

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

February 20, 2019

choir rehearsal

tonight at 6:15 pm, right after supper
(no seminar tonight)

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 Minister to Children.

Worship at Lake Shore The Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany

The Worship of God

February 24, 2019

Sermon

Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture

Luke 6:27-38

“Love Poems from God” Women’s Retreat

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



If God wrote you a love poem, what would it say? At our 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. We invite you to join all these women:

Katy Abel
Henrietta Addo
Marie Allen
Pam Allen
Kay Avant
Claudia Beal
Libby Bellinger
Judy Bowman
Gail Boyd
Donna Casstevens
Laura Cooper
Brandy Crowley
Linda Davis
Magi Davis

Elizabeth Dell
Sakina Dixon
Terri Evans
Beth Farwell
Nicky Field
Patty Field
Abigail Freiburger
Tracy Harper
Pattie Herbert
Beverly Hill
Barbara Hobbs
Gayl Hobbs
Emily Hunt
Ibby Jones

Vicki Kabat
Gwen Kari
Becky Kennedy
Faith Kopplin
Sandy Londos
JoAnn Miller
Jeanne Murphy
Kay Neugebauer
Christiana Owusu
Carolyn Plaa
Joy Poehls
Louise Powell
Sarah Randles
Beth Raymond

Kyndall Rothaus
Carol Salvesen
Martie Sauter
Rachel Sciretti
Sharlande Sledge
Harriet Smith
Kristi SoRelle
Jenna Swanson
Jane Vardiman
Lela Wallis
Angela Whorton
Rae Wright
This spot is for you!
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If you would still like to sign up, contact Sharlande@lsbcwaco.org or Krysta@lsbcwaco.org.

Prayer for the World

offered in worship on February 17, 2019
by Jim Nogalski

When the world groans
beneath the weight of fear and hate,
When children starve and blood fills the street,
When religion divides into us and them,
We need you Lord to come back in.

How long? We cry.
Can it change and when?
Will you listen Lord?
Will you try?

We know. We know. We know.
You love us all, even when we fail.
Help us, Lord, see you in them.
Help us, Lord, see ourselves in them.
Help us, Lord.

Prayer of Invocation

offered by Libby Bellinger
at Tom Charlton's memorial service
February 17, 2019

Most gracious and patient God,
You are so close that I have faith that I can
hear you whisper in my ear. We embrace your
closeness, Oh God, celebrate your intimate
involvement in our lives and in the lives of all
your children.

You weep with us when loved ones die; you
hear with concern the diagnosis that cells have
multiplied and we will need treatment; you
reach out to comfort us when our bodies age
and slow and ache. You celebrate with us the
birth of a new child. You are with us in the
anxiety and the hope of the first day of school,
a young person's first job, a new marriage, or a
retirement.

As our intimate God, I ask for your guidance
at this time so that our lives may more
effectively reflect you to each other and to
those around us.

Enlighten us, oh God, so that the result may
be Belief, even when we Doubt, and the Joy
will come during the time of remembrance we
are having today.
Amen.

**Waco NAACP Scholarship
Banquet
February 23, 2019**

The Ministry of the Food Team “a rhythm of caring”

The beginning of 2019 has been a season full of pastoral care needs. No matter what the year, January and February usher in flu and respiratory problems. And it seems that this year we've also had a higher concentration of illness and hospitalizations. In the past two months we have suffered the loss of two beloved current Lake Shore members, Linda Olson and Boyce Vardiman, and two others, Bill Carden and Tom Charlton, who had moved away but wanted to have their memorial services here. We are honored that all of these wanted to “come home” to Lake Shore where we keep their presence here in our memory.

Along with prayer, calls, and visits, food is another way we care for our members and their families when they need to lean on the care of others for a few days. In these winter days that have been mostly cold and wet, interspersed with some sunshine and clear skies, the way you have baked cookies, prepared food for receptions at the church, and delivered meals to people at home has been a witness to your care for others in our congregation. Food is an integral part of our ministry. Eating together is a ritual of communion when we break bread at the Lord's table and when we fellowship on Wednesday nights or at a midwinter indoor picnic or brunch before a service or a LaFiesta supper after the last “Amen.”

