

Mortar for Mission: keep our legacy intact for others

A campaign is underway to restore our beautiful but aging church. We all can help.

An important new element of Caldwell's Centennial celebration is in the works - one that will help pave the way for our church's future.

In honor of all of those who helped build the church campus, a capital fund-raising campaign named *Mortar for Mission* has been organized to invite all Caldwell members to contribute to campus repairs.

"We owe a debt to those at Caldwell who came before us and built this campus," said Centennial Committee Chair **Beth Van Gorp**. "We inherited these buildings debt-free. They have enabled Caldwell to do ministry in a far larger way than we could have otherwise, providing shelter, education, worship and hospitality on literally a 24x7x365 basis. Caldwell is first and foremost a missional church. We seek to serve

others before ourselves. We're calling it *Mortar for Mission* to recognize the role our buildings play in our ability to do missions ministry," she said. "The name also signifies the role mortar plays in construction. It's the mortar that holds the bricks together and in place, just like Caldwell does in all of our lives."

After the annual **Discipleship Campaign** in October, which will gather financial pledges for the operating budget in 2013, the congregation will learn more about the campaign to make overdue repairs to the campus. The **Buildings and Grounds Committee** has identified 22 major repair projects and carefully researched repair costs.

"The good news is that our buildings are in sound shape," said **Tom Bohr**, chairman of Buildings and Grounds. "Through the annual budget and the hard work, ingenuity and devotion of people like the late **Jimmy Todd**, we have made significant repairs over the last 5 years equaling about \$150,000 in value."

"However," Tom continued, "we have a list of projects that need attention now. It's just good stewardship of what we've been given. It also ensures we can continue to be the body of Christ to those less fortunate than many of us."

The projects will address repairs to the buildings as well as to our cherished stained-glass windows, which desperately need attention before they are beyond repair.

One of the first projects, funded by the Session, will be plaster repairs and new paint for the sanctuary. To date, a group of Caldwell leaders has



The years and North Carolina weather have taken a toll on our buildings. Repairs to crumbling windows and stained glass are two of more than 20 identified areas of need. Interior portions of the church are in need of attention, too, notably plaster walls and some equipment, among other items.

already pledged \$80,000 over the next three years for the campaign. All congregation members will be invited to participate beginning in November.

"We want to ensure that members are able to meet their first obligation to Caldwell, which is their annual pledge for 2013," said **Rev. John Cleghorn**. "So we will be back in touch with everyone about this after the Discipleship Campaign ends October 28."

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Where will God lead us in century II?

Pastor's Message

A year ago, when we mapped out the various activities of our Centennial year, the **Centennial Committee**, the **Session** and I agreed that these months of September through December would be a good time for thinking, praying and discernment about what comes next for Caldwell.

Our Centennial began with seven months of looking back and learning more about the 100-year history of the church, trials and triumphs included. Next, we spent the summer looking at some current issues facing society and the church, including immigration and economic apartheid. It seemed only appropriate that we would then ask: Where might our Lord be leading Caldwell in its second century?

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We didn't know then how appropriate that question would turn out to be. Now, in the providence of God, we are being given more and more to think and pray about relative to 2013 and beyond.

A few weeks ago, **Rev. Veronica Rogers** informed us that she feels called to restructure her life to spend more time with family. Veronica's season as a minister among us has been one of blessings too numerous to count. I join you all in being grateful that she will continue to minister here until early December. In the meantime, the Session will begin considering the church's needs and the best and highest callings for where we might focus a second pastoral role at Caldwell.

But, as significant as that set of decisions is, it seems that is not all that we being called to consider. Last week, the **Salvation Army**, our partners in **Caldwell House**, informed me of their decision to wind down the operations of Caldwell House by the time our current funding ends in March 2013. While we had discussed extending our partnership until at least December 2014, changes in federal and local funding parameters have made it much harder to raise money for transitional shelters such as Caldwell House.

This news hits many of us almost as hard as Veronica's announcement. Since its unexpected creation from scratch in August 2010, Caldwell House has become a central ministry that enables us to walk with women in need.

