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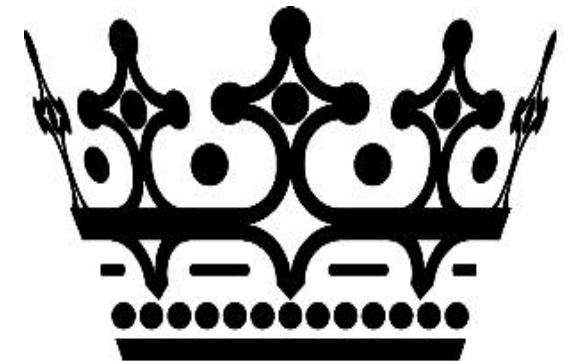
Calvary's PROCLAMATION

November 2008

All Saints Sunday
 November 2



Christ the King
 Sunday
 November 23



DIRECTORY

Church Staff

Dr. Michael F. Riley..... Pastor
 Becky Stevens.....Organist/Music Director
 Valerie Graybill.....Chancel Choir Director
 Amy Alexander.....Hand Bell Director
 Shirley Hise.....Parish Secretary

Council Officers

Jerry Stevens.President
 Mike Imboden..... Vice-President
 Lynn Williams.....Secretary
 Judie Huffman.....Financial Secretary
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Congregation Council

Term Expiring 2008

Pattie Brittain
 Dawn McDonald
 Lynn Williams

Term expiring 2009

Teresa Gamewell
 Jerry Stevens
 Angela Williams
 Scott Wilson

Terms expiring 2010

Mike Imboden
 Seth Hunt
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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.

Annual Congregation Meeting
 November 9, 10:00 A.M.

See inside.....

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 2

On All Saints Sunday we remember the saints who have gone before us and give thanks for their lives of faith and commitment. During worship we will name those who have entered their new home through the gate of death into the church triumphant since last November.



Evelyn Copenhaver Betty Miller
John Hebert John Mabe

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

November 9, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting will include voting for new congregation council members and approving 2009 congregation budget for ministry.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF FAIR TRADE COFFEE

is available for purchase in the old fellowship hall on Sunday mornings. 12 oz. Café Salvador coffee is \$7.50. \$2.00 from each bag will go to our monthly food project in El Salvador.



Veterans Recognition Day



Monday
November 17th
in the fellowship hall,
2:30 – 7:00 pm
Sign up will be before and
after both services in the
narthex.

is Sunday, November 9th. Please give your name to Debbie Little at 433-6129. Everyone is encouraged to wear red, white and blue in honor of our military service veterans.

EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

for Jeff and Wendy Kyro is jeffkyro@charter.net. Please change in your membership phone directory and email addresses.

Calvary Lutheran Church Monthly Financial for Six Months Ending August 31, 2008

	Current Month This Year	Current Month Last Year	Year to Date This Year	Year to Date Last Year
Total Income Summary				
Contributions-General Fund	18,332.82	19,652.47	190,672.37	174,417.21
Contributions-Fund Holding	32,974.33	12,340.16	121,688.75	76,761.30
Contributions-Pass Through	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,429.73
Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	72.27	100.00
Interest - PMM	122.57	186.23	1,376.83	2,654.57
	51,429.72	32,178.86	313,810.22	258,362.81
Total Expense Summary				
Budgeted	20,423.42	18,979.52	192,512.66	169,432.23
Fund Holding Expenses	17,507.33	5,220.99	126,846.71	113,249.59
Non-Budget Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,572.64
	37,930.75	24,200.51	319,359.37	286,254.46

WE WELCOME Sophia Ann Potocki into the church of Jesus Christ through baptism. She is the daughter of Jason & Heidi Potocki.

WELCOME into membership Clarence (Bud) and Edith Husband by letter of transfer from Living Lord Lutheran Church, ELCA in Bradenton, Florida.

