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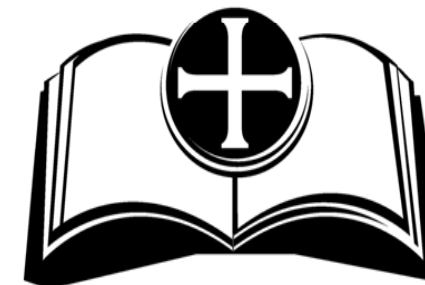
MISSION STATEMENT

Embraced in God's love through Jesus Christ, Calvary Lutheran Church
 Is called
 To proclaim the Good News of God's saving grace,
 To nurture spiritual growth, and
 Care for all God's creation.



February 6

Lenten Worship
 Wednesdays at 7:00 PM



75th Anniversary Celebration

A Call to Service

As we all know, Calvary Lutheran Church is in the midst of a year long celebration of 75 years of ministry. Many activities have already celebrated that fact and more are planned.

What better way to celebrate 75 years of ministry than to support a ministry that has been a part of Calvary's history for many years. That ministry is Habitat for Humanity. We, as a church have a long history of supporting our local Habitat with both talent and treasure. Several years ago, the church had a regular habitat work team. We continue to support Habitat's efforts with a budgeted donation each year.

In celebration of our 75 anniversary, we invite you to again give of your time to help build Habitat homes right here in Burke County. Our goal is to have 75 people actually work for all or a portion of a day on a Habitat house. Not everyone will work at the same time and it doesn't have to be 75 different people. Some people may be able to work more than once to help us reach the goal of 75.

Since it's modest beginning in 1989, Habitat of Burke County has provided modern, decent housing to 95 different families. In 2008, they will build another five homes bringing the overall total to 100. Because of you and many others like you over the years, 100 families will have decent housing. Construction this year will start around mid March so you have lots of time to prayerfully consider your possible participation.

John Hale and I are already heavily involved in the Habitat program in Burke County. We invite you to join us. Work takes place both on Saturdays and Wednesdays. There is a job for EVERYONE regardless of skill level. Not everyone has to drive nails or saw wood. During the coming weeks, we will provide more specific details about this effort and how you may indicate your willingness to participate. In the meantime if you have any questions or comments, John and I would be glad to talk with you.

In his service,
Charlie Buckner

Youth is going great so far this year! We have some events coming up in February:

Sunday, February 3 SOUPER Bowl Sunday & Super Bowl Party

Saturday, February 9 Snow Tubing at Jonas Ridge

Friday- Saturday, February 22-23 24 Hour famine with lock-in

The above activities are youth activities but if you are interested in working with the youth or coming to anything let me know and we would love to have you!

"Souper Bowl Sunday" is a nationwide event. The youth will be around after Sunday worship on Feb. 3 collecting money to give to the hungry locally. 100% of the money donated goes directly to the BUCM soup kitchen.

The "24 hour famine" is another opportunity coming up that the youth will be raising money to give to the hungry and truly experience what it is like to be hungry. The youth will raise money in the few weeks beforehand and on the night of the famine the youth will fast for 24 hours while doing service projects and learning about those who are truly hungry around the world. This event is coordinated with World Vision. If you are interested in helping out, participating, or donating money please feel free to seek out a youth or myself for more information.

Also this spring we are planning having a youth retreat out at the Isaac's camp where we will be doing some outdoor activities and growing as a group and in our love for Christ. I look forward to all of these events with the youth and for my continuing work in this congregation. God bless! Megan Lineberger



KEEP US POSTED Via E-MAIL: If you have added internet services, changed internet carriers or adjusted your e-mail address, notify either Nina Harding (shopgal@bellsouth.net) or Seth Hunt (sthunt@burke.k12.nc.us). By doing that we will be able to keep the "Prayer Chain" up to date and can be a communication link between you and the church.



Thank You to Walmart for their recent contribution of \$80 for CLC Service Board's "Backpacks for the Homeless Project." 6 new backpacks and 20 men's deodorants were purchased.

Thank you to all my Calvary family for the many prayers, calls and visits during my current and continuing illness. It would be difficult indeed to select an individual or group for special recognition when so many of you did so much. Again, thank you.