We have formed lasting relationships with current and past residents, whom we have seen successfully get their lives back on track and move into independent housing. We helped create a network of supporters, including businesses, churches and other volunteer groups. Together



Rev. John Cleghorn

these partners have provided tens of thousands of individual night stays at Caldwell House along with hundreds of meals, dozens of self-improvement class hours, devotions and other activities. These activities will continue through March 2013, so it's important that we keep that vital ministry strong until then.

As you know, Caldwell is also conducting a search for a new Music Director, someone who will play a key role in helping shape our worship and contributing to the staff and vision for the church. To add one more set of considerations, major funding challenges have postponed the **Charlotte Bilingual Preschool's** ability to open classes at Caldwell this fall. Caldwell had applied for a \$360,000 grant from the denomination to up-fit the **Price Building** for the preschool. We did not get the grant. We remain committed to the preschool, we cannot be certain what the future holds for our partnership as it relates to our campus.

The **Book of Proverbs** tells us that "for everything there is a season," as Veronica cited in her recent letter to the congregation about her decision.

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*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
Visit us on the web at:
www.caldwellpresby.org*

Caldwell centennial festivities continue Oct. 12 - 14

A special celebratory centennial weekend will be packed with activities for all

When plans began to form a year ago regarding celebrating our 100th year, it was immediately clear that we needed to have a **Homecoming Weekend Celebration**.

On the week-end of October 12-14, 2012 we'll do that. On Friday, October 12 at 7 p.m. we'll have our third Caldwell Dance. **Smitty Flynn** and **Rivieras** will be there to make sure everyone makes it out on the dance floor. Plans are already underway for some surprise artists that you won't want to miss. Please look for Caldwell members and friends who are ticket sellers or buy your ticket at the door. If you are able please consider buying a few extra tickets so that all who would like to attend can.

On Sunday, October 14 after a special Homecoming Service, we'll share pasta, salad and desserts in **Belk Fellowship Hall**. Alumni and other supporters will be invited, but please don't hesitate to reach out to friends and family and invite them.

We need all who are willing to help with these events, which are a bit of stretch for our small but involved congregation. If you are willing to supply appetizers for the dance or a dessert or ice tea for Homecoming contact **Angela** or **Jim Everitt** at everitts@carolina.rr.com.

For Homecoming dinner if you are willing to help set up (Saturday afternoon) or clean up (Sunday afternoon) contact **Beth Van Gorp** at bvangorp@habitatcharlotte.org.

For many congregations, this weekend alone would have been the entirety of their acknowledgement of their 100th year. This has not true at Caldwell - many of you know that we have already had quite a few opportunities for celebration, learning



and reflection already.

During the minute for the Centennial during worship we looked back for the good and bad of 100 years of Charlotte and Caldwell history. At our reunion evening, with those who grew up in the church, we heard stories from those who returned to share memories. We stretched our spiritual practices as part of our 24 hour prayer vigil during holy week on the day the church was established by forming a session 100 years ago. And on a Day of Service on the anniversary of the first worship service we had a chance for worship, fellowship and did a lot of great work cleaning our old buildings and working in the garden.

Homecoming weekend will not be the end of our reflection time during 2012. We will continue our minutes for the Centennial and hear the voices of a number of Caldwell folk, envisioning what the church might be like in 25 years. We also anticipate a new history of the church that will be available for purchase.

Thank you to all who have participated and plan to participate. You've made this year memorable and inspiring one.

Beth Van Gorp, Centennial Committee Chair and *CGN!* correspondent

Revelers dance the night away at the 2011 version of this year's dance. The dance is one of several fun activities on tap for our Homecoming weekend celebration.



A post-Homecoming weekend service will end with a communal breaking of bread for members and guests alike.

The menu for the Sunday, October 14 meal is set (pasta and salad), however, if you want to bring a dessert or iced tea, please contact Angela and Jim Everitt. You may also contact the Everitt's if you can bring an appetizer to the dance.

Affirmations offers a way forward for Christianity

Adult Sunday school explores 12 weeks of *The Phoenix Affirmations*

What lays ahead in terms of the future of Christianity will be the focus of the next several months of Adult Sunday school leading up to Advent as the class explores *The Phoenix Affirmations*.

