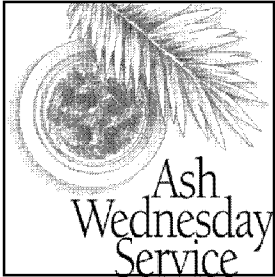




Bethabara Bells

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Lent begins officially this Wednesday, March 1, with our Ash Wednesday service at 7:30 pm. The Band prelude begins at 7:00 pm. The service will be in the sanctuary. A Family Fellowship meal will precede the service at 5:45pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Our regular Wednesday evening activities will continue but will be abbreviated on this particular day. There will not be Children's or Adult Choir rehearsal. Our ESL and Spanish class will meet prior to the Ash Wednesday service.

We hope you make plans to attend!
We'll see you Wednesday.

George Hamilton IV



We hope you are able to join us for a Special Easter concert featuring internationally renowned country music artist, **GEORGE HAMILTON IV, Friday March 3, 2006, at 7pm.**

You may find more information about George Hamilton IV by visiting his website: www.georgeiv.net.

Load up the car with your family, friends, and come enjoy this wonderful time of music and fellowship.

The concert will be held in our Sanctuary; the concert is free, a love offering will be received.

FIRST SUNDAY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP



PIANO CONCERT & SINGSTUNDE

March 5, 2006 at 5:30 p.m.

Join us Sunday March 5 at 5:30 p.m. for dinner and a piano concert. The concert will also feature a *Singstunde*; a Singstunde is literally translated as “hour of song,” the Singstunde is a service consisting almost entirely of hymns -- more specifically, of hymn stanzas, carefully chosen to develop a theme. You may find our more information about a Singstunde by visiting the Moravian Music Foundation website at: <http://www.moravianmusic.org/singstunde.htm>.

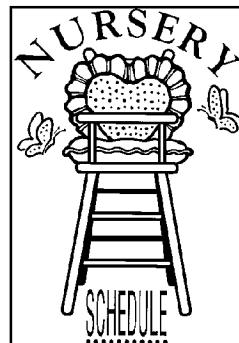
Bring your favorite potluck dish and enjoy food, fun, and fellowship at Bethabara Moravian Church. The concert is free, a love offering will be received.

Have you heard? 

- ☞ There will be a “Pounding” for Joel & Kristy Sapp on March 5
- ☞ Salem College Choral will be part of our morning worship on Sunday March 12
- ☞ Men’s Fellowship Breakfast moved to the 18th of this month!!
- ☞ On March 25, our Synod delegates will attend a planning meeting
- ☞ Plan your summer vacations now! The Church Retreat to Laurel Ridge is June 9—11!!
- ☞ Day of Prayer begins Wednesday March 1—April 5.
- ☞ Bethabara Park is hosting a Moravian Lecture on March 21 www.bethabarakpark.org

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THIS MONTH

Bobby Kyle—Dick Morgan—Jimmy Ring

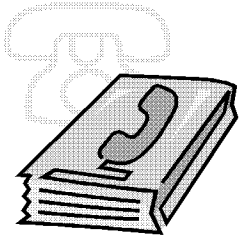


5) Shannon Lineback,
12) Terry Gupton,
19) Elva Lara,
26) Teresa Reynolds

DIRECTORY UPDATES

Paulette & Jim Kuzmanovich

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You may continue to use the other email (kuz@wfu.edu) if you wish.

BABY NEWS!

Congratulations
on Your
New Baby!



Owen Micah Sapp

February 14, 2006

PROUD PARENTS: Joel & Kristy

BIG BROTHERS: Ian & Kyle

GRANDPARENTS: Phillip & Connie
Don & Carol

WITH SINCERE THANKS

It is truly amazing what one can accomplish in the Lord and with the love, support, and prayers, of their church family!

I have just registered for the Spring quarter at Vintage Bible College and will be taking: "A Study of the Book of James", "Pastoral Theology/Pastoral Ministry", "Marriage and the Family I", and "The Pastoral Epistles".

I do not know how to adequately express my heart felt thanks to my family at Bethabara for your support of my education and ministry. Your support of the Scholarship Fund and prayers are deeply appreciated....Thank You!

Yours in Christ Service, *Chuck Harmon & Family*

EVEN MORE THANK YOU'S!

