

Caldwell builds on our legacy of helping others

Summer heat is building, but so are church volunteers for Habitat for Humanity

CGN! correspondent Sheena Bossie relates the significant work contributed by Caldwell on a steamy Saturday morning.

We built a retaining wall from railroad ties for 87-year-old **Mrs. Lucille Townsend**. She has had a number of home repairs completed by Habitat including a new roof, new electrical system, back deck, and other critical projects in her house that was built in 1949. The retaining wall was the last project that needed to be completed at her home.

It seems like our crews that come out to work are extremely dedicated. Everyone is in great spirits and willing to tackle just about any task (including climbing into 110 degree attics). I think we realize that lack of affordable housing is a major challenge in the Charlotte



Caldwell volunteers put their shoulders into pushing heavy railroad ties into dense Carolina red clay as they construct an retaining wall as part of a Habitat for Humanity project. Volunteers are welcome - no skills required - on H4H projects.

area and helping to build or repair homes with Habitat is one practical way we can have a positive impact. The people who come out to work always want to interact with prospective homeowners to hear more about their journeys and dreams of creating a great place to call home.

Right now our next scheduled project is the first Saturday in August- Habitat had to make an adjustment to their schedule that was going to put us up on the roof so we are currently back at the drawing board for what our task might be that day. We plan to at least another 2 builds this year.

Caldwell diggers take a well deserved break: Rev. John Cleghorn, Lee Williams, Susan Pierson, Sarah Cline, Tom Bohr, Sheena Bossie, and Scott Creigh.

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Music Director search committee named

The make-up of a committee charged with seeking Caldwell's next Music Director has been finalized by the session.

The seven committee members are: **Jim Curtis** (Chair and choir member), Elder and choir member **Richard Campbell**, choir member **Tovi Martin**, Elder **Sharon Harmon**; Personnel Committee Chair **Susan Poel** and members at large **Emily Cox** and **Carol Williams**. Rev. **John Cleghorn** will serve ex-officio and Volunteer Choir Director **Smitty Flynn** will consult closely with the committee.

The committee will begin to shape a job description out of the rich feedback and guidance offered by the choir and congregation in three town hall meetings. You can find a one-page summary of that input on the church website at <http://www.caldwellpresby.org/pastorsblog/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/Music-Search-Congregational-Input.pdf>. *(Search continued on page 2)*

The Abundant Life of Caldwell

Pastor's Message

"I come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

-- John 10:10

Jesus' statement above from the **Gospel of John** gave birth to the phrase "the abundant life," which has been widely used across the Church universal. In the mid-20th century, evangelist Oral Roberts borrowed it to brand his television show and magazine, all promoting his approach to faith healings and the like. More recently, the idea of the "abundant life" has been linked to the "prosperity gospel," a view that God wants us all to be prosperous, powerful and prestigious.

I don't think that's what Jesus had in mind. Yes, Christ was referring to a new life in the Spirit, a new beginning. As the author of Galatians wrote, that life is

one of "love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." These are the fruits of the Spirit that we have access to through the saving life, death and resurrection of Christ.

As with so many, this issue of *Caldwell Good News!*, dutifully prepared by the untiring **Dave Bradley**, expresses how the congregation of this church lives the abundant life through service, study, discipleship and worship, an ever-full life of mind, body and spirit. As this issue reports, even in the doldrums of summer this church is busy seeking understanding of God's will for our lives. One of the ways you serve the church is providing a "classroom" of sorts for seminary and college interns. What a blessing this calling has been for Caldwell. You should also know what a blessing you are to our interns. **Liz Wagner** wraps up her 9-month Union Presbyterian Seminary internship here July 22. In her final evaluation, Liz wrote:

Caldwell is a perfect place for theological field education. The congregation is gracious to a fault, encircling the intern with unconditional welcome, forgiveness of stumbling misstatements and acceptance of any gift offered. Additionally, Caldwell has a strong sense of community mission and thus offers diverse expressions of Christian ministry, i.e. bilingual education and housing for homeless women. Where else could one practice skills for worship, teaching, administration, cooking for large groups and speaking Spanish (I hope to begin participating in the ESL program after my internship ends) within a 20-hour week?

