

# LAKE SHORELINES

December 20, 2006



We're in the time of waiting for our salvation,  
that slow movement toward the final night,  
when light is nothing but breath inside

a cave, earth hiding its treasure until  
we are ready to receive it. That place  
we travel toward like the Magi, weary

and expectant, laying our gifts on the straw.

—from "In Advent" by  
*Jean Janzen*

## **Worship at Lake Shore**

### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**December 24**

No Sunday school  
Worship 10:45 a.m.

"Word Among Us: Love"

*Luke 2.1-20*

*Dorisanne Cooper*

*The Baptism of Dakota McDurham*

### **Christmas Eve**

**December 24**

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
6:00 p.m.

### **Christmastide**

**December 31**

No Sunday School  
Worship 10:45 a.m.

"Word Among Us: Promise"

*Luke 2.21-40*

*Rachel Sciretti*

### **The Epiphany of Our Lord**

**January 7**

"Lighting the Way Home"

*Matthew 2.1-12*

*Dorisanne Cooper*

*Communion Sunday*

*The Baptism of Capucine Morin*

*The Gathering*

## Word Among Us . . .

O Word of God, Creative One,  
whose language shaped the seas and sun.  
Emmanuel, we wait your birth.  
Come dwell in us; come live on earth.

O Word of Hope, Incarnate One,  
come live through us what you've begun.  
Dispel our fear; our words unfurl  
to write your hope upon the world.

O Word of Peace, come with us live.  
Teach us the language to forgive.  
Reign in our world; make this your  
home—  
a place of peace, *salaam, shalom*

O Word of Joy, our heart's delight,  
that whispers even in the night  
and rises with the glad refrain  
that cheers, inspires, uplifts, sustains.

O Word of Love, always the same,  
you've written on our lives your name.  
You came, a little child on earth.  
You risked your love for our new birth.

O Word of God, the Birth of Light,  
your story is our gift to write.  
Among the many, may we claim  
Hope, Peace, Joy, Love—your gracious  
names.

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### Welcome, Dakota McDurham

It was an exciting day for the Lake Shore family when Dakota McDurham made his public profession of faith following the choir's Christmas cantata Sunday, December 10. Dakota shared that the night before the Rite-13 Ceremony was a significant time for him when he prayed and knew God's presence.



Dakota moved to Waco in the first grade when his family friends—David, Magi, and Maya Davis—persuaded his parents, Robin and Doug McDurham, that Waco was a great place to live. It looks like Waco stuck; both Robin and Doug are strongly involved in the Waco community.

Dakota is currently in the seventh grade at Lake Waco Montessori School where his mother is his Social Studies and Language Arts teacher. Having his mother as one of his teachers and his father as a frequent chaperone is sometimes difficult, according to Dakota. But there are pros, too—though his parents can be strict on him, Dakota also has the advantage of going on extra field trips, something he loves. His favorite subject is Earth Science and Zoology. He is presently a First Class Scout in Troop 308. In addition to his activities at church, Dakota frequents many city council and housing meetings where he does his homework while his mother "meets."

When asked about his choice in hairstyles, Dakota explained that he seeks interesting styles. He's had a mohawk, buzzcut, shaved head, and now a ponytail. He has a plan for the future which is secret for now. His individualism, friendliness, and zest for life shine through.

Dakota, we, as your Lake Shore family, look forward to growing with you into the fullness of Christ as we surround you with God's kind of love.

### Good News

Aaron Garcia graduated from Baylor on Saturday with a BFA in organ.

Arnisa Ramsower also graduated from Baylor Saturday with a degree in education.

Sophie Morin, daughter of Philippe and Amanda Morin; granddaughter of Veronique and Bernard; and niece of Pierre, Louise-Marie, and Capucine, was born Sunday morning.

Sunday Simbo is one of the Baylor students featured in an article in this fall's edition *focus magazine*. The article, "Culture Shock" examines the shock of immersion that international students encounter when they come to the United States. "Nothing has been very strange to me," Sunday says, "but the . . . present differences in culture and mother tongue makes those who move (to America) to be looked at differently, especially when we talk. Most Americans didn't know where Cameroon was."

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# Poinsettias for Advent

*The sanctuary has been adorned this season with poinsettias given in honor or memory of friends and loved ones in the Lake Shore community.*

*Given in honor of:*

Joe Morrow, *Harriet Morrow*  
Martha Stone, *Gary, Beth, Tom and David Miller*  
Sharon Wynn, *Sam and Helen Hastings*  
The men in my life, Don, Jeff and Brad, *Kristi SoRelle*  
Our pastors--Dorisanne, Sharlande, Rachel,  
and Mike, *David and Faith Kopplin*  
Banner artists—Pam Allen, Joyce McKee, Bobbee Watts,  
Sandy Sadler, *David and Faith Kopplin*

Maria Reyna, *Hope R. Rouse*  
Mary Louise Baker, *the Philia Sunday school class*  
Boyd and JoAnn Miller, *All your children and grandchildren*  
Wednesday Evening Kitchen Chefs, *David and Faith Kopplin*

