



June 2, 2024
Second Sunday after Pentecost

Preparing for worship

When I was growing up, we regularly celebrated what we called the “Lord’s Supper” every quarter. In one of the churches I served much later in life, we had the meal sometime around once a quarter, if the pastor remembered to schedule it. I’ve had the blessing and privilege of taking the meal in a multitude of forms in a multitude of states, countries and denominations. Blue collar churches. White collar churches. Country churches. Urban churches. Big steeple churches. Storefront churches. Intinction. Pass-the-plate. Served by a priest. Gluten-free and gluten-“full.”

During the Reformation, two of the most influential leaders were Martin Luther and Heinrich Zwingli. They led two seemingly parallel streams of Reformation thought, and both had large and influential followings. They decided to get together and compare notes. Maybe a merger would strengthen each of their movements.

They talked about theology and church. Who was God? How was the church to function? Baptism. Marriage. Community. Bible. They covered all the bases.

But there was only one thing about which they could not come to agreement. No matter how hard they tried. No matter how long they discussed. No matter how many different ways they tried to frame the issue.

They couldn’t agree about the meaning of Communion. Luther just couldn’t escape the idea that something happened in Communion that saves us. Zwingli said it was only a symbol. Just a symbol wasn’t enough for Luther.

We Baptists, of course, are the heirs of Zwingli (although there are other parts of Zwingli we rightfully avoid!). We say that Communion — or the Supper — is a physical symbol of something spiritual going on deep inside us.

What if they were in some inexpressible way both right? If so, then today let’s think and pray about both of those things. The meal is a symbol, and yet the meal in some way we can’t express brings salvation nearer to us.

Maybe it’s the meal itself that expresses what we can’t in mere words.

Thanks be to God!

—Charlie Fuller



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11:00 a.m.
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Chiming of the Hour

We gather in community this morning to worship God.
To help center our focus in worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Welcome to Worshipers

Paul Skelton

Prelude

La Majesté and La Vaillance (from *Heroic Marches*)
Nathan Mertens, soprano saxophone

G.P. Telemann

Opening Sentences

Rhona Phillips

We gather this morning to bear witness to our faith, knowing that we are called to live lives of courage, love and reconciliation in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of each day. May we be courageous today. May we learn today. May we love today.

—Pádraig Ó Tuama, *Daily Prayer with the Corrymeela Community* (adapted)

Baptism — Val Calame

Timothy Peoples

+Congregational Song

Be Thou My Vision
No. 71

SLANE

Psalm Reading — Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

George Gagliardi

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it. ... For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them — they are more than the sand; I come to the end — I am still with you.

+All congregants who are able are invited to stand.
Hearing devices are available in the Narthex and South Atrium.

Silence

We pause in silence to reflect and to be attentive to the Spirit of God.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

Ministry Focus — Wilshire Student Ministry

Miriam McClung

Offertory

Our Love Can Mend a Broken World
Sanctuary Choir

Tom Trenney

The world seems so eager to threaten, but love remains patient and kind.
The world strives for wealth, might, and power, but love longs for soul, heart, and mind.
The world plays a loud, clanging cymbal, but love sings its still, small voice.
The world delights in bearing false witness, but love, in the truth, will rejoice!

Let's see what love can do to mend a broken world.
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The world makes our genders unequal, but love treasures every design.
The world lets our colors divide us, but love makes the rainbow its sign.
The world harms with guns and with weapons, but love gives the captive release.
The world often hungers for violence, but love always thirsts for our peace.

The world shuns the immigrant's hunger, but love feeds the poor refugee.
The world argues, "They're not my children," but love says, "My child, come to me."

Our love can mend the world.