The premise of the Affirmations is a set of 12 principles written by clergy and laypeople in Phoenix, Arizona in 2006 that outline a potential future for progressive Christianity. The class at Caldwell will devote one Sunday to each of those principles.

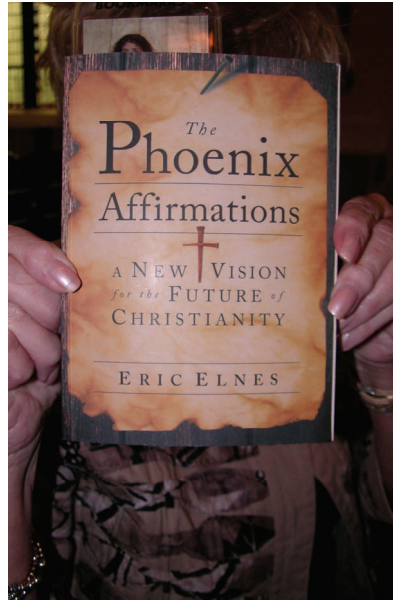
The first Affirmation: *Walking fully in the Path of Jesus without denying the legitimacy of other paths that God may provide for humanity.*

"I think it's an exciting study for us here at Caldwell because it's about getting to the roots of our faith as well as looking forward to where Christianity can take us or is going," said **Helen Hull**, moderator of the course.

Hull said the Affirmations are "about providing and envisioning a way forward for Christianity - and for each of us on our faith journey."

In the introductory session to the set the table for the Affirmations, each of the 21 attendees took a moment to talk about their own new beginnings, be it a moment of enlightenment or some other life event of significance and what helped to support them through the transformation.

"*The Phoenix Affirmations* themselves are a sort of support for the Christian faith and those practicing Christianity today, and a new direction or a new beginning, in that they re-visit, revise, and re-affirm some tenets of the Christian faith," said Helen.



Susan Poel explains her own new beginning to attendees at week one of The Phoenix Affirmations class in Adult Sunday school. The text was written by Eric Elnes.

"Participants should bring an open, inquiring mindset but they don't need to bring anything else!! We generally try to set up the study sessions so that people can drop in and drop out. We know people have busy schedules," said Helen.

If you opt to attend the class - and we hope you do - the classes are held each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Shelby Room east of the sanctuary. Feel free to bring your coffee or tea.



Jeff Michiner (above) walks the class through his new beginning. Participants went around the room to explain things from their own unique perspective.



Torn Between Two Loves



Veronica Rogers

Each day we are faced with multiple decisions. Some decisions are easy because the advantage of one plan of action clearly outweighs the other. But what do we do when we are faced with two equally compelling choices?

E. B. White, (American writer and author of the children's book, *Charlotte's Web*) observed this dilemma. "*I arise in the morning torn between a desire to improve the world and a desire to enjoy the world. This makes it hard to plan the day.*" Often we are faced with times in our lives when we must choose one or the other—to make a difference or to just have fun. Then there are times when we find that can do both.

I am blessed to serve in an environment which gives me the opportunity to work with others to improve conditions and simultaneously, to enjoy the world which God created. I am fortunate to be a part of a supportive and caring team with John Cleghorn and Leslie Gipple. Each week, parishioners and affiliates from our various church ministries come by to share their talents and stories or to seek spiritual direction. And then there is our jubilant Sunday worship service, lifting my spirits and speaking to my heart in this place of reverence and honor to God.

In our lives, we often put off doing the things that bring us fulfillment for a later time. I can go on that trip to Jerusalem --- later. (Why didn't someone tell me that my arthritis would prevent me from climbing those hills?) I can hold my granddaughter on my lap --- later. (How did she get to be 16 years old already?) I can visit my cousin --- later. (Doesn't everyone live to be 102?) If we examine our thoughts throughout the day, they are generally about our yesterdays or our tomorrows. Someone coined the expression, "the immediacy of now" to speak to the importance of living in present moment.

