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Dear Friends:

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For a long time I have understood the importance of questions. Getting the right question is sometimes better than getting the right answer. Indeed, when Jesus was asked questions, his response usually came back in the form of a different question. I wondered if anyone had counted the number of questions Jesus asked and then, I came across a book Martin Copenhaver sub-titled "The 307 questions Jesus asked and the three he answered."

Questions are important. And asking the *right* question is important. I have been wondering if sometimes we get caught up on the question of how, when we should be asking a different question. How is an important enough question. How do I live the Christian life? How am I supposed to do this ministry work for which I have been called? How should we as a church *do* church? How is a question of mastery that looks for a process, a best practice, a way of doing something. We ask these questions a lot.

The question I have been preferring lately is who. Who should I be doing church with? Who should be involved in this particular ministry work for which I have been called? These are questions that ask for a relationship. It asks others to get involved and as we answer the question of who, the answer might be someone who wasn't even on our radar. It could even lead a new person into a relationship with Jesus.

As we think about church programs, a focus on how might result in the execution of a perfect and excellent event, but if the question of who is never asked then we might not have anyone show up! If instead we spend time on the who and get specific about who, then we can be assured the right persons are involved and the right persons are being reached. To me that is preferable to a flawless program.

I also got to thinking about how the foundation of our faith is really a who rather than a how. Rather than asking how to live, we should be asking who should I be living for? The answer is the God we know in Jesus Christ! Once we get the who right then the rest of our faith falls into place. Getting to know the who, getting to know Jesus and who he is calling us to love and to reach and to do this life with, is what the Christian faith is all about. I am glad to be doing it with you.

In Christ,

Pastor Adam

P.S. Someone in the church was asking a question on WHO they should get for the dunk dank at our Memorial Day Parade and Church Picnic. Then somehow I got a call.

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#### May

- 10th Confirmation Overnighter
- 12th Mother's Day, No MOPS
- 19th MOPS 6pm
- 26th Memorial Day Parade After Party 2-6pm
- 27th CLOSED for the Memorial Day Holiday

#### June

- 23rd Guest speaker, Ron Sandison
- 25th 2nd Mile Center Health Fair
- 30th Guest Speaker, Ginny Stieler

#### July

4th Office Closed7th Guest speaker, Charon Barcony16th-20th Triennium

21st-24th Summer Camp

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#### HEAR YE! HEAR YE! EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

**WOW**, there's some big exciting news this month!

Has it been 2 years already? What are we talking about?

Our memorable Lake Shore Church Memorial Day Parade After Party, of course!

And this year it's going to be even bigger and better! **Why?** 

Because, this year, the <u>Lake Shore Church Picnic</u> is going to be combined with the parade party! We're talking HUGE! FUN! & FREE! Come one! Come all! BIG SLIDE! DJ! FOOD! LIVE MUSIC! & MORE!

#### When? SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2019! HOURS: 2-6PM! See you there!

It will be a great time to celebrate and express our thankfulness and gratitude for the mercy, grace, faithfulness and blessings of God on our country the USA and the selfless love, protection, service and ultimate sacrifice of those who gave everything on our behalf so that we may have not only freedom, liberty and justice for all, but also the opportunity to be responsible with our freedom, to carry the torch forward, to steward over, protect and preserve our delicate and costly liberty, Constitution, Bill of Rights and the rest of our unique and sovereign national republic government structure, from within and without.

Last but not least, by the grace of the Holy Spirit in us, it's a time to share again the mercy, grace, love, joy, comfort & peace that Christ Jesus, our beloved Lord & Savior has, not only for each of us and our families & friends, but also for everyone in our local communities and people from all over the metro Detroit area and beyond, to the glory of God our Father.

Submitted by Deacon, Rich Kindlinger





Memorial Day Parade 2019 ~ After Party ~ 2-6pm Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

## Hey All -

Come support the Community Ambassadors of Lake Shore Church and this community in celebrating our brave service men and women.

Bring only yourselves and your chair!! We'll provide...

Live Music and a DJ Lawn Games Inflatable Slide & More!



**FREE** Hot Dogs - Chips - Popcorn - Bottled Water Mark your calendar and come join us!!



## Some Youth Dates to Remember . . .

May 5th - Last Youth Group May 10th - Confirmation Overnighter May 19th - last Sunday School May 26th - SCS Memorial Day Parade Party 2-6pm July 16-20th - Triennium July 21st-24th - Summer Camp August 5th-9th - Vacation Bible School 6-8 pm

These are just a few "notable" dates we have on the calendar so far – please monitor the eblast, your email, the website and text messages for new upcoming summer stuff!!

<u>May Bírthdays</u>							
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## 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.



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2nd	Ron & Nancy Barr
3rd	Ben & Michelle Decker
 	Barb & Tom Lamb
7th	Jerry & Gayle Spiewak
8th	Jason & Jackie Cook
11th	Norm & Judy Wilson
14th	Mark & Holly Koehler
18th	Don & Mary-Claire Black
I	Keith & Cindy Van Houzen
19th	Nick & Liz Hunter
26th	Al & Corinne Dickinson
29th	Bob & Fam King

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#### 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.



#### **Mission News** ~

#### **Easter Bags**

Thank you to everyone who decorated and filled bags for Easter. We did receive all of our bags back! The bags were donated to the Children's Home of Redford and St. John Hospital Pediatric Ward. The Children's Home houses up to 70 boys aged 5-17 who are in transition from their homes and foster care. Thanks for your kindness and generosity!