Liz's sentiments echo those of interns who came before her – **Veronica Rogers, Danny Trapp, Lisa McLennan** and **Tianna Butler**, who wraps up her summer with us Aug. 2. In September, our next intern, **Will Davis**, arrives, bringing yet another set of skills and experiences to Caldwell.

Internships can bring varied experiences. When I interned at another Mecklenburg County church, I found conten-



Rev. John Cleghorn

tion between the congregation and the pastor, culminating in the pastor's sudden resignation one night at a session meeting and then a long and awkward period of parting.

Thanks be to God to each of you for offering a different kind of experience, one that gives hope to those who feel called to ministry. Thanks to Liz and Tianna as well for their gifts and lasting contributions to this part of the body of Christ.

I hope you enjoy Liz's and Tianna's parting columns (though I am sure we will see them again soon). Their articles are among the many in this issue of CGN! that illustrate how you live "the abundant life" we have been given through the grace of God in Christ.

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Search...from page 1

It's expected that the committee will also take some time initially to develop a common base of knowledge about church music trends and developments and how they relate to Caldwell's unique blended worship style.

The committee has no set timeline but will seek God's guidance in all aspects of the search. Stay tuned to CGN! and other communications for more and please pray for the committee as it begins this important work.

*Do you have event or committee news, calendar items, photography and other tidbits Caldwell members and guests should see in the newsletter? Please send items by the first of each month to the editor: david.bradley@yahoo.com
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A helpful handyman gets his due

If you're at church on most Tuesdays, you may run into **Dan Mulligan**, our invaluable part-time electrician and all-round handyman. Dan brings many years of experience as a licensed electrician to track down our electrical problems, despite the lack of plans or schematics to explain the confusing wiring that's developed over 100 years of additions and repairs by many people. We're blessed to have his help.

Join the members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee as we thank Dan for all the good work he does for Caldwell. If you see him some upcoming Tuesday working around the church be sure to say "hi" - and thanks.

Tom Bohr, *CGN!* correspondent



No more knock-knock-knocking on Caldwell's door. A new voice and camera system allow Caldwell staff to see who is at the office entry door. The door can be opened remotely.

A Big 'Thank you!'

I want to thank my Caldwell family for all the calls, thoughts, prayers, visits and love that you gave me during my hospital stay for surgery in May, and after I returned home. I truly believe that God was with me every step of the way and everything you did for me has made my recovery easier and faster. Family and friends are so important in my life and I appreciate all the blessings God has given me. Many thanks to all of you.

Elaine Hultman



90 year old willingly jumps from plane

Marie Mancinelli's father Albert took the leap of faith; Marie says 'I'm next'

One thing is for sure, **Marie Mancinelli**' dad will never be satisfied with a tie for his birthday.

Albert Mancinelli aims a little higher - as in 15,000 feet high.

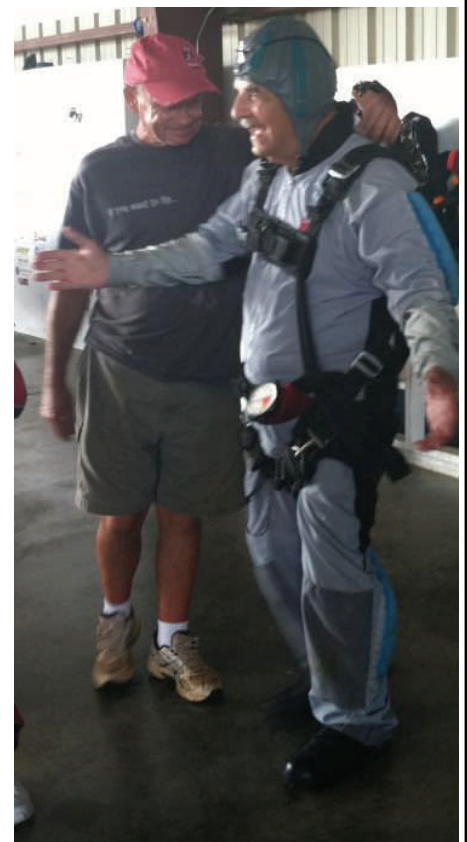
Albert, a spry age 90 and former paratrooper, picked up on Marie's comment that she wanted to skydive. "I can do that," Marie recalls her father saying. Next thing you know, Albert was strapped into a jump suit