There is nothing like having another birthday to put us in touch with the immediacy of now. A birthday can create space for meditation and assessment of one's life. Each May, my spiritual sister and I traditionally celebrate our birthdays. However, this past celebration was very different. She had received a life-altering health diagnosis. We have always shared our ministries, our values and our desires, our joys and concerns as we journeyed on parallel paths. However, our conversations moved to an even deeper level in light of her diagnosis. We were suddenly faced with a true immediacy. We are grateful for God's call on our lives; yet lately, we have been prayerfully asking God's this question, "What would you have us to do - now?"

Recently, the demand on my availability to my biological family has increased. My sister and I are now the youngsters who are expected to provide care and make decisions for our cousins who are in their 80's and beyond. My children and grandchildren live in Atlanta and Washington, DC. My youngest son, who lives in Seattle, Washington, has been diagnosed with a serious chronic illness.

The ministry of this vibrant church is dynamic and growing, one that will require additional time and energy. And so I found myself torn between the two loves - the love of my Caldwell family and the love of my family of origin. As I engaged in a time of discernment, I came to the realization that it really isn't *either-or* but *both-and*. This Caldwell family has become as entrenched in my life as my other family. But because of this present immediacy, it appears that my next year will be one of traveling and care giving as need dictates.

So I am no longer torn between two loves, for I am blessed by the choice of being able to love each concurrently. Caldwell Family, thanks for the love, encouragement, and understanding that you have shown me in this difficult decision. ***And now faith, hope and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.*** (I Corinthians 13: 13)

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Now it seems, God is calling Caldwell into an even deeper time of discernment, a time of prayer and openness to new possibilities.

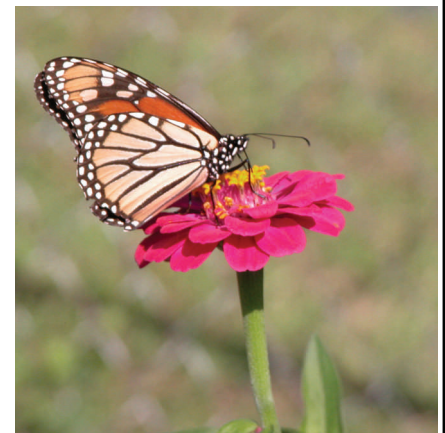
I know that mourning comes with change, especially with change to things that matter to us. But when that mourning is over, there is always the hope that comes with new possibilities for those who seek our

Lord's guidance with humility, integrity and true openness to what it means to be the hands and feet of Christ.

I truly believe that describes the people of Caldwell.

May God go ahead of us and lead us toward God's will for us and those we serve in the name of Christ.

A monarch butterfly finds a zinnia in Caldwell's garden to be an ideal Saturday morning resting spot.



Work with Latinos to continue; impact on preschool

Temporary closure of Bilingual Preschool does not mean outreach to Latino community will stop

The school year has begun for our children, parents, and teachers at the **Bilingual Preschool**. A new classroom was added to the main site at **Third Presbyterian Church**, which is licensed by the State of North Carolina, and some families familiar to us at Caldwell are among those who will be at the Central Avenue location this school year.

Due to funding constraints, the Caldwell site of the Bilingual Preschool will not be open this semester. The decision was a difficult one, but the board of the Preschool thought it was better to open later than to open in September and perhaps be forced to close. We remain hopeful the grant requests now outstanding will be enough to open our Caldwell site no later than January 2013.

In the meantime, outreach to our Latino neighbors will continue to be a focus of Caldwell's mission plans. The **Latino Ministry Committee** has several exciting volunteer and participation opportunities in the works, including continuing our close relationship with the Bilingual Preschool. The parents will come to Caldwell for their English as a Second Language classes and some of their parenting classes. Because they do not have a strong volunteer base at the Central Avenue location, Caldwell volunteers are needed there to read to the children and serve as classroom "floaters."

Two new opportunities that will further our relationship with the Bilingual Preschool will be introduced this fall. A pilot program is being developed in which Caldwell families and individuals can mentor some of the Preschool families who are particularly at risk. We will start with a "getting to know you" dinner in November. Providing a meal for the teachers once a month at their staff lunches is also a new way for you to get involved.

