

LAKE SHORELINES

June 4, 2008



Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 8
7:00 p.m.
at The Davenports
4930 Ridgeview

*(turn left off Bishop onto Lake Air—
last street before Hillcrest is Ridgeview)*

Come celebrate
Charles Conkin and Michelle Stokes
and welcome Charles to the staff
as our new Minister to Youth.

For the 38th year we will have
delicious fun eating homemade ice cream, visiting,
playing volleyball, and jumping on the trampoline.

Bring lawn chairs or blankets if you want —
but, *most importantly*, bring yourself.

Worship at Lake Shore The Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Worship of God
June 8, 2008

“(Not) Just a Children’s Story”
Dorisanne Cooper

The Scripture
Genesis 6.11-22, 7.24, 8.14-22, 9.9-17

Ministry Focus
Extended Care

Business Meeting Report

On Wednesday night, June 4 Lake
Shore Baptist Church voted to call
Daniel Farris as Minister of Music.
Welcome, Daniel!

Welcoming Daniel & Rachel Farris



Dessert Fellowship

Wednesday, June 11
6:30-7:30
(during the usual seminar time)

We will have music and a get-to-know-
you quiz, and lots of goodies!

Celebration!

Sunday, June 1 marked 23
years that Sharlande Sledge
has ministered here at Lake
Shore. Thanks be to God
for her many gifts shared in
this place!



Bridge Builders

This Tuesday—Thursday, 4th, 5th,
& 6th graders will learn about the
current world crisis regarding rice.
Their mission work will revolve
around helping fight hunger.

Youth Sunday

This thoughtful statement was written by Todd Francis for the Youth Sunday worship service. Watch for Brad SoRelle's words in next week's newsletter.

I have thought about my Youth Sunday with Lake Shore ever since I have been a part of the youth group. I didn't, however, ever imagine it without me there. Unfortunately when graduation falls on the same weekend as your senior Sunday at church getting off work becomes a little more of a struggle, but I felt the need to present to you all what I feel is the purpose of Youth Sunday by expressing how I view my faith in my life now and how my faith has developed through this church.

When speaking of faith I would like to think that since I have been a part of the church all of my life I have spent a good number of years trying to figure out how to express what I believe and to understand for myself what faith is to me, but being an adolescent I'm afraid that many years went by when that is not something I questioned in my life. Yes, during my younger teenage years I did discover that I do, in fact, believe in God and Jesus and that it was my time to get baptized, but my focus then was a discovery that I didn't need to know all the answers, that I could doubt, at times, and that being Christian didn't mean I had to be perfect. These discoveries were a healthy step in my faith, but I still didn't know what faith was for me.

This past year has been my single year of reflection on faith. Before this year I had only found an increase of a spiritual bountifulness inside of me during the weekends and weeks I have spent at various church camps and retreats. I have now since realized that the result of this spiritual interest within me has come from change and a growing maturity and interest brought through my own urges of a natural movement towards adulthood. For most, I believe that the loss of a youth minister in a church is somewhat a sad and depressing movement, but I saw a change in leadership for our own youth group as a chance to learn from a new perspective, and one of the first things Charles brought up for Brad and I was a challenge to learn what our faith meant for us. That challenge was one of the pivotal changes in my personal interests concerning faith. The other stronger time of interest came from a question I could not answer to my own satisfaction: "Why are you a Christian?" I have discovered that my original, then disturbing, answer is that I was a Christian because of the culture I grew up in is somewhat of the truth; however, this doesn't bother me in the least anymore. Through reflection and thought I have found another question: "Why did you *become* a Christian?" This not only comforted me but totally eliminated the disturbance I had with the other question because through this question I found my answers. I became a Christian because through the Christian faith I have found the good in the world that everyone seems to think is dying among mankind. I have seen a love for a community through hard work, the giving of time and money, and I fully believe that it was through Christianity that sets a standard for all of those good deeds that brings people to share with others. Above all I found consolation in the fact that I chose to get baptized whenever I felt ready, that I discovered a set of basics that I could look upon within my faith before I made a commitment to it.