+Epistle Reading — 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Jennifer Wagner

It is not ourselves we preach, but Christ Jesus as Sovereign, and ourselves as your workers for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts, so that we in turn might make known the glory of God shining on the face of Christ. But this treasure we possess is in earthen vessels, to make it clear that its surpassing power comes from God and not from us. We are

afflicted in every way possible, but we are not crushed; we are full of doubts, but we never despair. We are persecuted, but never abandoned; we are struck down, but never destroyed. Continually we carry about in our bodies the death of Jesus, so that in our bodies the life of Jesus may also be revealed. While we live, we are constantly being delivered to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our bodies. So then, death is at work in us, but life is at work in you.

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
And for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

Message "What Do We Preach?" Timothy Peoples

Celebration of the Lord's Supper Timothy Peoples and Ava McClung

All followers of Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper, whether you are a Wilshire member or not. The bread used this morning is gluten free.

Passing of the Bread *Hymn to the Sun* Paul Halley
Nathan Mertens, soprano saxophone

Passing of the Cup *Adagio, BWV 564* Johann Sebastian Bach
Jeff Brummel, organ

Passing of the Peace
May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

+Congregational Song *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT
No. 395

Sharing of Decisions Timothy Peoples

Benediction Timothy Peoples

Postlude *In Thee Is Gladness, BWV 615* Johann Sebastian Bach

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Meet today's worship leaders

George Gagliardi is a longtime Wilshire member who attends Whosoever Wilshire Class, plays saxophone in Wilshire Winds, participates in Faith in 3D and serves as a Stephen Minister. He is a professional musician and songwriter.

Ava McClung is the oldest daughter of Britt and Carole McClung and sister of Miriam and Ruby. Ava just finished her second year at Rice University, where she studies religion and medieval history. Ava is active in her residential college (Lovett) and the Episcopal Church at Rice ministry, Autry House. She is serving as a pastoral intern at Wilshire this summer.

Miriam McClung is the middle daughter of Britt and Carole McClung and sister of Ava and Ruby. Miriam just completed her sophomore year at Lake Highlands High School, where she sings in choir and participated in this year's performance of *The Little Mermaid*. At Wilshire she is active in student ministry and sings in Youth Choir and Shekinah.

Guest musician **Nathan Mertens** serves as assistant professor of saxophone at the University of Colorado Boulder. As an active soloist and chamber musician, he has performed recitals in Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Croatia, Bolivia,

the United Kingdom and throughout the United States. Mertens studied at the University of Texas at Austin's Butler School of Music, Hastings College and Kunitachi College of Music. He is a D'Addario Woodwind Artist, a Yamaha Performing Artist and a Rousseau Artist Endorser and performs exclusively on these products.

Rhona Phillips has been attending Wilshire since March with his mom, Sarah Fuller. Rhona's grandparents are Cindy and Charlie Fuller. Rhona, who just finished fourth grade at Carlisle Elementary School in Plano, plays basketball and piano and sang this year with the Greater Dallas Choral Society.

Paul Skelton joined Wilshire in 2005. He is a deacon, a member of Epiphany Class and a trained Stephen Minister. He works as general manager of Aircraft Engine and Accessory Company.

Jennifer Wagner joined Wilshire in 2001 and is a member of Avodah Class. She is married to Ed, and their kids are Noah, 18, Haydn, 16, and Elly, 14. Jennifer is an artist and designer and volunteers with the School Health Advisory Council for Dallas ISD.



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Tapestry



News & Announcements
June 2, 2024

Wilshire Winds *Scoops!*

Concert & Ice Cream Social
Sunday, June 2, 6:30 p.m.



