

# LAKE SHORELINES



September 5, 2007

## A Lake Shore Kind of Conversation Special Sunday/Wednesday Series

### Sunday School

September 16 — 9:45

September 23 — 9:45

### Wednesday night seminar

September 12 — 6:30 p.m.

September 20 — 6:30 p.m.

Gaynor Yancey of the Baylor School of Social Work will lead a special combined Sunday School class examining our personal and cultural attitudes around poverty and injustice this Sunday and next Sunday, beginning at 9:45. She is highly recommended by church members who have been through this series before. Come at 9:45 for breakfast snacks, coffee and tea.

## Church Census

On Sunday, September 16 at the end of worship, Lake Shore will be participating in a church-wide census. This is a survey published and "scored" by the Presbyterian Church to help congregations learn more about the lives, leanings and practices of their worshippers on Sunday morning. The questions on the survey cover everything from whether or not you have children living in your home to how long it takes you to drive to church to whether you serve on a committee to how you would characterize your faith journey and practice. All of the questions are multiple choice. All of the answers will remain anonymous. Everyone who attends worship will be asked to fill out a survey (even those here for the very first time). We will have an amended worship service on this day so as not to keep you past 11:45. Watch for more information next week. And enjoy our "practice" Lake Shore style survey on this inside flap, just for a little fun.

### Worship at Lake Shore The Twenty-third Sunday of Ordinary Time

#### The Worship of God

September 9, 2007

"Status Re-envisioned"

Dorisanne Cooper

#### The Scripture

Luke 14.1, 7-14

### September Sermon Series Re-envisioning Reality

September 16

Luke 15.1-10

"Joy Re-envisioned"

September 23

Luke 16.19-31

"Judgment Re-envisioned"

## Beneath the Words

### A Women's Retreat

based on the Lord's Prayer

September 28— September 30

led by Lake Shore women

Cedarbrake Renewal Center

\$95 single room, \$75 for a double  
price includes 2 nights' lodging, 5 meals

*Learning to Pray* by Wayne Muller.

Sign up on the poster outside the  
office. E-mail Sharlande about giving  
or receiving scholarships.

# Sample Survey

*In preparation for the church survey, practice taking this one geared especially to Lake Shore.*

1. How many years have you lived in Waco?
  - a. less than one year
  - b. one - five years
  - c. six - ten years
  - d. more than ten years
2. How long does it take you to drive to Lake Shore?
  - a. 5 minutes or less
  - b. 6-10 minutes
  - c. 15 minutes (but I stop at Starbuck's on the way)
  - d. not nearly as long as it takes Jan Williams
3. The best thing about becoming a member at Lake Shore :
  - a. the sense of community
  - b. a place where I can ask questions about my faith
  - c. the priority of worship
  - d. a chance to be involved in missions
  - e. that fabulous apple pie from Dot Martin
4. Once the playground committee has completed its task, what kind of committee should we concentrate on next?
  - a. a heated pool committee
  - b. an elevator committee
  - c. a Sunday night church service committee
  - d. a pilgrimage for people over fifty committee
5. Every time Rachel asks me to do extended care and I turn her down, I feel ... (rank your answer on a scale of 1 to 5 with (5) being "very guilty" and (1) being "whatever!"
  - a. 1
  - b. 2
  - c. 3
  - d. 4
  - e. 5
6. In worship we need more (check as many as apply):
  - a. silence
  - b. litanies
  - c. sermons
  - d. trumpets
  - e. grape juice
7. I think our Advent theme for this year should be:
  - a. Advent (that's it -- just Advent)
  - b. Asleep! Asleep!
  - c. All Is Calm and Purple
  - d. Hark! We Have Enough Banners!
8. In the next ten years Lake Shore should plan mission trips to (check all that apply):
  - a. Kansas City with Chris and Katie
  - b. Cameroon with the Tonghous, Karis, and Simbos
  - c. Ghana with Christiana
  - d. South Africa with the Housers
  - e. Paris with the Morins
9. One thing our church website could use is:
  - a. recipes by Veronique and Catherine
  - b. coupons for free Wednesday night supper
  - c. links to hymns you don't get to sing on Sundays
  - d. daily commentary on the psalms by Bill Bellinger
  - e. ways to pay your pledge by debit card
10. Care Groups should offer (check as many as you like):
  - a. someone to listen
  - b. visits when you need them
  - c. casseroles with lots of cheese
  - d. free flat tire changes
11. For our 50th anniversary, Lake Shore should:
  - a. create 50 new committees
  - b. not create 50 new committees
12. Lake Shore created the world's one and only Epiphillon. What other seasonal instrument should we create in the next ten years? (Please check only one since it may take us ten years to figure out what this instrument looks like.)
  - a. Easterchordian
  - b. Pentecostaphone
  - c. Lentalodian
13. Since we currently have no organist, we should:
  - a. Ask Richard Aslanian to play
  - b. Fly Karrin Ford back from Connecticut each weekend
  - c. Use CDs of Aaron Garcia playing
  - d. Let Ashley Thornton play her ukelele
14. Which of these projects do you think would be most helpful in raising money for our budget?
  - a. sell Christmas cards featuring our Advent banners
  - b. weekly carwashes by Helpings Hands and Bridge Builders
  - c. sell Jan Williams' pears after worship for \$3 per pound
15. Next year, the church library should acquire:
  - a. full set of the NIV Application and Baker Exegetical commentaries to draw more professors and Truett students
  - b. a cappuccino machine like Barnes & Noble has to draw more professors and Truett students
  - c. DVDs of every season of *Grey's Anatomy* to draw more professors and Truett students
16. The next staff member we hire should be:
  - a. Minister to Young Adults with New Babies
  - b. Minister of Welcome and Good-bye Parties
  - c. Minister to People Searching for New Staff Members



## Welcome New Member Michelle Stokes

What a pleasure it was that Michelle Stokes joined our church on Sunday! To help you with perspective, Michelle married Charles Conkin, our new interim youth minister, in June. Directly after their marriage, she moved to Texas from Jesup,

Georgia where she lived within five minutes of her parents and sister. So, Texas has been quite a change in terms of the distance from family and the larger size of Waco.

