

LAKE SHORELINES

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A Palm Sunday Soup Bowl Supper

*By buying a bowl of soup,
you can help change the world.*

Sunday, April 9, 2006
6:30 p.m.

Join us Palm Sunday evening as we begin our second decade of Soup Bowl Suppers. Since 1996 Lake Shore has served soup out of hand-crafted pottery bowls on Palm Sunday and donated the money to hunger causes. So, on April 9, choose a one-of-a-kind pottery bowl made by local potters, fill it with soup, and know that your donation will help feed children at the Dickyi Orphanage in Lhasa, Tibet.

For \$10 you can try one of three kinds of Tibetan soup, enjoy the meal, and take your bowl home. Because of the generous donation of the time and artistry of our potters, all the money will go directly to Dickyi Orphanage.

Dickyi Orphanage in Lhasa, Tibet, cares for 81 orphans from 1 1/2 to 14 years old. They live in six bedrooms. (Look at the pictures in the hall near the church office to see them sleeping on beds made by pushing chairs together!) According to Chris and Katie's friend Sissy, the love of the director and teachers for the orphans at Dickyi is nurturing and genuine.

In 2002 the only source of income for the orphanage was from a local tea house. The people coming for tea didn't realize that the tea house was supporting so many orphans by selling curry rice, noodle soup, and tea – the same diet the children eat. Fifty cents (U.S.) a day provides tea and two bowls of soup for the children; that's \$3.50 a week and \$14 a month. Just like the people who come to the tea house, we can also buy a simple meal of soup, rice, and tea. And like the people in Lhasa, Tibet, our money will help buy food for children in a home whose name means "happiness" and "joy." Our goal this year is to raise enough money to feed the children at Dickyi for one month. Please sign up on the sheet in the sanctuary hallway for this year's Palm Sunday Soup Bowl Supper.



Worship at Lake Shore
Lenten Sermon Series
"Are You One of the Crowd?"

The Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 2

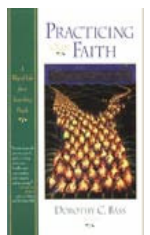
The Scripture
Mark 6.17-46

The Sermon
"Stark Choices"
Dorisanne Cooper
Communion Sunday

Practicing Our Faith

"The Practice of Discernment"

led by Bob Baird
Wednesday, April 5



By Christian discernment I understand the particular quest for the will of God, not only to understand it but also to carry it out.— Jon Sobrino

Discernment is the intentional practice by which a community or an individual seeks, recognizes, and takes part in the activity of God in concrete situations. As Christians, we believe that God is passionately involved in human affairs and intimately invested in all our questioning. Bob Baird will lead the discussion on this intentional practice of faith. If you have a copy of *Practicing Our Faith*, you may want to read chapter 8 — "Discernment" — by

From Our Pastor

Almost two months ago, early on Tuesday morning I met Chris and Katie Brennan Homiak and Virginia Courtney at Café Cappuccino to talk about worship texts for this Lenten season. Joining us was Maria Swearingen, a Baylor senior who is interning with me this semester. I had invited her to sit in on our meeting and had prepared her for the fact that though I had sent the texts to these three seminarians ahead of time, I anticipated that we would just be reviewing the texts some and getting an overview of ideas for Lent. Little did I know.

Before we got our pancakes, Katie, Chris, and Gin had pulled out extensive notes they had taken on the texts, along with various themes they felt were common to each of the passages. I was blown away. I had not been prepared for how prepared they were for this conversation and I was on a high all day after it. If there is any way straight to a nerdy minister's heart, it is showing this kind of interest in church matters. Trying to keep a straight face, I later told Maria, "All of my meetings go that way." She didn't believe me (she's smart, that one). But it was a nice first impression to give her of the kinds of ways people around here engage

what is going on around them. And it's also my way of pointing out a few things to you about worship these last few weeks. And the next few as well.