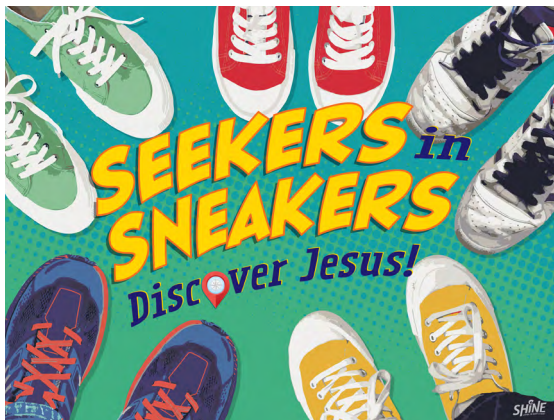
Concert offers variety of musical flavors

Wilshire Winds will present a concert at 6:30 tonight in the Sanctuary. An ice cream social will follow in James Gallery. Shana Gaines directs the volunteer group of woodwind, brass and percussion players. The concert's theme, *Scoops!*, ties in with the ice cream social and hints at the program of different musical flavors — familiar tunes, concert band classics and even a David Bowie medley. Highlights will include:

- The debut of a new arrangement by Shana Gaines, “Heavenbound: A Sacred Harp Medley.”
- “America, the Beautiful” with Minister of Music Ariel Merivil singing.
- A solo marimba piece by Winds percussionist and recent high school graduate Joshua Brown.
- Three pieces with euphonium player Tom Fletcher as featured soloist.



Sundays: Worship at 11 a.m. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Our service livestreams at youtube.com/wilshirebaptist and at wilshirebc.org/worship/livestream. Keep up with Wilshire by subscribing to our YouTube channel and following us on Facebook and Instagram.



Register for VBS by tomorrow

Wilshire's Vacation Bible School will be held Monday through Friday, June 10–14, from 9 a.m. to noon. At VBS, kids will use their investigative skills to dig into the Bible. It's a great opportunity to make new friends, sing fun songs, solve clue puzzles, do art projects and science explorations and play active games. For older preschoolers through sixth graders. VBS is free; class sizes are limited. Register by June 3 at wilshirebc.org/summer-camps.

■ **Join in the fun.** Volunteer leaders and helpers are needed for all age groups. Look for sign-up sheets around the building or reach out to Minister to Children Julie Girards (jgirards@wilshirebc.org).

Condolences to

Family and friends on the death of **Anita Hood**, May 24.

Interested in the Enneagram?

Associate Pastor Heather Mustain will offer an Enneagram class at Wilshire in July if enough people are interested. The four-week class would be geared toward beginners or anyone wishing to continue learning their numbers and discovering opportunities for growth. Dates and times will be determined with input from the group. If you're interested, contact Heather (hmustain@wilshirebc.org).



Wear orange next Sunday; Stolen Lives display continues

All are invited to wear orange to church next Sunday, June 9, in observance of National Gun Violence Awareness Day (the first Friday in June) and the accompanying Wear Orange Weekend. Orange ribbons will be available around the church.



Also on June 9, the Christian Advocacy Committee will host a letter writing campaign for common sense gun reform.

June 9 will also mark the culmination of Wilshire's Stolen Lives (Vidas Robadas) display along Abrams Road. The 200-plus T-shirts were created by Wilshire members to honor victims of gun violence in Dallas County.

The initiative is a project of Texas Impact, an Austin-based interfaith advocacy group, and many other churches around the state are participating. All T-shirts will be displayed at the state capitol next year when the Texas Legislature is in session.

Student Ministry shines in summer

From Tuesday Missions to Study & Swim, Choir Tour and Camp, summer is a busy and meaningful time for Wilshire's youth group. We asked a parent, a current student and some alumni to share their thoughts. Contact Associate Pastor Darren DeMent to get plugged in.

JASON WOODBURY

Summer events build faith

Paula and I have seen two of our kids go through the Wilshire Student Ministry and are blessed to have a third currently participating.

A large part of WSM focuses on summer programming. We believe the participation of our kids in Youth Choir Tour, Youth Camp, missions projects, Study & Swim and just hanging out is such a formative part of their spiritual journey.

Not only do they strengthen bonds with other youth, but they also grow their discipleship in new and exciting ways. The stories they tell after trips or weekly events make it evident that they are having fun while learning, growing and maturing in their faith.

