



COKER

United Methodist Church

CHURCH CONFERENCE

Sunday, December 15, 2019, 12:30 PM

Rev. Greg Hackett

Presiding

Las Misiones, District Superintendent

Love GOD + Serve Others + Change the World

AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions **Rev. Adam Knight**, Senior Pastor

Organizing the Conference **Rev. Greg Hackett**
Las Misiones District Superintendent
Election of Conference Secretary-Pam Fosdick

Reports and Action Items:

Finance Report **Becky Kirbo**, Dir. of Finance & Admin.

Building Committee Report **John Roy**, Chair

SPRC Report **Georgia Helmrick**, Chair

- **2020 Clergy Compensation**
- **Recommendation of Certified Lay Speakers (CLS)**
Names: Jim Booth (CLS)
- **Recommendation of Certified Candidates into Ordained Ministry**
Names: Jonathan Loggins and Raymond Chacon

Report of Membership Audit **Rev. Adam Knight**

Nominations and Election of Lay Leadership, Nominations & Leadership Development Committee **Rev. Adam Knight**

Sr. Pastor's Report **Rev. Adam Knight**

Sending Forth **Rev. Greg Hackett**

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State of the Church - Laity

Jay Roten, Church Council Chairperson & Walt Wilson, Lay Leader & Meredith Chacon, Associate Lay Leader

It is perhaps surprising that in the midst of so much uncertainty, Coker remains a beacon of hope in a world that desperately needs the peace that comes through God's love. Pending UMC organizational changes, land sales, building and capital campaigns, and a growing congregation that is transitioning from a large to a very large category all present challenges. Despite these uncertainties, recent outside analysts have confirmed that Coker is a robust church with a particularly strong sense of community and service, worshipful music, superb emphasis on education and learning, and a good mix of dedicated pastoral and lay leadership.

Coker is in the midst of addressing the many challenges that will present themselves in the coming year and is developing new initiatives that will help us continue to grow God's Kingdom. Without fear of external distractions, that growth will be inward (nurturing relationships within the congregation), upward (worshiping and drawing closer to God), and outward (shining God's light into the world). God has a rich history of using Coker as an instrument of His love. The current generation of Coker members are prayerfully continuing that legacy to love God, serve others, and change the world.



Board of Trustees - Don Leonard, Chairperson

JANUARY: Don Leonard was elected chairman and Ted Lee elected co-chairman. New Trustees: Mike Porter, Tony LoBosso, Wes Clarkson, and Karen Angelini were introduced. Field lighting and/fence request was discussed with no decision made. More information was requested. Items up for discussion in 2019 year included: improve John Wesley back entry, update Wesley bathrooms on one floor, paint/beautify downstairs Rector, Children's Ministry area - open hallway and move doors and make landscape Improvements in front of stained glass in Sanctuary. Completed items from year 2018 include the Bertha Jones ramp, H & W center shade, and the CELC playground shade.

FEBRUARY: Discussion items included a bus vs van and facility- custodian –A/V fees. An architect was contacted for the improvements to John Gibbs back entry. Work is starting on painting downstairs Rector. Work will start in July for the Children's Ministry area. The landscape improvements in front of the stained glass in the Sanctuary is in progress. There was discussion about the Youth moving to the gym - paint, flooring, and closet, etc. Painting the main gym was put off. We are waiting for a response from Andy McAdams on the temporary softball fence.

MARCH: Colton Willis was present to discuss the Youth move to the gym. Benefits included growth and youth autonomy. This change would move the youth to the center of the campus. This move would provide further opportunities for fellowship, collaboration and mingling. The changes would cost in the neighborhood of \$18,000. A motion was approved. Church Council update: met in St. Louis, MO. The Traditional Plan was passed which basically upholds UMC previous stance. The gym and chapel bathrooms were discussed. There is a need for renovations and improvements to the floor and grout. A new standard size toilet will be installed. The temporary fencing has been installed at the ballpark. Painting of the gym is to start in Dec. 2019 at a cost of \$11K. Painting of downstairs Rector is complete. Mike Porter volunteered to lead a new Technology (AV) Group. Technology is growing faster than we can absorb it. These technologies will be incorporated as required based on need and code. The Sanctuary lot lighting is complete.

APRIL: No new business, so The Trustee's did not meet.

MAY: We had a Church Council Update from Walt Wilson and John Roy. A Coker Safety Working Group has been tasked with reviewing the current safety and security of our campus and will make recommendations. Received an update on the land sale from John Roy. He is optimistic the sale will go through. A motion to permanently lock the gate at Coker Park due to dumping passed. The Technology Work Group gave an update. Moving from MOJA platform to WORDPRESS platform. We had much discussion about a revised facility rental rate. Ransomed Life had some discussion, but this is really a PEF responsibility. Becky will follow up.

JUNE: No meeting. No new business.

JULY: Becky reported an offer on the land sale has been accepted. The buyer has 120 days to make a final decision. Becky reported that the Boy Scouts and an outside professional are planning a new way through the prayer garden to allow direct access to the Gibbs Building and to both the upper and lower parking lots. This should be finished within 2-3 weeks. The Safety Working Group will be making recommendations to the Trustees shortly. AC units in building 301 and the chapel were replaced and the area cleaned. Because of the location, the units were purchased by the CELC. Wood piles and tree removal is being done by David and Neal in the area west of the Health and Wellness center. Considerations for the future include making repairs to Epworth in small increments and carpet and chair replacement in the chapel.

AUGUST: Another Land Sale update. Deadbolt Locks in Wesley classrooms was approved after a recommendation from the Safety Working Group. It was approved to dispose of the stage supports, but keep the platforms for some stage units used in the Sanctuary.

SEPTEMBER: Land sale: Becky reported the land sale is still active. The buyer wants to do some additional testing. Dead bolt locks in Wesley upstairs classrooms are needed for additional security. This expenditure was approved. There are many stage pieces in storage to be used in church programs that have rotted and need to be discarded. The platforms will be kept for later use. Asbestos was found in the Chapel. The best way to effectively remediate is being looked into.

More information will be provided later. The staff is getting quotes to replace rotting doors in Epworth. The Scouts have taken over the project for the back of Gibbs to include a new walkway leading up to the building. There are no drawings yet, but when received, the project will likely be approved.

OCTOBER: John Roy gave a positive report on the land sale. Class B office complex. Worth will be accepting the land "as is". However, Worth has presented a proposal requesting credit and an amount to be escrowed for remediation. A motion passed to accept this proposal. John stated that he hopes the sale can be closed by the end of this year. John gave a report on San Antonio Water System's replacement of a sewer main in Coker Park and the Taylor Track also known as "the dog kennel". Sharon Ford and Shirley Reid presented a proposal from the Health and Wellness Center. Explosive growth and expanding numbers of clients we serve. They have received a \$60,000 bid to build it in an area adjacent to the H & W center. A motion was made and passed to accept the build. David Barnes reported he is replacing five doors with fiberglass doors in Epworth due to rotting. Roof replacement at the end of Epworth is almost complete. Several rotting trees have been removed from the playground and Coker Park.