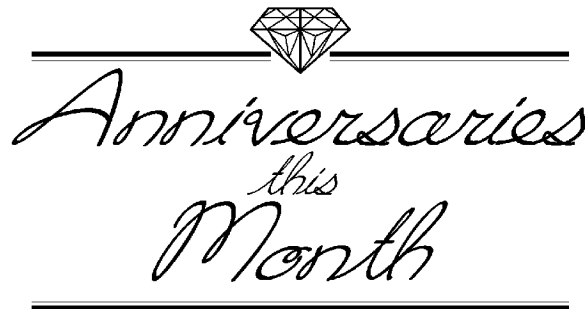


☞ Thank you so much to MR. BILL RUDOLPH of *Sparkling Clean Window Cleaning!* Mr. Rudolph helped the Boyles get caught up on the window cleaning.

☞ The Pike Family would like to thank everyone for their kind words, cards and attendance at the 80th birthday celebration for Rachel Pike last Sunday. We are very fortunate to be members of such a warm and loving church family. We appreciate your help in making this such a memorable event.



- 6 Dalton Everhart, Jr.
9 Kate McBride
11 Suzie LaVenture
David A. Seagraves
18 Phyllis Clodfelter
22 Joel Sapp
25 Michele Cano Lara



- 6 Brad/Amy Roberts
19 Bill/Carole Rosenbaum
20 Robert/Lovina Thompson
31 David/Daphine Sams

HAPPENING IN MARCH AT BETHABARA

Every Tuesday

7 PM College Age Fellowship

Every Wednesday

5:45 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

6:30 PM Prayer & Bible Study

ESL/Spanish Classes

Children's Choir

7:05PM Youth Activities

7:15PM Adult Choir

Every FOURTH Wednesday

12N Senior Friends

Every Thursday

2 PM Pastor's Class

Every Sunday *(unless otherwise noted)*

9:00 AM Band practice

9:45 AM Sunday School

11 AM Worship Service

3PM Handbell Basics

4PM Harmony Ringers

5PM Bethabara Ringers

5PM God's Gang

March 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CE TRAINING EVENT @ FRIEDLAND-March 4 AREA YOUTH EVENTS-March 5, 3pm-5pm <i>Moravian Youth Lovefeast & Concert</i> New Philadelphia Moravian			1 <i>Ash Wednesday Service</i>	2 12n-AA 2pm-Pastor's Class	3 8pm-AA 7pm Concert <i>George Hamilton IV</i>	4 Training Event @ Friedland!
5 <i>Rallyfeast 3-5pm New Philadelphia Dinner/ Concert 5:30pm</i>	6 12n-AA	7 Circle 1 meets 11am Circle 2 meets 7pm	8 <i>See list for Wednesday activities</i>	9 12n-AA 2pm-Pastor's Class	10 8pm-AA	11 9am- Stewardship meeting
12 <i>Salem Chorale 7 p.m. Board</i>	13 12n-AA 7 p.m. Board	14	15 <i>See list for Wednesday activities</i>	16 12n-AA 2pm-Pastor's Class	17 8pm-AA <i>Deadline for Newsletter!!</i>	18 <i>Men's Breakfast 6pm- Scrapbook</i>
19	20 12n-AA	21	22 12n-Senior Friends <i>See list for Wednesday</i>	23 12n-AA 2pm-Pastor's Class	24 8pm-AA	25 Synod Delegate meeting
26	27 12n-AA	28	MONDAY'S—Rachel's day off TUESDAY'S—Pastor Tripp's day off <i>See page 11 for a list of Senior Friends events for March!</i>			

New Philadelphia continues to hew away at its building debt. It entered 2005 owing slightly more than \$1 million. By year's end, the debt had shrunk by one-third to \$661,395. The largest overage for the year at New Philadelphia was the youth program with expenses almost doubling the budget. But the trustees wisely observed that success in youth programming drives up costs, and "this indicates 2005 was a successful year." May all our churches be blessed with such budget overruns.

Bethesda is looking for a slogan, a catchy phrase that sums up the congregation and can be printed on bumper stickers, refrigerator magnets, and such. Suggestions must be brief, obvious, and convey some important truth. The winner of the slogan contest gets a "secret prize." Let's see, the deadline has passed, so we can feel free to suggest. Borrowing from George Higgins, how about: "Bethesda — a small church, a big heart."

The children of **Mizpah** have regularly collected pocket change as a "Joyful Noise Offering." Now they are making a distribution of \$700 — that's a lot of "Noise" — to several worthy causes.

Another youthful note — they are our future, you know: At least a third of **Christ the King** congregation is under the age of 11. That's "a ton of kids," as well as a blessing and responsibility.

