lake Shorelines newsletter

February 13, 2019

2019 Deacons Retreat

Friday, February 15

6:00-9:00 p.m. at the church

Kay Avant and John Warren will conduct a
Training session on using the AED, providing CPR
and first aid, and church safety protocols.

Everyone bring substantial snacks, heavy appetizers to the table;
they will be our dinner.

Saturday, February 16

8:30 a.m.— 3:30 p.m. at the Fields' farm

Leader: Dr. Robert Creech

Professor of Christian Ministries and Director of Pastoral Ministries George W. Truett Theological Seminary Breakfast and lunch will be provided by Patty and Willie Field Worship at Lake Shore The Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

The Worship of God

February 17, 2019

Sermon

Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture
Luke 6:17-26

Called Business Meeting

February 27, 2019

Discussion and vote on the recommendation from the deacons regarding a combined staff position of the Minister to Youth and Minster to Children.

"Love Poems from God"

Women's Retreat

If you have already signed up, please bring your \$50 registration fee by Sunday, February 17. If you would still Like to sign up, contact Sharlande@lsbcwaco.org or Krysta@lsbcwaco.org.

Retreat is from supper at 5:30 on Friday, February 22, through Saturday, February 23 at 4:00 here at Lake Shore

Retreat Leader: Rachel Sciretti

If God wrote you a love poem, what would it say?

At our annual women's retreat we will listen to the words of some of the world's greatest spiritual writers — from St. Francis of Assisi to Rumi to St. Teresa of Avila to Mary Oliver — who have given poetic expression to their experience of God through the ages. Our time together will give us the chance to get better acquainted with the poets and with the Lake Shore community of women. Anticipate a sacred time.

Prayer for the church offered in worship by Michael Hester

God, my assignment today is to pray for the church, this church and The Church. Praying for this church is not difficult for me because this is my church, a church I have known and loved over the years. It is on my Allstar Team!

So I begin with a prayer of gratitude for the faithful people of Lake Shore I have known and respected for their gifts which have shaped this church and me.

......for Rhea Gray who preached everyday faith for people who did not seem to need You. His faith was that they would need You someday when their world caved in. And the pain and suffering did come.

......for Deryl Fleming who believed that worship was a weekly drama to remind us of your Presence. So he planned the acts of worship carefully for us to play our parts wisely and well.

...........for Dot Martin who "secretaried" us with great pizazz believing that hospitality was an act of faith. She loved a party and this church parties!

......for Paul Reem, our custodian, slight of stature but large in brain and heart, who cared for us well. Watching him move this big pulpit with a small carpet was a treat.

...........for P. M. Johnston and Hugh McMullen who prayed honest prayers like "Lord, I feel like I'm in a rat race and the rats are winning " and "God loves a cheerful giver but I'm sure he will accept it from a grouch."

......for Catherine Davenport, whose compassionate heart was big and wide, and, who with her gracious Burl, created the annual ice cream gathering in their backyard.

......for other members, too many to name, who lived with much courage and compassion, generosity of spirit and openness to others and the world, who retreated" a lot in order to go forward in their faith, who took faith and scripture seriously, but not legalistically. On one college retreat they even used Coke and potato chips for communion!

......for the youth who created worship with a faithful flare, one time arranging the chairs in the shape of flower with all sitting in the petals, celebrating with balloons which were released outside. For "mystery ventures" and lock-ins for fun and community-building. All a celebration of your Love!

So God, at my age I enjoy reminiscing because it enriches my faith. And maybe the faith of those here today. Perhaps that's what Hebrews 11 and the list of the faithful is all about. We remember with gratitude these and others over our 60 years of doing and being church, our efforts to be faithful to Jesus Christ the pioneer and perfector of our faith.

I pray now that this church and The Church will recommit ourselves to bring "Joy to the world" through generosity, kindness and compassion!

In the name of Jesus Christ, the giver of Life and Grace!

Amen.

Michael ('Mickey" when we was on the Lake Shore staff) Hester served as Youth Minister from 1965-1966 and as Associate Pastor from 1970 to 1973. He and his wife, Peggy, brought lots of love, joy, and memories to us on Sunday when they visited with us in Sunday School and at the midwinter picnic lunch. They met each of us, even gave of us for the first time, with warm greetings like old friends and family. We hope they don't stay away very long!

Waco NAACP Scholarship Banquet,

February 23, 2019

7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Texas Sports Hall of Fame 1108 S. University Parks Drive

\$50 tickets can be purchased via Paypal using email address waconaacp@gmail.com or from Waco NAACP members.

Email or call 733-5261 for more information.

<u>Click here</u> to learn more.

Deryl Fleming and the Hesters

If you missed hearing Deryl Fleming and/or Michael and Peggy Hester, you can listen to them by clicking the following links:

Hester: https://www.dropbox.com/s/iv8u5u9o2u0ahei/Hester20190210.mp3?dl=0

Fleming: https://www.dropbox.com/s/rozmzxiw07m8ot2/DerylFleming20190113.mp3?dl=0

Celebrations...

Bill Bellinger presented "A School of Prayer," at the W.C. Dobbs Endowed lectureship at Truett Seminary on-Tuesday, February 12.

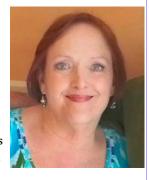
Juniper is excited to announce that she'll be a big sister! On Tuesday Brittany and Casey Ramirez shared their good news with us from Chengdu, China: they are expecting their second child in September. Our prayers are with them during Brittany's pregnancy.



Steve Gardner received a pin in recognition of his teaching in the Department of Economics at Baylor for 40 years.