NOVEMBER Capital/Maintenance Projects List/2020 Trustee's Budget submitted by Becky Kirbo. Items include: Wesley bathroom remodel, Replace Trane AC software, Wesley Children's Department classrooms and office flooring replaced, Handicap ramp to sanctuary (where steps are currently located), Wesley main stairwell crack repair, Epworth new siding/ AC units, Gibbs prayer garden landscaping improvements, Church vehicles-shop for new golf cart . Items tabled for further developments including construction work on N Loop Rd include main driveway fence and main driveway concrete repairs at N Loop Rd. Items that need further study and concept development include: a welcome center, the relocation/secluding the dumpsters and storage buildings. Walt Wilson reported that the safety glass has been installed in the sanctuary, gym, and nursery. The "Surviving the Injury" emergency training is scheduled for Nov. 16 at the church.



Building Committee - John Roy, Chairperson

On behalf of the Coker Building Committee, we want to update the Church Conference on the implementation of the approved 2012 Phase I Master Plan.

Background - The 2019 Building Committee Members are: John Roy (Chair), Don Leonard, Carolyn Alley, Ann Ault, David Daniel, Pastor Adam Knight, Dick Gilby, Rick McManus, Bob Klaus, Eldon Roalson, Leonard Rodriguez, Jay Roten, Ralph Beck and Karen Angelini.

Update

The Building Committee continues to move forward with plans to implement the Final Phase 1 portion of the approved Master Plan for completion in 2021. Progress thus far includes the following:

- **Commercial Land Sale:** The Building Committee completed the negotiation, coordination, approval, and execution of a land sale contract for 10.864 acres with R.L. Worth & Associates on June 30, 2019. R.L. Worth & Associates has deposited a total of \$40,000 in “earnest money” to date with Chicago Title. R. L. Worth & Associates plans to develop, lease & construct several one & two story, flex-type, Class B office buildings with surface parking facilities. R. L. Worth & Associates has completed their initial 120 day “feasibility period” plus one (1) thirty (30) day extension. The Building Committee and R.L. Worth are currently working on negotiating the last thirty (30) day extension in order to complete Restrictive Covenant and Cross-Access Agreements. The land sale contract will close on or before January 28, 2020. The final sale amount will be \$2,700,000 less closing costs.
- **Entitlements/Permits:** The Building Committee has been working to secure infrastructure improvements to Coker’s sanitary sewer outfall connect to the San Antonio Water Systems (SAWS) sewer main located in North Loop Road. SAWS, as mandated by EPA, has been planning a major replacement project of the existing sanitary sewer main that’s currently located in Salado Creek. This replacement project requires SAWS to relocate the sanitary sewer from Salado Creek to the middle of North Loop Road. To accomplish this relocation, SAWS will be replacing all of Coker’s sanitary sewer connections as well as Coker’s water main connections. This work requires both “temporary construction” and “permanent” easements to be granted by Coker. The Building Committee has been working with SAWS since March 11, 2019 to define the scope of work associated with Coker’s sanitary sewer connections as well as the easements. The Building Committee communicated to SAWS that Coker would like SAWS to install new standard manholes deep enough to allow “future” connections by Coker. On October 3, 2019, SAWS submitted an offer to Coker Building Committee for \$40,900 for the “temporary construction” and “permanent” easements associated with the SAWS replacement project. The Building Committee met with SAWS on October 7, 2019 to review this offer. On November 14, 2019, the Building Committee submitted a “counter offer” to SAWS for the cost of the “easement” in the amount of \$54,220 including the installation of two (2) standard manholes for “future” connection by Coker. The Building Committee is waiting on SAWS to reply to this “counter offer”.
- **Planning:** The Building Committee in coordination with Alamo Architects is working on “schematic” elevations of the Columbarium and plans to present these new renderings to the Columbarium Committee and current subscribers at a luncheon on January 26th following the 11:00 service.



Finance Committee - Brian Zimmerman, Chairperson

As was reported at last year's Church Conference, Coker's Church Council voted in late 2018 to alter the methods Coker uses to perform visionary planning, budgeting, and funding of its operations, ministries and outreach efforts. These changes became effective January 1, 2019.

One major focus was to realign the funding and support of certain missions which had historically been funded and supported "outside Coker's budget" to now be under the umbrella of Coker's operational budget. We would budget the commitment to fund specified missions and outreach and would rely on the benevolence of Coker members to continue their support of this missional giving through their financial support of Coker.

Mission Moment Sundays were changed to be more informational versus a specific ask each month for financial support of a specified Mission - drawing your attention to areas Coker has committed to support (*via our hands and feet as well as financial resources*).

As the year draws to a close, our projected revenues are presently running a bit short of expectations, but we remain prayerfully optimistic that we will indeed finish the year strong and in line with our budget. ***However, in order to do so, we rely on members to faithfully honor their 2019 pledge balances as well as their continued support of Coker with unpledged financial assistance.*** Thank you for your gracious support – continuing a 136-year lineage of faithful support and stewardship.

The Finance Committee is pleased to announce that the financial condition of Coker United Methodist Church remains sound and stable.

The annual audit of Coker UMC's previous year ended December 31, 2018 was performed by Randy Walker & Company, P.C. resulting in an opinion that Coker's financial processes were sound and its financial condition as of December 31, 2018 was presented fairly.

We are finalizing the proposed budget for 2020 and respectfully request that any members who have not yet taken the opportunity to provide Coker with your intended 2020 pledge of support to do so.

We would also like to recognize and thank Coker's Director of Finance, Becky Kirbo, for her patience and steady hand during this year of change as well as her many years of service. I also express my appreciation to the other members of the Finance Committee for their faithful and dedicated support of Coker.

Wishing each of you a Blessed Christmas season and a wonderful New Year!



Staff-Parish Relations Committee – Georgia Helmrick, Chairperson

2019 brought connection in pastoral staff and growth in the congregation. The reach of Coker United Methodist Church extends beyond the address on North Loop Road to communities near and far. The ministry is strong and growing stronger.

Both Brandi Loggins and Brenden Burge ended their service to Coker Student Ministries and assumed positions of leadership with other congregations. Their presence is missed, but our committee is grateful to Coker for equipping them to become leaders. Marlie Riojas now serves as Interim Student Ministries Associate as pastoral staff and Colton Willis, Director of Student Ministries, prayerfully discern next steps for growing youth disciples. Marlie grew up in the Coker community and we joyfully welcomed her back.

We are entering 2020 with a pastoral staff that will begin their third year together. Pastor Adam has met his three-year anniversary, Pastor David completed his fourth year and Pastor Damon will begin his tenth year at Coker. They are committed to leading Coker and promoting our mission of Love God + Serve Others + Change the World in their respective ministry areas.

Church Staff Benefits and Compensation

The Rio Texas Conference intends on offering supplemental health insurance options to clergy.

Financials through October 2019 are as follows: Our lay program salary and benefits budget is \$1,033,541 (\$842,730 to date). Our clergy budget including salary, housing allowance, utilities, pension contribution and health insurance totals \$410,959 (\$333,241 to date). Total staff related expenses are budgeted at \$1,466,000 (\$1,175,971 to date) and is compared with the 2018 year-end of \$1,365,841.

403(b) was paid this year to lay employees at a 2% rate.

We have returning and new members on Staff-Parish Relations Committee who are committed to supporting our clergy and lay staff of Coker United Methodist Church. We look forward to seeing where 2020 takes us.



Congregational Life - Gail Hatcher, Director of Adult Ministries and Fellowship

Adult Education- Coker is very blessed with a strong adult Sunday School Program. At 9:30 a.m. we have 10 adult classes. They study everything from contemporary life issues from a Christian perspective to hard core Bible study. Our classes offer a variety of social functions as well as supporting missions. All adults are encouraged to visit various classes until they find a class that meets their needs of study and community. A brochure and map with a brief class description is available at the Welcome Booth or the Church office. Coker also hosts a variety of both long and short term Bible Study Classes including Disciple Bible studies, spiritual gifts, Beth Moore and Men's studies as well as Life Application and

seasonal studies for Advent and Lent. Our “Midweek Manna” program is a comprehensive series of classes, choirs and dinner which are offered to meet the needs of all ages and stages.

