

LAKE SHORELINES

November 1, 2017



“A Report from Micronesia”

Joanne Held Cummings

Wednesday, November 8

6:15 p.m.

We are always glad to have Joanne Cummings speak to us when she is home in Waco. She has a life-long heritage of diplomacy. Her latest assignment with the Department of State is Deputy Chief of Mission in the Federated States of Micronesia. Joanne has served extensively in the Middle East, North Africa, and East Africa. Daughter of diplomats Cokie and Milly Held, she was raised in Lebanon, Iran, and Saudi Arabia. In the private sector and for the Department of State, she worked in a wide range of countries, extending geographically from Morocco to Afghanistan. She has served as Refugee Coordinator, Foreign Policy Advisor, Economic and Pol/Econ Section Chief, and DCM.. She speaks Arabic and French.

In the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Joanne is deputy to Ambassador Robert Riley and is often *chargé d'affaires* in place of the ambassador for this vast expanse of Pacific Ocean. The 607 islands of the FSM are home to multiple languages, cultures, and environments. The FSM and the US are bound by a Compact of Free Association, which establishes the US defense role, free population movement, and development assistance. This close relationship binds the two countries, while Pacific powers are also interested in exerting influence. In today's geopolitical context, the FSM and its million square miles of Pacific territory are critically important. Joanne says that the Americans know little about Micronesia, but in light of Chinese and North Korean initiatives, environmental threats, and tourism opportunities, we should seek to understand these fascinating islands!

Joanne was born in Lincoln, Nebraska, and attended schools overseas before receiving her BA from the American University in Beirut and MA in Geography from the University of Texas at Austin. She recently finished a two-year detail teaching at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs before beginning her service as DCM in Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia.



Worship at Lake Shore

All Saints Sunday

The Worship of God

November 5, 2017

Stories of the Saints

The Celebration of Communion



Deacon Nominating Committee Report

The Deacon Nominating Committee has nominated the following persons to serve as deacons, beginning in 2018. The recommendations will be voted on by the church on November 15.

2 year term

Bill Bellinger

3 year terms

Kay Avant

Gail Boyd

David Davis

Kim Kellison

Nate Myrick

Reagan Ramsower

Deacon nominating committee: Kristi SoRelle (chair), Henry Kari, Hope Mustakim, Joe Coker, Andy Powell, Gail Boyd, and Rick Allen.



Well, it's November 1st, and it's Stewardship Month! During this month, the Stewardship Committee will remind all of us of the financial needs of the church and will encourage us to give to the budget.

The church budget is a lengthy document. There are 125 line items! In the missions portion of the document, there are 22 different organizations to whom we give, including Bread for the World, the World Hunger Farm, Caritas, Meals and Wheels, and Waco Habitat for Humanity. In other parts of the budget, there is the electric bill; 9 full and part time employees; children, youth, and adult programming; child care workers; building maintenance; and many, many other items.

This congregation is very generous! Over the past 3 years, we have met and substantially exceeded the budgeted needs at Lake Shore. This year, 2017, giving continues to be strong and will hopefully meet last year's results.

For 2018, the budget will increase. We need gifts and pledges to keep up with that increase. As I have said before, God is certainly here at Lake Shore and we don't want to disappoint her!

Kerry Irons
Stewardship Chair

“The Irrational Season” Advent 2017

Our Advent theme this year takes its name from Madeleine L. Engle's poem:

*This is the irrational season
When love blooms bright and wild.
Had Mary been filled with reason
There'd have been no room for the child.*

If you would like to write a short meditation for one of the days of Advent— in the form of a reflection, story, song, poem, or prayer, please send an email to sharlande@lsbcwaco.org, and I will send you further instructions. We need four more writers.

— Sharlande

Wednesday Night Seminar “Adventures in Greece”

Tonight, November 1, 2017 — 6:15 p.m.
Led by Kyndall Rothaus



Holy Smoke! No-Show Fall Fundraiser for Seeds of Hope

Seeds of Hope is a group of believers responding to a common burden for the poor and hungry of God's world

It's easier than ever for friends and supporters like you to participate. In fact, you don't even have to show up! Check out the two user-friendly options:

Option 1: Be a No-Show!

Stay home. Go out. Whatever you like. Let your check attend for you! We promise your dollars a great time as they help the ministry of Seeds share hunger awareness with caring congregations through news and worship resources. The date is Nov. 10, but it's never too early or too late to lend your support.