Sincerely,
Rama Mills

Thank you for all your cards, thoughts, prayers and especially the delicious meal you provided for us before Betty's funeral. All of you are very special and close to us in our hearts. Love, The Bill Miller Family

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THANK YOU TO THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Congregation Council would like to say thank you to our Calvary Lutheran Church Building Committee. As the congregation voted to not proceed with further building projects at this time, the Building Committee is being disbanded. The committee has worked hard since the beginning of 2005, and all the members did their best to plan and provide for the best worship space and music that they could. The members of the committee were: Charles Buckner, Chairman, Margaret Miller, Becky Stevens, Beverly Watts, Rachel Keisler, Gary Lail, Eric Stuenkel, Sam Glasbrook, David McGalliard, Bob Kilpatrick and Pastor Mike.

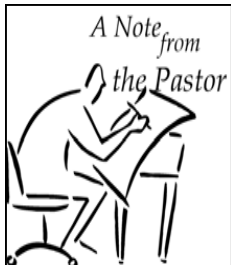
A special thank you goes to our chairman, Charles Buckner. Charles has spent many hours coming to the church to work with the architect and the contractors, and also many hours following up with different agencies to get bids on projects and making sure everything got done. We would not have the beautiful worship space we have without Charles' diligence and hard work.

Please thank the members of the committee and Charles in particular for all of their great work.
Calvary Lutheran Church Council

February Birthdays

3	Wayne Williams	16	Elaine Yount	23	Larry Elliot
5	Jack Huss	17	Howy Copenhaver	25	Carol Clark
11	Crystal Anthony	18	Tina Padgett	29	Steve Yount
12	Jake Duncan		Joanne Stokes		
14	Evelyn Keever	20	Ernie Wallat		
15	Addison Poteat	21	Joan Patterson		
	Nate Graybill	22	Cynthia Lange		





Dear Friends in Christ,
*“We are all one in mission;
 we are all one in call,
 our varied gifts united by
 Christ, the Lord of all.
 A single great commission
 compels us from above
 to plan and work together that
 all may know God’s love.”*

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The 2008 congregation council recently met for the annual retreat. The retreat is an opportunity to get to know each other better and discuss foundations for doing our work and ministry together in the year ahead. This year we focused on God’s mission, and our purpose as a congregation within God’s mission. We studied three chapters from the Biblical book of Acts. We reflected together on the principles and values which underlie our calling as the local Lutheran Church in Morganton, members of the full body of Christ in the world. After noting the actions of God and God’s people in those readings, council members sought to understand how our congregation might respond to God’s call to his mission.

One of the insights we gained was to recognize that God’s mission is, indeed, our mission. So, from that understanding, the council formed a statement which announces that God’s purpose for our church is “to listen to God’s Word, hear God’s will, and be God’s vessel and witness to the world.” After considering the underlying values and guiding principles of the faithful people in our Acts readings, we began to list the values and guiding principles believed to be important to the people of faith here at Calvary.

The list included the following:

- Jesus is Lord
- All are God’s children
- All are welcome into the community of faith

- We are to share the good news of Jesus Christ in the world
- The Holy Spirit leads and guides our faith journey
- God’s Word and plan are worthy of faith and commitment
- Prayer changes things

The retreat was a first step in a journey to walk and talk together about our mission and ministry as a church family. You are invited to take some time to reflect on what is important as we seek to join God’s mission on earth, and share your thoughts.

The 1st verse of the hymn written above reminds us of who we are. We are one body commissioned to plan and work together under one Lord, Jesus Christ. In the 2nd and 3rd verses, we remember that we are called to serve and witness in the name of God, who desires nothing less than to gather all people into his loving embrace.