Senior Adults- Coker Adult Fellowship- This lively group meets the first Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. They share a covered dish luncheon, enjoy fellowship, hold a business meeting and finish up with a special guest lecture or program on various topics.

United Methodist Men-An active, mission-minded group of men who meet every Monday morning at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast and Bible Study. They also help the Trustees with repair projects around the campus. A yearly golf tournament provides both fellowship and fundraising for mission projects. Our men are not only active here at Coker but also in district UMM events.

United Methodist Women- A large group comprised of various circles. These women meet for fellowship and Bible Study on a monthly basis. The main purpose of the UMW is to support both local and worldwide missions of the United Methodist Church. They sponsor the Cokerfest Arts and Crafts Fair the first Saturday of November as well as several fellowship events throughout the year. This organization encompasses women of all ages.

Worship Team is another place where I serve as a Staff Liaison to help coordinate worship logistics. We have a faithful team of servants who maintain pew materials, prepare, serve and clean-up communion elements. Each of these logistical areas is headed by a dedicated coordinator my thanks to Linda Moore and her crew for Communion prep and Diane English, Tony Lobasso and Shannon Wolfe who obtain communion servers for each service. In addition our Lay Reader Ministry is blessed with the leadership of Tami Roe who places a lay reader for each service. Leanne Estes and her small group maintain the pew materials. These are the behind the scenes angels who bring excellence to our worship experience.

Fellowship Ministry- This work area encompasses the various areas of food service or “Kitchen Ministry” including but not exclusive to The Blend Cafe and the Midweek Manna meals. We are blessed to have wonderful part time staff, Mary Kay Tennant for Midweek Manna and Dahn Windhorn as our kitchen detailing coordinator who maintains the kitchen up to code. They cook, plan and shop for the meals as well as oversee feeding the hungry with the help of many wonderful volunteers. We also host many other events during the year. A special thanks to our Loving Spoonful bereavement meal ministry which hosts funeral meals for those not involved in a class, committee or small group.



Coker Kids - Cheryl Kendall, Director

Let’s give God all the glory for a wonderful, fantastic year! I thank God for a very great staff, Coker Kids’ Team and volunteers!! He has brought each of you here to share your gifts and hearts with His children.

Watching Coker Kids’ grow in their faith is a gift from God, thank you God for allowing me to be part of the lives of your precious children. Children bring so much laughter, joy and happiness to the lives of us all. Enjoy every moment!!

The vision of Coker Kids is to plant the seeds of Christian love, to offer ways of nurturing children to grow, not only physical but spiritually. In order to allow these seeds to grow, Coker Kids provides many opportunities for children, nursery thru 5th grade, and their families. We want children to know that God loves them and that they can have fun as they discover His love.

Coker Kids continues to be blessed with a great staff: Wendy Pearson, Assistant Director, Michelle Doucette, Nursery Supervisor and a wonderful nursery staff. Along with a great staff we have some AWESOME and FAITHFUL volunteers. Thank you to all of you....I couldn't do this without each of you. Love you all!!!

2019 has been a very joyous year! A year of continuous growth and fun and also a year of sprucing up our ministry area....come visit us and we will "show and tell".

- We have bright colored doors to represent each age group.
- The floors looks FABULOUS!!!!
- New counter top and sink in our "kitchen" area.

We continue to enhance our other great ministries:

- The nursery continues to not only love on the children but teach them many Bible stories.
- Sunday school is growing and all continue to enjoy Bible Studies for life. We are learning through Bible skills, games, great Bible stories and more.
- Wednesday Night Bible study can be a fun time and a place for kids to be their selves.
- Kids' Worship continues during the 11:00 worship service. Children spend this time enhancing what they have learned during Sunday school.
- Coker Kids' Club continues to be an all-time favorite.
- It was so great last year, Coker Kids and Student Ministries joined together again in a Family Serve day. Families came together in the spring to help our very own Coker Families with yard work, cleaning and much more. In the fall, we all gathered together at Urban Faith Missions to prepare and paint fences.
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper/Silent Auction continues to grow. The 5th graders and the Extreme Kids had a blast serving pancakes and bacon to the hungry crowd. Approximately \$7500 was raised to benefit Heifer International, Nothing but Nets and the Extreme Kids in their missions.
- Coker Kids sponsored 2 children through Compassion.
- The annual Easter Egg Scramble was held at Coker Park where approximately 200 gathered to enjoy the morning. The rain and storms did not keep families away. Families from Coker, ELC and the surrounding community enjoyed donuts, crafts, a petting zoo and hunted for more than 2500 stuffed eggs....on the porch of the Scout Lodge. This was a scramble to remember!!
- Worship at Schlitterbahn kicked off our summer with Pastor Adam leading all in worship and communion. There were 98 in attendance.

- VBS was AWESOME! The sanctuary became an African Savannah. Over 350 children and volunteers filled all parts of the church to have fun, learn Bible stories, and worship God.
- In July, we took VBS to Emanuel UMC for a great time of worship, story time on the Jordan River, games and lunch!!! What a wonderful experience we all had!!
- 14 Bibles were presented to our 3rd graders. “Learn to Use My Bible” classes were offered to teach the 3rd graders how to digger deeper into their Bibles.
- Our Annual Harvest Celebration/trunk r treat was attend by approximately 900 children, youth and adults.
- Family Advent.....Making Memories Together. 35 families came together to begin preparation for Jesus birth. All enjoyed lunch, cookie decorating, hot chocolate bar and putting together gingerbread houses. So much fun!!!!
- Christmas Eve Family Service will be another great experience as the children and youth come together to present the Christmas Story.



Coker Early Learning Center Ministry – Charla McCoy, Coker Early Learning Center Director

Coker Early Learning Center (Coker ELC) is a weekday ministry for children that is 59 years-strong in tradition as it continues to serve the congregation and the surrounding community of Coker United Methodist Church. God has blessed Coker ELC with 50 + talented individuals who share their love and passion for working with the 240 children enrolled in the ministry, the families, and each other on a daily basis.

Daily Chapel brings our Coker ELC family together as we hear His word, sing songs of praise, and apply Christian principles to our daily experiences. Classroom teachers support children, from 12 months to Kindergarten, in their learning by using a center and literature based curriculum to develop concepts in a manner that is physically, socially, intellectually, and emotionally encouraging. Children grow in independence and develop their own unique talent and ability through hands on experiences. Our fitness teacher leads classes in developing gross motor skills through movement sequences, obstacle courses, team relays, parachute, ball activities, organized games, and much more. Children dance and sing as the music teacher plays the guitar. The music experience is enriched as children learn how to play a variety of rhythm instruments, learn finger plays and story songs, in addition to seasonal songs showcased during Coker ELC programs. Classes enjoy visiting the CELC library to check out books and participate in a special story and puppet time as part of the weekly schedule.

The school year calendar reflects a variety of enrichment experiences such as a featured story book teller, visit from the fire department, Cowboy Kevin, Magik Theater, and Zoomagination. Families participate and show their support for each seasonal preschool classroom party and are the best spectators for our annual Fiesta Hat & Crown Parade. In addition to a traditional school year calendar

Coker ELC offers a summer program that includes lots of fun enriching activities during the months of June, July, and August.

