as we join with one another in service opportunities that require many hands on deck. As we join God in the neighborhood we are discovering the ways in which God is at work in our lives, in our church, and in our community. God is bringing us all together for this work: young and old, church and unchurched, old and new. In the midst of it all there is joy.

But just in case we think the fruit of our labor is because of our efforts, that we are joy-filled because of what we have done, Easter breaks in to remind us differently. Later this month, we will remember that just when the disciples thought all was lost, God was at his best as He defeated the powers we know we cannot defeat on our own. Through the power of God new life springs forth all around. This isn't our doing. It is the Lord's. New life, especially after difficulty and suffering, provides its own experience of joy. If Lent is a time of hard-fought joy (cross); Easter is a time of exuberant, ecstatic, grace-given joy (resurrection). In both we find Christ. Praise be to God that in the midst of difficulty, new life is right around the corner.

In Christ,
Pastor Adam

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Dates to Remember

April

7th 4pm Soup Cook Off & final Lenten Dinner & Devotionals

8th 1pm Food Pantry

13th Youth Road Rally

14th Palm Sunday - 9:15am and 11:15am Worship times
6pm MOPS

17th 5pm Food Pantry

21st Easter Sunday - 9:15am and 11:15am Worship times
No Youth

22nd 1pm Food Pantry

May

10th Confirmation Overnighter

12th No MOPS

14th 1-8pm Red Cross Blood Drive

27th CLOSED for the Memorial Day Holiday

One Great Hour of Sharing

Is a special offering we collect every Palm Sunday. It is a worldwide, Lenten season, time to share God's love, collection. We share with our neighbors around the world by providing relief from natural and human-caused disasters, food for the hungry and support for the poor and oppressed. There are envelopes in your giving boxes or you can find them in the pews. Thank you for your heartfelt gifts.



INITIAL OFFERING ENVELOPE

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PRAYER AND DEDICATION

BEGINNING the use of these envelopes, I dedicate them to the Lord! With a prayer, I herein make a gift, in addition to my regular contribution, to help in providing the envelopes for the collection and receiving of gifts.

Name _____

Do you know what this envelope is for?

Initial Offering Envelope

This Initial Offering Envelope does have a bit of an explanation on it . . . but what it all means is that this offering helps to offset the actual cost of the boxes of giving envelopes that are distributed to members and even some visitors! This exact envelope can be found in your box of envelopes. (each box of giving envelopes costs less than \$5!)

Thank you to all who have supported this already and - f.y.i. - it's never too late!!!

“Discovering the Joy in Lent”

Pastor Adam's Lenten Sermon Series will wrap up on April 14th (Palm Sunday) Here are the remaining scriptures that coordinate with each remaining sermon

April 7th - Joyful Asceticism - Philippians 3

April 14th - Joyful Giving - Philippians 4

April 21st - Easter Sunday



Sunday Evening Lenten Dinner and Devotion

Every other Sunday in Lent we have enjoyed dinner, scripture, and discussion together.

Last one - April 7th - 4pm - SOUP COOK-OFF

Bring your best soup - prizes - fun

Sign up on the Atrium shelf

When the people of God gather around scripture the Spirit moves! Come join us for a close reading of Paul's letter to the Philippians. We will also discuss the joy found in different Lenten disciplines and consider what it might look like to incorporate these disciplines into our lives.

*Note - these gatherings coincide with youth group night. Youth and their parents are invited to dinner!

EASTER CALENDAR

LENTEN DINNER SERIES
SEE SCHEDULE ABOVE

PALM SUNDAY ~ APRIL 14TH
9:15AM & 11:15AM - PALMS

MAUNDY THURSDAY ~ APRIL 18TH
7PM-SERVICE & COMMUNION

GOOD FRIDAY ~ APRIL 19TH
7PM - SERVICE

EASTER SUNDAY ~ APRIL 21ST
9:15AM & 11:15AM



HE IS RISEN!



**He
is risen
indeed**

Youth Groups

- 4/7 Regular Youth Groups
- 4/13 Road Rally & Overnighter
- 4/14 No Youth Groups
- 4/21 No Youth Groups - Easter
- 4/28 Regular Youth Groups

Keep your eye out for more Road Rally and Overnighter details!! And....

Have a great Easter!!

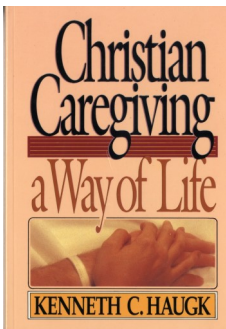
Sunday School

In the month of April, the pre-k through 5th graders will be learning all about **Holy Week and Easter**.