*“We all are called for service,
 to witness in God’s name.
 Our ministries are different;
 our purpose is the same;
 to touch the lives of others
 with God’s surprising grace,
 so every folk and nation may
 feel God’s warm embrace.*

*Now let us be united,
 and let our song be heard.
 Now let us be a vessel for
 God’s redeeming Word.
 We all are one in mission;
 we all are one in call,
 our varied gifts united by Christ,
 the Lord of all.”*

Yours in Christ,
 Pastor Mike



FAMILY & FRIENDS

Steve Bethke (Navy)
 Roy & Azile Bogle-Jennifer Hunt’s grandparents
 Darius & Sue Bollinger
 Justin Bunch
 Carole Burnette
 Obie Carswell (Army)
 Edith Cobb
 Beth Deter
 Dorothy Edes
 Cathy Edwards
 Ryan Ferguson
 Carolyn Freeland
 Elizabeth Gray
 Mary Haller
 Tricia Harris
 Billie Harding
 Julia Hartsog
 Stephen, Michelle & Madison Hines
 Tristan Hines (Army/Afghanistan)
 Robert Horne
 Dennis Jaschob
 Matt Konst
 Shelvia Lail-Dianne Cannoles’ friend

JoAnn Mangum
 Melissa Moore & Family
 Steve Moore (N. Guard, Kuwait)
 Marshall Roberson
 Kendall Seli (Army, Afghanistan)
 Robert Shepherd
 Josh Shuffler
 Christine Simon
 Irma Stefula-Dot Braun’s friend
 Johnny Stiles
 Michael Stokes
 Jim Taylor-Cynthia Lange’s brother
 Paula Terry
 Evan Thomason
 Mary Kay Umburger
 Hazel Whitley
 Mary Frances Whitener
 Donald Whitley
 Bruce Wiley
 Tasha Williamson

MEMBERS

Violet Carlson
 Charlie Edwards
 Jan English
 Jim Fisher
 John Hebert
 Bruce Keever
 Evelyn Keever
 Rachel Keisler
 Rama Mills
 Edith Murphy
 Wanda Nichols
 Billie Rose Robertson
 Krista Stillwell

AT HOME

J.C. Gantt
 Fred & Maggie Lou Roberson
 Billie Rose Robertson
 Doris Sink
 Jackie Wiseman

NURSING HOME

John Mabe (Morganton Term Care)
 Marie Page (Autumn Care)
 Wilma Whisnant (Grace Ridge)

U.S. MILITARY

Henry Lange (Navy)
 Justin Williams (Marines-Iraq)

OTHERS

All who work for peace and justice
 Peace in the Middle East & Sudan
 Victims of Natural Disasters
 Pastor Barb Simmers and Peace

SYNOD PRAYER PARTNER

Union Lutheran Church, Salisbury

SISTER PARISH

Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church
 Brisas del Valle, El Salvador

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:


Judie Huffman and family upon the death of her brother, David Short.



Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome Trinity Morgan Robillard, daughter of Matt and Debbie Robillard, into the family of Christ. We thank God for the new life created among us.

WE PRAY MONTHLY FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION IN LOVE AND COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Denise Greene & Jacob and Zachary & Tina Padgett
 Briana Gregory
 Callie Gregory
 Steve & Nancy Gregory
 Ruth Hahn
 John & Diane Hale