Preparing for the future before it gets here, Church Council at **Union Cross** has given the green light to the creating of potential plans and sites for a family life center. Among the suggestions Council made are that the center should be much more than a gym and that it should have lots of storage space.

Fairview has received an estimate for replacing its old heating and air conditioning system: \$290,000. About half the cost is in hand from the sale of the parsonage. Further fund raising is being studied. It has been pointed out that once the system is replaced, the church can focus on other — need we say more important? — areas of ministry.

In a recap of 2005 activities, **Konnoak Hills** reports, among other things, 1,600 chicken pies sold for \$13,000 in proceeds over the year. More than 400 pies were sold at the October supper.

Thank you to the following members who are to serve on the various church committees this year:



- ✝ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMISSION—Joel Sapp (Board rep.); Erika Lambeth (teacher rep); Jeannie May (at large rep.); JoBeth Boyles (S.S. Director); Kristy Sapp (Youth Dir.); Brill Orrell (Assist S.S. Director); Pastor; *Chair to be elected by commission.
- ✝ HEAD USHER—Jake Blackburn
- ✝ HEAD SACRISTAN—Dot Bruce
- ✝ Sunday school—JoBeth Boyles (Director); Britt Orrell (Assistant)
- ✝ FINANCIAL COMMISSION—Jim Kuzmanovich (Chair); Paulette Kuzmanovich (Board rep.); Diane Cobb; John Welch; Sam Whitt
- ✝ NOMINATING COMMISSION—Joey Lineback (Board rep.); Terri Orrell; Margaret Gabriel; Erika Lambeth
- ✝ PERSONNEL COMMISSION—Pat Mobley (Chair); Cheryl Everhart (Board rep); Jim Kuzmanovich
- ✝ MISSION/EVANGELISM COMMISSION—Bill Rosenbaum (Board rep); Suzie LaVenture (Chair); JoBeth Boyles; Edna Blevins; Beth Whitehouse; Elva Lara; Carolyn Redding; Pastor (ex officio); Hilda Regalado (ex officio)
- ✝ CHURCH ARCHIVIST—JoBeth Boyles
- ✝ YOUTH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR—Kristy Sapp; YOUTH FELLOWSHIP BOARD REP.—Joel Sapp
- ✝ TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION—Bill Cobb (Chair); Bill Rosenbaum (Board rep)
- ✝ STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION—Beth Whitehouse (Chair-3 years); Anne Kyle (2 years)
- ✝ PROPERTY COMMISSION—Phillip Sapp (Chair); Cheryl Everhart (Board rep); Moir Hunter
- ✝ GRAVEYARD COMMISSION—Phillip Sapp (Chair); Craig LaVenture (Board rep)
- ✝ TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION—Laura Cobb (Board rep); Bill Cobb; Cheryl Everhart
- ✝ FINANCIAL SECRETARY—Kristy Sapp; TREASURER—Anne Kyle
- ✝ SENIOR FRIENDS—Carolyn Redding (President); Cheryl Everhart (secretary); Edna Blevins (program coordinator)
- ✝ WORSHIP COORDINATORS—Kristy Sapp; Shannon Lineback

Women's Fellowship News

The 2006 Provincial Women's Spiritual Life Retreat will be held Friday, April 28 through Sunday, April 30 at Higgins Lodge at Laurel Ridge Camp. The retreat is designed to be a time of relation and fellowship, as well as spiritual renewal and growth.

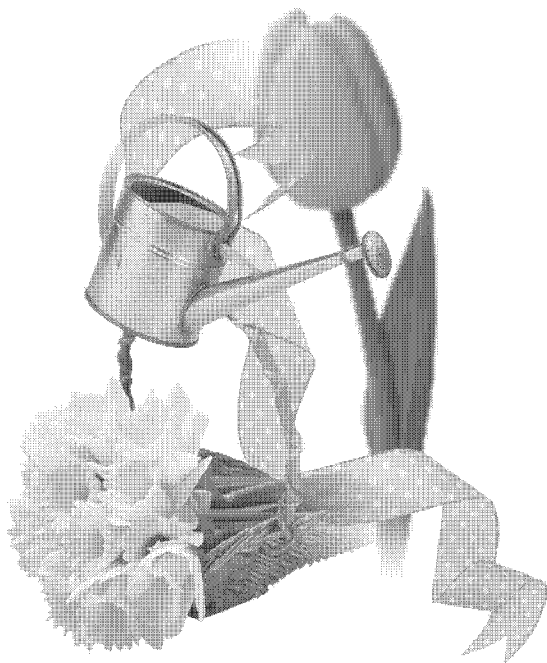
The facilitators are Grace Shutt, a member of New Philadelphia Moravian where she teaches Sunday school classes, and Marian Carter, a member of First Moravian in Greensboro, where she teaches a Sunday school class. Both of our sisters are very involved in the lives of their churches as well as provincial work.