This year the Coker ELC children visited the Pumpkin Patch, donated over 800 items to the Coker UMC Food Pantry as part of our Thanks-and-Giving Friendship Feast, and collected many, many Angel Tree gifts. The Coker ELC Board organized the Scholastic Book Fair, Original Works, Box Tops, Letters from Santa, Visit Day with Santa & Mrs. Claus and Art Walk/Family Picnic Day. The CELC Board organized “Pies & Treats” for the staff for Thanksgiving as well as “The 12 Days of Christmas” gift give away and Teacher Appreciation week luncheon. Our year will conclude in May with Bible and certificate presentations to our 4 year old children and Graduation and End of The year Program for the entire school.



Student Ministry – Colton Willis, Director of Student Ministries

2019 has been a year of transition and growth here at Coker in the Student Ministries world! We have seen God at work in so many different ways as our department has shifted and changed this past year. At the end of the summer after leaving HS Mission Trip Early due to an incoming Hurricane, Brandi Loggins announced that she had accepted a call to work with Stephen Sanders, former Coker Associate Pastor. Not long after Brendan Burge announced his departure. Marlie Riojas became our Interim Student Ministries Associate and has done a great job connecting with our Students!

Our Sunday mornings have shifted the Traditional Sunday School model has been changed and we now call it Ignite Sunday. We focus more on large group gathering and fellowship and then dive into small group discussions after large group time. Connect Wednesdays still looks the same and we have not changed that programming much though we have brought in different curriculum for our HS Students that really help them think about life and how their faith impacts their daily life. With continued growth in numbers we have moved to the gym to allow for expansion as needed and to allow for space for people to feel comfortable and not cramped.

It has been a great year of study, fellowship, service and much more. We had a great summer serving locally with our mission partners, and even the cut short trip to New Orleans with our High School Students was one to remember. On Wednesdays, we drive the vans over to about three or four Middle Schools to pick up students for Connect Wednesday. We have also added pick-ups to three of our local high schools. They love still being a part of the health and wellness ministry at our church and love serving this way. After this, students have the chance to do homework, decompress, eat dinner at Mid-Week Manna, and go to choir before Bible Study. Our students have helped serve through VBS, at Harvest Celebration, on family serve days, and various other places around the church.

In 2020 we will confirm 11 confirmands. We hope that the mentor program continues to grow and spread outside of the confirmation class and throughout the entire program. We have had many fellowship opportunities for our students such as Fiesta Texas trips in the summer, bowling, and so much more! We are looking forward to our 2020 Winter Retreat and Ski Trip as well as our Worship Nights coming up and Late-Night Coker's in the spring!

I would like to thank all the members of Coker UMC for your support this past year! It is apparent in your faith. Seeing students talk about real life challenges and applying them to their faith is a very powerful to watch. Thank you for supporting us financially and continuing to do so. Without you as a congregation we would not be able to do the things that we do in the Student Ministries world! We look forward to continuing to guide our students by teaching them to love others in the way that Christ would want them to and going out in the world to do the same.



Health & Wellness Ministry - Sonia Cavazos, Wesley Nurse

The number of clients receiving Wesley Nurse services for the following Quarters:

1st Quarter: 308; 2nd Quarter: 394; 3rd Quarter: 431; October, November: 226; Total: 1,362

The number of community outreach events provided by the Wesley Nurse for the following Quarter:

1st Quarter: 20; 2nd Quarter: 23; 3rd Quarter: 25; October: 9; November 1st-November 18th: 6; Total: 83

The number of people attending the community outreach events:

1st Quarter: 1,808; 2nd Quarter = 2,000; 3rd Quarter = 3,316; October: 734; November 1st-November 18th: 840; Total: 8,698

Some of the programs offered:

- Facilitated Parenting Program with Methodist Children's Home
- Facilitated Nutrition Classes with SA Food Bank, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension,
- Facilitated Diabetes and Wellness Classes with the SA Metropolitan Health District, Prairie View A&M
- Backpack Distribution Health Fair 30 Resources
- Children Finger Prints & ID Kits: 9
- Walgreen's Flu Clinics-49 Free Flu Vaccinations given to under-served clients
- Children's Vaccinations: 35 given to under-served clients

- Coker's UMC Congregation: 65 Flu Vaccinations
 - South Texas Blood and Tissue Coker UMC Blood Drive: January 27, 2019: 18 Units; May 19, 2019: 17 Units; July 21, 2019: 16 Units; October 13, 2019: 4 Units; Total: 55 Units
- Texas Kidney Foundation: 27 screenings for: BP, BS, BMI, blood creatinine and eGFR
- Vine Wellness Group Counseling Program: since September: 5 Clients seen-total of 19 sessions
- Education/Resources: provided for clients at Coker Food Pantry, West Avenue Compassion
- Preventative Dental Care: 28 Children-August 1st, 2019: Texas Department of State Health Services at Coker Health & Wellness Center
- Taskforce Committee for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension: Dinner Tonight and Family & Consumer Services
- Facilitated CPR classes with Renee Albracht AHA CPR instructor, for Coker, and West Avenue Compassion Food Pantries
- Provided Resources and Education to clients from Harmony Hills Elementary
- In collaboration with North Side Lion's Club, free eye exams and glasses were given to 278 under-served clients, from October 15th, 2015-October 23rd, 2017. No Vouchers were given from February 2017-October 23rd, 2017, since this program did not have any funds. Total number of free exams and glasses were 484 since November 18th, 2019.

The Health and Wellness center celebrated our 10 year anniversary in October with a luncheon, attended by SA Food Bank CEO Eric Cooper, Pastors Adam, Damon and David and families and 200 volunteers and families.

We've expanded programs and hours at the Health & Wellness center to provide services to our growing number of clients.

- Distribution hours were expanded to 11:30 - 2 pm
- Additional zip codes to provide services for more clients, an approximate 10 mile radius
- Pediatric dentist with in/house services
- Vine Wellness counseling available to clients recommended by Pastors and Sonia Cavazos
- First Wednesday of each month, Senior Box and Hope commodity programs are available for seniors who qualify. Hope program includes fresh produce, dry goods and dairy and meats. Totals for both programs exceed 48,000 pounds.
- Middle school students picked up by Coker at their perspective middle schools come to the food pantry and stock each Wednesday afternoon.
- More than 30,000 clothing items were given away
- We project distributing over 190,000 pounds from the San Antonio Food Bank in 2019, an increase of more than 27,000 pounds over 2018
- Coker food distribution will surpass 1,000,000 pounds in early 2020
- Blessed with dedicated volunteers
- Distributed 976 backpacks in August. That represented 343 families-235 from our Coker Food Pantry along with 83 from West Avenue Compassion, and 25 from Harmony Hills Elementary. St.

George Episcopal, West Avenue Compassion, Churchill Baptist, St. Thomas Episcopal, and Oak Hills North Central also helped with donations and volunteers for the project.

- Also distributed 699 Christmas gifts in December to our Coker Angels.. Those children came from 230 families from our Food Pantry.
- In addition to the wonderful regular H/W Volunteers for these two projects, our youth and Coker Kids help us to get things ready and are so greatly appreciated!

Future plans include a walk in freezer and refrigerator outside which would provide space for produce and meat and additional space inside for dry goods inside the food pantry. With this plan, we would review opening our food pantry to extended hours, such as a second day for clients or evening hours to service additional areas. This would also allow us to order once a month and have the Food Bank deliver the food. This is a considerable monetary savings, as well as utilizing those volunteers for additional programs.