I'm not sure if you've noticed, but all of our worship texts this year have been from the gospel of Mark. At first we were just following the lectionary. But when I looked at the lectionary texts for Lent and saw that they included a few thrown in from other gospels, I wondered what these passages were trying to "fill in" about the Lenten experience and what it might be like instead to let Mark have his own voice for a season. So I chose some texts from Mark for us to follow and I brought in Chris, Katie, and Virginia to explore further what some themes might be. They were the ones who noticed that each of the texts had some kind of crowd in them. They were the ones who noticed the stories had Jesus moving between seeking to be alone and seeking to be with people. And so we've explored the gospel of Mark this season, noticing his rapid pace of storytelling, hearing the variety of healing stories, the way Jesus keeps telling people not to tell who he is, the way the disciples keep misunderstanding everything.

What's interesting about Mark is that after rushing through stories for

the first ten chapters, he takes the last six to talk about one week, the last week of Jesus' life. That means Mark—whose writing has been so fast-paced, so prone to move from one event to the next (one of his favorite words is "immediately")—chose to devote a third of his gospel on this last week. I'm hoping is that many of us will spend unhurried time with it as well.

If you have typically made Holy Week services a part of your worshipping life here, I hope that will be the case for you this year as well. If you don't tend to make them a practice, I hope you will this year. Observing the dramatic events that take us from Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to Easter make celebrating the resurrection a profound experience. It's a rare chance to take a week's time to journey with Jesus through the last week of his life. And we are left with the "Now What?" experience that is the end of Mark's gospel. . . .

I know we're still a week away, but Virginia, Chris and Katie inspired me to look ahead a little more than usual. I'm grateful for their engagement with this season and how it has enriched my own worship. I hope they will inspire yours as well. — *Dorisanne*



Over the last month, members of our Missions Committee have assisted more than 25 families on Thursday mornings in the community ministries food pantry, and, as is often the case, we are very low on food. Please bring non-perishable food items on Sunday to help restock the pantry. Items especially needed are canned meats, pastas and sauces, bottled water, peanut butter, canned fruits, and cereal. Place your offering in the baskets outside the sanctuary before worship. Thanks.



Easter Joy

Every year at Easter, you have the opportunity to give flowers in honor or memory of someone you love.

This year, we will adorn the front of the sanctuary with a variety of colors of hydrangeas in celebration of the joy of the resurrection of Christ and the renewal of the earth. After worship on Easter morning, you may take the hydrangea home to plant. Please order by Palm Sunday.

I wish to give a hydrangea on Easter morning:

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

Given by _____

I have included \$12 by ___ check ___ cash.

Welcome, New Member



Charles Conkin joined Lake Shore on Sunday, March 19, after visiting for several months. A first year Truett Seminary student with a concentration in student ministry, Charles plans to be a youth minister. Truett is a familiar place to Charles; his older brother, Jeff, graduated from the seminary last year.

Charles was born in Louisville, Kentucky. His family moved to Georgia during his high school years. He graduated from high school there and attended Brewton-Parker College in Mt. Vernon, Georgia, where he majored in Christian studies. His interest in youth ministry has developed after he spent summers as a missionary, counselor at youth camp, and a youth minister.

The rest of his family—mother Pam, father Michael, and sister Sarah—still live in Georgia. Sarah will graduate from high school this May. Charles assures us that his last name is, in fact *Conkin* and not *Colson*, and he was not involved in Watergate at all. Lake Shore, Charles writes, “. . . feels like home, not just a church I attend while in college.” Welcome home, Charles.

Prayer Concerns

Last week Lewise Swingler suffered a fall in which she broke one arm in three places and injured the other shoulder. After surgery to place a metal pin in the broken arm, she was moved to Regent Care Center. She will be there for a minimum of three weeks.

Victoria Willoughby, Rachel Sciretti's sister, has been deployed to Salerno, Afghanistan.

Mike Sciretti's grandmother has been diagnosed with cancer.

The Week of the Young Child, April 3-7

The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the world's largest early childhood education association. This week focuses public attention on the needs of young children and their families and recognizes the early childhood programs and the services that meet those needs.