Thank you for your generous expressions of kindness, given in Christ's name for the benefit of the body of Christ at Lake Shore. Many of them have been offered through the Food Team that ministers through the detailed and organized care of Kay Bailey. Thanks so much to Kay for taking care of our church by contacting the volunteers who serve on the Food Team, often helping on a moment's notice.

The Food Team was envisioned about fifteen years ago to minister to people who have immediate needs, whether an unanticipated surgery or hospitalization or death. When the church finds out about a need like this, Kay sends out an email to the Food Team members, letting them know the details for the meals we would like to provide, whether a meal at home or at church before or after a memorial service. When each team member reads the email, the team member can decide if the particular need is something they can help with at that time or if they need to wait until the next time Kay sends a request for the team to help. It's absolutely fine to say, “I can't help this time.” Kay responds to each “yes” with instructions about when and where the food needs to be delivered.

The challenge right now is that the total list of names on the Food Team has diminished quite a bit in the last few years, so the same people are receiving requests to help over and over again. These folks have been indefatigable volunteers. As you can imagine, the more names on the list, the less frequently any one person will be needed — perhaps just a few times a year. The team works best for all when a lot of people are on it.

I remember a few years ago when Bob Baird said to me, “Sharlande, there seems to be a rhythm of caring. Sometimes we are the ones who care for others; sometimes others care for us.” At some time in your life, you will need the care of others. None of us can anticipate the times or the particular needs or the chances to help that will come our way. But helping through the Food Team is a good spiritual practice as we live our lives in the “rhythm of caring.” — *Sharlande*

To sign up, text kbailey2@hot.rr.com or sharlande@lsbcwaco.org

The Harris Gift Committee

The Harris Gift Committee will meet for the first time on Monday, February 25, at 6 pm in the Blue room to begin to deliberate about the disposition of Deborah's very generous bequest.

The Finance committee recommended a list of various committees, interests and stakeholders from the church that should be represented on the *ad hoc* Harris Committee. The Deacon executive committee asked one member from each committee to serve. Many of the individuals who were asked knew Deborah personally and were friends with her or worked with her and knew well her interests and concerns.

The members of the Harris Gift Committee and the committees they represent are:

David Davis, *Building and Grounds*
Beverly Hill, *Children's Center Board*
Katy Abel, *Children's Education*
Henry Kari, *Stewardship*
Mike Raymond, *Finance*
Kay Avant, *Music*
Steve Gardner, *Personnel*
Chris Williamson, *Youth Education*
Don Sorelle, *Missions Interests*
Magi Davis, *at-large*
Kyndall Rothaus, *ex officio*
Sharlande Sledge, *ex officio*

These folks will be contacting the members of their committees for preliminary suggestions about the use of the bequest.

The members of the Harris Gift Committee understand that there may be others in the church who knew Deborah very well and their thoughts and suggestions are welcome. Anyone in the congregation should feel free to submit their proposals or thoughts to the committee members for discussion and consideration.

The committee will be updating the congregation throughout the process. The final proposal will be presented to the Church for discussion and vote at a called business meeting.

Prayers for . . .

Judy Davies, whose brother, Jerry Ellerbee, died early Sunday morning, following a lengthy illness. Pray for her as she travels to Yukon, Oklahoma, today for his memorial service tomorrow.

Nathan Stone, who had a post-treatment follow-up Monday. The BCG medication treatments did a lot of good, but there are some remaining "cloudy" areas that will need to be looked at more closely with a biopsy next Tuesday. The biopsy will reveal if there is still some cancer left and additional treatment is needed or whether the cloudy area is just irritation from the treatment.

Anna Langdell, whose aunt died earlier this week. Our prayers are with her as she travels to New York for the service.

Laura Lind, whose aunt Ofe (Ofelia Orozco-Durán) of Guadalajara died of heart failure on Saturday morning. A life-long kindergarten teacher, she was Laura's mother's oldest sister and very close to the Linds, a pillar of the family, especially after Laura's parents died.

Laurel Zeiss' mother, Rowan Zeiss, broke her leg on February 14. She is now in a rehab facility. Laurel and her husband Daniel Maresh are in Virginia to help.