Worship Ministry Cluster – NO LONGER FUNCTIONING

Music and Visual Arts – Pam Fosdick (2020), Chair, Music Committee; Tom & Myrna Ellison, Chairs, Visual Arts Committee

Agape Choir: The Agape Choir is comprised of loyal members who faithfully provide music for the 8:00 service every Sunday. The choir has no other rehearsal day – learning the day’s anthem that very morning! We’ve sung more challenging anthems this year, thanks to the dedication and hard work of the choir members. Many of our members are active in Sunday School classes, church groups, and committees outside the choir. Agape Choir has added some teenage members this year, as well as fellowship luncheons to give us an opportunity to socialize. We are a close-knit group who are united in our love of music and our joy in leading worship every Sunday morning.

Coker Children’s Choir: (kindergarten-grade 5) continues to grow, with membership now over two dozen children! The choir sings in worship once a month, frequently collaborating with the youth choir and bell choir. In May 2019, the choir presented “The Story-Tellin’ Man” – a musical telling of the parables of Jesus. The choir children really enjoy learning Bible stories as they sing! In August 2019, we held our annual Choir Camp, based on the theme “Singing through the Seasons.” The children had fun playing musical games and making new friends, as we learned about the Liturgical Year. We walked a floor map of the church year each day during camp, and began learning some Seasonal Antiphons that the children can accompany on Orff and rhythm instruments. In December, the Children’s Choir offered a medley of songs from the movie “The Polar Express” at the Christmas at Coker concert. Their performance was a huge hit, and the children’s enthusiasm as they sang and danced put everyone in the Christmas spirit!

Coker Youth Choir: (grades 6-12) continues to grow in size and maturity, and is again co-ed, with guys joining the girls once more. Youth Choir sings challenging music, in 2 or 3 parts, and frequently enhances worship with meaningful anthems. Several members also play musical instruments and offer these gifts in worship as well. In May 2019, youth joined the children's choir for the musical "The Story-Tellin' Man" – with the youth holding many of the leading roles in the musical. Youth Choir members serve various Coker ministries, and are always invaluable helpers during the annual Choir Camp in August. In December, the Youth Choir again delighted the Christmas at Coker audience with "Cold and Fugue Season" – a hilarious arrangement of a Bach Fugue. Also at the concert, the youth joined the children for the entertaining "Polar Express Medley." Finally, the young ladies of the choir will portray the angel choir for the 3:00 Christmas Eve family service.

Praise Band: The band has continued to improve in every facet this year, including the integration of tracks and fully integrated lighting programs. Along with these technical additions, we will be included in Christmas Eve services this year.

Chancel Choir: We again assembled a moving collection of pieces from various masterpieces to help tell the Good Friday story, including Mozart's and Brahms's *Requiems*, *Carmina Burana*, and *Messiah*. Easter was a tremendous celebration and was followed by another packed house for another successful Patriotic Pops. A return to the AT&T Center to sing the anthem for the Spurs was an early fall highlight. Symphony Sundays continued to elevate Coker's profile within the San Antonio arts community, especially November's performance of Beethoven's *Mass in C*. Christmas at Coker will feature Poulenc's *Gloria*, and the Chancel Choir will return to the Tobin Center in February of next year as the chorus performing the premiere of Brett Strader's (a friend of Mark's from San Francisco) new work *Remember* with the San Antonio Symphony, a large work about the history of the Alamo that has already been featured in several articles and feature stories.

The Coker Orchestra: The Coker Orchestra continues to add a unique grandeur and scope to worship and concert experiences. The level of playing and caliber of music have continued to excel as the Chancel Choir has taken on bigger and bigger musical challenges.

Festival Bells: Under the continued direction of Richard Garrett, the Festival Bells were a consistent and meaningful presence in worship this year, especially with the premiere of a new piece in Judy Garrett's memory on All Saint's Sunday. In addition to traditional pieces, they also collaborated with the children's choirs, chancel choir, and Valerie Thompson on organ. In December, they will collaborate with the chancel choir, organ, and Coker Orchestra for a powerful Christmas medley entitled Tidings!

Hearts in Tune: Directed by Lovena Miller, Hearts in Tune choir reaches out to area residence facilities including independent living, assisted living, and full care units every Thursday morning during fall, winter and spring. Hearts in Tune brings the singers' joy to minister to residents and clients at these facilities while sharing the gift of music and God's love.

Visual Arts Ministry: Tom and Myrna Ellison continued to guide the group through a reduced schedule of events following the transition of Billy and Linda Keen from VAM leadership. The annual Advent showing is currently running and has become a wonderful addition to the season.



Outreach Ministry Team- Les Mallonee, Chairperson

Outreach at Coker continued to be an effective ministry during 2019. There were a variety of activities carried out to demonstrate Christ's love to the community. These included the following:

Mission Trip to Mexico: several individuals from Coker traveled to Juan Wesley UMC in Cuernavaca, Mexico and completed projects in the area.

Café en la Calle was provided at North Star Mall next to the Via Trans bus center. Coker members provided coffee and donuts to commuters during the morning rush hour in the spring months.

Dinner Church was started at Las Chiladas, a Mexican restaurant on NW Military Highway. Coker members provided a potluck dinner for nearby residents. Dinner and fellowship was followed by a worship service. Attendance has grown steadily. In November, the Thanksgiving Celebration, was attended by 77 persons. Turkey and all the fixings were provided by Coker members followed by a worship service and communion.

Several times in the past year Coker provided dinner in the park at Larkspur Elementary. In addition to dinner the Praise Band from the Hispanic service provided music for the worship service.

Halloween Celebration at Elm Creek Apartments provided an opportunity for Coker members to meet residents. There were around 50 residents who attended.

The Food Pantry at Urban Faith Mission was supported by Coker members. Groceries for 20 families were sorted and delivered each month. Additionally, Coker folks provided a Bible study for women in the local area.

Habitat for Humanity House construction and the Joshua build were successfully completed during the year. The Joshua Build was well attended with a chance for families to participate in construction of the framing for the Habitat House. Then during the fall Coker members participated in the construction of the house. Volunteer support from Coker members for the actual build was not as robust as in past years.



Permanent Endowment Fund (“Creating grants for unfunded missions, ministries and Church properties”) – Rick McManus, Chairperson

The Coker Permanent Endowment Fund is thriving. The Fund has held true to its tasking of only addressing unbudgeted needs that are important for accomplishing our Lord’s work both within Coker and in our surrounding community...it is quickly becoming a capable instrument doing just that. I can report that both the Fund and our congregation’s support are growing steadily. Since inception, the available grant money pool has increased annually (reflected in the history chart below).

Your Endowment’s capability of supporting unbudgeted campus needs and outreach ministries is growing steadily. Your donations to the Fund in recent years have played a large role in the Fund’s growth coupled with prudent management of those funds...only the earnings are considered for the annual award pool leaving the principle to grow into perpetuity. As you consider your year-end giving, please consider the Coker Permanent Endowment Fund.

Coker Permanent Endowment Fund grants approved in 2019:

- \$5,000 previously granted from the 2018 authorization was released to Project Transformation for summer intern work in 2019.
- Provided \$10,000 to relocate the Coker Youth from Gibbs to the Gym thus providing more space for the youth and freeing up classrooms for other uses.
- Granted \$5,000 to upgrade our communications with a new Coker website.
- Approved a third year grant of \$4,000 supporting the 2019 Mexico mission trip as support shifts to the Coker budget in 2020.
- Supported the Coker Safety Work Group with an \$11,505 grant to remedy Coker’s most important near-term safety deficiencies.
- Granted \$10,000 to Project Transformation towards a now well-defined student intern and Rio Texas Conference resource housing project.
- Awarded a \$2,000 grant towards a dynamic young adult student Christian leadership development program through the United Campus Ministry at Texas State.