All women in the province are invited to attend. Cost for the weekend is \$100. Brochures with registration forms are located outside the church office and can be duplicated if needed.



Women's Fellowship
Spiritual Life Retreat

If you have any questions regarding the retreat, please contact Bee Piper, Vice President and Chairperson, Spiritual Life Committee at 336-855-5663 or you may e-mail her at buzpiper@aol.com.



ATTENTION ALL LADIES! Did you know ALL women and older girls of the congregation are members of the Women's Fellowship?

I encourage ALL the ladies in the church to attend our QUARTERLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING on **Sunday March 26** at **2:30pm**.

Please come and participate in the activities to help grow God's Kingdom!

Connie Sapp

Soup & Salad Luncheon!

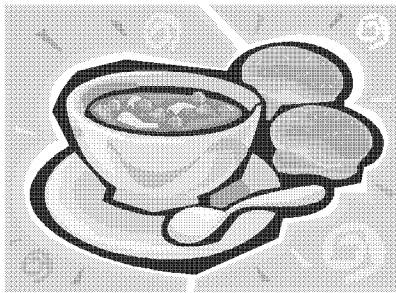
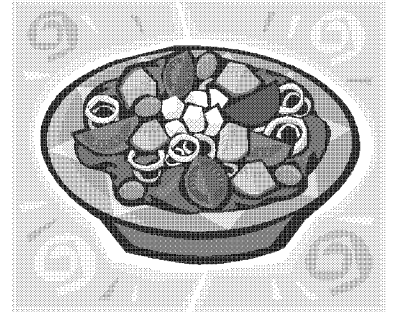
On SUNDAY MARCH 19, following our morning Worship service, please join us for a delicious SOUP & SALAD LUNCH FUNDRAISING EVENT!

This event is sponsored by the Bethabara Women's Fellowship and proceeds go towards the fellowship.

Lunch will consist of soup, salad, crackers, bread, tea, and dessert.

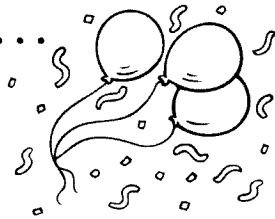
COST FOR ADULTS=\$4

COST FOR CHILDREN=\$3



You may sign up to attend by placing your name on the sign up sheet located on the Vestibule table or you may call Connie Sapp (924-5884) or Betsy Johnson (748-8742).

Senior Activities for March:



March 1—Group Bowling @ 1pm

See Rachel Pike for details

March 3—Lunch at Sweet Potatoes

meet @ church @ 11:30 to carpool

March 4—4pm WFU Basketball

WFU vs. NC State

Fun for Seniors



The Regional Youth Council (RYC), Youth Commission of the Board of Christian Education, and New

Philadelphia Church are sponsoring **Rallyfeast!** The "rallyfeast" is a combination youth Lovefeast and rally which will feature a musical "sermon" by the Christian rock band: 7 Miles! Come and lovingly feast with other Moravian youth! A special offering will be taken.

PROVINCIAL YOUTH RALLYFEAST

Sunday March 5, 2006

3:00pm—5:00pm

New Philadelphia Moravian Church

Moravian Church in America

Southern Province

2006

DAYS OF PRAYER



March 1 → HOME MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rev. Timothy Auman, Speaker
 10am—Coffee Hour
 10:45am—Music
 11am—Worship
 Nursery Provided

March 15 → ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rev. Sandra Thigpen, Speaker
 9:45am—Coffee Hour
 10:45am—Music
 11am—Worship
 Nursery Provided

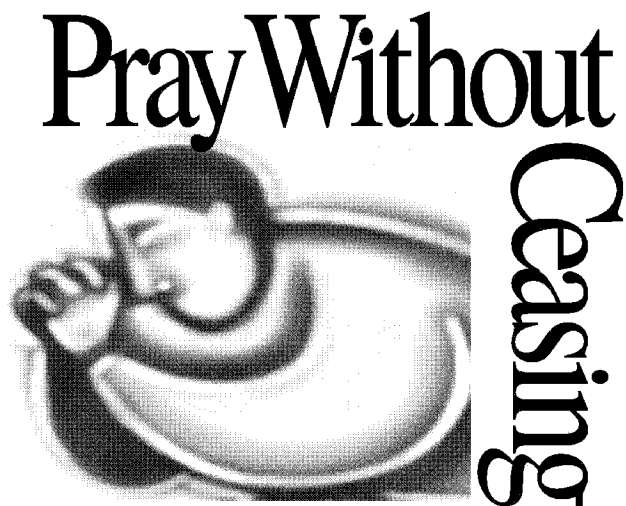
March 5 → CHRIST MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rev. Ramona Routh, Speaker
 4pm—Lovefeast
 Nursery Provided