Worship Assistants			Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
8:30 Julie Copenhaver Howy Copenhaver		11:00 Joe Koerner Phillip Rector Chris Kern Roy Blanton	February 2008					1	2	
February 3, 2008 Asst. Minister Jennifer Wilson Acolyte Gavin McDonald Crucifer Jennifer Wilson Lector Scott Wilson Greeter Edith Murphy Nursery Children's Message Children's Church		Rich Duncan Amanda Rector Brittany Isaac Becky Schlein Teresa Gamewell Tonya Cozort Rich Duncan Jennifer Wilson	3 SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 8:30 am Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Holy Communion	4 7:30 pm Circle I @ Leslie Kern's; Jeanette Wilson, program	5 BUCM (pm) 10:00 am Circle II Old fellowship hall Margaret Miller, hostess; Carol Clark, program	6 5:45-6:45 pm Lenten Dinner 6:00 pm Support Board 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Communion Service	7 BUCM (am)	8	9	
<u>Ash Wednesday</u> Asst. Minister Nina Harding Acolyte Amanda Rector Crucifer Alex Rector Lector Joyce Imboden Greeter Helen Wallace Nursery			10 8:30 am Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Holy Communion 5:00 pm Confirmation Adopt A Sister Dinner	11	12 11:00 am Calvaliers 6-8 pm Girl Scouts	13 5:45-6:45 pm Lenten Dinner 7:00 pm Lenten Worship	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	
<u>February 10, 2008</u> Asst. Minister Nina Harding Acolyte Tina Padgett Crucifer Georgia Ballard Lector Larry Berryhill Greeter Larry Berryhill Nursery Children's Message Children's Church		Treesie Cape Ellen Koerner Erika Koerner Phillip Rector Helen Harriger Gamewell Family Pastor Mike Heather Sossoman	17 8:30 am Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Holy Communion 5:00 pm Confirmation	18	19 BUCM (am)	20 Noon Holy Communion 5:45-6:45 pm Lenten Dinner 6:00 pm Finance Board 7:00 pm Lenten Worship	21 BUCM (pm)	22	23	
<u>February 17, 2008</u> Asst. Minister Mandy Greco Acolyte Georgia Ballard Crucifer Cynthia Lange Lector Nina Harding Greeter Howy Copenhaver Nursery Children's Message Children's Church		Tori Whalen Gabe Isaac Ellen Koerner Joe Koerner Lane Harriger Benson Family Beverly Watts Jennifer Hunt	24 8:30 am Holy Communion 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Holy Communion	25	26 7:00 pm Council	27 5:45-6:45 pm Lenten Dinner 7:00 pm Lenten Worship	28	29		
<u>February 24, 2008</u> Asst. Minister Chris Raymond Acolyte Gavin McDonald Crucifer Georgia Ballard Lector Mandy Greco Greeter Judie Huffman Nursery Children's Message Children's Church		Eric Stuenkel Wil Duncan Sarah Williams Ellen Koerner Jennifer Hunt Rector Family Scott Wilson Betty Riley								
Altar Guild: Karel Johnson, Julie Copenhaver, Judy Moll, Lynn Black Care Visitors: Sandy Blackburn, Jackie Wiseman							FOR FEBRUARY Canned Meats/Beef Stew <i>Please place in the designated basked in the narthex.</i>			

Observing Lent

Pastor Mark Cerniglia LFS Carolinas

Have you ever noticed that when you're really down, sometimes all you want is for someone to sit beside you? You're not looking to them for answers or a fix for what you're dealing with but somehow it helps just to know that they're sitting through the sadness with you.

Ash Wednesday, the day that begins the season of Lent, allows people of the faith community to essentially sit in sadness together. It is a day that liturgically allows you to mourn for your mortality and reflect on the fact that being human means that eventually every person will experience death. Your pastor will probably take this day to remind you that, "you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The passion story of our Lord during Holy Week reminds us that he, too, experienced fully what it means to be human, even to the point of dying.

The good news is that once we have made it through the sadness of Ash Wednesday, we get to begin a journey upward from that lowest point in the church year. It is a journey toward the healing and wholeness that is promised to all of us in the good news of Jesus' resurrection on Easter. It is a journey into the eternal life that transcends the ashes and lament of death.

Many people give up something as a part of their observation of Lent. This year, consider giving up something that is precious to everyone- time! You could take the time you would spend on yourself- watching your favorite TV shows or golfing with friends- and instead give it away to someone else during Lent. You could write personal letters of encouragement to everybody on your Christmas list that you could only hurriedly dash off a card in December. You might spend some time visiting someone who is homebound or in a nursing home. Or you could take part in some new volunteer opportunities. Time seems to be the most precious thing we have to give in our society. So to sacrifice some of yours would be a very meaningful way to observe Lent, especially if it allows you to encourage someone else on their journey.

For a great resource to help you understand the season of Lent more fully, check out "Journeying through Lent with Mark" by Gregory Weyrauch.

Our Lenten Meals begin before our Ash Wednesday Service on Feb. 6th and will be offered weekly through March 12th. Each week the meals will consist of a different homemade soup, salad with fresh greens and veggies, sandwiches, tea or lemonade, and a simple dessert. The meal is a nutritious variety for you to enjoy! The Self Serve Lenten Meal Buffet will be open for you beginning at 5:45 until 6:45 before our service at 7 PM. A donation basket will be at each meal. Each year we have enjoyed watching our attendance to the Lenten Meals grow.