<u>Financial Summary</u>	<u>Balance 1/1/2019</u>	<u>Balance 10/31/2019</u>	<u>2019 Grants</u>
Endowment Fund 2007	\$621,092	\$747,734	
Endowment Trust 1988	\$110,550	\$132,223	
*Coker loan for dog kennel Purchase	\$238,048	\$185,345	
<u>Total Endowment Fund</u>	<u>\$969,690</u>	<u>\$1,065,302</u>	<u>\$42,505</u>

***Dog Kennel loan:** The Fund extended an internal loan to Coker in 2017 assisting in the dog kennel purchase. In January 2018, the church began loan repayments to the Fund; interest on the loan is 5%. Loan repayment occurs upon the sale of the West Avenue property or within five years through normal installments, whichever happens first.

In the Coker Permanent Endowment Fund, God has richly blessed Coker with a powerful resource for supporting unbudgeted missions, ministries, and campus property needs. We on the Committee are grateful for the generous and continued support from our Coker congregation.

CPEF distribution and grant history

Implementation year: 2007

<u>Year</u>	<u>January 1st Value</u>	<u>Donations</u>	<u>Authorized Distributions</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>Comments</u>
2007	\$120,302	\$ 198,785	\$5,000	\$ 4,303	\$100K challenge
2008	\$319,074	\$ 3,250	Records not available	\$ 3,790	
2009	\$330,256	\$ 35,250	Records not available	\$12,512	
2010	\$367,361	\$ 3,270	Records not available	\$ 8,000	
2011	\$375,651	\$ 10,360	Records not available	\$ 9,481	
2012	\$388,233	\$ 8,200	\$15,080	\$14,677	
2013	\$400,836	\$ 198,043	\$16,456	\$ 9,500	
2014	\$640,352	\$ 17,575	\$19,938	\$ 8,976	
2015	\$659,837	\$ 94,319	\$23,440	\$17,000	
2016	\$716,756	\$ 26,600	\$27,078	\$20,400	
2017	\$752,010	\$189,642	\$29,504	\$28,497	
2018	\$789,600	\$ 32,972	\$35,661	\$29,650	\$5,000 spent 2019
2019	\$984,011	TBD	\$42,543	\$42,505	

Updated: 11/19/2019

Rev. Adam Knight, Senior Pastor

Coker Family,

2019 is drawing to a close and it has been another wonderful year in the life of Coker United Methodist Church. I thought for my report this year, I would look at the goals that we set at the end of 2018 and offer you an update on where we stand with several of them and where we go from here as we approach 2020.

This is from my report to the church conference in 2018:

We will be launching a new “core discipleship process” that highlights our particular vision and disciples people with a foundation of faith so that they can move ahead with us in living God’s mission in our church. We will be launching a leadership development academy the second half of the year in conjunction with Asbury Theological Seminary that will not only train up leaders for the future of our church but it will equip leaders for the city of San Antonio to have a Christian impact in our city. Our children’s and student ministry will be taking steps forward in reaching families and kids and our mission/outreach ministry will be continuing to reach out in new ways like dinner churches, Health and Wellness ministry and mission work beyond our city.

Each of these things saw significant progress in this year, even if that progress helped us to realize we needed to move in a different direction. Let’s walk through one by one.

We will be launching a new “core discipleship process” that highlights our particular vision and disciples people with a foundation of faith so that they can move ahead with us in living God’s mission in our church.

The Coker Core was a class for folks new to our church that launched in the early part of the year and saw pretty good success. The first two groups to go through were sizeable classes that seemed to enjoy it. Following that, however, we began to see diminishing returns on the program. In that time, we also started rethinking our Connecting @Coker process which fed the Coker Core. In the midst of all of that we began to realize that what we have was a “one size fits all” discipleship model, but a growing understanding that in becoming a disciple of Jesus Christ – one size does not fit all. So, the Coker Core is being remade into a new, individualized discipleship plan that we will roll out to the entire church – new and longtime members – in early 2020.

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The Coker Leadership Institute in conjunction with Asbury Seminary is up and running with is first class of 18 folks participating. This pilot group of people gathered together for a launch retreat in September and have been meeting weekly in 3 different small group ever since. The small group time consists of teaching from Asbury faculty, discussion over lecture topics, and personal faith development and sharing. This cohort will finish in May of 2020 and will receive a Certificate in Christian Leadership from Asbury upon completion. We have begun talks with the seminary about adding additional institutes for theological studies, and missional studies. Be watching for the development of what I am calling The

Coker Institutes where in the future you can receive training in Theology, Leadership and Mission from a world-class theological institution like Asbury Seminary right here at Coker.

Our children's and student ministry will be taking steps forward in reaching families and kids...

2019 saw the largest VBS since I've been the pastor here, with 250 children participating. In addition, we added a Christian Sports Camp that met in the afternoon each day following VBS. Coker Student Ministries continue to reach into the community and connect with middle and high schoolers through new programs like "Late Night Coker" and their new middle school mission trip right here in San Antonio called, "Submerge". We also began a new and growing partnership with Emanuel UMC on San Antonio's west side that had their kids participating in many of these opportunities with us, and a Coker group that went down to Emanuel and put on a one-day VBS in that community.

... Our mission/outreach ministry will be continuing to reach out in new ways like dinner churches, Health and Wellness ministry and mission work beyond our city.

The November meeting of our Dinner Church at Las Chiladas saw 77 people come and attend and that has now grown to increased ministry in the immediate area of NW Military and Braesview. Our Health and Wellness ministry completed a 2 day strategic planning session and has in place goals and growth agendas to continue to increase the impact they are having in the 6 zip code area that we serve. And as we heard during stewardship we have a growing relationship with the amazing international ministry, Compassion International and we are praying about the very real possibility that we will be called upon to plant a church and a new Compassion Center in Central or South America next year.

In conclusion friends, let me just say this; when I surrendered to the call that God put on my life to be in ministry and lead the church it was because I wanted to do the things that we are doing here at Coker. I have no interest in simply doing "church-y" things. I want to spend my time doing the things that will build community that will impact our city, that will come alongside the poor and oppressed, and that boldly and unashamedly proclaim that our God is King. In short, I want to spend my time doing the things that Jesus did – because that is what holiness demands of us. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are doing just that. Thank you for joining me in these endeavors. The road ahead will not always be easy – but we will go together as the people God has called us to be here at Coker United Methodist Church.

Pastor Adam



Damon Relder, Associate Pastor

What a year 2019 turned out to be, a challenge both spiritually and personally. As everyone knows, for our family the year started with a house fire – which kept us living in a hotel for 10 months! Fortunately, no one was hurt and all the belongings will eventually be replaced. What the process did however was truly a spiritual experience as well. This church came forward with food and clothing to help us in the early stages of the disaster, but throughout the entire experience we were surrounded by love and prayers which helped sustain our perseverance. For that we will always be grateful for indeed you were the body of Christ acting on part of the body that was hurting. On behalf of my family, thank you all so very much.

