

# LAKE SHORELINES

November 11, 2009

## Advent Wreath Workshop Sunday, November 15, at 4:00 p.m.



Lighting the advent wreath at home is a beautiful and meaningful way to experience the mystery of the season. We ponder Christ's coming. We prepare our hearts. We teach our children through ritual, word, and example of their heritage of faith. We quiet ourselves and remember that as Christians we live on a different calendar.

The Children's Education Committee invites everyone – young and old – to make an advent wreath in the sanctuary on November 15 at 4:00 p.m. Make one as a family, with a friend, or by yourself. Participants will leave with a wreath, candles, and a candle lighting liturgy. The cost is \$20 per wreath. Reservations can be made in the hallway or by emailing Rachel (Sciretti@hotmail.com).

## Worship at Lake Shore The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Worship of God  
November 15, 2009

*"Creation Collaboration"*  
Dorisanne Cooper

The Scripture  
Genesis 1.1-13, Psalm 19



## Operation Christmas Child

**Shoebox dedication in worship, Sunday, November 15**

***Still need ideas for your box?***

**Toys:** Bear, soft toy, tennis ball, finger puppet, jigsaw puzzle, yo-yo, building blocks, small musical instrument, trucks and cars, dolls; **Educational supplies:** Felt pens, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, coloring book, notepad, picture or puzzle book, chalk, pencil case; **Hygiene items:** Toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, soap, wash cloth; **Other items:** Snacks (sell by date to be at least March of the following year), socks, gloves, scarf, sunglasses, cap, hat, bangles, necklaces.

## 50th Anniversary Chair

This special chair is still up for silent auction to benefit Shalom Children's Center. It has seen 50 years of Sunday School teachers sitting with children, teaching them Bible stories and children's songs. The chair has been signed by current and former members and is a great treasure. The bidding has begun and will end in just a few weeks. Please make bids in \$5 increments.

Try something new for  
Advent. Join the choir!  
No previous experience  
needed. No expectations  
beyond Advent  
Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

## Deacon Nominations

Members of the Deacon Nominating Committee invite church members to participate in the deacon selection process. For more information about the criteria of deacon nominees and a list of current/previous deacons, please refer to the Deacon Nomination Form available in the hallway by the office. Ballots should be submitted by Wednesday, November 18.

## Business Meetings

Wednesday, November 18  
to discuss the 2010 Budget

Sunday, November 22  
to vote on the 2010 Budget

## Welcome New Members Aaron and Alexis Weaver

On Sunday, November 1, Lake Shore welcomed Aaron and Alexis Weaver as new members. Aaron grew up in Vidalia, Georgia, where his parents worked at Brewton-Parker, a small Baptist college. He graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.A. in Political Science in 2004, then completed a couple of internships with the Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty and civil rights leader Rep. John Lewis. Aaron moved to Waco in the Fall 2006 to begin the M.A. program in Church-State Studies at Baylor. He chose Baylor primarily because his parents had moved from Vidalia to Waco while he was at UGA. His dad (Doug) is a professor in the Religion Department and mom (Pat) is Director of Career Counseling at Baylor.



After finishing the M.A. in Church-State Studies, Aaron began the Ph.D. program in Religion, Politics and Society. He is currently finishing up his last semester of coursework and will begin preparing for exams and doing dissertation research (dissertation will be on Baptists and Environmentalism) next semester.

Alexis grew up in San Antonio, Texas. She graduated from Baylor University in 2004 with a B.A. in Economics and Environmental Studies. Steve Gardner was one of her favorite economics professors! She graduated from the University of Texas in 2007 with an M.S. in Community & Regional Planning. While in Austin, Alexis attended First Baptist Church, where Roger Paynter is pastor. She worked for the Christian Life Commission in Austin for 6 months, developing the Texas Baptist Young Professional Network.

In the fall of 2007, they met through their parents (who went to the same church in Waco) and the young professional network. Shortly thereafter, Alexis moved to Waco to start a job as Research Manager at the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce. They were married in May of this year. In October, Alexis was promoted to Director of Community Affairs, where she works with One Book One Waco, Waco Young Professionals, and workforce development for a wide range of people: from college students to the homeless and other hard to serve populations.