Feb 6 PBJ, Ham & Cheese Sandwiches Veggie Soup Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert	Feb 20 Potato Soup PBJ, Chicken Salad Croissant Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert	Mar 5 Cream of Broccoli Soup Tomato Soup PBJ Sandwiches , Hot Dogs Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert
Feb 13 Chicken Noodle Soup PBJ, Cheese Sandwiches Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert	Feb 27 Chili Beans Cornbread, Cheese Texas Toast Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert	Mar 12 Sausage & Lentil Soup PBJ, Cheese Sandwiches Salad & Dressings Tea & Lemonade Dessert

Also, anyone wishing to make cookies or a simple dessert for the meals please contact Debbie Little.

Calvary Endowment Report

The Calvary Endowment has completed its first full year and we felt that we should report our progress to the congregation.

The Calvary Endowment was established in late 2006 to provide a vehicle for you to make donations that "keep on giving" to support Calvary Lutheran Church. This is accomplished by investing the funds with the ELCA Foundation and normally using only the interest earned, leaving the original donations intact to "keep on giving".

The Calvary Endowment is managed by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Church Council. Current Trustees are Margaret Miller (Chair), Rich Duncan, a Council representative (to be appointed for 2008), and Howy Copenhagen (Sec/Treas). Keith Black and Christine Duncan serve on the committee.

We are pleased to report that through 2007, members and others have given \$18,525 for investment in the Calvary Endowment.

Our thanks to the following members (couples, unless otherwise noted) who gave to the Calvary Endowment through the end of the year: Fred Miller in memory of Robert L. West, Wil Johnson in memory of Esther Wallat, Wil Johnson in memory of Anne & James Lorenzen and Dorothy & Armin Johnson, Jared Yates, the following in memory of Evelyn Copenhagen (Larry Berryhill, Keith Black, Don Blanton, Mr. Charlie Buckner, Bob Cannoles, Joe Csercebits, Jim Fisher, Wayne Giese, Sam Glasbrook, Ted Graham, Callie Gregory, Garry Harding, Wil Johnson, Gary Lail, Quez Little, Fred Miller, Ms Rama Mills, Charles Moeller, Ms. Edith Murphy, Ms. Mildred Newton, Bob Peterson, Ms. Juanita Sigmon, Mr. Ernie Wallat, Wayne Williams, Ms. Jeanette Wilson), the following in memory of Betty Miller (Wayne Giese & Howy Copenhagen), Howy Copenhagen in memory of Wayne and Evelyn Copenhagen, and Quez Little in memory of Jeanette Wilson's mother-in-law.

There are many ways you can support the Calvary Endowment. Some contribute on a regular basis, others as a lump sum or memorial or honor. You can contribute cash, stocks, bonds or land, make the Calvary Endowment a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or in your will, or perhaps remember the Endowment in your trust. Please contact the Trustees if you have questions. Professional help through the ELCA Foundation is available. We keep the amount of your gift private and publicly acknowledge a gift only if the giver agrees, although we like to show the Church's appreciation for all gifts.

Budget Compared to Income December 2007

	Current Month Income	Current Month Budget	Current Month Variance	Year to Date Income	Year to Date Budget	Year to Date Variance
Income-Contributions						
General Fund	32,947.24	22,735.02	10,212.22	243,862.62	272,820.56	(28,957.94)
Pass Through	0	0	0	4,429.73	0	4,429.73
Fund Holding	27,356.29	0	27,356.29	133,489.25	0	133,489.25
Total Income Summary	Current Month	Year to Date				
Contributions	60,303.53	381,781.60				
Interest - PMM	269.52	3,353.18				
Bank Balances-Available Funds						
	Monthly Activity	Ending Balance				
First Citizens Checking	5,436.90	7,164.87				
PMM-Fund Holding	21,070.56	103,575.92				



February 2008
 Calvary Lutheran Church
 WELCA NEWSLETTER
Called to Serve

WELCA Purpose Statement

As a community of women,
 Created in the image of God,
 Called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and
 Empowered by the Holy Spirit;
 We commit ourselves to
 GROW in faith,
 AFFIRM our gifts,
 SUPPORT one another in our callings
 ENGAGE in ministry and action and,
 PROMOTE healing and wholeness in
 the church, the society, and the world.