	2008 NEW MEMBERS	
Anna Cape	Jason & Heidi Potocki, Seth, Caleigh & Sophia	David & Sharon Shirlen Terry Lackey John Farrar Julie Copenhaver Clarence & Edith Husband
Arlene Robinson Chris & Tonya Cozort, Kristyn & Kaitlin		
Paul & Carol Somers Jared & Tabitha Yates	Charles & Dorothy Harding Shirley Nutbrown Sandy Nutbrown	

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to Mary Alice Andrews and Luther Brown who were united in marriage at Lelia Tuttle Chapel, Gamewell, on Friday, October 10th. They will reside in the Chesterfield community. We rejoice with them as they begin their new life together.

CONGRATULATIONS to Seth Hunt and Andrea Capps who were married October 18th at Chapel Hill Baptist Church in Marion. May grace and peace fill their lives in the years to come.

Dear Calvary Family,
I can't begin to thank you enough for the heartfelt prayers, emails, cards and phone messages I received over the last months as the doctors and I tried to discern the cause of my gastrointestinal difficulties. Although at this time we still don't have any clear answers, things are improving. My doctor assures me with time the answers will come. She says, "He who made our bodies made them well. We must figure out how to keep them well." Michael and I know we were led to the right facility to do just that and that all the right people were placed in our path. Along the way, we continue to feel so uplifted by your love and support. It means so much to be a part of this wonderful, caring Calvary family. May God's abundant grace and peace be with each of you.



Love,
Betty

Dear Calvary Family,
I appreciated all phone calls, cards, flowers, visits, and desserts received during my surgery and recovery. I still have quite a way to go. Please continue your prayers for me. Thank you each and everyone,
Ernie Wallat

Dear Church Family,
I want to thank you so much for all the prayers, cards, flowers and visits during my recent illness. I am truly blessed to have my church family.

God bless you,
Ruth Hahn



Dear Friends in Christ,
O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and

rise up...and you are acquainted with all my ways...you hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me...wonderful are your works, that I know very well. From Psalm 139

Does change make you nervous? Does change make you wonder what the outcome will be...will everything be alright? Change has been the repetitive catch phrase throughout this past year as politicians use the term to excite people who are not happy with the present or past. It's also a way to bring enthusiasm into the lives of folks who just like the sense of something new. For many people, however, change signifies discomfort. Therefore, change is not a welcomed guest. Keeping things the same is generally preferred.

In the Lutheran faith, change is actually programmed into our DNA. One might not know by watching or listening to us, but a hope for change is in our blood. The King of change, Jesus Christ, said things like, "Unless you change (and become like children), you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." And when things began to wind down at a wedding in Cana, Jesus kicked the party into a different gear by changing the water into wine. God spoke through the prophet Isaiah (43:19) saying, "Don't be afraid. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" St. Paul added his thoughts after his world changed completely saying, "If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; see, everything has changed and become

new" (2Corinthians 5:17). And a later change agent of the Church in the 16th century, Martin Luther, publicly announced the need for change (reform) in the Church, so that the Word of God would be the center and grace would be the hallmark of a Christian's life. (I wonder what the TV ads would have been like during those debates...)

So, frankly, change and "newness of life" is in our DNA. Maybe that's why worship books are updated periodically, and worship services are adjusted from season to season. Maybe that's why banners are different colors, and chancel paraments reflect various themes. Reform is a way of life for Lutherans, not a new political concept or a novel notion for election year debate rhetoric.

November signifies the end of the church's calendar year. We hear scriptures that urge us to get ready for the end of time. We celebrate Christ the King Sunday (November 23), which reminds us that Jesus is Lord of *all* time. And we turn the calendar to a new year with the first Sunday in Advent (November 30). We immerse our worship environment in the blue color of hope and the anticipation of all that is yet to come.

Yes, we will be changing the ELW worship setting and "singing to the Lord a new song." As the Psalmist so beautifully wrote in Psalm 139, whatever change takes place and wherever we go, the Lord God will be present, bringing light and newness of life.

