

*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 significantepara Ud. en cada manera.

Mission Statement

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.

Moravian Motto: "In essentials unity; in non-essentials, liberty; and in all things love."



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Bethabara

Moravian Church

Remembering the Past, Envisioning the Future

*Third Sunday of Advent
December 14, 2008*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BAND PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

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Bill Cobb, reader

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MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH IN GIVING

Receiving of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Anthem "A Star"

The Doxology

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON "Big John" Rev. Tripp May

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Faithful Christians, One and All"
 Henkelmann

The flowers are given by Norma Segraves to the Glory of God and in loving memory of David and in honor of Christ's birthday

Sunday School
 Attendance
 12/7/08
 40

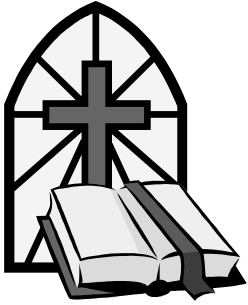
Worship
 Attendance
 12/7/08
 70

PRAYER LIST



Bernice Anderson- <i>congestive heart failure, Rachel Pike's sister</i>	Libby Lee
Polly Applefield	Ana Karina Mann
Jim Barnard- <i>Rachel Pike's brother in law</i>	Tom Manning- <i>applying for job</i>
Nell Barnard- <i>Rachel Pike's sister</i>	Kate McBride
Edna Blevins	John Michelini- <i>friend of Len's</i>
Dot Bruce	Ernest Pendry- <i>Fern's brother</i>
J.C. Bruce	Howard Pendry- <i>Fern's brother</i>
Alan Burton- <i>at home, arrhythmia</i>	Charlie Pfaff- <i>bile duct cancer</i>
James Carroll Jr.- <i>Paulette's brother</i>	Carolyn Redding
Harry Clark	Gay Nell Reich
Dawn Douglas- <i>back pain</i>	Kim & Billy Ridings- <i>friends of Kristy's. Billy's brother, Roy, 38 yrs. old died unexpectedly</i>
Denita Duncan	Jimmy Ring- <i>at home</i>
James Dunn- <i>Len McL's cousin-cancer</i>	Anne Roberts- <i>at home</i>
Luella Everhart	Bill Rosenbaum- <i>at home</i>
Richard Faulk- <i>Gena Howard's broth-in-law</i>	Richard Sams- <i>Dave's brother</i>
Ann Gabriel-COPD	Connie Sapp's family
Shara Gale- <i>awaiting kidney transplant</i>	Joyce Shields- <i>breast cancer</i>
Jennifer Gragg	Keith Shimfessel & family- <i>Kristy's brother-in-law, tests</i>
Don Griffin & Carol Griffin	Linda Thornton- <i>Frances Greiner's friend, non-Hodgkins lymphoma</i>
Ann Gupton- <i>at Terry's home</i>	John Welch- <i>at daughter's home in Kernersville</i>
Stephanie Hedrick - <i>great niece to Rosenbaum's, heart & Down's Syndrome problems</i>	Karen White- <i>Phillip Sapp's cousin</i>
Mary Lou Hutchins- <i>Rachel Pike's sister-dementia</i>	Rick Woods- <i>Dawn Douglas</i>
Ruth Jessup- <i>Rachel Pike's sister</i>	Marion Yokley-
Everette Lawson- <i>Leukemia-Anne Robert's brother</i>	Troy Young- <i>Denita's nephew</i>
Judy Leahy- <i>ovarian cancer</i>	Family of Vic Harllee

Today at Bethabara



9:15 a.m.-Intercessory Prayer
9:45 a.m.-Sunday School
11:00 a.m.-Worship Service
12:15 p.m.-Band Practice
2:00 p.m.-Creative Ministries
5:30 p.m.-Band Prelude
Brookridge
6:00 p.m.-Brookridge Lovefeast

Upcoming Week

Tues. Dec. 16		January Newsletter Deadline
Wed. Dec. 17	6:30 pm	Bible Study and Prayer Youth Choir
	7:15 pm	Adult Choir
Sunday Dec. 21	9:45 am	Fellowship Breakfast
	11:00 am	Children's Christmas Program during Worship
	12:15 pm	Band Practice
	2:00 pm	Creative Ministries

There are **updated church directories** available in the vestibule.