*Given in memory of:*

Alex Ware, *Pat and Nathan Stone*  
Becky Henderson, *Micah and Matthew Henderson*  
Bill, Sr., Tillie, and Charles Bellinger, *Libby and Bill Bellinger*  
Dottie Scott, *Martie and Vern Sauter*  
Fred and Hazel Hill, *Beverly and Dennis Hill*  
Ishaq Daniel Jud, my cousin, *John DeVries*  
Jean Carroll, *Barbara B. Johnston*  
Jim Parsons, *Ken and Ladye Ruth Casner*  
Lee Jolley, *Celia Dupree*  
Minnie Herring Cole, *Carolyn and Mary and all your grands!*  
Robert and Lelia Baird, our parents *Alice and Bob Baird*  
Patt Laidler, *Barbara B. Johnston*  
Roger and Penny Edens, *Ken and Ladye Ruth Casner*  
Ron Rouse, *Sam and Helen Hastings*  
Ruby Richards, *Martie and Vern Sauter*  
Steve and Karen Vasek, *Joan Rectenwald*  
Vernon Cole, *Carolyn and Tillman Rodabough*

Barbara Scales, *Laine Scales*  
Beryl Taylor, *Pattie Herbert*  
David and Alice Cheavens, our parents, *Alice and Bob Baird*  
Faye and Hale Smith, *Libby and Bill Bellinger*  
George and Jean Williams *Ken and Ladye Ruth Casner*  
Jack and Ruby Rectenwald, *Joan Rectenwald*  
Jeff Johnston, *Barbara B. Johnston*  
Kenny Casner, *Ken and Ladye Ruth Casner*  
Malcolm and Vivian Nall, *Beverly and Dennis Hill*  
Minnie Herring Cole, *Richard Cole*  
P.M. Johnston, *Ken and Ladye Ruth Casner*  
Reagan Noel Henkener, *Loeen and Kerry Irons*  
Ron Rouse, *Hope R. Rouse*  
Roy Irons and Lloyd Hartshorn, *Loeen and Kerry Irons*  
Rupert Sledge, *Sharlande Sledge*  
Taylor Carolyn Mosley, *David, Deborah, and Rebecca Mosley*  
Yates and Ann Brown, *Barbara B. Johnston*

## *Prayer Concerns*

Elizabeth King had surgery Thursday at Providence.

Joe Parsons, Joan's son, had successful surgery for a detached retina on Monday.

Kelly Henkener, Kerry & Loeen Iron's daughter, is pregnant and has been put on bed rest. Kelly would appreciate any correspondence:

home: 8005 Woodhall Cove,  
Austin, 78717

e-mail: [jhenkener@austin.rr.com](mailto:jhenkener@austin.rr.com)

Ruby Olar, an instructor of social dance and Tai Chi in the department of Health, Human Performance and Recreation at Baylor, died Thursday. He taught Tai Chi at Lake Shore on several occasions.

## **2006 Contributions**

As of December 17, we are \$45,000 behind on receipts for the 2006 budget. Remember that all contributions to the church must be **received in the office or postmarked by December 31, 2006**, to be applied toward 2006 tax deductions.

The office will be closed the week after Christmas. You may mail contributions or drop them off in the church office Sunday, December 31.

**Please consider prayerfully your gifts to Lake Shore for 2006 as we take the final turn toward meeting our budget.**

## **Children's Corner**

### **Sunday School News**

There will be no Sunday school on Dec. 24 or Dec. 31. Extended Care will open at 10:30 a.m. Sunday school will start again on January 7.

### **Children's Choir**

We will sing in worship January 7. Since we are not having Wednesday night activities, we will practice on Sunday before the worship service. Rachel will call you with the time. We will resume activities on January 17.

### Our Church Staff

Richard Aslanian, Music Director  
 Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor  
 Aaron Garcia, Organist  
 Pattie Herbert, Custodian  
 Caryl Miller-Compton, Administrative Secretary  
 Heather Robards, Director, Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center  
 Mike Sciretti, Minister to Youth  
 Rachel Sciretti, Minister to Children  
 Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor



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### MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

#### Sunday, December 24

No Sunday school  
 10:45-Worship  
 6:00-Christmas Eve  
 Candlelight Service

#### Monday, December 25-

Monday, January 1  
 Office Closed

#### Sunday, December 31

No Sunday school  
 10:45-Worship

#### Looking Ahead:

Sunday, January 7-  
 The Epiphany of Our Lord

### Wednesday Night Supper



No Wednesday  
 Night Suppers  
 Until January 17

### Choir Notes

The sanctuary choir will not have choir practice on December 27 or January 3. Practice will resume on January 10.



### Office Closed

The office will be closed from Monday, December 25 through Monday, January 1. If you have an emergency, please be in touch with one of the ministers.

## Youth News

### Thursday (21st):

Movie Day: "The Nativity" Meet at Starplex Theater at 4:50. The movie begins at 5:05.

### Sunday Morning (24th):

No Sunday school

### Sunday Night:

No Activities

### Wednesday Night (27th):

No Activities

### Next Sunday (31st):

No Sunday school or evening activities.

### Mid-Winter Retreat (January 12-14):

Sign up now! Total cost will be \$95 (includes prelude, t-shirt, and cost of retreat). Deadline is December 31.

### Coming Up:

January 7 – Mid-Winter Retreat  
 Prelude at FBC Waco  
 January 12-14 – Mid-Winter Retreat  
 January 21 – Journey to Adulthood and Parents Meeting

### Newsletter News

This is the last "Shorelines" for the year; our next edition will be in January 2007.

### Extended Care Sunday, December 24

Infants: TBA  
 Toddlers: Martie Sauter  
 Preschoolers: Jerri and Mackenzie Love

### Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for 2006 are \$7,865.17. Receipts last week were \$ 7,198.00.

Year to date needs	Year to date received	Difference
\$ 401,123.83	\$ 355,459.26	(\$ 45,664.57)