The Latino Ministry Committee also hopes to further our outreach in the Latino community beyond the Bilingual Preschool. We will celebrate Christmas with our neighbors at a special **Las Posadas** event in December (more about that later), schedule a Justice Forum on Immigration in winter, and organize the 2013 Mission Trip to Guatemala (dates to be announced soon).

Last year 15 Caldwell volunteers demonstrated their Christian love by actively supporting, mentoring and teaching the students, parents and staff of the Charlotte Bilingual Preschool. For the moment the location of our outreach to this under-served population has changed, but the needs of our Latino neighbors have grown. We will continue to be open to however God is calling us to be in relationship with our brother and sisters. If you have questions or want to volunteer to be part of this ministry, contact **Ann Alford** at apalford@msn.com for the Bilingual Preschool or **Kitty Bohr** at kswbohr@carolina.rr.com for the Latino Ministry Committee.

Kitty Bohr, Ann Alford, CGN! correspondents



The temporary closure of the Caldwell location of the Bilingual Preschool will, by no means, mark the end of our outreach to the Latino community. In fact, far from it.

Instead, Caldwell will focus on English as a Second Language classes for parents of preschoolers, volunteering by Caldwell members and friends at other preschool locations, and mentoring of families who are particularly at risk.

Committee and other news

Music Director search on track

This Sunday, September 16, the Music Director search committee concludes a "grounding and education" process of members visiting six other Charlotte churches noted for their music and music leadership.

Churches represent a cross-section of music styles, worship format, congregation size and ethnicity. We will meet Monday to compare notes. We are hoping also to meet with one or two university music faculty people to gain a different perspective on music leadership in a growing church.

Jim Curtis, Search Committee Chair

Newcomers Committee

In noting **Felicia Pine** as a new member, committee chair **Troy Aelong** said "Even established friends are coming in and joining."

The committee has no new events scheduled as of yet. However, the committee is "trying to figure out something in the fall," according to Troy. This might include an after-church luncheon held in the Fellowship Hall.

The Session

- **Veronica Rogers** shared that she will be on staff about three more months. She shared this with the congregation during service on Sept. 2. A letter from Veronica went out to members and friends of Caldwell this week. We feel blessed to have had Pastor Rogers with us over the past three years. She has provided compassionate congregational care to so many at Caldwell.
- **Stephen Idol** recently sent the following announcement out about the 2012 Crop Walk:

Hello, all!

My mom and I are again leading the effort to recruit donors and participants for the 2012 Charlotte CROP Walk!

*We have a complication this year, though, in that the day of the walk, **October 14**, is the same day as our Caldwell Centennial Celebration.*

We definitely do not want to make people choose between the activities. So, we had the idea of coming up with an alternate activity, preferably a service opportunity supporting hunger relief efforts, for which we could get sponsors. The money will still go to CROP. One idea from the Mission and Justice meeting involved spending a shift at Friendship Trays, which started in Caldwell's basement years ago. But we are open to suggestions. Obviously the activity would need to be done on a day other than October 14, but could be done within a time frame a few weeks before or after the actual CROP Walk.

*If you have ideas, would be interested in participating in an alternative activity, or would be willing to sponsor someone in this endeavor with the monies still going to CROP, please respond to this email with your thoughts. A **Minute for Mission** is coming soon about the efforts of CROP in our community and around the world.*

Thanks in advance for your input!

*Stephen and **Marion Idol** (cmmsidol@carolina.rr.com)*

- **Zach Thomas** and **Smitty Flynn** are organizing a hymn sing. Dates TBA.

Mark Rowe, Clerk of Session

Discipleship Committee

A four week campaign has just been planned, according to committee chair **Doreen Byrd**. Details are still to be worked out. However, tentative plans call for the weeks to be built around 1) a focus on prayer, 2) worship, 3) spiritual gifts, and 4) finances. Doreen said that overall, the effort will be to help congregants and guests "do things in their life to make a conscious time for God."

Will Davis is new intern at Caldwell

Please welcome **Will Davis** as our new intern!