for a free fall from nearly half the height of Mt. Everest. Minutes later, Albert, tethered to another skydiver, floated safely down to earth.

"It was really cool," says Marie. "I wanted to jump with him." Marie, however, was grounded.

Marie will get another chance to remove skydiving off her bucket list when Albert turns 95. "I am going to jump with him," she says.

Albert Mancelli, age 90, saddles up to jump out of a airplane speeding along at 15,000 feet. His daughter Marie has skydiving on her bucket list. They'll jump when he turns 95.



Caldwell spreads mission wings to Atlanta

About two weeks ago, I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to go on Caldwell's domestic mission trip to Atlanta. Being in Atlanta before, I knew how beautiful and amazing the city could be. However, on this trip, myself and 5 other Caldwell members saw a different side of the city that very few people see or choose to notice. Including me, **Doreen Byrd, John Chandler, Nancy Pugh, Leroy Stinson** and **Carol Williams** (L to R) were the five Caldwell members who went with me. This would be a trip that would not only allow us to serve and minister to others, but would ultimately allow them to teach us as well. It was quite powerful and inspiring. I think we all left very humbled with a sense of gratefulness for all that we have.

We stayed at **The Open Door** community which is located in downtown Atlanta. The Open Door Community, headed by **Ed Loring** and his wife **Murphy Davis**, seeks to be a voice for the oppressed members of society and desires to serve the homeless as Jesus teaches us. If there's one

person in this world who would do almost anything for the homeless and oppressed, it's Ed Loring. He's energy was so vibrant as he explained to us the purpose of The Open Door Community and what he expected we got out of our time there. He simply told us to sit down with the members of their community and listen to their stories. That would be one of the most important experiences we would have. And true to his word, it was by far one of the most humbling and life changing experiences we would encounter.

The Open Door Community is a residential community that consists of 66 rooms with 25 individuals currently living there. The residents live and work like a family. They are assigned tasks for the week and must clean, cook, and make sure certain items are tended to. The residents come from a wide range of back-



grounds; some felons, some recovering drug addicts, some who have loved the Open Door and have been there since it opened 30 years ago, and some who are teen students about to embark on their first year of college. The diversity of individuals there provided for a huge amount of great and varied conversation that really allowed me to see things through a different perspective.

Tianna Butler, *CGN!* correspondent

'God is definitely calling me to ministry'



Wow! It's so hard to believe that my time here at Caldwell is almost up. I have a little over two weeks left before I end my internship. As I sit here and look back over my

time at Caldwell, I'm overcome with such joy and peace at all the things I've experienced and the people I've met. From preaching my first sermon to feeding the homeless in Atlanta, Caldwell has been great to me. I cannot thank everyone enough for the love, support, and kindness that has been shown to me since I walked through those doors on June 3rd.

After much prayer, deliberation, and guidance I have finally come to realize that God is definitely calling me to ministry. There's no more running from it, hiding from it, or denying it. This is where he wants me to be! I feel so comfortable in the ministry setting. Preaching my first sermon felt so natural, exciting, and wonderful. I felt at peace and like this is what I'm supposed to be doing. I'm so thankful that I had the opportunity to discern and accept this calling at Caldwell. This was the perfect church to allow me to explore all areas of ministry and see where my "fit" was. I know that the Lord has called me to ministry (and I'm more than willing to accept His call). However, I'm still discerning at

what point in my life he wants me to step into this calling fully.