We're so thankful that Wilshire, and Darren especially, put so much effort and focus on summer programming. We encourage any parent wondering about getting their kid involved to make it a priority. You won't regret it!

■ *Jason Woodbury and his wife, Paula, are parents to Kathryn, a rising sophomore at Lake Highlands High School. Jason and Paula's other kids are Garrett, who attends Baylor University, and Sher Moo Ku, a student at Austin College.*



JOSHUA BROWN

Camp is the heart of WSM

It's about that time of year where the youth mysteriously disappear for a week and return either very tan or very sunburned, and smiling in either case. It's almost time for Youth Camp!

The thing about camp is that it is the embodiment of the heart of the youth group. It is all about finding God's handiwork in the people you love and the world God created. There is nothing as incredible as walking out of a service to find a rainbow gracing the sunset, surrounded by your closest friends — or seeing the stars dance to the song y'all sing. Music is all around you at camp. From the songs you sing along to terribly

as you walk from place to place to the songs you cry to even years later — those memories never go away. The memories of belly-flopping in the pool, making bracelets in the shade, reading heart-melting notes and building the volleyball dream team.

It's the memories you'll never forget. It's the people you'll know the rest of your life. It's the loving support you'll have through every beautiful and terrible moment.

It all starts at camp, where even the outsider is welcomed with open arms.

■ *Joshua Brown just graduated from DISD's School for the Talented and Gifted and will head to the University of Houston after one more WSM summer.*

MELINDA THOMPSON

Youth group alums give back

WSM summer is one of the very best times of the year. While the whole year is full of great programming, summer is such a fun time because we get to see the youth come together without the stressors of school and busy schedules and make incredible memories together. Whether it is basketball in the pool, pickleball tournaments or making bracelets together, there



“I spent my summers at church growing up, and WSM shaped who I am as a person. I feel it’s my responsibility to show up for the current youth the same way the adults of the past youth group did for me. That’s why I’ll gladly fly from Colorado to spend a week with them at camp!”

JOEL SPREIER

Joel (Lake Highlands High School, 2012; Texas A&M, 2017) will return this summer for his fourth time as a Youth Camp leader. He lives in the Denver area and works as a mechanical engineer.

are ways for each student to join in the fun and make stronger connections with the group.

Coming back as an adult to support the youth group over the summer is not only a whole lot of fun, but also a great opportunity for me to help give back to a space that helped shape me into the person I am today. I get to contribute to the creation of an inclusive, loving environment, which was so beneficial to me as a young adult. Youth summers were some of my favorites, and I hold so many great memories from all of the summer activities.

I’m so, so thankful for the time I got to spend as a member of the WSM and am grateful to have the opportunity to support that work for the students in WSM now!

■ *Melinda Thompson, a 2017 graduate of Lake Highlands High School, earned bachelor’s and master’s degrees at the University of Oklahoma and now works in marketing in Dallas. This summer she will be an adult leader at Youth Camp for the second consecutive year.*



Wilshire welcomes interns

Three college students who grew up at Wilshire are serving here as interns this summer. Left to right, as shown above:

■ **Ava McClung** is a pastoral intern working with Senior Pastor Timothy Peoples. Ava is a rising junior at Rice University, where she studies religion and medieval history. She served as a preschool ministry intern at Wilshire last summer.

■ **Audrey Pottkotter** is working in music ministry with Children's Choir Coordinator Candy McComb. Audrey just finished her first year at Oklahoma City University, where she is majoring in musical theater and vocal performance.

■ **Sher Moo Ku** is working in children's ministry with Minister to Children Julie Girards. Ku just completed her freshman year at Austin College, where she is studying psychology.

Lunch & Learn features New Song

The final Lunch & Learn before a summer break will be held on Wednesday, June 5. Lunch starts at 11:30 a.m. in Community Hall and will be followed by New Song Community Choir's end-of-season concert. This is also an official Wilshire Adventurers event, but all ages are invited.