May each day find you remarking, "This is a day the Lord has made, let's rejoice and be glad in it!" (Psalm 118:24)

Yours in the risen Christ,

Pastor Mike



MEMBERS:

Charlie Edwards
 Jan English
 Jim Fisher
 Betty Glasbrook
 Bruce Keever
 Evelyn Keever
 Rachel Keisler
 Sandy Koerner
 Rama Mills
 Betty Riley
 Ernie Wallat

FRIENDS:

Brett Anderson
 Beth Clough
 Gary & Louise Carrell
 Louise Doyle
 Joyce & Gene Dube
 Jewell Gist
 Gloria Hayes
 Susan Nyman
 Kyle Rusnak
 Vicki Wilson

FAMILY

Bob Berryhill
 Steve Bethke (Navy)
 Roy & Azile Bogle
 Donnie Bogle
 Darius & Sue Bollinger
 Katherine Boggs
 Ray Bost
 Katherine Briggs
 J.C. Burnette
 Edith Cobb
 Lori DiMedio
 Alta Grauer
 Cathy Edwards
 Elizabeth Gray
 Mary Haller
 Billie Harding
 Gregg Harding
 Julia Hartzog
 Ben Huffman

Robert Horne
 Brent Huss
 Noel Martin
 Melissa Moore & Family
 Sarah & Mitch Pons
 Constance St. Armand
 Michael Stokes
 Jim Taylor
 Evan Thomason
 Rebecca Weiner
 Fred Whalen
 Vernon & Laura Whisnant
 Donald & Hazel Whitley
 Tasha Williamson
 Everette Zettle

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY:

John Mabe family upon his death on October 27th.

NURSING HOME:

Edith Murphy (Shytle House)
 Marie Page (Autumn Care)
 Wilma Whisnant (Grace Ridge)
 Mary Voltmer (Grace Heights)

AT HOME:

J. C. Gantt
 Ruth Hahn
 Maggie Lou Roberson
 Billie Rose Robertson
 Doris Sink

U.S. MILITARY:

Henry Lange (Navy)
 Justin Williams (Marines)

SEMINARIAN:

Joanna Novak (Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia)

OTHERS:

All military service men & women
 All who work for peace & justice
 Domestic & global missionaries

SISTER PARISH: Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church Brisas del Valle, El Salvador

WE PRAY MONTHLY FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION IN LOVE AND COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Marie Page
 Joan Patterson
 Bob & Ruth Peterson
 Jason & Heidi Potocki, Seth, Caleigh, Sophia
 Conrad & Nora Raymond

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Larry Berryhill	1	Leslie Kern	10
Trinity Robillard	2	Teresa Giese	11
Virginia Kennedy	3	Helen Wallace	12
Edith Murphy	3	Melanie Ballard	14
Violet Carlson	5	Catherine Gamewell	15
Charles Moll	8	Bud St. Louis	17
Emmett Brittain	8	Connie Wilkie	22
Jim Voltmer	8	Joyce Imboden	22
Janice Sorrells	8	Steve Wilson	24
Julie Copenhaver	9	Walt Kozma	30

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KEEP US POSTED Via E-MAIL: If ou have added internet services, changed internet carriers or adjusted your e-mail address, notify 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.

			Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Ushers:	8:30 Margaret Miller Fred Miller	11:00 Steve Wilson Jeff Kyro Paul Ijames David Williams	November 2008						1 Daylight Saving Time ends 10-11 am Christmas Play Practice	
November 2	All Saints Sunday			2 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Worship Service 3:30-4:45 Youth Bowling 5:00 pm Confirmation	3 7:30 pm Circle I	4 10:00 am Circle II	5 6:00 pm Support Board 7:00 pm Handbells	6 BUCM (am)	7	8 10-11 am Play Practice
Asst. Minister	Dawn McDonald	Scott Wilson								
Acolyte	Gavin McDonald	Amanda Rector								
Crucifer	Georgia Ballard	Ellen Koerner								
Lector	Nina Harding	Heather Sossoman								
Greeter	Margaret Miller	Becky Schlein								
Nursery		Beverly Wilson								
Children's Message		Joe Koerner								
Children's Church		Susan Rector								
November 9	Women of the ELCA Sunday		9 WELCA SUNDAY 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Annual Congrega- tion Meeting 11:00 am Worship Service Veterans Recognition Day	10	11 BUCM (pm) 11:00 am Calvaliers	12 7:00 pm Handbells	13 1:00 pm Service Board 6:30 Personnel Committee	14	15 10-11 am Play Practice 5:30 pm "Calvary's Got Talent"! In fellowship hall	
Asst. Minister	Dawn McDonald	Jennifer Wilson								
Acolyte	Georgia Ballard	Gabe Isaac								
Crucifer	Dawn McDonald	Crystal Anthony								
Lector	Julie Copenhaver	Becky Schlein								
Greeter	Angie Voltmer	Helen Wallace								
Nursery		Watts Family								
Children's Message		Beverly Watts								
Children's Church		Carrie Mull								
November 16			16 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Worship Service 5:00 Confirmation	17 BLOOD DRIVE 2:30-7:00 PM	18 BUCM (am) 6:00 Worship & Music	19 7:00 pm Handbells	20 BUCM (pm)	21	22 10-11 am Play Practice	
Asst. Minister	Nina Harding	Hank Hunt								
Acolyte	Tina Padgett	Scott Kyro								
Crucifer	Nina Harding	Sarah Williams								
Lector	Lois Berryhill	Jennifer Hunt								
Greeter	David & Sharon Shirlen	Susan Rector								
Nursery		St. Louis Family								
Children's Message		Betty Riley								
Children's Church		Teresa Gamewell								
November 23	Christ the King Sunday		23 CHRIST THE KING 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Worship Service 5:00 Confirmation	24	25 7:00 pm Council	26	27 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	28 Office Closed	29	
Asst. Minister	Wayne Giese	Rich Duncan								
Acolyte	Tina Padgett	Will Duncan								
Crucifer	Wayne Giese	Alex Rector								
Lector	Joyce Imboden	Jennifer Hunt								
Greeter	Betty Williams	Beverly Wilson								
Nursery		Cozort Family								
Children's Message		Rich Duncan								
Children's Church		Tammy Isaac								
November 30	First Sunday in Advent		30 1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School Choir Rehearsal 11:00 am Worship Service							
Asst. Minister	Nina Harding	Treesie Cape								
Acolyte	Georgia Ballard	Holly Goodson								
Crucifer	Nina Harding	Jake Duncan								
Lector	Charles Moll	Ellen Koerner								
Greeter	Lynn Williams	Steve Wilson								
Nursery		Gamewell Family								
Children's Message		Pastor Mike								
Children's Church		Tonya Cozort								
Altar Guild: Angela Voltmer, Elizabeth Ferguson, Krista Stillwell, Dot Williams Care Visitors: Sandy Blackburn, Jackie Wiseman										

CHRISTMAS PROJECT – HELPING SOUTH MOUNTAIN CHILDREN’S HOME

The Service Board is asking for your help to provide a special Christmas to the children of South Mountain Children’s Home in Burke County. There are currently 39 children ranging from ages two to 18 years old living at the Home. There are several areas of need that we feel that Calvary Lutheran Church can help meet. We are asking for your help to provide the following items:

Twin sheets (sets preferred – they do not need extra long)

Blankets

Pajamas: Girls – sizes 2T through adult large

Boys – sizes 3T through adult XL

The South Mountain Children’s Home also tries to provide \$250 per child during Christmas to purchase clothing. If you would like to help in this way, please make a check out to Calvary Lutheran Church and denote it as going to the South Mountain Children’s Home. Any amount would be welcomed.

