

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 11, 2005

Bethabara Moravian Church believes because of the love of Jesus Christ revealed in us, that Jesus is "the way, and the truth, and the life and no one comes to the Father but by (him)." John 14:6

Bethabara Moravian Church leads people to an active relationship with Jesus Christ by providing a path of worship, prayer, and knowledge of God's Word through our Moravian heritage and Christian fellowship.



Remembering the past, envisioning the future.

Watchword for the Week

May the God of peace sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. — *1 Thessalonians 5:23*

Y el mismo Dios de paz os santifique por completo; y todo vuestro ser, espíritu, alma y cuerpo, sea guardado irreprochable para la venida de nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

SCRIPTURE FOCAL PASSAGE

Isaiah 61:1-4

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; 3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he may be glorified. 4 They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

1 El Espíritu de Jehová el Señor está sobre mí, porque me ungió Jehová; me ha enviado a predicar buenas nuevas a los abatidos, a vendar a los quebrantados de corazón, a publicar libertad a los cautivos, y a los presos apertura de la cárcel; 2 a proclamar el año de la buena voluntad de Jehová, y el día de venganza del Dios nuestro; a consolar a todos los enlutados; 3 a ordenar que a los afligidos de Sion se les dé gloria en lugar de ceniza, óleo de gozo en lugar de luto, manto de alegría en lugar del espíritu angustiado; y serán llamados árboles de justicia, plantío de Jehová, para gloria suya. 4 Reedificarán las ruinas antiguas, y levantarán los asolamientos primeros, y restaurarán las ciudades arruinadas, los escombros de muchas generaciones.

The Poinsettia's placed in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in honor of Mason Cobb's birthday, by the Cobb Family.

The carnation basket and flowers placed in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in honor of the Baptism of Jesus Mariano Ramirez, by his family.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Nursery TODAY	Betsy Johnson
Nursery NEXT SUNDAY	Carole Rosenbaum
Greeters TODAY	Dalton & Cheryl Everhart
Greeters NEXT SUNDAY	Beth Whitehouse & Betsy Johnson

TODAY AT BETHABARA

<p>9am Band practice</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Sunday school</p> <p>11 a.m. Worship</p> <p><i>Christmas Program practice after church until 2 p.m.</i></p> <p>NO Harmony Ringer practice today!</p>	<p>4:00 p.m. Bethabara Ringers meet at church – rehearse at Brookridge 4:30</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Band prelude @ Brookridge</p> <p>6 p.m. Lovefeast & Candlelight Service @ Brookridge</p> <p>NO God’s Gang!</p>
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Happening this week: Remember, check the bulletin board

Mon. 12	12 noon	A.A. Social Room
Tues. 13	7 p.m.	College Age Fellowship <i>Panera Bread</i>
Wed. 14	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	➤ Prayer & Bible Study <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
		➤ Children’s Choir practice <i>Sanctuary</i>
	7:15 p.m.	Adult Choir practice <i>Sanctuary</i>
Thurs. 15	12 noon	A.A. Social Room
Fri. 16	8 p.m.	A.A. Social Room
Sat. 17	10 a.m.	Christmas Program practice

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

TODAY is the last day to sign up and place your order for Poinsettias. A sign up sheet is in the vestibule. You may choose the flower color & if the flower is in memory of or in honor of someone. Cost is \$11 for each Poinsettia. Contact RACHEL WEAVID or ANNE ROBERTS if you have any questions.

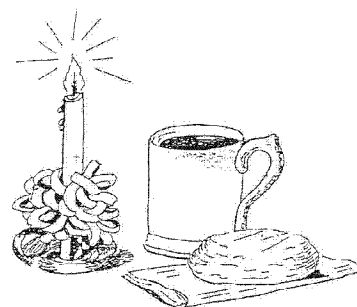
CAROLING EVENT

✝ Christmas Caroling December 18

All ages, choir members, band members, no choir and non band members are invited to bring a bag lunch to eat after our worship service; we leave to carol to our shut-in/homebound members at 1:15 p.m.. We need everyone's voices to offer cheer to our members who are not able to come to any of our holiday services.

December 24, 2005

New Times for Lovefeast Services!



Christmas Eve Lovefeast & Candle Service

3 pm & 6 pm *Band Prelude*

3:30 pm & 6:30 pm *Worship & Lovefeast*

YOUTH MOVIE EVENT

NOTE DATE CHANGE: The youth movie event takes place on Wednesday December 28! If you plan to attend, please let Kristy Sapp know so we may have the correct amount of tickets. We will attend the 1 p.m. showing so mark your calendars now!

BETHABARA SENIOR FRIENDS

Are you interested in participating in a Senior Friends group here at Bethabara? Consider joining us for fun and fellowship! Contact the church office by email (office@Bethabara.org) or phone (924-8789) or talk to Pastor May. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

LIFT IN PRAYER

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| † Brandon Bailey (<i>-serving in Iraq</i>) | † Sarah Holland
<i>Oak Dale Heights</i> |
| † Mary Boles
<i>Oak Dale Heights</i> | † Barbara Key |
| † J.C. Bruce | † Mike & Edith Kudelka
<i>Independence Village Apt 303</i> |
| † Hilda Burton, <i>Alan Burton's mom</i> | † Jeff Lowrance
<i>Margaret Gabriel's nephew</i> |
| † Sara Cooke | † Ruby Mathis
<i>Fern Hunter's sister</i> |
| † Leona Chatham
<i>Vienna Village Room #F57</i> | † Eva Morgan |
| † Marie Choplin
<i>Kerner Ridge Assisted Living</i> | † Carolyn Redding |
| † Tommie Choplin
<i>Britthaven of Kernersville</i> | † Gay Nell Reich
<i>Homeplace of Burlington</i> |
| † Margaret Gabriel | † Anne Roberts |
| † Jennifer Gragg | † Flora Sapp |
| † Carol Griffin | † David & Norma Segraves |
| † Ann Gupton <i>health concerns</i> | † David West
<i>grandson to Dot Bruce</i> |
| † Stephanie Hedrick
<i>great-niece to Rosenbaum's</i> | † Terrell White (<i>cancer</i>) |
| † Ernest Holland | |

We are so glad you came to worship with us today.

We pray our service was memorable and meaningful for you in every way.

*Nos alegramos tanto de que Ud. haya decidido adorar a Dios con nosotros hoy.
Rezamos que nuestro servicio sea memorable y significativa para Ud. en cada manera.*



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In Essentials, Unity; In Non-essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love.