Wednesday nights on break

Wednesday Night Live activities are on summer break. Sanctuary Choir rehearsals continue with some summer breaks planned.

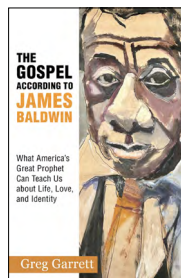
Wilshire hiring building manager

Wilshire is seeking to hire a building operations manager to oversee and coordinate the maintenance of the church facilities. This is a full-time salaried role. See wilshirebc.org/employment.

Preschool parents' Sunday School series starts June 16

Parents of preschoolers are invited to a four-week Sunday School series from June 16 to July 7. Molly Shepard and Christina Evans will lead a study of the book *Hunt, Gather, Parent* by Michaelleen Doucleff. Reading the book is encouraged but not required. The class, which will meet in the Preschool Multipurpose Room, will give attendees the chance to build community with other preschool parents who are normally spread across multiple classes. Contact: Molly Shepard (mollyfshepard@gmail.com)

Men's Book Club begins June 18



Wilshire's new Men's Book Club will meet for the first time on Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m. in the Parlor. The group will meet the third Tuesday of every month; all men are welcome. On June 18 the group will discuss Greg Garrett's *The Gospel According to James*

Baldwin: What America's Great Prophet Can Teach Us About Life, Love, and Identity. From the publisher: "Garrett presents the life and work of Baldwin in all his writing genres, on themes of equity, justice, and reconciliation." Garrett is a professor of literature and culture at Baylor University and a friend of Wilshire. Contact: Mike Meripolski (meripolski@att.net) or Scott Spreier (swspreier@gmail.com)

SUMMER 2024

Children & Preschool

Details and registration at
wilshirebc.org/summer-camps

Vacation Bible School

June 10–14 | 9 a.m.–noon
Age 3–grade 6 | Register by June 3

Cooking Camp

SOLD OUT! Waitlist available

July 8–12 | 9 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Grades 1–6 | Register by June 30

Listen to Your Art!

July 8–12 | 12:30–5 p.m.
Grades 1–6 | Register by June 30

Full-Day: Cooking Camp and Listen to Your Art!

SOLD OUT! Waitlist available

July 8–12 | 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
Grades 2–6 | Register by June 30

Passport Kids Camp

July 27–30 | Overnight camp
in Brownwood, Texas
Grades 3–6 | Register by June 30

Creation Station

July 22–25 | 9 a.m.–noon
Age 3–Kindergarten
Register by July 14

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At Wilshire, we use a one-fund approach to giving called the Unified Budget. Your gifts support the basic mission, ministry and operations of the church. Once the Unified Budget is fulfilled, gifts overflow into visionary aspects of our mission.



New WOW shirts, summer plans

Women of Wilshire has new T-shirts available (\$15) and a slate of summer activities planned, including a game night and pool party. To order a shirt and RSVP for events, see the SignUpGenius link at wilshirebc.org/events/wow-summer.

■ WOW Tuesday Evening Book Club |

June 11 | 6:30 p.m. | Parlor | *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Contact: Debby Burton (dburton@wilshirebc.org)

■ WOW Brown Bag Book Club | June 6 |

Noon | 1205-L | *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. Contact: Carolyn Murray (cmurray@wilshirebc.org)

■ Join Women of Wilshire for **mahjong** the first Friday of each month at 10 a.m. Sign up at wilshirebc.org/events/mahjong.

Adam's Baskets

Wilshire's Adam's Baskets ministry was created in memory of Adam Malcik and provides a way for members to assist in keeping our food pantry stocked. Our small pantry meets immediate needs when a neighbor stops by the office for assistance. Proteins, peanut butter and pop-top canned goods are most needed. Non-perishable food items are collected on the second Sunday of each month from the wicker baskets located around the church. You can place non-perishable items in a basket at any time.

