

Lake Shore Lines newsletter

January 8, 2020

Called Business Meeting

Wednesday, January 15

6:15 p.m.

- *to bear* the recommendation of the deacon nominating committee and *to vote* on new deacons
Aaron Abel
Beth Farwell
Carlos Hinojosa
Faith Kopplin
Buddy Powell
Beth Raymond
Vern Sauter
- Aaron Abel, Beth Farwell, Carlos Hinojosa, and Beth Raymond will be ordained. Faith, Vern, and Buddy have previously served as ordained deacons.
- *to vote* on the recommendation of the CCC and the Board of Deacons to create a new Family Committee
- *to bear* the recommendations of the Committee Coordinating Council re: those who will serve on committees in 2020

Welcome to a new year of Sunday mornings!

Whether this is your first year to join us on Sundays at Lake Shore or your fiftieth, *remember*.

- **Sunday School**, 9:30-10:30am
- a bell will ring at 10:25, to signify Sunday School should be finishing up
- **Choir Practice**, 10:30-10:40am
- **Worship**, 10:45

Worship at Lake Shore The First Sunday After Epiphany

The Worship of God

January 12, 2020

“When the Good News Is Good News”

Charlie Fuller

The Scripture

Matthew 3:13-17 and Acts 10:34-43

Wednesday Night Suppers at Lake Shore begin January 15, 5:15 p.m.

\$6 adults; \$3 children; \$15 families

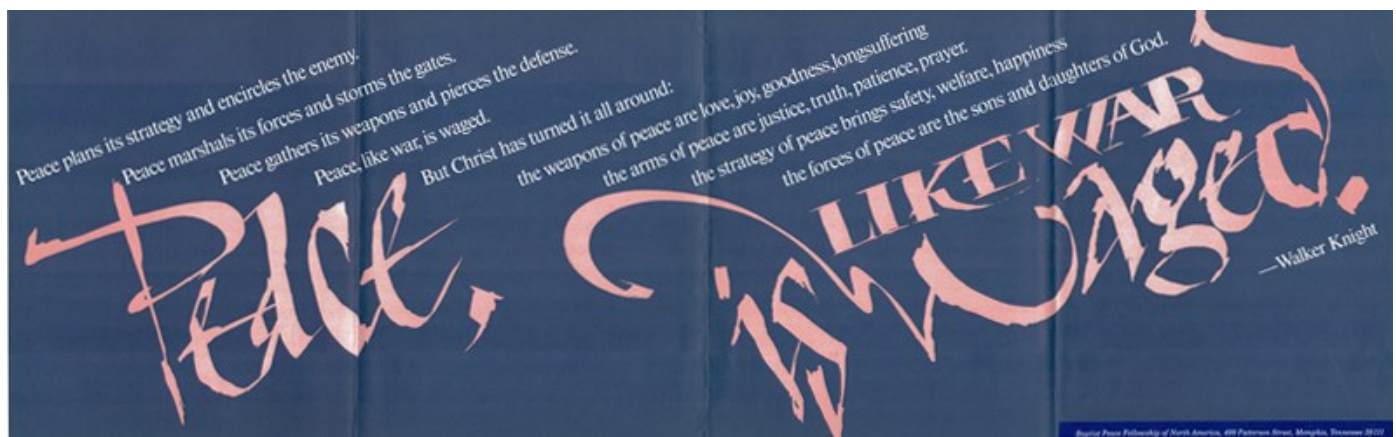
We are creating a new standing reservations list for this spring. To reserve adult and children's meals, email krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Monday, January 13 at noon.

Our cooks shop and prep on Tuesdays. We cannot accommodate dietary restrictions that we learn about after Monday at noon.

However, we are always glad to include standing reservations for vegetarian and gluten-free meals for those who request them ahead of time.

As always, we welcome your offers of desserts for any Wednesday. Contact sharlande@lsbcwaco.org for more info.





When I came to Lake Shore, a poster-sized image (as big as four 8 1/2 X 11 sheets of paper side by side) like the small image you see above hung in the church office, reminding us that, in the words of Baptist journalist Walker Knight, “Peace, like war, is waged.” We still have that folded blue poster somewhere in our files. If I can find it, we will post it again, to remind us that “Peace, like war, is waged.”