#### Second Mile

Thanks to the Ruddocks' small group for preparing and serving dinner to the kids at Second Mile on April 15. Lake Shore Church's commitment to Second Mile is to provide dinner to the kids in the after school program on the third Monday of each month. We are still in need of a couple people or a small group to provide dinner in May and June.

#### **Kids Who Care**

The Kids Who Care group at Ardmore School, SCS, spent their April meeting putting together hygiene bags and feminine hygiene bags for our Mission program. The hygiene bags were donated to the Community Ambassadors for their blessing bags. The feminine hygiene bags are being donated to Elli's House (shelter for women and girls being rescued from sex trafficking).

#### Food Pantry/Clothes Closet

The clothes closet has been switched over to spring/summer clothing. Please only donate clean, gently used spring/summer clothing. Let's help make our "closettes" job a bit easier by following these guidelines! The Food Pantry continues to need tuna, canned fruit, shampoo, & dish soap. Thank you for your donations!



Feeding the Community

Thanks for always supporting Mission. Respectfully submitted, Cheryl Smark

"To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow." - Audrey Mepburn



#### **Communion Sundays**

We are still collecting canned goods on Communion Sundays. If you are able, please try to remember to bring an item or two with you. There is a collection table in the Atrium and all items are donated to our very own Food Pantry.

Thank you



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	MAY 2019							
Sun	Mon	Tue	6 pm Homestyle Dev. 7 pm Men's \AA Wed	10:15 am GFC Small Grp 1 pm Pinochle 6pm Bells 7pm Band 7:30pm Choir 7:30pm AA, AlAnon	Office Closed Fri	7:30 pm NA Sat		
			1	2 6:30pm C.A.R.E.	3	4		
5 Communion 6pm SNS 6pm Youth Group Cinco De Mayo	6 10am Christian Caregiving 1pm Food Pantry 6:30pm Lego	7 10am Staff 6:30pm Bible 101	8 10am Bayview Bunch 7pm Personnel 8pm Leadership	9 6:30pm C.A.R.E.	10 Confirmation / Overnighter	11 10am Breakfast Bunch		
12 Little Treble Makers No MOPS Mother's Day	13 6:30pm Lego 7pm Bible Bus	14 6:30pm Bible 101	15 9:30am Circle 5pm Food Pantry 7:30pm Memb. Engagement	16 6:30pm C.A.R.E.	17	18		
19 Bells 6pm MOPS 6pm SNS	20 10am Christian Caregiving 1pm Food Pantry 6:30pm Lego 7pm Session/ Trustees/Deacons	21 10am Trad. Worship Mtg.	22 10am Bayview Bunch	23 6pm Modern Worship Mtg.	24	25 10am Breakfast Bunch		
26 Memorial Day Parade Party 2-6pm	27 Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day	28	29	30	31			

### <u>Clerk's Corner</u>

You may have noticed the Blue Box on the Atrium shelf. This box provides you an opportunity to express your Questions – Suggestions - Comments or Concerns. All you have to do is complete a card with your name on it and drop it in the box. The Clerk holds the key and will forward your idea, thoughts, etc. on to the proper team or person and you will receive feedback regarding what you have written on the card.

It was a joy for the Session to welcome 15 new members. So many expressed how welcoming Lake Shore has been to them. Thank you Lake Shore for being "Caring".



Carole Koviak, Clerk / 586-610-1277

To the Very Generous Congregation of Lake Shore,

The Community Ambassador's would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you who donated to our winter blanket drive.

The socks, gloves, hats, blankets and many other toiletries and personal items were very appreciated by not only the homeless at St. Margaret's McWarm program, but also H.O.P.E.

H.O.P.E. is a fantastic street mission that ministers every day all year round to those on the streets that have no homes and often live in tents or under bridges. They provide everything from bus passes to hot dinners, bagged lunches, clothes, shoes, underwear, blankets and so on. When we delivered blankets to them in February they were down to 4 blankets. We delivered almost 60 tied with scarves as well as blessing bags with hats and gloves and hand warmers. They are an incredible street mission and we will help them again.

We will hand out summer blessing bags again for the congregation, we are also working with Elli's house (human trafficking) in the Detroit area and will continue to aide that ministry as well.

All of this would not be possible without the help and generosity of all of you at Lake Shore Church.

We would also like to give a shout out to Cheryl Smark for her constant support, as well as to the youth and Ditz for all of their help.

Our donation boxes are out all year in the coat room and we appreciate any and all donations so we can continue to minister to those less fortunate.

Thank you all, The Community Ambassadors

## Save the Date

This year it's time again for Lake Shore Church to produce a new version of its photo directory of members. The last photo directory was produced in 2014. There will be a photo shoot at the church for the brand new **2019 Lake Shore Church Photo Directory**.

Come and get your/your family's picture taken, details are below:

WHEN is the photo shoot?

MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019, FROM 2PM to 8:30PM.

<u>WHERE is the photo shoot?</u> At Lake Shore Church. It's very important that we try to achieve 100% participation so that all members are included in the new directory.

<u>WHY are we telling you **now** if it's in September?</u> If some of you leave for the summer, we'd like you to know about it ahead of time so you can plan for it now. Fall is also a very busy time with the Labor Day holiday weekend, grade school & college starting back up, people coming back from vacations, etc.

The above dates are final, there are no alternate dates. Hopefully you'll be in town and off work during one of those times to stop in and "get 'er done!". Even during a lunch time or commute may work for you. Hope to see you then!

Submitted by Deacon, Rich Kindlinger

#### 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.