For now, I'm just asking that He guide my steps and that His will be done and not my own. I'm not sure what the future holds (Seminary or not right after I graduate), but I know the Lord holds my destiny in the palm of His hand and will lead me to where I need to be. I love each and every single one of you and know that I have been so blessed to know each of you! I pray that God continues to do wonderful works in your life. Remember to trust Him among the giants you may be facing and NEVER forget the power of prayer. My best to all of you. Thank you for everything!

This is not a goodbye but rather a "see you later". For I know I'll be back. Keep your eyes open for my return. God Bless.

Tianna Butler, Caldwell Intern

Review of actions from GA220



Liz Wagner

I just returned from Pittsburgh where I served as a theological student advisory delegate (TSAD) to the 220th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. For those who have not spent the last 54 years of their life as a Presbyterian, *The Book of Order*, our church's constitution offers this definition:

The General Assembly is the council of the whole Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and it is representative of the unity of the church's synods, presbyteries, sessions, and congregations. It shall consist of equal numbers of ruling elders and teaching elders elected by the presbyteries and reflective of the diversity within their bounds to serve as commissioners. The General Assembly shall hold a stated meeting at least biennially.

Practically, this means that the General Assembly is where the big issues of the church are debated, decided or deferred before being sent back to the presbyteries for implementation or further discussion. As I experienced the week, the General Assembly is the best and worst expression of Reformed representative church governance. The best expression is a gathering of lay and clergy from around the United States from diverse ethnic, economic and theological backgrounds. It was wonderful to observe the variety of people God called to govern our corporate church. Some people arrived with personal agendas arising out of fear and distrust, providing the worst expression representative governance. Of course, elevated tensions in discussion provided the assembly ample opportunity to engage in prayer and request guidance from the Holy Spirit. Cumbersome though it may be, the Presbyterian polity system resulted in cautious movement on controversial issues.

There is no way to condense five days of 12-hour debate into one brief article. Instead, I will encapsulate comments from PC (USA)'s *Assembly In Brief 2012* for those issues that received the most debate. Some copies of the *Brief* will be placed on the back table in the sanctuary on July 22.

- Middle East Peace – The Assembly Committee on Middle East Peacemaking Issues proposed investments of the PC(USA), including pension and benefit funds, be divested from three companies that are profiting from non-peaceful business pursuits in Israel and Palestine – Caterpillar, Motorola and Hewlett-Packard. “The Assembly adopted the minority report calling for ‘a positive and creative course of action in Israel-Palestine, including a plan of active investment in projects that will support collaboration among Christians, Jews and Muslims and help in the development of a viable infrastructure for a future Palestinian state.’”
- Same-gender marriage –The Assembly defeated a motion from its committee to change the definition of marriage from ‘a man and a woman’ to ‘two people’ in the *Book of Order*. Further, ‘an authoritative interpretation allowing ministers at their own discretion to perform same-gender marriages in states where those marriages are legal’ was declined. The Assembly did vote to move the PC(USA) ‘into a season of serious study and discernment concerning the meaning of Christian marriage before the next Assembly in 2014’.
- Ordination standards – The Assembly refused to restore the ‘fidelity in marriage or chastity in singleness’ to the *Book of Order*. Governance – The Assembly ‘rejected a proposal that would allow the creation of non-geographic presbyteries ‘for particular missional purposes’ and instead encouraged congregations to collaborative missional endeavors, irrespective of their locations within particular presbytery geographic boundaries’. A task force was requested to study the effectiveness and composition of synods rather than eliminate them as recommended by the Commission on Mid Councils. And the Assembly voted to affirm the PC (USA)'s property clause that holds all church property is held in trust for the denomination (i.e., does not belong to an individual congregation session).

Other issues brought before the Assembly included special offerings, immigration reform, a new translation of the Heidelberg Catechism, peacemaking and social justice. Again, these are important concerns and worthy of the time spent on debate, so I encourage you to either pick up a copy of the *Assembly In Brief 2012* in the back of the sanctuary or visit the Presbyterian Church web-site; www.pcusa.org/GA220. Though the trip to Pittsburgh was exhausting and illuminating, it was an honor and privilege serve the church as an advisory delegate. I would welcome the chance to discuss the experience in greater detail.