We will start collecting these items November 2 and will continue through December 7. The items may be placed in the collection bins in the Old Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Beverly Watts at 828-652-1146. Let’s make some children happy this Christmas and show the love of Jesus! Thank you on behalf of the Service Board.

CHURCH LIBRARY NEWS

New in the church library is the book *Abraham* by Bruce Feiler, given by Jared and Tabitha Yates. In this timely, provocative, and uplifting journey, Mr. Feiler searches for the man at the heart of the world's three monotheistic religions -- and today's deadliest conflicts. At a moment when the world is asking, “Can the religions get along?” one figure stands out as the shared ancestor of Jews, Christians, and Muslims - Abraham. Both immediate and timeless, *Abraham* is a powerful, universal story, the first-ever interfaith portrait of the man God chose to be his partner. Thoughtful and inspiring, it offers a rare vision of hope that will redefine what we think about our neighbors, our future, and ourselves. (This book is shelved in nonfiction, 222.11 FEL.)

Bruce Feiler also wrote *Walking the Bible*, which is also in the library as a book-on-tape.

NEW TAX LEGISLATION TO BENEFIT SENIOR CITIZENS

The \$700 billion bailout bill that passed the Congress on Friday, October 3, included legislation that could be tremendously beneficial to members of our congregation. In simple terms, the IRA Rollover provisions are back in the tax code for people over 70 and a half. For this year and 2009, members who are required by law to draw from their IRA assets may distribute those assets to their congregation (or any charity) through their IRA administrator. Last year, several members made end of year gifts as a result of this legislation. However, the enabling legislation expired at the end of 2007. Because of the recent action of Congress, it has now been renewed.

If you are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA, the recent action of Congress provides a tremendous opportunity. Please call your IRA administrator, accountant or Christine Post-Duncan with Lutheran Planned Giving of North Carolina and the ELCA Foundation (828-439-8977) to provide more specific information related to rollover gifts. (Christine is a member of Calvary.)

Yes! “America’s Got Talent” and so does Calvary!

Please mark your calendars –November 15th at 5:30 pm for “*Calvary’s Got Talent*” night, sponsored by CLC youth who will be serving dinner. Members will be entertaining. So, we need volunteers for entertainment – singing, playing instruments, dancing, juggling, performing magic tricks, sharing arts and crafts, etc. All proceeds are for the upcoming youth trip to New Orleans for the ELCA youth gathering. Please contact Angela Williams or Joyce Imboden (before they call you) to be included in the line-up.

2009 CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE FROM CLC YOUTH. Get yours now on Sunday mornings or call Angela Williams.

CALVARY COOKBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR GIFT GIVING

The Parish Life Board has fabulous Calvary Cookbooks honoring our 75th Anniversary that are available for purchase for gift giving this fall, for Birthdays, House Warmings, Weddings, Neighbor presents, Hostess Gifts, and Christmas. These are great for anyone on your list. The cost is \$8 each or two for \$15! You may pick up your books in the boxes outside the church office doors in the hallway, and turn in your checks made out to Calvary Lutheran, to Judie Huffman. Enjoy the recipes from our Calvary top cooks!

CALVARY CHRISTMAS CARDS

Send beautiful cards to your friends and neighbors this year. Packs of 10 cards may be purchased for \$10.00, with proceeds going to feed the poor in our El Salvador Mission. On display in the old fellowship hall.

CALVARY SUPPER CLUB

WOW! It’s already time to plan for Supper Club for 2009. This is a brief description. The Supper Club meets three times per year: February, June and October. You serve as a host/hostess one time per year. The other times you are a guest. Your host plans the menu and asks the guests to bring an item for dinner. Several groups meet each month, with 6 to 8 people meeting in each group. This is a wonderful way to have fellowship with church members and find out what great cooks Calvary has! In 2008 we had 36 participants in the Supper Club. We would love to have even more in 2009. If you would like to participate in 2009, please call Gloria Kilpatrick at 437-0216 or email Gloria at bkilpatrick@compascable.net. I need to hear from you by November 16, please.

