

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

January 16, 2019

A Generous Gift to Lake Shore from the Estate of Deborah Harris

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Dear Lake Shore Baptist Church Members:

We are happy to share some exciting news with you! Recently, we were notified of a significant gift to Lake Shore from the estate of Deborah Harris. The total gift is in excess of \$800,000.

Many of you will remember Deborah as a talented, generous woman who loved Lake Shore. Her music, writing, prayers, and kindnesses were an inspiration to many and continued even through her last battle with mesothelioma. She died on November 28, 2016.

Deborah also generously remembered Caritas, Seeds, Talitha Koum, and her family in her will. We are so grateful to Deborah for this gift, and our gratitude extends to her brother, Ron Harris, and sister, Ruth Ann Borrowman.

The obvious question is how will we use it to meet the short term and long term needs of our church in a way that is compatible with our values and Deborah's memory?

To this end, we will be putting together an *ad hoc* task force to collect and consider recommendations. The committee will be made up of a diverse group of leaders from our various church committees. We will provide more information on this in the near future.

Please spend a moment in prayer in thanksgiving for Deborah's life and enduring legacy.

Sincerely,

Andy Powell, Chair, Deacons

Mike Raymond, Chair, Finance

Kyndall Rothaus, Senior Pastor

Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor

Worship at Lake Shore The Second Sunday After Epiphany

The Worship of God

January 20, 2019

Sermon

Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Middle East Update

Joanne Held Cummings

Wednesday, January 16, 6:15 p.m.

We are always glad when Joanne Held Cummings is in Waco because she always captures our attention when she brings us up-to-date on the state of international relations in the area of the world in which she serves through the United States State Department. Currently, she is stationed in Baghdad, and her title is "Political Advisor for the State Department to the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIL."



Her presentation may involve talking about the relations among Turks, Syrians, Iranians, and Iraqis, and especially the Kurds who live in all four countries. And then there are all of the other parties to the disputes — the Russians, Saudis, ourselves, and many others. Joanne may address the question, "How has the balance in the region been affected by the planned withdrawal of the U. S. from Syria and the planned cut-back in Afghanistan?" And she will certainly be glad to respond to the questions you ask.

Join us *promptly* at 6:15 Wednesday night, so we can devote the full hour to this rare opportunity to learn from Joanne's experience, wisdom, and insight.

**Prayer for the Church, January 13,
offered in worship by Deryl Fleming,
pastor of Lake Shore from**

Creator of all that is, Mother and Father of all who are,
we gather with the church around the world
to celebrate the church universal in its grandeur
– the goodly fellowship of prophets,
the amazing company of the apostles,
our forefathers and foremothers,
who from their labors rest,
the gifts and the memories,
the stories, the poetry, the music, the preaching,
the community, the fellowship of the table,
and our partnership in the gospel.

We pray for the great big messy church here and around the world.

It needs all the help it can get.
We need all the help we can get to accept with serenity
that which we cannot change
to muster the courage to change what we need to and can
and to discern the wisdom to know the difference.

We remember and give thanks for the church here
and its sixty years on Bishop Drive without a bishop,
the blessing it's been to those who have passed this way
and the blessing it yet gives to them
and to those now here.

We remember and give thanks for the churches who sent us
away sometimes into exile in a strange and foreign land
sometimes into exodus toward a land flowing
with milk and honey.

We remember and give thanks for churches that took us in,
warts and all, our warts and theirs.

Today we pray for the church at its best
to keep on keeping on in memory and hope,
to say thanks for all that has been
and yes to all that will be.

For the church at its worst we ask for someone to call us into
question and remind us of the call to be pioneers
of repentance and for someone to stir in us the
confidence that God of the good old days
is up to the job of being

God of the good and sometimes not so good new days.
Help us in sickness and in health to let you be God and use to
be church to one another in the strong name of Jesus.

Amen

**Race, Gender, and Image
Repair Theory: How Digital
Media Change the Landscape**



Dr. Mia Moody-Ramirez
Baylor University

Wednesday, January 23, 6:15 p.m.

At our Wednesday night seminar, Dr. Moody-Ramirez will talk with us about her latest book: *Race, Gender, and Image Repair Theory: How Digital Media Change the Landscape*.

Mia Moody-Ramirez, Ph.D., is a Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of Journalism, Public Relations and New Media at Baylor, and is also Director of American Studies in the Baylor College of Arts & Sciences.

She is Vice Head of the Minorities and Communication Division and Secretary for the Commission on the Status of Women. She served on the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication Strategic Plan Implementation Committee from 2013 to 2016. She completed the Scripps Howard Academic Leadership Academy at LSU in 2014. She was the recipient of the third-annual Baylor University Diversity Award. She is a 2016-17 Academy of Teaching & Learning Baylor Fellow.

Her research emphasizes mass media representations of women, minorities and other underrepresented groups. In 2013, she co-authored *The Obamas and Mass Media: Race, Gender, Religion, and Politics*. Her journalism experience includes working as a blogger, staff writer and columnist for the *Waco Tribune-Herald*, editor and publisher of *FOR Seasons* magazine and *Elegant Woman* magazine and managing editor for Stevens Publishing.

She received her B.A. in journalism from Texas A&M University, M.A. in journalism from Baylor University, M.S. in Educational Psychology, and her Ph.D. in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin.