With gratitude for Deborah Harris's gifts

Remember, we are collecting memories about Deborah's life to send to her sister and brother as part of our "thank you" to them for their part in making the great gift of Deborah's bequest available to Lake Shore. Please include yours — an image, a poem, a prayer, a paragraph or two that reminds



you of Deborah. Thanks so much to those who have already sent in their parts of this Lake Shore gift.

It seems a good thing to pause, before we make decisions about her gift, to gather our memories of her and to send them in to Ruth Ann, and Ron. They honored Deborah's wishes and made the gift that came through the settlement of Deborah's estate available to Lake Shore. Sending our memories and stories of Deborah's life in Waco seems a holy way to say "thank you" to them; before we thought of doing this, Ruth Ann said "how wonderful it would be" to hear these stories.

For years to come, as we continue to benefit from her legacy, we will no doubt offer stories of Deborah's life and give thanks that her prayerful intentions were fulfilled. But in the early days as we try to absorb this blessing to our church, realizing at the same time that so much of it is beyond our rational understanding, may we pause and give thanks through our stories.

To share stories or memories, send them to sharlande@lsbcwaco.org by February 28. We will send them to her family.

Prayers for . . .

Rachel Whitenton has had multiple health issues in the past few months, most recently, arterial blood clots. Our prayers are with Rachel, Mike, Felicity, and Reece. Click this MealTrain link to provide a meal for Rachel and Mike and their family.

Fred Gehlbach, who has been in St. Catherine's for two weeks. Nancy is staying with him most of the time.

David and Terri Jo Mosley while she is experiencing a major health concern.

Linda Daniels, the mother of Sara Gardner (Linda is Danny Gardner's mother-in-law), experienced a challenging week in the hospital in Kansas City. This morning the medical team was able to remove the ventilator. We pray for more encouraging news.

Tom and Carole Hanks, who continue to need our prayers.

Angela Whorton, who continues to need our prayers as she "keeps on keeping on" in good spirits, despite her broken wrist.

Becca Sharpless, whose husband, Tom Charlton, died early Friday morning, January 25. Tom and Becca were members of Lake Shore until 2010. Tom's memorial service will be at Lake Shore on Sunday, February 17, at 4:00 p.m.

Claire Helton, who has been concerned about several members of her family this week. Her parents were in Haiti at the same time that there was explosive political unrest in the country. They plan to be home today. Her brother –in-law flew from Cairo to Dubai for surgery, and then her sister flew to Dubai to be with him.

Joan Parsons fell at her assisted living center in Tennessee last Saturday. We hope that her black eye and any lingering pain fade quickly.

Libby Bellinger's 99-year-old aunt, Grace Smith, of Raleigh, North Carolina, died last weekend.

Ben Bryson, the oldest son of Scott and Tina Bryson, of Pasadena, California, was diagnosed with pneumonia last weekend. Ben is a freshman at Baylor. Tina has been here with him. Ben returned to ER today.

Rufus and Carol Spain and their son, John Spain and his wife, Joannie. Wil Denney, 32, John's step-son, died last week. He had a long history of heart disease. Wil was in graduate school at the University of Louisville.

Kelly Summers, the daughter of Linda Duge, a teacher in our Children's Center, has had a series of internal health problems the last few months. She is now having heart tests done as the medical team in Austin tries to determine a diagnosis.

Meals and Wheels Request

MOW needs used road maps-the age and location doesn't matter. They will <u>not</u> be returned.

Please give to Pam Smallwood.

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian Sheena Gibbons, Pianist/Organist Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC Krysta Pittman, Office Manager Kyndall Rothaus, Pastor Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor Ross Tarpley, Minister of Music

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CALENDAR

Sunday, February 17

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

Wednesday, February 20

5:15—Supper

6:15—Children's Activities

6:15—Seminar

7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Volunteers for Sunday, February 17

Extended Care: Karyn Miller!
Ushers: Pamela Smallwood!

Pamela Smallwood! Vicki Kabat!

Greeters: Kay Neugebauer

Henry Kari

Youth Update

This Week

Wednesday (2/17) - Church Supper/Youth: Learning and Mixing it Up Sunday (2/10)

9:30am - Sunday School: check ins

5:00p - Sunday Night Youth: Dinner and Discussion

Upcoming

February 22nd - Company of Parents: cancelled (Women's Retreat)

March 1st - RSVP deadline for Summer Retreat

March 8th - Captain Marvel (possible youth activity in that week or two) **March 22nd -** Company of Parents: Talking about Sexuality and Gender

April 12th - Company of Parents: Enneagram and Understanding

Wednesday night supper February 20

Creamy Chicken, Broccoli, Rice,
Italian Green Beans
children, \$3.00
youth & adults, \$6.00
Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday
noon to add or cancel reservations.

Current Adult Sunday School Classes

<u>Click here</u> for a list of classes.

Karyn Miller lost a serving dish. If you mistakenly picked it up on Sunday, please return to Karyn or to the office. It should have her name on the bottom of the plate. Thank you!



Good Neighbor Waco, a Christian non-profit, seeks single or married live-in volunteers to serve an average of 7-10 hours per week in exchange for partially subsidized rent. Resident workers live in private quarters on site and host groups using the community rooms at 2301 Colcord Ave. Residents must be able to live and work well with others and contribute meaningfully to community living, including household upkeep or administrative work. Resident volunteers run neighborhood projects in their areas of interest including the arts, urban gardening, community engagement, education, worship, etc. Applicants commit to 9-12 months of live-in service, to begin in July or August. For more information and an application please contact board member Laine Scales Laine_Scales@baylor.edu.



January's financial snapshot will appear in the next issue of Shorelines.

To give online, please click <u>here.</u>

Missions Calendar

Meals on Wheels Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday Children's Center Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30