Calvary Lutheran Church WELCA Officers

President.....Betty Williams
 Vice PresidentDot Williams
 SecretaryHeather Sossoman
 Treasurer.....Connie Wilkie
 Circle I LeaderJeanette Wilson
 Circle II LeaderDebbie Little

WELCA is

We are all the women of Calvary,
 we are all ages,
 whether circle member or not,
 if Calvary is your home.....
 WELCA is YOU!

Dear Calvary Ladies,

Mark your calendars for February 23, April 19,
 and May 30-June 1.
 These are **BIG DAYS** for our women!

February 23rd is a one day Lenten retreat. This is a statewide retreat with Women of the ELCA meeting simultaneously at 10 locations across North Carolina! The topic is "Baptism-Cool Clear Water." Choose a location, fill out the registration form to the right, send it and \$8. for lunch to the address on the form, then join your sisters in Christ to study and learn together.

NOTE: There is the possibility of a carpool.

On April 19th Calvary's women are hosting the Blue Ridge Conference Spring Gathering of WELCA. This is a tremendous opportunity for Calvary's women to study and to enjoy camaraderie with other women in this part of North Carolina. More information will be coming the bulletin and the March *Proclamation*.

May 30-June 1 The statewide NC Synodical Women's Organization will gather at Lenoir-Rhyne in Hickory. More information and details will be coming, but for now remember to save your Campbell's Soup labels and start collecting items for Lutheran Family Services. The annual in-gathering of labels and supplies will be taken at this gathering.

For information, call Betty Williams 439-2474 or
 email ilovestuff32@yahoo.com

PLEASE RECYCLE

WELCA has an ongoing campaign to collect canceled postage stamps (please leave them attached to envelope), Campbell's Soup labels, Christmas card fronts, toiletry items from hotel travels (small soaps, shampoos, etc), and pennies.

Please keep these things in mind as you come across them at your home. As you collect them you can leave them in the black rolling cart in the Old Fellowship Hall marked for these items. WELCA thanks you for your help with our projects! Please contact Betty Williams for more information on these projects.

ONE DAY LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, February 23, 2008
9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
"Cool Clear Water"



THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES WILL HOST THE RETREATS

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>HOST CHURCH</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>
Arden	Lutheran Church of the Nativity	Edna Wagschal
Boone	Grace Lutheran	June Scroggs
Cherryville	St. Mark's Lutheran	Marguerite Taylor
Fayetteville	St. James Lutheran	Tonie Neal
Havelock	St. Timothy Lutheran	Linda Holden
Kannapolis	Kimball Memorial	Esther Armstrong
Raleigh	St. Philip Lutheran	Pastor Diane Amidon
Statesville	St. John's Lutheran	Brenda Dunn
Wilmington	St. Paul Lutheran	Nell Otsby
Winston Salem	Augsburg Lutheran	Pastor Kay Conrad

Cost: \$8.00

**Please attend any location convenient to you.
 Deadline for registration: February 13, 2008**

**Send registration form below with check payable to NC SWO Women of the ELCA
 Send to: Linda Holden, 505 Somerset Way, Newport, NC 28570 (252-240-1858)**

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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Your Congregation/City _____

Retreat Site Attending _____

From Parish Life

With Lent upon us, we will not hold a Valentine Dance this year. Instead, we will have fun at a "SPRING FLING" dinner and dance April 25th from 6:30 til 9:30PM at the Community House. More details to be announced as the time approaches closer. Just hold the date!

WANTED: Do you have a large College Dorm Refrigerator in excellent/good condition that you would donate to the Parish Life Board for use in the old Fellowship Hall for Friendship Time Food? The current refrigerator is used to store live flowers. Parish Life would like to keep the foods separately. If you have one you would donate, please contact Debbie Little, 433-6129. Thank you!