I cannot say I have found all of what I believe, or that I will ever discover all about myself, but I have found a yearning to know and a question that guides me. So faith for me is a journey for spiritual growth and learning. Faith keeps one to his/her journey with religion and strengthens his/her beliefs in the consolation of finding answers. These answers bring upon new questions and the growth that comes with each. Lake Shore has been my home for questioning and answering for eighteen years now. I have learned of God's love, Jesus' journey and sacrifice for us, most of the parables and moral standards that the bible offers us, the power to question, the power to choose, the power of love, and lastly and most recently the power of yearning, a yearning to learn and grow more fully in my faith each and every day. All of these I have learned from you all and for that I send out my thanks and appreciation for the wonderful impact you have left upon my life. In August I will continue my journey of faith elsewhere but I cannot think of a better foundation of what I have found here at my second home, Lake Shore Baptist Church.

Celebrations

Hunter Perry, son of Debi Campbell-Perry and grandson of Catherine Campbell, was the winning pitcher in a playoff game for Bosqueville High School Friday night, May 30.

On Friday, May 30 at the St. Paul's 6th grade graduation Mikhayla Evans received two scholarship awards. The first was the Rose Berryman Award, for exhibiting St. Paul's ideals and standards. This is a \$2000 scholarship for the D.C. trip the 6th grade takes next Spring. The second was the Evadne Lee Greer award for outstanding scholastic achievement. It should be noted that she was chosen for these awards by a committee made up of teachers and other staff members, and that she was the only student to receive two awards. We are so very proud of her.

Concerns

Nancy Rivers is under Hospice Care at Hillcrest Hospital, Room 725. Our prayers are with her and David.

Boyd Miller has moved to Crestview Manor here in Waco.

Bryce Brown, father of Brent Brown, died Monday after a long illness. Services will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 6 at Brazos Funeral Home with visitation there on Thursday, 6:30-8:30.

Building (Edifice) News

Have you noticed a new brightness about the place? Those who are at the church every day certainly have. It is because all the windows have recently been washed inside and out. Hooray!

In the next few weeks contractors will be resloping the ground around the building to promote runoff away from the foundation. This is a joint project of the Building Committee and the Grounds Committee and will greatly enhance the long-term integrity of the structure.

Mission Trip

This summer the YAC group is organizing a trip to Kansas City to partner with Chris and Katie Brennan-Homiak. Chris and Katie currently are involved in inner-city ministries with Burmese refugees and the homeless or under-employed in their community. They work through their church, Revolution, and at a new intentional Christian community in their neighborhood called Cherith Brook. Chris and Katie are eager about our joining them in service and we are excited for this opportunity. The mission group will be leaving on June 14 and returning June 20. If you are going to KC remember that there is a brief meeting on June 8 after the worship service and money is due.

What is Cherith Brook? Cherith Brook is a residential Christian Community committed to sharing table fellowship with strangers and all our resources with one another. We have found our inspiration from the early church, the Church of the Saviour and the Catholic Worker. Mercy - Our daily lives are structured around practicing the works of mercy as found in Jesus' teachings. We are committed to regularly feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, giving drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, visiting the prisoner and the sick in the name of Jesus. Peacemaking - As followers of Jesus we understand our lives to be centered in God's Shalom. Cherith Brook strives to be a "school" for peacemaking in all its dimensions: political, communal and personal, working constantly to undo poverty, racism and militarism. All of these can be summed up as the Struggle to connect with the God of life. We pray that Cherith Brook be a space where all of us - the broken- can come to learn and relearn the ways of Jesus; a place to struggle together for God's call of love, mercy, peace and justice.

—from *Christian Century* blog

Staff News

Beth Kilpatrick is back in the office to do the second part of her Baylor internship with us.

Sharlande is spending a few days this week with family visiting in Texas. This time away will substitute for the days she was unable to take off last month.

Children's Corner

Li'l Helping Hands:

Twos – Preschool; June 8, 15, 22; 4-5 p.m.
in the Blue Room.

This week's helping activities revolve around first-aid. We will hear the story of the Good Samaritan, practice using band-aids, and make first-aid kits for the families who come to our food pantry. Bring your favorite doll or stuffed animal!