Option 2: Order Take-Out

Pick up a “Holy Smoke” dinner for you and all your “No-Show” friends and family! Top chef **Erin Conaway**, pastor of Seventh & James Baptist, has volunteered to smoke brisket, which we will serve with sides on November 10. Take-out dinners will be sold in packages of two servings each for \$25 (minimum donation) and must be ordered by November 3.

To find out how to participate in one or both options, call 254-755-7745 or email seedseditor1@gmail.com.

Halloween Fun

Thanks to all who made the Halloween Carnival last week such a fun time! We had a blast and couldn't have done it without all the volunteers who ran booths, served food, helped with setup and cleanup, and baked cakes for the cakewalk! And thanks to Libby Bellinger for all the fun photos!



The Gathering

On the first Sunday of every month we gather food in the basket by the front door of the sanctuary. This month we are gathering snacks and other items for our children's center. Here are some items that the Center can use: laundry detergent, dryer sheets, graham crackers, saltine crackers, and goldfish crackers.



Look & See: A Portrait of Wendell Berry
Thursday, November 2 — 3:30 p.m.
Waco Hippodrome

[Click here](#) for tickets.



Prayers for . . .

Carol Spain is doing well at home after a month at Providence and at St. Catherine's.

Kate Smallwood and her husband, Zac Henderson, who have been in Denver this week. Kate spent a week at National Jewish Health for a regimen of diagnostic tests for her years' long respiratory problems. Pam's report this morning: "She is a very fortunate and grateful young woman to have found NJH. Her diagnosis is confirmed as Bronchiectasis and she will come home Wednesday, having gained much knowledge about management that should decrease infections. She will maintain a relationship with NJH."

Barbara Tucker asks for prayers for her mother, Loverna Tucker, who is 94. She has been very sick and very weak. She lives in Marlin.

Louis Garcia is in Longview with family for the service of his former mother-in-law.

Sharlande's cousin Fred Geer died in Miami this afternoon.

Brittany and Casey ask us to pray for several things that are on their hearts. They are part of starting a new church, along with deacons and other friends from the Gan En Tang church where Brittany used to go. The small but strong congregation is hoping to find a new meeting place and a preacher. They met last Sunday in the home of one of the deacons for songs, prayers, introductions and testimonies. Brittany writes, "please be praying for the deacons who are working to start this church as they seek



We enjoyed lunch together after church.

God's direction and guidance. And pray for us as we find our place and roles in this new church start." Pray also as they move through the process of getting their visas switched from tourist visas to student visas so Casey can start his language studies. Regulations changed in October, and now it's not possible to switch to a student visa in country. They will need to make a 2-3 day trip to Hong Kong or Macau. Even as they go through this process, they write, "We are feeling more at home every day."

Tellabration! 2017 Tickets
 \$12/ 12yrs-Adults
 \$6/ 4yrs-11yrs

SATURDAY, November 11, 2017
 Time: 6-8:30pm

This Year We Celebrate Local Author
 And Storyteller, **Kyndall Rothaus**

Vivian Rutherford, 254-717-1763 vivian.rutherford@thestorylady.org hotstorytellingguild.org

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian
Sheena Gibbons, Pianist/Organist
Claire Helton, Minister to Children
Zachary Helton, Minister to Youth
Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager
Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC
Krysta Pittman, Office Manager
Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 5

9:30—Sunday School
10:45—Worship
3:00—Newsletter Deadline
4:30—Soulfriends

Tuesday, November 7

1:30—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, November 8

5:15—Supper
6:15—Children's Activities
6:15—Seminar
7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday night supper November 8

Turkey, Green Beans, and Potato Casserole
children, \$3.00
youth & adults, \$6.00
*Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by
Sunday noon to add or cancel reservations.*

Volunteers for *Sunday, November 5*

Extended Care: John Warren
Ushers: Ellen Brown
Isabelle Murphy

WEEKLY YOUTH UPDATE

ABRIDGED

Wednesday 11/1

6-8pm - Kyndall's Seminar: "Adventures in Greece"

Sunday 11/5

9:00am - Juniors and Seniors meet at Lake Shore to go to Hope Fellowship
9:30am - Youth Sunday School (for non Juniors and Seniors)
5-7pm - Medicine Stories: Justice Rolls Down

Upcoming

11/19 - Thanksgiving Service
12/17 - Youth Progressive Dinner
1/12-14th - MidWinter Retreat

For more, see the Youth bulletin board in the hallway.
For questions, or to subscribe to the full Youth Update,
email zach@lsbcwaco.org.

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2017 budget of \$486,000.00 are \$9,346.15. This week's budget receipts were \$15,871.50.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$411,230.77	\$368,876.74	(\$42,354.03)

To give online, please click [here](#).