Michelle has much familiarity with the life of a youth minister, as this is her father's profession as well. With deep roots in Georgia, Michelle attended Brewton Parker College for

her undergraduate work and Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah for her Masters in Special Education. Michelle and Charles met when each of them attended Brewton Parker College.

At this point, many of the youth and youth workers know Michelle best, as she quickly became a part of the youth ministry with the Passport Camp in New Orleans and the mission trip to Austin in early August. Michelle's calm presence and warm smile endears her to them.

Others will get to know Michelle through Mountainview Elementary where she teaches in the special learning classroom for emotional disabilities. Michelle loves watching movies and reading – especially children's literature, which keeps her up to date on her students' interests. As a matter of fact, she is an avid fan of Harry Potter and raced Mike Sciretti to the finish in completing the final book on the return trip from Passport.

Michelle, it is with much love and joy that we welcome you into the arms of Lake Shore Baptist Church. May we be family to you as we seek together to grow into the fullness of Christ.



## Mission Trip

to Austin  
Saturday, September 8

Call Annette Brister for more information.

## Courageous Faith

Mother Teresa  
and the  
Experience of Doubt

Wednesday night seminar  
October 5

Bob Baird, who has spoken often at Lake Shore about the role of doubt in the life of faith, will lead our seminar. As he guides us in thinking about Mother Teresa's faith, we will also look at the questions common to all of us. The book *Mother Teresa: Come Be My Light* is available at bookstores if you would like to read it before the seminar.

## Women's Bible Study

10:30-11:30  
room 204

Tuesday, September 11

Led by  
Dorisanne Cooper

All women of the  
church are  
invited to attend.

## Playground

Look for an up-date from the fundraising committee next week.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### Extended Care Worker Meetings

following the worship service  
Toddler: Sept 9  
Preschool/Kinder: Sept 16

### "What's Worship?"

An educational series for first through third graders after Children's Time in worship. Children will learn about the what, when, why, and how of worship in Room 201 – with Rachel Sciretti.

### Wednesday Night M&M's (music & missions)

4 year olds - 6<sup>th</sup> grade in room 201 and 203 with Rachel Sciretti, Jerri Love and Barb Francis.

## Prayers for

John Scott Hargrove, Helen Hastings' nephew in Phoenix, continues to battle serious illnesses.

Susan and Ed Burluson, father and mother of Cassy Burluson.

Burl Davenport plans to come home from Regent Care on Saturday

## Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director  
Charles Conkin, Minister to Youth  
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor  
Emily Gist, Interim Director, Lake Shore  
Baptist Children's Center  
Pattie Herbert, Custodian  
Jo Polansky, Financial Secretary  
Rachel Sciretti, Minister to Children  
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor



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## MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

### **Saturday, September 8**

Mission trip to Austin

### **Sunday, September 9**

9:30 – Sunday school  
10:45 – Worship  
5:00—Deacons' Meeting

### **Tuesday, September 11**

10:30—Women's Bible Study

### **Wednesday, September 12**

8:30 – Staff Meeting  
5:30 – Supper  
6:30 – Mid-week Activities  
7:30 - Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, September 13**

10:00 – Food Pantry Open

### **Looking Ahead**

9/16—Church Census  
9/28-9/30— Women's Retreat

Did you bring the farm-fresh eggs to give away at church last Sunday? Sharlande says "thanks so much," whoever you are!

## Wednesday Night Supper September 12, 2007

*Ham with Raisin Sauce  
Sweet Potatoes  
Italian Green Beans  
Red Hot Salad  
Pecan Pie*

## Extended Care Visitor Cards/Offering Sunday, September 9

Infants: *Kay Neugebauer*  
Toddler: *Robert or Jeanette Denton*  
Preschool/K: *Donna Casstevens  
Sunday Simbo*  
Visitor Cards: *Mikhayla Evans  
Mackenzie Sullivan*  
Offering: *Barry Francis  
Gin Courtney  
David Tatum  
Veronique Morin*  
Ushers: *Willie &  
Barbara Hobbs*

## Youth News

### **Sunday Morning:**

Breakfast – Francis  
Sunday School – Charles Conkin

### **Sunday Evening:**

J2A Leader Meeting -4:00 in Teen House  
Sunday Night Meal: Miller-Compton

### **Coming Up:**

September 9 - J2A Leader Meeting  
September 16 - Parent Meeting  
September 16 – J2A Begins

J2A Leaders Meeting: September 9 we will have a meeting in the Teen House at 4:00. You will receive your notebooks at that time. The J2A Program will begin on September 16. There are still spots available for J2A leaders.

Parent Meeting: There is a Parents Meeting scheduled for September 16 at 4:00 in the Teen House. Come and find out what will be happening and how you can help.

This Saturday we will be traveling with the church down to the Capital Area Food Bank in Austin. If you want to go and need a ride please let Charles know.. - Charles

## Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2007 budget of \$435,456 are \$8,374.15.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$267,972.92	\$224,009.85	\$(43,968.07)