They both love all things political. Aaron enjoys reading and writing about the relationship between religion and politics and is a long-time blogger on all things Baptist-related ([www.thebigdaddyweave.com](http://www.thebigdaddyweave.com)). He is also the author of the forthcoming book to be published by Smyth & Helwys, tentatively titled *James M. Dunn and Soul Freedom*. Alexis is active in the Heart of Texas Homeless Coalition. They love bowling and putt-putt golf, as well as talking politics, Baptists, and environmental issues. They have two beautiful Italian greyhounds, Rudy and Georgia.

Lake Shore was a natural choice for them. They already knew many of the members, who encouraged them every time they visited. They love how open-minded and welcoming Lake Shore is and look forward to getting very involved in this community. We warmly welcome Aaron and Alexis into our midst and look forward to being God's family together at Lake Shore.

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## Green Committee Results of October 21 Seminar Discussion

*These lists comprise what has been accomplished (\*) as well as what might be desired. Three lists were generated: what we might do as individuals, as a church, as members of the community.*

### INDIVIDUAL

Avoid excess packaging  
Support local agriculture - World Hunger Farm, local farmers' market  
Information regarding/brokering of compost bins  
Rain barrels

### COMMUNITY

Participate in city-wide recycling  
Adopt energy use programs locally  
Use recycling companies such as Certi-Shred for shredding and recycling  
Support pedestrian friendly movement

### CHURCH

Energy use program adopted\*  
Energy efficient windows installed\*  
Newsletter delivered online/electronically\*  
Ceramic coffee cups\* - but more needed  
Get rid of Styrofoam cups  
Use biodegradable plates and cups  
Or use Energy Star dishwasher  
Compost and facilitate compost bins for individuals  
Fair Trade coffee  
Rain Barrels - promote and use  
Earth Day Fairs  
Earth Day Service – full church service in place of regular service  
Switch to Utility Company that promotes alternative energies like Green Mountain  
Use of Alexis Weaver's checklist

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**Advent Book Assembly** Do you have some extra time during the week that you could help us assemble the advent meditation booklet? We plan to work on them starting Thursday, November 19. Call the church office.

## Children's Corner

### Operation Christmas Child

Get shopping! Bring your completed shoeboxes with shipping fee to church on November 15. We will bless the boxes in worship. If you have a little red wagon we can use, please contact Rachel.

### Just around the corner . . .

Advent Craft Workshop ~ Sunday, December 6  
Cookie Party ~ Saturday, December 12



## Pie Fellowship

Wednesday, November 25  
After the 7:00 p.m.  
Thanksgiving Service

It is a Lake Shore Thanksgiving tradition to taste as many different kinds of pie as possible after the Thanksgiving service. Sign up in the hall letting us know you'll bring your favorite pie to share.

### Marriage Enrichment Groups now forming. Interested?

Contact Rachel Sciretti [sciretti@hotmail.com](mailto:sciretti@hotmail.com).

## Lake Shore Baptist Church History

### Tidbit No. 40:

In times past, churches routinely furnished homes for their ministers, variously called the manse, parsonium, parsonage, or simply the "preacher's house."

In May 1962, during **Bill Tolar's** pastorate, Lake Shore Baptist Church began discussing the purchase of a pastor's home. In September the church voted to buy the property at 2409 Charboneau for \$21,000. **Rhea Gray** was the first pastor to occupy the parsonage followed by **Deryl Fleming** and **Richard Groves**.



2409 Charboneau

Times were a' changing, however. A house furnished by the church was a boon to a young pastor, but when he reached retirement age he would be without a home of his own. A new concept was developing, i.e., instead of furnishing a home, churches began paying their pastor a monthly "housing allowance" which enabled him to buy his own home and build equity over the years.

So, following this new trend, the church voted in October 1976 to sell the parsonage and provide the pastor a housing allowance. The process was made easy when incumbent pastor **Richard Groves** offered to buy the parsonage for \$34,000. On the transaction, the church turned a nifty profit of \$21,000!—*Rufus Spain*

## Good News

Natalie Johnston has been appointed as an intern for the Baptist Joint Committee for the spring 2010 semester.

David Kopplin received the Herbert H. Reynolds Award from Baylor.

Baby McEntyre is here! Carol wrote, "Our son was born Sunday morning at 12:41 a.m. We got a call at 1:24 a.m. to come to the hospital." The birth mother had just delivered a baby boy. Nathan Henry McEntyre is seven weeks early but doing great. Joy and celebrations to Carol, Michael, and Nathan in Knoxville, TN. (Carol was our social worker 2000-2002.)