New Members Dessert Night
Friday, February 1, at 7 pm
at the home of Don and Kristi SoRelle
1300 Circlewood Drive

Children's Corner

Call for Volunteers:

Hi church, over the past few years, Claire led our young children in learning, activities, and fun through MissionKids. If you feel you would like to help plan an event in the future (March 1, 8, or 29, from 5:30-8:30), please let us know. Ideally, these events include a pizza dinner, 5-10 minute presentation about a missions project Lake Shore is involved in, an activity to either support or learn more about that ministry, and then free play. Email us at lsbcwacokids@gmail.com

Family Self-Sufficiency

Thursday, January 17

Come at 5:30 or even 5:45 to eat, and then *help with the children* during the 6:00 - 7:00 hour -- or come at 4:00 and help cook and serve! Please let Sandy Londos or Judy Davies know if you would like to help.

“Love Poems from God” 2019 Women’s Retreat

begins with supper on
Friday, February 22 5:30 p.m.
through Saturday, February 23, 4:00 p.m.
here at Lake Shore

Retreat Leader:
Rachel Sciretti

Rachel is associate pastor of outreach and discipleship at Chapelwood United Methodist Church,



Houston . Previously she was associate pastor of children and youth discipleship at Hampton (VA) Baptist Church. From 2003-2010 she was Minister to Children here at Lake Shore and, before that, Minister to Youth, alongside her husband, Mike, who is pastor for the Center of Christian Spirituality at Chapelwood. They have two daughters: Anastasia, 13, Zoe, 11; and a preschool son, Nathaneal, 3.

\$50 covers three meals and the book that gives its name to the retreat. Register by February 15. Look for a retreat form in your email this week.

Celebrations...

JoLeen Eiklenborg got supervisor of the year at the Rhino Sports and Entertainment Services-Baylor University awards.



Prayers for...

Boyce Vardiman died at 2 am this morning, in Bryan, TX, where he had lived in memory care the last eleven months. Our prayers are with his wife, Jane, and his daughters, Harriet Smith of Bryan and Rebecca Vardiman, of Cumberland, Maryland; his granddaughter, Becca Mosley of Denton, who grew up at Lake Shore, and several other grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter Deborah Vardiman and his granddaughter Taylor Mosley. Boyce's service will be here at Lake Shore on Saturday, February 9.

Tom Charlton, who continues in hospice care in Fort Worth. We pray for him and for his wife, Becca.

Barbara Tucker had a cancerous place removed from her face. She asks for prayers as she recovers from this procedure, as well from her hand surgery December 26.

Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

January 30, 6:30pm

If you are on the committee and have not received an email from David Mosley, please contact him directly.

**Dianna Vitanza will lead
the Metanoia Sunday school class
in discussion of
Scenes of Clerical Life by George Eliot
beginning January 20.**

Please contact Claudia Beal if you have questions.

New Rainbow Sunday School Class Beginning February 3, 2019

The Rainbow Sunday School class for LGBTQ persons and their allies will begin meeting Sunday, February 3rd from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. This class will be a safe space. Both closeted and non-closeted LGBTQ persons are welcome as well as friends and allies. Confidentiality will be honored for all! We will meet in the teen house (2204 Meadow Road, across the street from the church). Walk through the front door, turn right, then right again.

While we have made some preparations regarding the structure of the class, we will also be asking for input from participants concerning the content. Our focus will be on our own spiritual journeys and the LGBTQ experience, supplemented by scripture, prayers, book studies, and guest speakers. The class facilitators will be Sarah Miller and JoLeen Eiklenborg. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions please contact JoLeen at 254-717-4279 or Sarah at 254-523-7702.

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 20

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

Wednesday, January 22

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

Volunteers for

Sunday, January 20

Extended Care: Emily Hunt
 Ushers: Faith Kopplin
 Pamela Smallwood

Staff notes...

The church office will be closed
 Monday, January 21 for Martin
 Luther King, Jr. Day.

Deacon Ordination

January 27, during
 worship

New Deacons are
 Kay Bailey, Judy
 Bowman, Donna
 Casstevens, Vernon
 Davis, Preston
 Dyer, JoLeen
 Eiklenborg, Jenna
 Swanson.

Kay, Donna,
 Vernon, and Jenna
 will be ordained.

Youth Update

This Week

Wednesday (1/16) -

Church Supper/Youth: Mid-Winter
 and Lake Shore

Sunday (1/20)

9:30am - Sunday School: check ins

5:00p - Sunday Night Youth: Lilly Ettinger

Upcoming

January 18th - Company of Parents: Lilly Ettinger

February 22nd - Company of Parents: Media and Kids
 (?)

March 22nd - Company of Parents: Talking about Sex-
 uality and Gender

April 12th - Company of Parents: Enneagram and Un-
 derstanding



Consider buying lunches for the elderly, shut-ins, or disabled. We'll deliver to them.

NAACP Annual MLK Birthday Spaghetti Lunch

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18 at 11AM-2PM
 @ Carver Park BC, 1020 Herring Ave.

Pickup, Sit-n-Chat, or Delivery

Price \$5

Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread & Cookie

Purchase from an NAACP Member, call
 733-5261, email, or PayPal via waconaacp@gmail.com



Wednesday night supper January 23

Fantastic Chicken, Rice, and Peas
 children, \$3.00 youth & adults, \$6.00
 Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday noon
 to add or cancel reservations.

Weekly Budget Report

The LSBC Finance Committee has long felt that the Weekly Budget Report which appeared in this space provides a confusing snapshot of the church's financial picture. We will provide a more accurate monthly report available in the second week of each month. The January report will appear in the February 13th issue.