“HELLO”

I am sad to say, my internship at Caldwell has come to a close. Over the past six months, this congregation has welcomed, embraced, encouraged and healed a tired, confused seminary student.

On my first trip to Hungary, I was surprised when people said, “Hello” as we took leave of them. Our host informed us, “Hello, means we are glad to meet you and we hope to see you again. So it is said coming and going.” Thank you from the bottom of my heart for including me in this wonderful community of God's people. You are a beacon of hope to a denomination in transition and a stellar ‘seminary instructor’. Hello, I hope to see you again.

My summer?

Summer is officially underway. Caldwell members and guests answer the age-old question: *'How will you spend your summer?'*



I am planning on just studying to get my degree in health administration and focusing on God's will for me.

Marietta Reeder



I just went and visited my dad. I want to go to the mountains and do a little walking.

Cyndi Hayden



I live in Charleston and when I come back to town I come back to Caldwell to visit.

Roger Pittman



I'm in school, and hopefully I'll take more general education classes and end of being a teacher.

David Cheek



I'm in seminary at Union, and I'll be in classes most of the time. I'll intern at your church in the fall.

Will Davis

Do you have article suggestions for *Caldwell Good News!*? Send story ideas to the church office or david.bradley@yahoo.com. Photos of church events are always welcome. The deadline is the 10th of each month.

I'm going to...



I don't have anything planned. I'm staying home.
Jackie Abernathy



I am going to spend a lot of time in the mountains, staying cool, and missing my church family.
Janet Blanchard



*My grandson (**Dakota Campbell**, see story on page 9) is living with me this summer, and we're having a good time. I'm dog walking for a number of folks who are on vacation, and I've been to the beach.*
Brenda Campbell



Work! This week we're going to Lake Keowee, and other than that, not too much.
Alec McLeod



I'm just reading. I'm taking a class in the fall on world children's literature, and I've been reading non-stop.
Joy Palmer

Income inequality on rise for first time since 1920s

A growing disparity between the *haves* and the *have nots* has consequences

The impact of a widening gulf in incomes will be far reaching, and the current brand of income inequality may be tougher to resolve than other instances that gripped the U.S. in the past 100 years.

More than 30 Caldwell members and guests looked at the root causes and potential remedies during a Sunday evening dialogue. It was the first of a two part Caldwell exploration of the impact of income disparity.

According to discussion leader **Sally Thomas**, "This is the third time it has been so divided: the Gilded Age in 1880s and 1890s; the 1920s leading up to stock market crash; and now." The first two events were corrected by a change in tax structures and an economic boom brought on by World War II. It's today's third chasm that may be harder to fix.

The group talked about what was at the core of the divide, including what Sally calls "the new influence

of money in politics." She also lists a rise of corporate power, privatization, restructuring of work ("free trade," weakness of unions, lack of a living wage), absence of civic engagement, deregulation and a culture of greed.

And there are consequences to the *have-have not* economic structure. Chief among those are poor general health, social problems and poor education, high rates of homicide and children's experience of conflict, high infant mortality, lower life expectancy, high imprisonment rates, high rates of obesity, teenage birth rates, mental illness, drug use. "In

all these indices," says Sally, "the U.S. was among the worst when compared to other developed countries, sometimes literally off the charts."

The group reviewed a list of potential remedies: the removal of political influence in elections, a revamped federal reserve and monetary policies, a change in tax structures and payment of a living wage, strengthened unions, and education about the global economy.

The discussion continues on Sunday evening, July 22 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Shelby room. A dinner is served before the meeting. .



The discussion on Sunday was wide ranging with no easy answers. The dialogue continues on July 22 at 6 p.m. in the Shelby room. All are welcome to participate. Bring a dish to share at dinner. Photos: Diane Mowrey



Committee and other activity in the heat of summer

Discipleship

The 2012 **Discipleship Committee** is gearing up now for this year's annual campaign. So far, two brave souls have volunteered for the committee, but more help is needed.