Gloria Kilpatrick
Supper Club Coordinator

CALVARY QUILTERS

I am excited and happy to report that the 54 blocks made by Calvary women and sent to the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition will all be part of quilt #32, put together by the Inspiration Guild. This quilt will be dedicated to Jan Stuenkel. This is just what we were hoping for and we are so grateful for the cooperation of the Inspiration Guild. We should soon be able to see the quilt and the dedication online at www.blankquilting.com. Once again, thank you to all the ladies who helped with this project.

Karel Johnson

Called to Serve

November 2008
 Calvary Lutheran Church
 WELCA NEWSLETTER

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 LeaderDot Williams

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!

WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING

Saturday, October 18, Women of the NC ELCA, Blue Ridge Mountain Conference, met at Philadelphia Lutheran Church in Granite Falls for the annual Fall Gathering.

A beautiful autumn day and a beautiful host church made the topic "NC Women in Prison" very poignant. Speaker Idell Ledbetter told of her decades of prison ministry. She is 91 years old. Giving both facts, currently there are 2579 women in NC prisons and jails ranging in age from 52 girls 16 to 20 up, to 3 women 70 and older and relating stories of her work.

It costs \$69. a day to house a prisoner, whether male or female. Women in county jails have nothing to do but sit, no TV, no activities until they go to trial. Women in prison can work and earn \$12. a week. They make license plates, sew prison uniforms, cook, do laundry, and other work. They can get a GED or learn a trade such as beautician, masonry, carpentry and others.

Women who are incarcerated look forward to Bible study as a relief from boredom and for contact with ladies who bring the message of salvation and redemption. For many women it is the first time anyone has told them they are NOT worthless BUT have value. When they worry their past is going to ruin their future, Miss Idell tells them, "Butterflies don't worry that they came from a worm."

Miss Idell said their favorite Bible stories included The Woman at the Well, The Rich Young Ruler and The Prodigal Son. She concluded by urging us to help by becoming involved in prison ministry.

Cathy Sell, NC President, NCWELCA, reported on the biennial WELCA conference of our sister Lutherans in New Guinea and announced planning for future activities.

Our own Ingrid Farrar was inducted as the new Presider of Women of the Blue Ridge Mountain Conference. On behalf of all Calvary women, our delegates promised to support Ingrid and help wholeheartedly.

The Gathering closed with an excellent lunch and the drawing of door prizes.

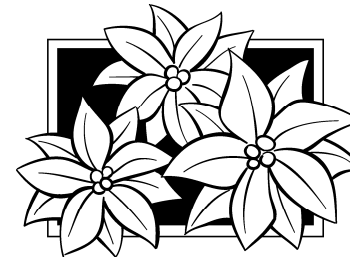
GATHERING NOTES

Attendance 34	Offerings: Midwest Flood Relief	\$197.00
	Pennies for Prison Match	\$132.34
	Rainbow Scholarships	\$225.00
	(Rainbow Scholarship is for adult women who are training for the ministry.)	

Submitted by Betty Williams

CALVARY CIRCLES

Circle I will meet Monday, November 3rd at 7:30 pm at Joyce Imboden's; Rachel Keisler will present the program. at Circle II will meet Tuesday, November 4th at 10:00 am in the old fellowship hall. Betty Williams will hostess; Ingrid Farrar is in charge of the program.



POINSETTIAS

may be placed in the sanctuary for Christmas Eve. These may be designated in honor or in memory of a loved one. A six-inch plant with gold foil and red bow will be obtained for you from a local greenhouse at a cost of \$8.25 each.

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

Please submit by December 7, 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.