## Prayers for . . .

The family and church of Jeff Zurheide You may write to Karen, Molly, and Andrew at 80 Gay Farm Road, New London, NH 03257 (please note the corrected zip code). You can also read an article about Jeff on the Associated Baptist Press website ([http://www.abpnews.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=4526&Itemid=53](http://www.abpnews.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=4526&Itemid=53)).

The family of Dr. Alex Khoury who died Friday in Austin, where he lived with his wife and son and practiced his vocation of oral surgery. Alex's parents, Rollin and Lori, and his sister, Stephanie, are friends of many at Lake Shore. Lori served as director of Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center in the late 1980's and traveled with Lake Shore on mission trips to New York.

Kevin Compton, who had a prostatectomy on Tuesday. Paul Smajstrla, who is in his sixth and final round of chemotherapy at M.D. Anderson.

Jacque Neatherlin, who is home after hospitalization in Dallas last week.

Paul Concillio, friend of many at Lake Shore, who died last week after a long struggle with cancer.

**Advent Craft Workshop**  
Sunday, December 6  
5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Lake Shore's annual craft workshop.  
Fun for the whole family!

Call Jan Williams at 848-4750  
if you can lead a craft.

## Our Church Staff

Ruth Ballew, Director  
Lake Shore Baptist Children's Center  
Charles Conkin, Minister to Youth  
Dorisanne Cooper, Pastor  
Daniel Farris, Minister of Music  
Gordon Lawrence, Building Caretaker  
Janya Martin, Organist  
Melinda Reynolds, Office Manager  
Rachel Sciretti, Minister to Children  
Sharlande Sledge, Associate Pastor



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## MINISTRY AND EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

### Sunday, November 15

9:30—Sunday School  
10:45—Worship  
4:00—Advent Wreath Workshop  
4:30—Soulfriends

### Monday, November 16

12:00—Newsletter Deadline

### Tuesday, November 17

10:30—Staff Meeting

### Wednesday, November 18

5:30—Supper  
6:15—Children's Activities  
6:30—Budget Discussion  
7:30—Choir Rehearsal

*Deacon Nomination Forms Due*

### Thursday, November 19

8:30—Food Pantry Breakfast  
9:00—Food Pantry Opens  
5:30—Family Self-Sufficiency

## Looking Ahead

**November 20-22**—Youth Fall Retreat

**November 22**—Vote on Budget

**November 25**

LSBCC Closes at noon  
Thanksgiving Service

**November 26 & 27**

Church Office Closed

**November 28**—Advent Decorating

**December 6**—Advent Craft Night

## Wednesday Night Supper November 18, 2009



Chicken Fajitas  
Beans a la chara  
Guacamole Salad  
Dessert

## Extended Care/Visitor Cards Sunday, November 15

Toddlers: Barbara Tucker

Preschool/K: Jeff Davies

Visitor Cards: Kaitlin Wilson  
Jonathan Pendleton

Ushers: David & Faith Kopplin

## BGCT Annual Meeting

November 16-17, Houston  
Bill Belling, Dorisanne Cooper,  
and Angela Dennison will be  
Lake Shore's messengers.

Getting a new computer?

Don't know what to do with your old (but still in good working condition) computer? Consider donating it to the church office. Call or email 772-2910 or lbaptistchurch@hotmail.com.

## Youth News

Breakfast: Davies  
Dinner: Love

**Sunday Night:** 5:00-7:00  
"Sojourners" our Evening Bible Study. Please bring your Bible with you. Dinner is provided.

The **Fall Retreat** is November 20-22. Sign up in the Teen House. If you have any camping supplies/tents that the youth can borrow, please let Charles know.

The **Mid-Winter Retreat** is January 16-18. We are going to Latham Springs this year. Please make plans to attend. More information is coming.

**Congratulations** to John Salvesen, Cassie Pruitt, Matthew Reynolds, and Maya Davis for making All-Region Choir. They are going to participate in the TMEA All-Region Choir Clinic and Concert on November 14 at Baylor University.

## Staff Notes

Dorisanne will be on vacation  
November 19-27.

## Waco Children's Theatre Christmas Pageant

December 11 & 12 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Alban's Parish. For info call 776-0707.

## 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 2009 budget of \$425,655 are \$8,185.67.

<u>Year to date needs</u>	<u>Year to date received</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$ 368,355.29	\$ 321,066.52	\$(47,288.77)

## Deacons On-Call

November  
Kristi SoRelle  
Deb Vardiman