In celebration of this week, Lake Shore will honor the children's center staff, children, and families in the following ways :

- ✂ Monday-host lunch for LSBCC teachers
- ✂ Tuesday-SURPRISE! for children center teachers
- ✂ Wednesday-honor LSBCC teachers at Wednesday night supper
- ✂ Thursday-host an open house for LSBCC families 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- ✂ Friday-provide balloons for the LSBCC children

Children's Center teachers and staff are:

Rolanda Brooks, infants
Linda Duge, pre-k
Nicole Fortenberry, toddlers
Adriana Gallegos, infants
Gloria Gonzalez, infants
Channa Gray, toddlers
Ashley Klaus, two-year-olds
Jerri Love, office assistant
Lisa Martinez, two-year-olds
Tina Martinez, preschool

Amanda Packard, infants
Heather Robards, director
Aracely Salazar, two-year olds
Carol Salcedo, preschool
Mary Shumate, infants
Chris Stone, preschool
Libby Sullivan, toddlers
Jennifer Taylor, infants
Bethany Walzel, pre-k



Lake Shore 101

Are you new to Lake Shore? Have you recently joined, or are you visiting and trying to learn more about us? Then make plans to attend “Lake Shore 101” on Sunday, April 2, after worship until 2:00 p.m. for lunch and an orientation concerning our history, beliefs, and practices along with hints on how best to get connected.

If you would like to come, please call the church office to reserve a place for lunch (772-2910). For more information, e-mail Dorisanne at dcooper@lakshorewaco.org

Case Against Hunger: A Tremendous Success

The final numbers are in. Together, members of Lake Shore purchased 5,379 pounds of food worth \$6,191.51 to benefit Caritas. In addition, HEB rewarded our purchase with points, which will be used to supplement our Community Ministries Food Pantry. Thanks to everyone who participated and a special thanks to our “Super Shoppers,” the Baxters and the Casners.

Children's Corner

“FolkPsalms”

Rehearsal Schedule:
Wednesday, April 5, 6-7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 8, 9 a.m.-12 noon
The shirts are on order (\$15 each).

3rd-6th Grade Spring Retreat:

Friday, April 28-29, Three Mountain Retreat Center, Clifton, Texas. Bunk beds, hay ride, friends, horseback riding, hiking, s'mores, and more! The cost is \$35 per person. Parents and friends are welcome!

SWBCCA Summer Camp:

3rd-6th grade, July 24-28, Camp Copass. We need a \$50 deposit for each camper by April 30.

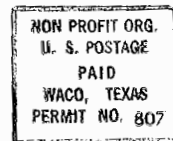
Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director
 Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor
 Aaron Garcia, Organist
 Pattie Herbert, Custodian
 Caryl Miller-Reynolds, Administrative Secretary
 Heather Robards, Director, Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center
 Mike Sciretti, Minister to Youth
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MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, April 2

9:30-Sunday School
 10:45-Worship-Communion
 12:00-Lake Shore 101

Monday, April 3

5:30-Beginner Yoga

Tuesday, April 4

5:30-Intermediate Yoga

Wednesday, April 5

2:00-Staff Meeting
 5:30-Supper
 6:00-Children/Youth activities
 6:30-Adult Seminar
 7:30-Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 6

10:00-Food Pantry Open

Looking Ahead

Lake Shore 101-4/2
 Palm Sunday Soup Supper-4/8
 Holy Week-4/8-4/15

Wednesday Night Supper April 5



Smoked Turkey
 Potato Salad
 Beans
 Slaw



Community Notes

Waco Habitat for Humanity will dedicate the "Prison Partnership" house Wednesday, April 5, at 11:30 a.m. The house at 819 Dawson was built in partnership with the Gatesville prison. Once a month, Lake Shore Sunday school classes provide meals for the women workers at the site.

Youth News

Sunday Morning:

Breakfast: Miller-Reynolds
 Sunday School: Cassy Key

Sunday Night:

Destination Unknown – Be at the Teen House at 4:30! We will leave at that time. The event that we are going to starts at 5:00. We will return for dinner by 6:40. Dinner brought to you by the Pearsons.

Wednesday Night:

We will continue our series during Lent, "Becoming a Disciple."

Coming Up:

March 31-Dinner for 5 (*sign up*)

Extended Care Sunday, April 2

Infants & Toddlers:

Carolyn Rodabaugh
 & Lou Clark

Preschool:

The Davis
 family

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for 2006 are \$7,865.17. Receipts last week were \$5,889.00.

Year to date needs

\$ 102,247.25

Year to date received

\$ 81,249.42

Difference

(\$ 20,997.83)