It would be great to have someone with some skills in graphic design or desktop publishing; we also need someone good at project planning. Even if you do not see yourself as an expert in those areas, I'm sure that we can still put your gifts and opinions to use as we move forward.

To volunteer or learn more about the Discipleship Committee, please contact **Doreen Byrd** at musicmist200@yahoo.com or 704-575-1273.



The first Sunday of each month is communion Sunday at Caldwell.

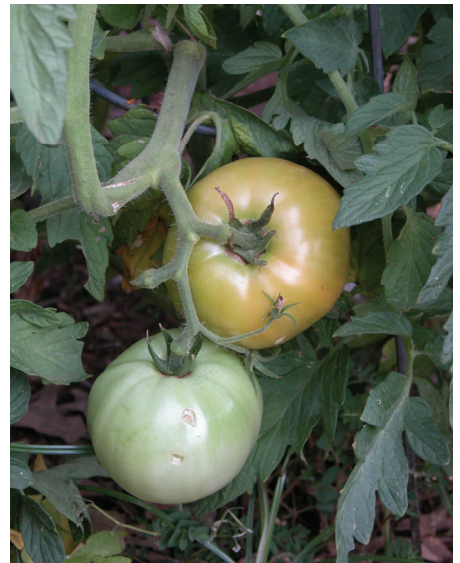
Newcomers

Guests and potential new members recently concluded a series of gatherings on Sunday mornings to have their questions answered about our church.

The conversations were "refreshing," according to committee chair **Troy Aleong**. "Whenever I find myself in classes like these I think how lucky I am to be at Caldwell."



*Dakota Campbell, 16, grabs some air (left and above) before a recent service. He joined his grandmother, **Brenda Campbell**, moments later for church. As for why he revels in skateboarding, Dakota says "It's the freedom, and I just get out and clear my mind."*



Tomatoes are just now turning red in Caldwell's bountiful garden. The plots set aside for various community groups that benefit from our improved soil are beginning to see edible results. Spare hands to weed & water are always welcome.

Mission trip to Guatemala - are you interested?

It's time to start thinking about a Caldwell Mission Team going to Guatemala in 2013. This will be our third trip to work with Common Hope, a highly committed and well-respected organization that focuses on educating children and empowering families. Before scheduling specific dates, we want to assess your personal interest in a trip and your willingness to cover individual trip expenses.

Please contact Kitty Bohr at kswbohr@carolina.rr.com if you have any interest in participating in the 2013 mission trip to Guatemala or call 704-564-3944 if you would like more information. This initial contact is not a commitment, but it helps us determine if we will move forward and make plans with Common Hope in Guatemala.

Financial update

Caldwell's financial picture has significantly improved after so many of you responded to our recent request for help. Thanks be to God for the unfailing generosity and dedication of Caldwell members and friends! Because of renewed focus on pledges and offerings, our wonderful ministries are able to continue throughout the often lean summer months. However, while contributions in July have been strong, our pledges and

offerings through the end of June totaled \$126,000, while our budget planned on contributions of \$144,000 for the same period. Our pledges and offerings are 12.5% behind. Our total operating income is almost 20% behind projections. So we ask for your continued commitment and focus as we enter the second half of 2012. We will continue to keep you informed as we go forward, and we fully expect that our next report will reflect the strong giving levels we have seen in July.

Caldwell in photos



New members **Ryan Kingston**, and **Judith and Sands Harne**. Welcome to your new church home!



Churchgoers in motion queue to make their Ten Cents a Meal offering on a recent Sunday.



The lunch bunch - **Rachel Eldridge**, **Cyndi Hayden**, **Nan Walker** and **Katy Hill** - pose before heading out for a post-Sunday service meal. They were joined this day at Hawthorne's Pizza by **Fred Powers** and **Joan Kleinmann** and her infant son **Elijah**.

First time visitors (right) **Sandra Boozer** of Charlotte and **Kenya Carter** of Simpsonville, South Carolina.