Bridge Builders:

4th-6th Grade; June 10-12; 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to learn about the current global rice situation and fight hunger in our community. Come ready to build bridges.

Helping Hands:

Kindergarten - 3rd Grade; June 24-26; 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Picnic & Play

Last month's Sunday night picnic on the playground was so much fun that there have been requests to make this a regular gathering. So mark on your calendar the last Sunday evening of each month (5:30 p.m.) as "Picnic & Play." See you on June 29.

[Music Camp registration deadline is Sunday, June 22]

Summer Suppers

June 11 — Children's Ed Committee & Bridge Builders- Chopped BBQ on bun or potato

June 18 — Marriage Enrichment Group - Taco Salad

June 25 —Cooking and eating outside

July 2 —Partridges Care Group—Joan's Spaghetti

July 9 — Staff

July 16 — Missions Committee - Farmer's Market Supper

July 23 — Eagle Care Group - Beth Raymond and Gayle Avant

July 30 — Hummingbird Care Group - Jo Pendleton

Thank you

On the wings of a dove, I'm still soaring . . . slower than I'd like but it's progress. I want to thank my Lake Shore friends for all the spoken and unspoken prayers on my behalf. The phone calls, cards, and food were and are still definitely a blessing. God's grace has and will sustain my until I'm able to be back in His service, full time.

In Christ's love,
Catherine Campbell

Scholarships

The Youth are still in need of scholarships, please see Charles if you want to sponsor a youth for Passport.

Library Tidbit

Prodigal Sons and Material Girls: How Not to Be Your Child's ATM, is a wake-up call to one of the biggest problems facing kids today — the inability to deal responsibly with money. The author's practical advice is to reorder our financial priorities — to share first, save next, and spend later — and then to pass these values on to our children. Thanks to Dave and Faith Kopplin for donating this book to our church library.

Our Church Staff

Charles Conkin, Minister to Youth
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MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday, June 7

10:00—Prayer Shawl Ministry

Sunday, June 8

9:30—Sunday School
10:45—Worship
12:15—Mission Trip Meeting
4:00—Li'l Helping Hands
6:00—Deacons' Meeting
7:00—Ice Cream Social

Monday, June 9

12:00—Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, June 10

9:00—Staff Meeting
9:00—Bridge Builders

Wednesday, June 11

9:00—Bridge Builders
5:30—Supper
6:15—Children's Activities
6:30—Seminar
7:30—Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 12

8:30—Food Pantry Breakfast
9:00—Food Pantry Opens
9:00—Bridge Builders

Looking Ahead

June 24-26—Helping Hands
October 18—All-Church Retreat

Wednesday Night Supper June 11, 2008



Chopped BBQ on
bun or potato
Hosted by the
Children's Education
Committee &
Bridge
Builders

Extended Care Visitor Cards/Offering Sunday, June 8

Infants: Henrietta Addo
Toddler: Mike Sciretti
Preschool/K: Terri &
Mikhayla Evans

Visitor Cards: Mackenzie Sullivan
Mikhayla Evans

Offering: Bill & Libby Bellinger,
Kerry & Loen Irons

Ushers: Andy Powell
Paul Smajstrla

Youth News

Breakfast: Francis
Supper: Ice Cream Social

Sunday Evening: Ice Cream Social at the Davenport's. Get ready to play some volleyball.

Garage Sale: Due to lack of room in the Teen House, please keep all items being donated to the garage sale until June 21. During the week of June 21 -27 there will be trucks to pick things up at homes. To make a time for pick up please contact Charles, Deb Vardiman, or Elizabeth Dell.

Thank you to all the youth and parents that made **Youth Sunday** a wonderful time. It is an honor to be able to plan and lead in worship next to great youth.

Coming Up:
Jun 14-20: Mission Trip
June 28: Garage Sale
July 13-18: Passport

Deacons On-Call

June

Bill Bellinger
Bruce Neatherlin
Deb Vardiman

Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions to our budget help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2008 budget of \$451,972 are \$8,691.77.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$191,218	\$146,435	\$(44,783)