All children are always welcome!!



Christian Caregiving: a way of life (Kenneth Haugk)



This is a nine-week training course, led by Pastor Adam, based on the above named book.

Mondays - 9am-11:30am - weekly, from April 15th thru June 17th

We say that Lake Shore Church Cares. But what does it mean to be a caring Christian? This course promotes Christian identity and practices. It will help us answer; "Who am I as a Christian, anyway?"

This is wholistic training. Not so much a "how to" on caregiving or visitation, but training that helps us form our identity as a Christian Caregiver, promoting Christian practices that can be fully integrated in our daily lives.

Does this seem like something you need in your life? Something that speaks to your heart? If it does, then we welcome you to register on the Atrium shelf or call the church office.

We ask that you make a dedicated commitment to the full 9 week course. Please speak to Pastor Adam if you have concerns about attendance.

There are more detailed information sheets available on the Atrium shelf.

April Birthdays



- 1st Cadence Crussen
- 2nd Debbie Rowe, Judy Wilson
- 3rd Randy Fetherolf
- 5th Joe Claycomb, Joan Morawa
- 7th Julie Maconochie
- 10th Rob Hall
- 12th Lynn Mazmanian
- 13th Ken Sutton
- 14th April Fetherolf, Bob Kramb
- 15th Sarah Eddy
- 17th Lynne Henry
- 18th April Shields
- 20th Ken Be
- 21st Miranda Fortier
- 24th Nancy Barr, Bob Mazmanian,
Norm Wilson
- 26th Liz Hunter, Archie Montgomery
- 27th Dorian Kirejczyk
- 29th Sue Bearance, Lisa Peterson
- 30th Lynda Panicara

April

Anniversaries



- 3rd Mo & Stacey King
- 8th Marc & Renee Bronzetti
- 11th Bruce & Carole Koviak
- 12th Joe & Lillian Claycomb
Randy & Kate Haselhuhn
- 18th Brian & Sheri Vahovick

The 2019 Flower Chart is up on the bulletin board.

Sign your name to whatever date you prefer. Please, only two bouquets per week! We can no longer accommodate more than two.

Each bouquet is \$18. Remember to fill out the form and get it to Stacey King.



Lake Shore Church offers many options for our congregation to turn in their tithes and pledges. There is, of course, the assigned offering envelopes and pew envelopes. But please, don't forget about our Direct Donations option (like paying your gas bill!), or PayPal or FaithStreet or Text to Give!! If you have questions or are interested in any of these options, just give the Bookkeeper, Jeanette Mazmanian, a call at 586-777-8533



Direct Donation review....

I say, where in the world was this giving option 15 years ago when all four of our boys were playing travel baseball??? We would miss church all summer because of weekend tournaments all over the place!

When September rolled around we would find ourselves 10-12 weeks behind in our giving!! We would spend the next four months trying to play catch up. I hated that feeling of being behind.

But now with our Direct Donation giving option I would never have been even a week behind!! The church sets up an automated payment that directly sends your giving to the church on a regulated schedule of your choosing. It couldn't be easier or safer! We're not just saying this because I'm the bookkeeper, we're saying this because we truly believe this is a wonderful giving option!! If you'd like more information call Jeanette in the church office - 586-777-8533.

Bob & Jeanette Mazmanian

Mission News ~

Second Mile

On Monday, March 18, we prepared and served dinner to the kids at Second Mile. We are still looking for a group or several persons to take over dinner in May and June.



MCREST

On Tuesday, March 19, we prepared and served dinner to the men being housed by MCREST at Triumphant Cross Church, SCS. We also shared dinner with all of their volunteers. This is our third year partnering with Triumphant Cross.

Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

Thank you for your continuing support of our food pantry and clothes closet. We can always use canned veggies, fruit, soup, tuna. Our clothes closet is going to be switching over to spring/summer clothing at the end of the month. Soooooo, please only donate current season clothing.



Easter Bags

Bags will be available on Sunday, March 24. Please decorate the bags and fill with treats and small trinkets, crayons, coloring books, etc. Please **ONLY** take the number of bags you can fill and return. All bags must be returned by Sunday, April 14. Bags will be donated to the Children's Home of Redford and St John Hospital Pediatric Ward.



Thank you!