Save these dates in October for more **Caldwell Centennial** festivities:
Friday, October 12: Caldwell Dance
Sunday, October 14: Special worship service followed by dinner.

Katie Stokes, **Kyle Whittlesey**, Charlotte, and **Rita Stokes** of Cornelius visit Caldwell on a Sunday. "I like it a lot. I have a friend here (**Doreen Byrd**) who told us about it," says Rita. "People here are so friendly."



Caldwell Good News! Bulletin Board

COMING UP SOON...

JULY

Sunday, July 22

Economic Apartheid, 6 - 7:30 p.m., Shelby

Monday, July 23

Session, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., TBA

AUGUST

Tuesday, August 2

Merry Oaks committee, 10 a.m. - noon, Shelby
Caldwell Women, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Shelby

Wednesday, August 8

Mission & Justice committee, 6 - 7:30 p.m.,
Shelby

Thursday, August 9

Congregational Care committee, 6 - 8 p.m.,
Shelby

Sunday, August 12

Lunch Bunch, 12:30 p.m., 'Under the Tree'
MS Gospel Event, 4 - 7 p.m., Caldwell Sanctu-
ary

Thursday, August 16

Education committee, 6:30 - 8 p.m., upstairs
Worship committee, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Shelby

Monday, August 20

Women's Book Club, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., TBA

Tuesday, August 21

Finance committee, 12:15 - 1:30 p.m., upstairs

Monday, August 27

Session, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., TBA

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, September 4

Caldwell Women, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Shelby

Church Calendar

1st Monday

6:30 p.m. - Men's Group

2nd Monday

Women's Circle

3rd Monday

6:30 p.m. - Women's Book Club

4th Monday

5:30 p.m., Session, Shelby

1st Tuesday

6:30 p.m. - Women's Group

2nd Tuesday

6:30 p.m. - Mission & Justice Comm., Shelby

Wednesdays

7 p.m. - Choir practice

2nd Thursday

6 p.m., Congregational Care, Shelby

3rd Tuesday

12:15 p.m. - Finance committee, Upstairs

3rd Thursday

12:15 p.m. - Worship committee, Shelby
6:30 p.m. - Education committee, Upstairs

Every Friday

7:30 p.m., AA, Shelby

Sundays

9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Upstairs
11 a.m. Worship (including children's Sun-
day school)
1st Sunday Holy Communion
Session receives new members
All Sundays Loaves & Fishes Collection
(Non-perishables in entry basket)

Administrative Office Hours

Monday, 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Pastor's Office Hours

Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Reach Pastor Leghorn on his cell phone:
704-957-4511

PLEASE! REMEMBER OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND IN PERSON

A card, a call, a visit - please remember our longtime members & keep in touch!

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Miss Toby Herring Emeritus @ Eastover

Mrs. Irene Kennedy 419 Clement Avenue

Mrs. Ann Ranson Legacy Heights

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3610 Randolph Rd, Memory Care Charlotte, NC 28211

Charlotte, NC 28204

11240 Ballantyne Trace Ct. Charlotte, NC 28277

Caldwell's Mission Statement

In the Summer of 2007, Congregational Dialogues formed the foundation of our church's renewed mission statement as adopted by action of the Session that Fall:

- We seek to build a diverse, intentional, affirming community animated by joyful worship and called forth into social action for service to the greater good.
- We seek to hear God's call not only as individuals but also as a progressive, missional community striving to reflect the Kingdom of God in the here and now.
- We embrace the rich history of the Reformed Tradition and the storied past of our once-prominent, center-city church, as we welcome a diverse, urban community of seekers—young and old, gay and straight, rich and poor, of all races and ethnicities.
- We are called into a meaningful, transformative community that values the unique blessings and perspectives of each member and offers a place of welcome and healing to weary souls.
- We seek dynamic servant leaders who serve humbly, embrace change, and boldly challenge injustices in the wider community.
- Most importantly, we seek to proclaim the Gospel in both word and deed, following the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

God Invites. We Welcome. All.

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