As far as my ministry for 2019, I was surprised what an impact the fire had on my work for the church. Many extra duties fell by the wayside as the rebuilding process required so much of my time to check on progress or to be present for an inspector. Thanks to the work of Gail Hatcher, adult ministries never skipped a beat. Our Sunday school program is still strong and growing. Our Bible studies were well attended and expanded. We have started to expand the studies to using the internet in addition to live studies, thanks to the work of people like Zow Martinez and his crew.

Children's ministry got a face-lift in upstairs Rector and with that physical improvement, the Children's Ministry area grew as well, thanks to the leadership of Cheryl Kendall and Wendy Pearson. Our youth ministry moved to the gym allowing them a greater range of activities. Colton Willis has really grown into his second year of leadership of the program with new ideas and way of ministering to youth. Both programs have started to include the children and youth of Emmanuel UMC in their work as well and Coker continues to find ways of partnering with them in ministry.

And what is coming for 2020? Certainly, a greater focus on internet studies in order to reach a wider audience with God's word. Children and youth will focus on how to collaborate together to create more of a family ministry type of outreach. And always, we keep our eyes open for new opportunities that God will bring to us as well.

Thanks to everyone who makes these ministries possible. God bless you all.



David Blanco, Associate Pastor

Dear Coker Familia y District Superintendent:

It is with humility, gratitude, and great joy that I share the following report to each of you. Again, I can give witness to God's grace which has been close to each of us throughout the year.

Whenever we place ourselves at the Lord's service and say, "Here I am, send me", look out, because God may take us at our word and send us to places we never imagined, to people we never thought we'd talk to, and in ways we never dreamed of. I think this may be a pretty good summary of my ministry experience here at Coker this year.

The outreach ministry of Coker continues to reach out and make a difference in the lives of those around our surrounding community, and, through our various mission trips, in the lives of those around the city, state, and world.

Through our Health and Wellness Ministry, thousands were fed through the food pantry, and several more hundreds were blessed through the many other outreach ministries of the Health and Wellness Center in the way of backpacks, Christmas gifts, medical resources, preventative dental procedures, and more.

Three other areas of ministry I'd like to share about are Coker en Español, Coker's Mexico mission trip, and Dinner Church. Coker en Español is Coker's Spanish language worship service and has been active for about 4 years now. Though most of our attendees are Spanish-speakers, it is a diverse group that reflects this demographic. We began 4 years ago on Saturday evenings at 5pm and averaged 12-15 people. Two years ago we moved to the Sunday morning 11am hour, which gave us greater visibility and at this time last year we were averaging 25-30 people each Sunday. Currently, we are averaging 40-45 people each Sunday.

We have begun to see more people not only visit, but continue to attend as worshippers. Though "attracting" Hispanics to Coker en Español has not been without its challenges, I believe we have made great strides. We have a couple of lay leaders who have helped to preach in my absence, have helped me teach our Bible study, and who have volunteered for multimedia ministry support. I am very hopeful as to where and how the Holy Spirit is leading us.

The second area of ministry I'd like to highlight is Coker's Mexico mission trip. This past summer we took our third team down to south central Mexico to work in three mission fields — La Joya, Morelos, Renuévame, Mexico City, and Apaxco, Estado de México. Over 3 mission trips, we've taken over 30 different people on these mission trips.

The last of these mission fields was the most impactful one of all. In Apaxco, the Methodist Church has a ministry to migrants at the church (Iglesia Metodista La Santísima Trinidad) where migrants arrive and are able to have a hot meal, shower, wash their clothes, phone home, get tennis shoes (if needed), and a full night of some much, much needed rest. These migrants have been traveling from Central America through Mexico aboard cargo trains known as "The Beast" (for its dangerous reputation).

At this ministry, known as “Un Oasis en Medio del Camino” (Oasis in the Midst of the Journey), the local church was moved to meet the need of these traveling brothers and sisters. A year ago, they received a rather large grant from UMCOR to build some dormitories (separate for men and women), adequate restrooms with showers, medical room, dining area, a laundry area, and a reception area. Coker has helped in the process of completing this building and supplying tennis shoes and care kits for the migrants.

Thirdly, two years ago the outreach ministry launched the Dinner Church model and we began to set up at Larkspur Park in hopes of reaching out to the immediate community and establishing a community of faith. We had mixed results. This past year we made a connection with Las Chiladas restaurant and we launched a Dinner Church at Las Chiladas in July with 44 in attendance, half of them community friends. We had another Dinner Church at Las Chiladas in August and had 42 people.

We’ve met each month since and at our November Thanksgiving Dinner Church we had 75 in attendance with most of them community friends. We celebrated Holy Communion and had a children’s time in November which was very well received.

The outreach ministry began the year agreeing that the Holy Spirit was leading us this year to reach out to new people, in new places, in new ways. I believe that by the grace of God we’ve taken solid steps towards that. We’ll continue those steps in 2020.

By grace alone,

Rev. David Blanco, Associate Pastor



Gene Roe, Minister of Resource Development

Dear Coker Congregation,

It has been a joy and blessing to serve at and through Coker in 2019. I would like to thank so many of you who I have had the privilege of serving with.

The ministries I was primarily involved with in 2019 were youth, financial stewardship and Kairos. All I believe are connected to a Deacons call – connecting the church to the world.

It has truly been a blessing teaching high school Sunday school. Many of the kids who come are not Coker members, but come for the message and because they are seeking. This also includes Wednesday night high school bible study. Many times, the lesson was more for the teacher than the student. We have a great bunch of kids at Coker who are growing in Christ! The youth program is building future Christian leaders. Please be supportive of it.

In 2019 I served as a clergy liaison to the Endowment committee. Much of their work is around Planned Giving as a method through which we can give a gift to do work in God's Kingdom through our estate. It can be as simple as a bequest in a will or a beneficiary designation on an IRA. We continue to have discussions with Coker members about giving correctly and efficiently through their estates. There are many tax benefits they do not realize are available. Planned Gifts we created not only benefited Coker but also to other worthy causes through that process. Our plan is to continue the program at Coker in 2020.

I am on the board of the Unit Advisory Committee for Kairos at the Torres Unit in Hondo. I was on the clergy team at two Kairos four day "weekends". These include many team meetings to prepare for the Walk. I have been there to do feet washing services for the Brothers in White and other services.

I have worked with multiple nonprofits and UMC Churches helping them increase their funding to do God's work. In 2020 we should be rolling out stewardship programs to other churches and nonprofits as an outreach ministry. We are currently in conversation with eight nonprofits and 3 UMC churches who want to participate. It is in our United Methodist heritage to be involved with funding good works in God's Kingdom to help those in need.

I look forward to a Spirit filled 2020 at Coker United Methodist Church.