Continuing Prayers for those serving
in the military:

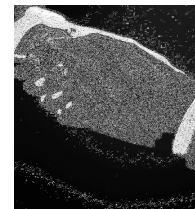
Rick Sapp
Jason Gabriel
Diana Gomez

~ SCRIPTURE LESSON ~

John 1:6-8, 19-28

⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

¹⁹And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" ²⁰ He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." ²¹And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." ²²So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" ²³He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said." ²⁴(Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) ²⁵They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" ²⁶John answered them, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, ²⁷even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." ²⁸These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.



Today's Greeters

Frances Greiner/Clara Pou

Greeters: December 21

Bobby & Anne Kyle

Today's Nursery Helpers

Edna Blevins/Elva Lara Garcia

Nursery: December 21

Fern Hunter/Connie Sapp

~ SAGRADAS ESCRITURAS ~

Juan 1:6-8, 19-28

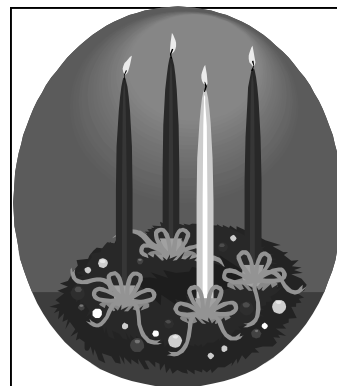
⁶Hubo un hombre enviado de Dios, el cual se llamaba Juan.⁷Este vino por testimonio, para que diese testimonio de la luz, a fin de que todos creyesen por él.⁸No era él la luz, sino para que diese testimonio de la luz.

¹⁹ Este es el testimonio de Juan, cuando los judíos enviaron de Jerusalén sacerdotes y levitas para que le preguntasen: ¿Tú, quién eres?²⁰ Confesó, y no negó, sino confesó: Yo no soy el Cristo.²¹ Y le preguntaron: ¿Qué pues? ¿Eres tú Elías? Dijo: No soy. ¿Eres tú el profeta? Y respondió: No.²² Le dijeron: ¿Pues quién eres? para que demos respuesta a los que nos enviaron. ¿Qué dices de ti mismo?²³ Dijo: Yo soy la voz de uno que clama en el desierto: Enderezad el camino del Señor, como dijo el profeta Isaías.²⁴ Y los que habían sido enviados eran de los fariseos.²⁵ Y le preguntaron, y le dijeron: ¿Por qué, pues, bautizas, si tú no eres el Cristo, ni Elías, ni el profeta?²⁶ Juan les respondió diciendo: Yo bautizo con agua; mas en medio de vosotros está uno a quien vosotros no conocéis.²⁷ Este es el que viene después de mí, el que es antes de mí, del cual yo no soy digno de desatar la correa del calzado.²⁸ Estas cosas sucedieron en Betábara, al otro lado del Jordán, donde Juan estaba bautizando.

Sunday December 21 - Fellowship Breakfast at 9:45 a.m.



Please bring a dish to share for our breakfast and join us for our **Children's Christmas Program** during the worship service.



Brookridge Retirement
Community Lovefeast today

Band Prelude 5:30 p.m.
Lovefeast and Candle
Service at 6:00 p.m.

Confirmation Class Beginning in January

If interested in being a part of the confirmation class, please contact the Pastor or the church office. The Pastor plans to meet immediately after church in the Social Room January 1 through March 29, 2009.

SANTA'S FOOD SLEIGH

Help us feed the hungry and we'll help you save money for Christmas! Bring in non-perishable food to the Moravian Book & Gift Shop from now until Dec. 22 and we'll distribute your donations to Samaritan Ministries and Sunnyside Ministry. In exchange for your donation, we'll give you a coupon worth 20% off of one regular priced item in the store. Coupon good until 12/22/08.

Moravian Book & Gift Shop
614 South Main Street Winston-Salem, NC



Our Members in Care Facilities: Cards and Visits Appreciated

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Leona Chatham-Vienna Village #F57
Sarah Holland-Forest Heights
Edith Kudelka-Hanover Arms, Apt. 340-B
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