Recently, because of Walker Knight’s death, at 95, during the 2019 Advent season, numerous articles have been published about him. I saw one in *Baptist News Daily*. On Monday the Baylor Line Foundation published this article about the Baylor alum: “Walker Knight, Groundbreaking Editor of Baptist Publications, Has Died.” In Ken Sehested’s *Prayer and Politics*, Ken wrote of his once fellow church member at Oakhurst Baptist in Atlanta:

“Over the ensuing years, Walker’s insightful voice helped lead congregations through a longer series of dramatic decisions . . . Walker knew that faith is often clarified not in the absence of conflict but within and through it. In a long prose poem printed in the December 1972 issue of *Home Missions Magazine*, which he edited, he dwelled at length on the risk of Advent and the fact that peacemaking entails an active, even provocative engagement—whose practice is not for the faint of heart.”

These words are in the small white font at the top of the poster: “Peace plans its strategy and encircles the enemy. / Peace marshals its forces and storms the gates. / Peace gathers its weapons and pierces the defense. / Peace, like war, is waged. / But Christ has turned it all around: / the weapons of peace are love, joy, goodness, longsuffering; / the arms of peace are justice, truth, patience, prayer; / the strategy of peace brings safety, welfare, happiness; / the forces of peace are the sons and daughters of God.”

Seven years later, then-US President Jimmy Carter quoted some of those lines in his speech marking the signing of the Israeli/Egyptian peace treaty. May we remember them again and give thanks that good journalism can be good ministry when we read words like Walker Knight’s that remind us how to live as “God’s sons and daughters” in the world.

— Sharlande

Family Self-Sufficiency,

First meeting of 2020, Thursday, January 23, 5:15 — 7:00 p.m.

Family Self-Sufficiency is an employment and savings incentive program for low-income families that have Section 8 vouchers or live in public housing. Six months of the year we host the meetings on the third Thursday of the month. Waco Housing Authority sponsors this vital program for adults on the road to becoming self-sufficient.

Lake Shore first became involved in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program when a story appeared in the *Waco Tribune-Herald* about the city’s extremely high poverty rate in a national study of cities under 200,000. Lake Shore members called the office, asking “What can we do?” The following Sunday we met to explore the question. Our response was: “Help the parents.” The next week an opportunity emerged to help with children while parents met for a support group.

Two ways you can serve in this ministry today:

- prepare and serve meals at 5:15 and/or
- care for children from 5:45-7:00 during the parents’ meetings.

Come, be a friend to the children! Be a friend to their parents and grandparents, who are busy people all day long and live without a lot of the resources that we have in our church and in our homes.

Hold a baby. Tie a shoe. Carry a meal from the kitchen to the table. Ask about a teenager’s favorite music or a parent’s work. Being a loving presence at supper or at play and art time is a wonderful way to be a sign of God’s welcoming church.

You’ll be glad you came!

Contact sanlondos@gmail.com or Sharlande@lsbcwaco.org for more info. Come in January.

Then we hope you will come again in the spring!

Family Corner

We are in need of 1 more chaperone for this year's Mid-Winter. Rev. Grant and Bruce Evans are already attending. **This volunteer must be comfortable with co-teaching a small group.** Please consider joining us!

Would you be interested in feeding the youth? Awesome! We are always in need of breakfast and dinners! Please contact Megan here to sign up for a Sunday morning or evening.

Transitions:

a further step into the light

Each of life's transitions invites us to deepen our awareness of who we are and how we relate to God. In this retreat we will reflect on our own invitations, notice any fears or reservations, and envision a bright path forward while we support others to do the same.

Lake Shore's 2020 Women's Retreat

Friday, February 21– Saturday, February 22
led by Jeanette Marsh
at DaySpring Baptist Church

Christmas Eve Global Missions Offering to help refugees "from harm to home"



Lake Shore has had a long and meaningful connection to the International Rescue Committee (IRC). In solidarity with the IRC's care for refugees around the world, your gifts to the Christmas Eve Offering totaled

\$1,654. Your gifts will help people on their journey home.

The IRC responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises; within 72 hours of a disaster, the IRC is pledged to organize health care, distribute cash, and deliver clean water. The IRC works in more than 40 countries and 26 U.S. cities, helping people to survive and reclaim control of their futures. The IRC works in Syria and beyond its borders, providing relief to millions of displaced people; in Yemen, the country experiencing the world's largest humanitarian crisis of our time; in Myanmar; the Democratic Republic of Congo; South Sudan; along the Central American/US border; and wherever people are seeking safety from harm and a new home.

For more information about the IRC and how you can give to its work, go to: IRC.org.

Celebrations for...