Richard Cole, M.D., a former Lake Shore member, died in Lubbock on February 10 after suffering from dementia for many years.

Barry Francis, who will go to Dallas on Friday for an appointment, a second opinion, with a retina specialist.

Linda Daniels, the mother of Sara Gardner (Linda is Danny Gardner's mother-in-law) is continuing to improve. On Monday she was dismissed from the acute section and moved to the rehab section of the hospital in Kansas City.

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

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

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

Angela Whorton's mother, Anne, who is in assisted living in Corsicana.

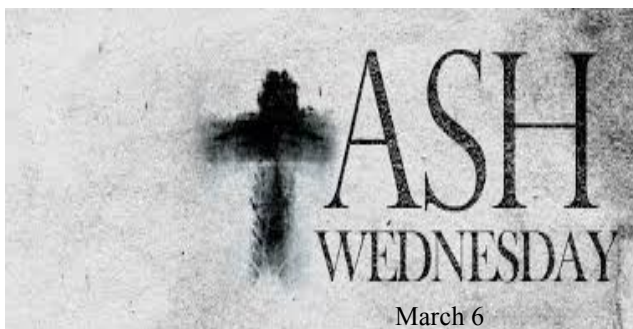
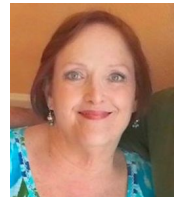
We pray for Angela, too, as she continues to figure out how to live with a broken wrist for a little while.

Joan Parsons, who is recovering from a fall at her assisted living center in Tennessee.

Rachel Whinton, who 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.

With gratitude for Deborah Harris's gifts

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. This is an invitation to send your memories — an image, a poem, a prayer — that reminds you of Deborah. In this way we will say "thank you" to Ruth Ann and Ron, Deborah's sister and brother. Before we thought of sending memories, Ruth Ann said "how wonderful it would be to hear stories about Debbie from Waco." For years to come, as we continue to benefit from Deborah's gift. 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. Please send yours to Sharlande@lsbcwaco.org by February 28.



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
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CALENDAR

Friday/Saturday, February 22-23

Women's Retreat

Sunday, February 24

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

Wednesday, February 27

5:15—Supper

6:15—Children's Activities

6:15—Seminar

7:15—Choir Rehearsal

Missions Calendar

Meals on Wheels

Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Children's Center

Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30

Family Self-Sufficiency

February 21, 2019

Youth Update

This Week

Wednesday (2/20) - Church Supper/Youth: Learning and Mixing it Up

Sunday (2/24)

9:30am - Sunday School: check ins

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

Upcoming

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

February 27th - called Business Meeting re:

combined children's/youth/family minister

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 27

Spaghetti and Green Salad children, \$3.00, youth & adults, \$6.00
 Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday noon to add or cancel reservations.

choir rehearsal

tonight at 6:15 pm, right after supper (no seminar tonight)

Volunteers for

Sunday, February 24

Extended Care:

T.J. Geiger

Ushers:

Pamela Smallwood

Vicki Kabat

Greeters:

Kay Neugebauer

Henry Kari

[Current Adult Sunday School Classes](#)

January, 2019 LSBC Financial Snapshot

This represents the new report format we will use on a monthly basis to report on the church finances. By tacking our income and expenses relative to the same time period in the prior year, we get a more accurate reflection of how we're doing meeting our budget and controlling expenses.

	January 2019	January 2018	% Change	Year to Date, 2019	Year to Date, 2018	% Change
Undesignated Income	\$55,746	\$28,986	+92%	\$55,746	\$28,986	+96%
Designated Income	\$857	\$100	+757%	\$857	\$100	+757%
Total Income	\$56,603	\$29,086	+95%	\$56,603	\$29,086	+95%
Expenses	\$37,074	\$44,416	-17%	\$37,074	\$44,416	-17%
Difference	\$19,529	(\$15,329)	NM	\$19,529	(\$15,329)	NM

Notes: Undesignated income is for the annual church budget. The 2019 Church Budget is \$521,779, a 2% increase over the 2018 Budget. 2019 income numbers do not include the Deborah Harris gift, which has been moved into a 6 month Certificate of Deposit at Extraco Bank.

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