This Week

Sunday, June 2

- WSM Book Club, Youth Center, 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
- Worship, Sanctuary, 11 a.m.
- Preschool VBS Volunteer Meeting, 1205-G, noon
- Youth Choir Snack Lunch, Youth Center, noon
- Youth Choir, Choral Hall, 12:30 p.m.
- Shekinah, Choral Hall, 1:30 p.m.
- WSM Cookout, DeMent home, 5 p.m.
- Wilshire Winds Concert, Sanctuary, 6:30 p.m.
Ice Cream Social follows in James Gallery.

Tuesday, June 4

- Stephen Ministry Supervision/CE, 1205-G & 1205-L, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 5

- New Song, Choral Hall, 9:30 a.m.
- Ukulele Rehearsal, Choral Hall, 11 a.m.
- Lunch & Learn with Adventurers: New Song Concert, Community Hall, 11:30 a.m.
- Spanish with a Mission, 1205-G, 4 p.m.
- WSM: Study-N-Swim, Location TBD, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 6

- WOW! Brown Bag Book Club, 1205 L, noon
- Knit Unto Others, Parlor, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, June 7

- Mahjong!, 1205-L, 10 a.m.

Sunday, June 9

- Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
- Worship, Sanctuary, 11 a.m.
- Personnel Committee, 1205-L, noon
- VBS Preparation, noon
- Youth Choir Snack Lunch, Youth Center, noon
- Youth Choir, Choral Hall, 12:30 p.m.
- Shekinah, Choral Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Michael Malcik

Hometown: Lubbock

Present town: Edgewood

Education: BA Texas Tech, Social Work; Southwestern Seminary, MSSW; and PhD, UTA

Profession: Social Worker, retired

Tell us about your family.

I live on “Dragonfly Farm” near Canton, with my wife, Vy, two standard poodles and two donkeys. Every morning after breakfast I read my Bible aloud to the poodles, then we walk to the road gate, feed carrots to the donkeys and welcome our neighbors’ 40 Barbados sheep through their gate to graze in our pastures. I feed the donkeys, muck out the barn, repair fences, trim trees and mow about 10 acres. Vy and I enjoy the peaceful country where we see birds and woodland animals, walk through groves of trees, listen to the bubbling creek, watch the turtles at the pond by day and listen to the frogs at the pond by night. We garden together. She imagines and plans. I make it happen. We have two children. Emily and her husband live near us. Adam was a cradle roll baby at Wilshire. He died in 1987 at age 9 in a skateboard accident, and at Wilshire there are several memorials. The RAs gave an oak tree to shade the children’s play area. Compass Class commissioned a carved bench that sits in front of McIver Chapel. In 1989 Adam’s Baskets ministry started and receives nonperishable food for Wilshire’s food pantry.

What about your volunteer life?

At Wilshire I volunteer in Friday Friends and coordinate weekly Spanish conversation classes. In 2023 and 2024, I worked with disaster relief teams in Puerto Rico and plan to return in 2025.



I am a board member for Our Hanna’s House, a nonprofit aiding abused women.

What are your favorite places?

Vy and I love Colorado’s Rocky Mountains, where we lived 11 years at 8,300 feet in a remote mountain home.

What brought you to Wilshire and when?

We joined Wilshire in 1973 for the sound preaching, uplifting music and the coed class now called Compass. We took our children to Sunday School, “big church” and on church-building missions in Colorado and South Dakota.

What about Wilshire are you thankful for?

I am thankful that we welcome and include everybody.

Tell us about your faith journey.