Aaron and Sakina Dixon, who are the new parents of their second child, Aaron Darnell Dixon, II, who was born at Hillcrest on Tuesday, December 10. His sister, Josephine, welcomes him home. If you would like to provide a meal for the Dixon family, here's the link to their MealTrain: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/0y27g3>

Emily Hunt Hinojosa, who has been named the new Director of Research and Community Impact at Prosper Waco. She will develop and expand a framework for assessing progress toward community goals and will benchmark progress in Prosper Waco's focus areas of education, health, and financial security.

Terri Evans, who began a new job at Baylor University on Monday. She is now the Administrative Associate for the Student Media Department.

Prayers for...

Joanne Cummings, who is Policy Advisor to the Combined Joint Task Force Inherent Resolve, which is the international coalition opposing ISIS. She is in the embassy in Baghdad, Iraq.

Vern Sauter, came home from Hillcrest on New Year's Eve. He is making good progress and looking forward to physical therapy very soon.

Christina Houser, who was fitted for her socket on Tuesday and will get her permanent new leg this week, possibly by Friday.

Brittany and Casey, who had a very long but successful flight home with their preschoolers, Juniper and Finnley.

Conway, Melanie, and Bekah Briscoe, who are home from a great trip to New York City, where they spent some time working at God's Love We Deliver while they were there. Now they are eagerly awaiting a word from the medical committee in Fort Worth, concerning whether Conway is on the list for a future liver transplant. We continue to join them in their prayers of hope.

Jim Fau's father, James Fau, Sr., died in Tomball, Texas, on December 12. A memorial mass will be held at St. Edward Catholic Church in Spring TX, on Saturday, January 11 at 10:30. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to MD Anderson Cancer Research Hospital at gifts.mdanderson.org. Our prayers are with Jim, Emily, and Noah as they grieve the loss of their father and grandfather.

Brenda Bradley, a Professor of English at MCC and member of Calvary Baptist Church, died on New Year's Day. Our prayers are with her family — her husband, Randall; her son, Isaac; and her daughter, Hannah — in their grief. Her service will be at First Baptist, Waco, on Saturday, January 18, at 1:00 p.m.

Mary Louise Baker, a former church member who lives in Atlanta, who is having surgery to place a rod in her femur after a fall. We pray for her as she begins the healing process.

Our Church Staff

Charlie Fuller, Transition Pastor

Louis Garcia, Custodian

Megan Grant,

Minister to Youth, Children, and Families

Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager

Cindy Oates, Director of LSBCC

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CALENDAR

Sunday, January 12

9:30—Sunday School

10:45—Worship

3:00—Newsletter Deadline

4:00—Soulfriends

Wednesday, January 15

5:15—Supper

6:15—Children's Activities

6:15—Business Meeting

7:15—Choir Rehearsal

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

[Sunday School Classes](#)

Volunteers for Sunday, January 12

Extended Care: Kim Kellison

Ushers: Faith Kopplin

Gayle Avant

Greeters: TBA

TBA

2019 Contributions Reports

You may pick up your contribution report in the hallway. Any reports not picked up within a week, will be mailed. Let the office know if there are any issues or discrepancies with your report.

Missions Calendar

Meals on Wheels

Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Children's Center

Monday-Friday, 7:15-5:30

Family Self-Sufficiency

Thursday, January 23, 5:15-7:00



Missions Tree 2019

Thanks to all of you who chose one of the one hundred projects related to our Missions Tree during the Advent season. Wherever your Bangladeshi sari star is hanging now, we hope it will always remind you of the different ways God opens "Windows of Light" in our world.

You generously gave to our friends in Waco: children's toys and educational

items to Talitha Koum and Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center; postage stamps, wireless doorbells, bath tissue, flashlights, and paper towels to Meals on Wheels; bi-lingual books and games to Family Abuse; and lots of items teens wish for to The Cove.

Around the world you gave to CBF China; to Christian Mission to Gaza; to the Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development; and to Shalom Children's Center. All year long, keep opening the windows God guides you to open.

Wednesday night supper January 15

Mexican Stack-Up

children, \$3.00

youth & adults, \$6.00

Write Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Sunday noon to
add or cancel reservations.

Waco NAACP Annual MLK Day

Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser

Friday, January 17, 2020 11AM - 2PM

Carver Park Baptist Church

1020 Herring Ave., Waco, TX 76704

\$5 per plate

Spaghetti, Salad, Garlic Bread, & Cookie

You can place orders or purchase tickets from any NAACP member, via CashApp (\$WacoNAACP), Paypal (waconaacp@gmail.com), email or text (254-733-5261).

Consider purchasing lunch for the elderly, shut-ins, or disabled. We will deliver the lunches. We will also deliver to schools and offices.