

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 19, 2006

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

God says, "I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins." ISAIAH 43:25-26

Yo, yo soy el que borro tus rebeliones por amor de mí mismo, y no me acordaré de tus pecados.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BAND PRELUDE

PIANO PRELUDE

Blessed Assurance
Janet Stewart, pianist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Celebrate
Bethabara Children's Choir

Carol Saylor

LITURGY OF DEDICATION

See Insert

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CHURCH IN GIVING

Reception of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

Holy Is The Lord

Schubert

The Doxology

HYMN 657

We Give You But Your Own

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 2:1-12

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SERMON

"The Forgiveness of Sins"

Pastor May

HYMN 680

Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The flowers placed in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in honor of Marlon Johnson-for keeping our church warm in the winter, and Betsy Johnson-for the many visits and calls to our homebound members.

SCRIPTURE FOCAL PASSAGE

Mark 2:3-11

3 And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. 4 And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and when they had made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic lay. 5 And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven." 6 Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, 7 "Why does this man speak thus? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question thus in your hearts? 9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your pallet and walk'?" 10 But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" - he said to the paralytic - 11 "I say to you, rise, take up your pallet and go home."

3 Entonces vinieron a él unos trayendo un paralítico, que era cargado por cuatro. 4 Y como no podían acercarse a él a causa de la multitud, descubrieron el techo de donde estaba, y haciendo una abertura, bajaron el lecho en que yacía el paralítico. 5 Al ver Jesús la fe de ellos, dijo al paralítico: Hijo, tus pecados te son perdonados. 6 Estaban allí sentados algunos de los escribas, los cuales cavilaban en sus corazones: 7 ¿Por qué habla éste así? Blasfemias dice. ¿Quién puede perdonar pecados, sino sólo Dios? 8 Y conociendo luego Jesús en su espíritu que cavilaban de esta manera dentro de sí mismos, les dijo: ¿Por qué caviláis así en vuestros corazones? 9 ¿Qué es más fácil, decir al paralítico: Tus pecados te son perdonados, o decirle: Levántate, toma tu lecho y anda? 10 Pues para que sepáis que el Hijo del Hombre tiene potestad en la tierra para perdonar pecados (dijo al paralítico): 11 A ti te digo: Levántate, toma tu lecho, y vete a tu casa.

*The rosebud placed on the lectern today is in celebration of the birth of
OWEN MICAH SAPP, born February 14,
to Joel & Kristy Sapp and big brothers Ian & Kyle.*

TODAY AT BETHABARA

9 a.m. ➤ *Band practice*
 9:45 a.m. ➤ *Sunday school*
 11 a.m. ➤ *Worship service*
 12 noon ➤ *Confirmation Class*

3 p.m. ➤ *Handbell Basics*
 4 p.m. ➤ *Harmony Ringers*
 5 p.m. ➤ *Bethabara Ringers*
 5 p.m. ➤ *God's Gang*
 5 p.m. ➤ *Youth Event @ Providence*

Happening this week: Remember, check the bulletin board

Mon. 20	12 noon	<i>A.A. Social Room</i>
Tues. 21	7 p.m.	<i>College Age Fellowship Panera Bread</i>
Wed. 22	5:45 p.m.	<i>Wednesday Night Fellowship</i>
	6:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Bible Study & Prayer Time</i> ➤ <i>ESL classes</i> ➤ <i>Conversational Spanish class</i> ➤ <i>Children's Choir practice</i>
	7:05 p.m.	<i>Youth Activities</i>
	7:15 p.m.	<i>Adult Choir practice</i>
Thurs. 23	12 noon	<i>A. A. Social Room</i>
	2 p.m.	<i>Pastor's Class Social Room</i>
Fri. 24	8 p.m.	<i>A.A. Social Room</i>
Sat. 25	8:30 a.m.	<i>Men's Fellowship Breakfast</i>

Looking ahead: March

March 19	<i>Soup & Salad Luncheon after church *see note in bulletin</i>
March 26	<i>Women's Fellowship quarterly meeting *see note in bulletin</i>

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Greeters TODAY

Edna Blevins & Chris Orrell

Greeters NEXT SUNDAY

Frances Greiner & Clara Pou

Nursery TODAY

Jo Beth Boyles

Nursery NEXT SUNDAY

Betsy Johnson

WINTER JAM 2006

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH—We will travel as a group, with Providence Moravian, to Winter Jam 2006 at the Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday February 25! Featured at the concert are musical guests: **NEWSONG, ZOEGIRL, TOBYMAC, NEWSBOYS,** and many more.

If you would like to go, **you must notify the church office;** transportation seating is limited.

You must bring money for dinner and there will be a \$10 charge for admission at the concert.

We will meet at Bethabara and leave the church parking lot at **4:45 p.m.**

PROVINCIAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENT

"And God Created All of Us...Nurturing Us in Our Faith Through the Ages"
Friedland Moravian Church—Saturday March 4, 2006—9AM until 3PM
This annual event is offered to the Moravian Churches. The 2002 Synod has requested that EVERY church in the Southern Province send at least one person to this event, although we may send as many of our leaders and parents as possible. Registration information on Vestibule table & outside church office. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 24**

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).

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING

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

WITH WARMEST THANKS

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.

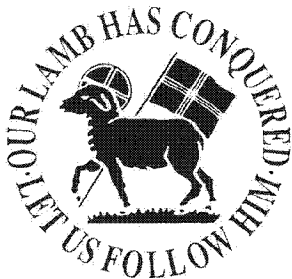
LIFT IN PRAYER

- † Lore Abeles
lung cancer
friend of Erika Lambeth
- † Brandon Bailey
servng in Iraq
- † Jake Blackburn
- † J.C. Bruce
- † Linda Carroll
Sister-in-law to Paulette
Kuzmanovich
- † Sara Cooke
- † Leona Chatham
Vienna Village Room #F57
- † Marie Choplin
Kerner Ridge Assisted Living
- † Tommie Choplin
Britthaven of Kernersville
- † Margaret Gabriel
- † Jennifer Gragg
- † Carol Griffin
- † Helen Earnhardt
mom to Carole Rosenbaum
- † Stephanie Hedrick
great-niece to Rosenbaum's
- † Ernest & Sarah Holland
Oak Dale Heights
- † Phyllis Jacobs – chemotherapy
friend of Boyles family
- † Barbara Key
- † Mike & Edith Kudelka
- † Jeff Lowrance
Margaret Gabriel's nephew
- † Patrick Messick
Son of Jack & Chi Chi Messick
- † Dick Morgan
recuperating from the flu
- † Steve Nail–prostate cancer
son of Gene Nail
- † Terry Orrell
- † Gay Nell Reich
Homeplace of Burlington
- † Anne Roberts
- † Kristy Sapp
- † Flora Sapp
- † David & Norma Segraves
- † Hal Stanley
dad to Michele Harmon
- † Sam Whitt
- † Ken Welborn (*back problems*)
son of Mary Welborn
- † Terrell White
- † "Top" Young
sister to Paulette Kuzmanovich

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.