In Christ,

Rev. Gene Roe



2020 Coker UMC Nominations

2020 Church Council

Church Council Chair – Meredith Chacon
Senior Pastor – Adam Knight
Lay Leader – Walt Wilson
Board of Trustees – Don Leonard
Building Committee – John Roy
Capital Campaign – Lee Willis
Finance – Scott Matkin
Staff Parish Relations – Georgia Helmrick
Education Ministry Cluster – Sarabeth Rebe
Outreach Ministry Cluster – Sara Ramirez
Endowment Fund – Rick McManus
Music Committee – Pam Fosdick

Board of Trustees – Don Leonard

2020

Tony LoBosso
Don Leonard
Wes Clarkson

2021

Ted Lee
George Wolfe
Karen Angelini

2022

John Estes
Carolyn Smith
Martha Mangum

Grounds Taskforce Chair: Neal Moreland (ex-officio, non-voting), Safety Team Leader: Scott Matkin (ex-officio, non-voting), Columbarium Committee: Carolyn Alley (ex-officio, non-voting), Lay Leader: Walt Wilson (ex-officio, non-voting)

Building Committee – John Roy

Ann Ault	Board of Trustees: Don Leonard
Carolyn Alley	Rick McManus
David Daniel	Eldon Roalson
Dick Gilby	John Roy
Bob Klaus	Adam Knight
Finance Chair: Scott Matkin	Lay Leader: Walt Wilson

Capital Campaign Committee – Lee Willis

David Schneider	Bill Waldrip
Judy Gilby	Lee Willis

Ex Officio (with vote *)

Finance Chair: Scott Matkin *	Stewardship Chair: Larry Blaylock *
Lay Leader: Walt Wilson *	Permanent Endowment Chair: Rick McManus *
Minister of Resource Development: Gene Roe	
Director of Finance & Administration: Becky Kirbo	

Coker Endowment Fund – Rick McManus

<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Ralph Beck	Phil Jackson	Rick McManus
Ed Marvin	Sara Lou Leclerc	Phil Cooley
Bill McCalister	Kelle Acock	Harriet Buffington

Ex officio: Lay Leader: Walt Wilson, Church Council Chair: Meredith Chacon,
Board of Trustees: Don Leonard, Finance Chair: Scott Matkin

Finance – Scott Matkin

<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Cheryl Hubble	Wes Hall	Susan Hinger
Jeff Allovio	Scott Matkin	Brian Zimmerman
Wayne Bachman	Kevin Helmrick	Cathie Buxie

Ex Officio (with vote *):

Lay Leader: Walt Wilson *	SPRC Chair: Georgia Helmrick *
Church Council Chair: Meredith Chacon *	Director of Finance & Administration: Becky Kirbo
Senior Pastor: Adam Knight *	Memorials Chair: Linda Nolder
Board of Trustees: Don Leonard *	Coker Endowment Chair: Rick McManus
Capital Campaign: Chair Lee Willis *	Stewardship Chair: Larry Blaylock *

Historian – Mary Eck

Lay Members to Annual Conference

Ann Ault Lay Leader: Walt Wilson
Bill Ault Outreach Ministry Team: Erwin Keller

Alternates: Irma Blanco, Tony LoBasso, Ray Chacon

Clergy: Adam Knight, Damon Relder, David Blanco, Gene Roe

Retired Clergy: Glen Sammis, Will Rice

Memorials – Linda Nolder

Beverly Burkey	Anna Hilton	Linda Nolder
Karen French	Len Morrissey	

Nominations & Leadership Development Committee – Senior Pastor: Adam Knight

<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Mary Eck	Bob Klaus	Jorge Garza
Candy Mallonee	Matthew Acock	Barbara Keeper
Ray Chacon	Becky Porter	Parker Roten
Lay Leader: Walt Wilson		

Staff Parish Relations – Georgia Helmrick

2020

Sue Osborn

Steve Austin

Georgia Helmrick

Ex officio – Lay Leader: Walt Wilson, Senior Pastor: Adam Knight

2021

Lee Bourg

Bobby Dodd

Luis De La Garza

2022

Mike Porter

Elaine Hitzfelder

Jim Booth

Stewardship Committee –Larry Blaylock

Larry Blaylock

Lovena Miller

Chad Hoopingarner

Grace James

Caleb Roquemore

Congregational Life Cluster

CARE Team – Bob Coltrin

CAF – Brenda Nickels

Emmaus – Lay Director: Debbie Garza, Assistant Lay Director: Bill McCalister

Lovin’ Spoonful – Sandy Cooley

Stephen Ministry – Carol Churchill

United Methodist Men – Tom Ellis

United Methodist Women – Caroline Tedor

Education Ministry Cluster Chair – Sarabeth Rebe

Adult Education – Sarabeth Rebe, Chair

Adult Sunday School Class Representatives

Director of Adult Education & Fellowship: Gail Hatcher

Coker Kid’s Ministry – Julie Hilton, Chair

Linda Nolder

Sara Gruber

Misty Mallonee

Amy Willis

Jill Lear

Amy Dalton

Jodi Rivera

Heather Bryant

Susan Ashbaugh

Associate Pastor Damon Relder, Director of Children’s Ministry: Cheryl Kendall, Assistant

Director of Children’s Ministry: Wendy Pearson, Nursery Supervisor: Michelle Doucette,

Education Ministry Cluster Chair – Sarabeth Rebe

Coker Early Learning Center Board – Becca Hart, Chairperson

Samantha Henning	Tiffany Davis	Wilmet McLin
Sheri Barnett	Becca Burnside	Mary Finucane
Laura Cross	Iris Zamarripa	Mabrie Casbeer
Sara Skipper		

(CELC Board serves a school year term of office.)

Ex Officio: CELC Director: Charla McCoy, Associate Pastor Damon Relder, Director of Children’s Ministry: Cheryl Kendall, Director of Finance & Administration: Becky Kirbo, Education Ministry Cluster Chair: Sarabeth Rebe

Scholarship – Mary Anne Waldrip & Becky Porter, Co-Chairs

Bill Mitchell	Jim Booth	Kathy Loggins
Mary Stojanik	Molly John	Becky Porter
Mary Anne Waldrip	Sharon Tinnon	

UMM Rep: Nick Pearson; UMW Rep: Carolyn Smith

Student Ministry

Anna Hilton	Grant Huguenin	Meredith Chacon
Lisa Deaven	Anne Lilly	Becky Porter

Director of Student Ministries: Colton Willis, **Assoc. Dir. of Student Ministries (open)**, Associate Pastor Damon Relder, Education Ministry Cluster Chair- Sarabeth Rebe

Outreach Ministry Cluster Chair – Sara Ramirez

Boy Scouts Liaison – Luis de la Garza

Outreach Ministry Team – Sara Ramirez, Chairperson

Meredith Chacon	Cecelia Simmons	Tim Moxon
Ray Chacon	Carroll Fultz	Leanne Estes
Phil Head	Erwin Keller	Robyn Myers
Sanseria Murray	Candy Mallonee	Charlie Miller
Francisco Arteaga	Ken McAdams	Van Goethe
Kathleen Hurren	Rich Simmons	

Health & Wellness Ministry – Lori Armstrong & Shirley Reid, Co-Chairs

Lori Armstrong	Shirley Reid	Wayne Bachman
Karen Condit	Margaret Frindell	Cheryl Smith
Sharon Ford	Dennis Westberg	

Ex Officio: Associate Pastor David Blanco, Wesley Nurse: Sonia Cavazos

Worship Logistics – Team Leader: Gail Hatcher

Communion Coordinator: Diane English, Tony Lobasso, Shannon Wolfe

Communion Preparation Coordinator: Linda Moore

Head Usher: Open Position

Lay Reader Coordinator: Tami Roe

Pew Supply Coordinator: Leanne Estes

Safety Committee – Team Leader: Scott Matkin

David Barnes

Gail Hatcher

Officer David Busch

Officer James Lindeman

Jeff Allovio

Jorge Garza

Ray Chacon

Dennis Westberg

Don Leonard

Mary Leonard

Don Osborn

Jerry Cowan

Roxanne Matkin

Walt Wilson

Damon Relder

Technology Committee – Team Leader: Zow Martinez, Director of A/V

Mike Porter

Walt Wilson

Don Leonard

Becky Kirbo

Kevin Helmrick