Adopt A Sister 07-08 Closing Dinner

All Ladies who have been involved in the 2007-2008 Adopt a Sister Program are invited to attend our closing dinner on Sunday, Feb. 10th at Friday Friends in the private dining room. Please bring your final gift as we reveal who our sister was for the year. Everyone will order from the menu (Dutch treat) and we will enjoy some fun time together. If you can not make the dinner, please let Debbie Little know.

Adopt A Sister 08-09 Begins

It is that time of year...time to begin the new Adopt a Sister Program for 2008-09. If you are interested in having a adoptive sister from our church for the year and surprising her with small monthly gifts (\$5-\$7 value) and cards, you will want to sign up for this program. It is a wonderful way to get to know each other better and to share some "sunshine" with someone else in our church. We will begin in March and end the program in Feb. 09 with a closing dinner. Ladies of all ages are welcomed to join us! We would love to have some new ladies as well. Please contact Debbie Little.



by Dot Williams

Jeanette Wilson has donated the book The Three Questions by Jon J. Muth to the church library in memory of Jan Stuenkel.

The story is about a young boy seeking the answers to three questions: When is the best time to do things? Who is the most important one? What is the right thing to do? When young Nikolai seeks counsel from Leo, the wise old turtle who lives in the mountains, he is sure Leo will know the answers to his three questions. But it is Nikolai's own response to a stranger's cry for help that leads him directly to the answers he is looking for. The book is an interpretation of the Leo Tolstoy short story of the same name.

For the very young reader:

These Are Friends of Jesus – A lyrical rhyming text by Shirley Neitzel and enchanting art of award-winning illustrator Benrei Huang.

This Is the Lunch that Jesus Served written by Dandi D. Mackall and illustrated by Benrei Huang – A book that reminds children of all ages what Jesus can do with the gifts we bring.

J is for Jesus – An Easter Alphabet and Activity Book. Holy Week and Easter come to life in the story told by Debbie Trafton O'Neal and the lively folk art illustrations of Jan Bryan-Hunt.

We now have several items on compact disc from Radio Theatre that may be of interest to young and old alike.

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott (4 CDs)

Anne of Green Gables by L. M. Montgomery (3 CDs)

The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett (2 CDs)

- The entire collection of C. S. Lewis' The Chronicles of Narnia –
 - The Magician's Nephew – (2 CDs)
 - The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (2 CDs)
 - The Horse and His Boy (3 CDs)
 - Prince Caspian (3 CDs)
 - The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (3 CDs)
 - The Silver Chair (3 CDs)
 - The Last Battle (3 CDs)

Also from Radio Theatre we have all nine Father Gilbert Mysteries for the more, shall we say, mature listener. When Louis Gilbert turned in his detective's badge to become an Anglican priest, he thought his days of slaving difficult mysteries were over. Now, as vicar of an ancient church in a small English village, Gilbert finds himself at the center of one strange mystery after another. And he brings to each one his unique combination of streetwise smarts and spiritual intuition.

New in our DVD Mosaic collection:

- Understanding the Roman Catholic Church
- Ready to Forgive – An African Story of Grace
- Understanding Fundamentalism

Also available in print is Anne Hall Whitt's The Suitcases.



may be placed in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. These may be designated in honor or in memory of a loved one. A six-inch plant with gold foil and white bow will be obtained for you from a local greenhouse at a cost of \$9.75 each.

Please fill in the information below and attach your check payable to Calvary Lutheran Church. You may bring your order by the church office or mail to the church at 119 North King Street, Morganton, NC 28655.

Please submit by March 9, 2008

Number of plants ordered _____

Amount attached \$ _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Given by _____

Thank you for adding to the beauty of our sanctuary.
Please do not place requests or checks in the offering plate.

The CLC Baptismal Ministry program is in need of soft, white baptismal blankets. The blankets may be knitted or crocheted out of soft, white yarn with the pattern of your choice. If you would like to assist with this ministry for our newest cherubs please contact either Pastor Riley or Joyce Imboden. Thank you!