March 22 → CALVARY MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rt. Rev. Wayne Burkette, Speaker
 9:45am—Coffee Hour
 10:45am—Meditation/Music
 11am—Worship
 Nursery Provided

March 8 → TRINITY MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rt. Rev. Graham Rights
 11am—Worship
 12N—Complimentary Luncheon
 Nursery Provided

March 29 → FAIRVIEW MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rev. Riddick Weber, Speaker
 10:45am—Music
 11am—Worship with Communion
 12N—Complimentary Luncheon
 Nursery Provided

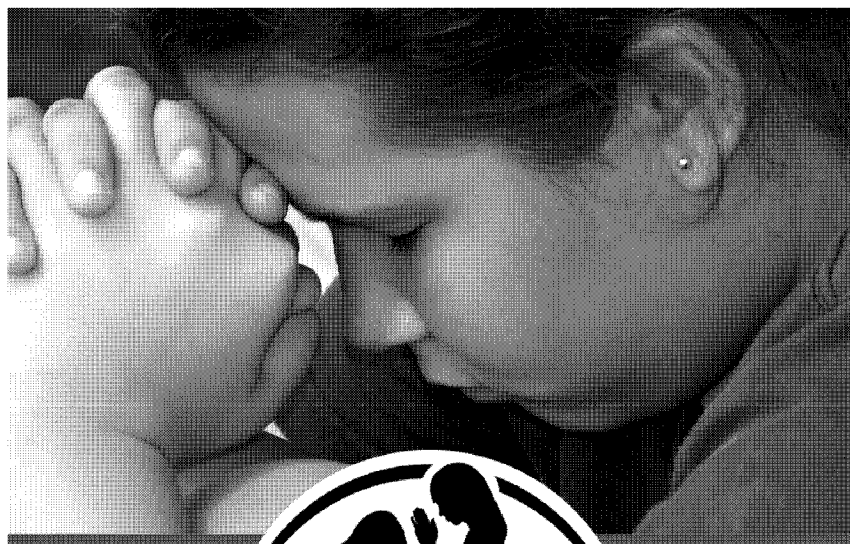
April 5 → KONNOAK HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH
 The Rev. Jonathan Boling, Speaker
 11am—Lovefeast
 Nursery Provided



AROUND THE PROVINCE



Be sure to check the bulletin board outside the church office~



Keeping Faith's Promises To Our Daughters

CONVERSATIONS ON JUSTICE FOR WOMEN

A Conference for Men and Women

sponsored by

The Moravian Church and

The Divinity School at Wake Forest University

March 10 – 11, 2006

Fairview Moravian Church

6550 Silas Creek Parkway • Winston-Salem, NC

Don't miss this timely and important opportunity to engage in faith conversations on issues affecting the welfare of our daughters and what you can do to reflect the equal moral and spiritual standing we profess for all Christians — be they male or female.

Professionals will give lectures, workshops and lead discussions on the spiritual, emotional and physical issues that impact women's lives.

Synod delegates and all persons interested in the well-being of women are especially encouraged to attend.

Registration fee: \$15; \$25 married couples.

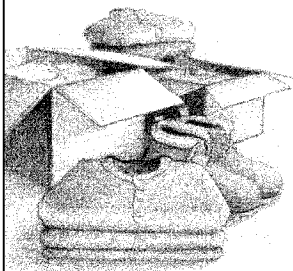
Contact the Board of Christian Education 336-722-8126, or online at www.moravianboardofce.org. Child care provided if you pre-register.

Sunnyside Ministry

- Canned Meat (tuna, chicken, etc.)
- Mac & Cheese dinners
- Jelly
- Dry Milk
- Soups
- Toilet Paper



Clothes for those in need



- Women's and Men's Plus size clothing (Winter)
- Men's and Women's Jeans and t-shirts - all sizes
- School age Clothing for boys and girls (Winter)
- Baby Clothes - infant to 5T (Winter)



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