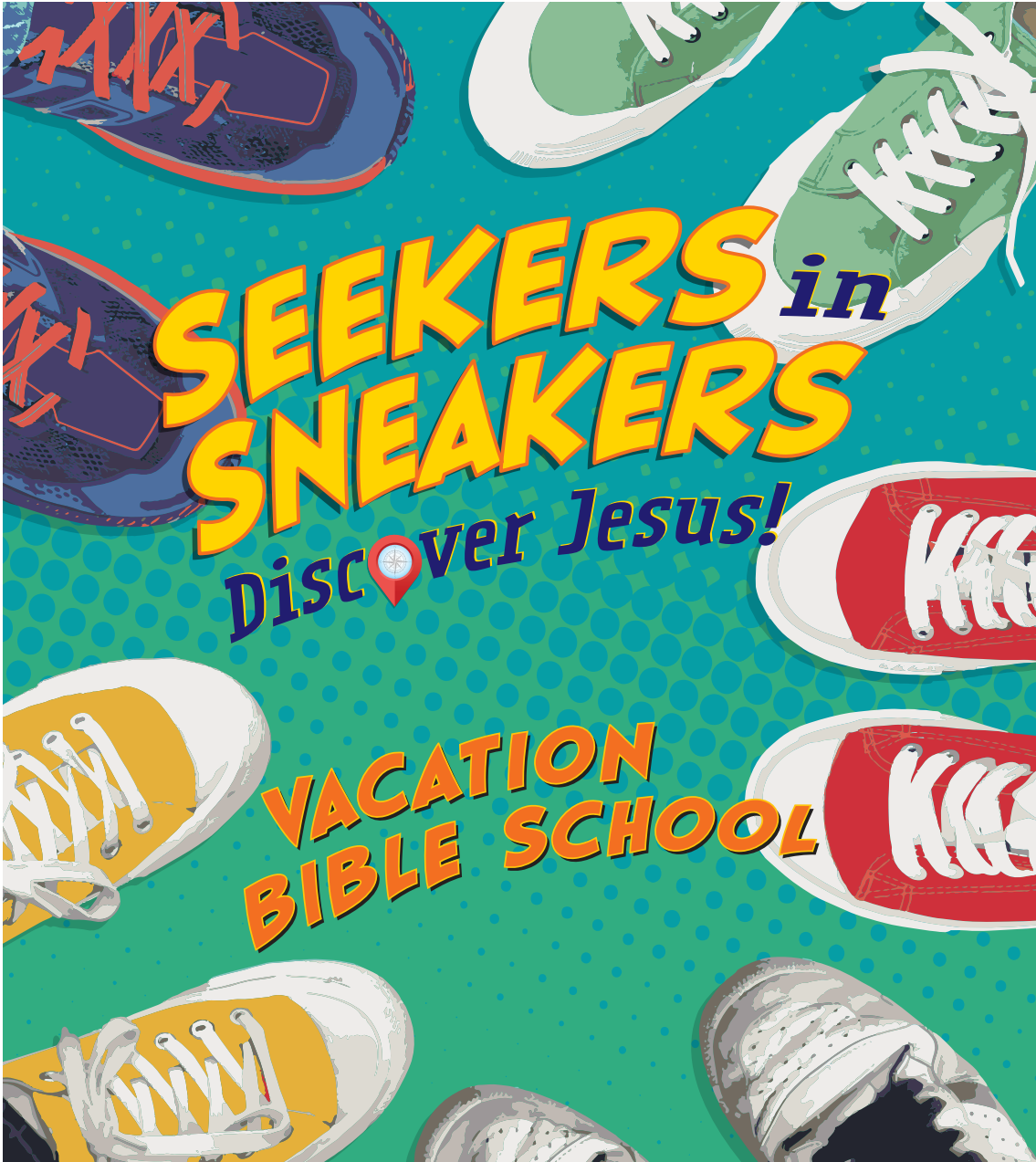
I grew up Baptist, was baptized at age 7, called to ministry as a teen and found my calling in social work during college.

What’s something interesting about you most people would not know?

I lose myself in the process of turning clay into pottery.

What adjectives describe you?

Tenacious, patient, helpful, loves talking to people.



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