Respectfully submitted, Cheryl Smark



FIND YOUR FIRE

#thisismotherhood

LAKE SHORE CHURCH MOPS

Join us **April 10th** at 6pm here at church!
Childcare provided

Second Sunday of each month
September thru June - 6-8pm

For more information, or to register, contact us at lakeshoremopsscs@gmail.com or 586-343-1092
[Facebook.com/lakeshorechurchmops](https://www.facebook.com/lakeshorechurchmops)

9:15 & 11:15 am
Services of Worship
10:25 am Wired
Word
10:25 am 6-12th
Grade Sunday School
11:15 am pre-k - 5th
Grade Sunday School
12:30pm Youth Choir
6pm Youth Groups

APRIL 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30pm Lego	2 6:30 Bible 101	3 6 pm Homestyle Dev. 7 pm Men's AA	4 10:15 am GFC Small Grp 1 pm Pinochle 6pm Bells 7pm Band 7:30pm Choir 7:30pm AA, AlAnon	Office Closed	7:30 pm NA
7 Communion 12:30 Trustees 4pm Soup Cook Off - Lenten Dinner & Dev 6pm SNS	8 10am Christian Caregiving 1/9 1pm Food Pantry 6:30pm Lego 7pm Bible Bus	9 10am Staff Mtg 6:30 Bible 101	10 10am Bayview Bunch	11 6:30pm CARE Group	12	13 10am Breakfast Bunch Youth Road Rally/ Overnighter
14 PALM SUNDAY 6pm MOPS No Youth	15 10am Christian Caregiving 2/9 11am CLM 6:30pm Lego 7pm Session	16 10am Traditional Wor. Tm.	17 9:30am Circle 5pm Food Pantry 7pm SCS Disaster Team	18 MAUNDY THURSDAY 7pm Communion Service	19 GOOD FRIDAY 7pm Service	20
21 Easter No Youth	22 10am C. G. 3/9 1pm Food Pantry 6:30pm Lego 7pm Bible Bus	23	24 10am Bayview Bunch	25 6pm Modern Wor. Tm. 6:30pm CARE Group	26	27 10am Breakfast Bunch
28 Bells 10:25am DITZ 6pm Youth Groups	29 10am C. G. 4/9 6:30pm Lego 7pm Confirmation	30	31	A red flower with five petals and a yellow center.	A purple flower with five petals and a yellow center.	A pink flower with many petals and a yellow center.

Clerk's Corner

According to the Book of Order:

The Session is responsible to guide and govern the life of the congregation.

The Session leads the congregation in fulfilling its responsibilities for the service of all people, for the upbuilding of the whole church, and for the glory of God.

At the March meeting, we began Collaborative Meetings of the boards. The Elders, Deacons, and representatives from the Trustees, met for an hour of collaborative work prior to breaking out into their individual meetings.

Carole Koviak, Clerk
586-610-1277

Correction from last month: Linda DeMers is serving on the Deacon Board.



It's that time again.....

The office is looking for Graduation Pictures!

If you are, or if you know, a 2019 graduate, get a picture of them into the church office so we can acknowledge that accomplishment on the annual bulletin board in the hallway!!



If you know this famous grad, email me ..

jeanette@
lakeshorechurch.com

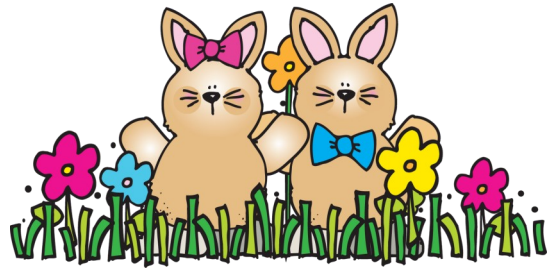
...just for fun!

Check the eblast for weekly celebrity pics!

Homestyle Devotions

If you're looking for a mid-week dose of devotions, why don't you join us for our Homestyle Devotions? It's our every Wednesday, potluck style dinner at 6 p.m., followed by Devotions at 7pm. All are welcome, we just ask that you sign up on the form in the Atrium. There is more information available near that sign up sheet or you can check with Lynne Henry for details.

POTLUCK
A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING



Membership Matters

Interested in learning more about Lake Shore Church & what being a member really means?

Come join us, Saturday, April 6th, from 9-11am right here at the church. A light continental breakfast will be offered.

Please register your attendance on the form on the Atrium shelf.

Questions? Speak with Pastor Adam or call the church office @ 586-777-8533



A Poverty Simulation

Tuesday, April 30
6:30-9pm @
Fort Street Presby

Your participation in this Poverty Simulation will shine new light on the struggle many families and individuals have in the journey to self sufficiency.

Dinner is served at 5:45pm
FREE but registration is recommended

<https://events.ticketprinting.com/event/Poverty-Simulation-33151>

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.