Here's a bit about Will:

- Will is a retired television broadcaster who originally hails from Wilmington, NC.
- Will is a ruling elder at **Myers Park Presbyterian Church**; an Master of Divinity candidate at **Union Presbyterian Seminary**; and an Inquirer in the **Presbytery of Charlotte**.
- He and his wife, **Debbie Rains Davis** live nearby in the Southpark neighborhood with their 3 dogs and two cats.
- Will's hobbies and interests include aviation, skiing and photography - and now Caldwell!

Welcome, Will!



Caldwell in photos



Katy Hill repositions a needed drink for plants in Caldwell's garden. You can volunteer to plant the fall crop on Saturday, Sept. 22, 8 - 11:30 a.m.



Jackie Abernathy and Mike Watson were feted with cake on our front lawn after a Sunday service to celebrate their recent birthdays.



Felicia Bell, Terry Whitney, Randy Hood, Lee Williams and Carol Williams are the driving - and faithful - forces behind preparing Sunday breakfast for our shelter guests. (Photo: Marilyn Rowland)



Troy Bowles and Leroy Stinson are always at the ready to set up post-Sunday service refreshments on the front lawn. Weather permitting, of course.

Our **Loaves & Fishes** basket in the front entryway could use a fill'er-up. A recent **Gallup Poll** found 18% of Americans at times cannot afford food. This summer's harsh drought in the nation's Bread Basket could cause a spike in food bills. Worse, a separate report claims Americans throw away up to 40% of their food. **FeedingAmerica.org** reports one in six Americans goes without food for several meals or even days. Chief on the list of needed items are rice, canned and non-perishable foods, peanut butter and other proteins. Donate what you can.



Guests and friends join us for Sunday services



Chris Whitfield of Kinston. *“It’s an excellent church. I like what you’re doing here with reaching out and crossing the cultures. I’m very enthused about what you’re doing here.”*



Sherry Browning, right. Sherry was encouraged to visit by her brother, **Eric Tucker**. *“He invites me every week.”*

Colleen Hughes, left, with daughter **Audrey**, age 9. *“It’s wonderful here. I’ve been searching for a church for so long. **Lee Jones** spoke so highly of this church. This is the real thing.”*



LaQuonia Brown, Domonique Jones, and Belinda Thompson visit on a recent Sunday.



Kelly, Olivia (age 7) and **Jocquin Fuller** of Rock Hill. *“I love it,”* said Kelly. *“The people are very friendly and welcoming, and there are lots of different kinds of people.”*



Paul Oppold and Brooks Johnson. *“I love it,”* said Brooks. *“I just feel at home here.”*

A new member...guest quotes...and more good news

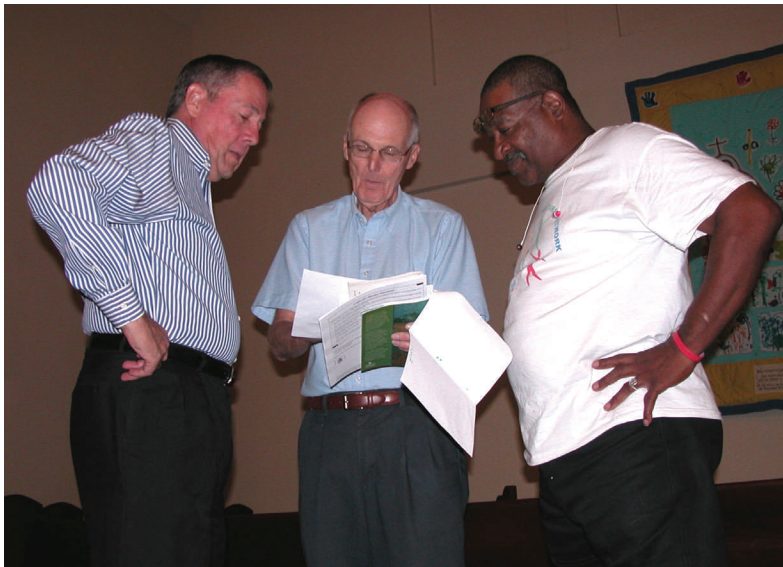


*After attending Caldwell for a "couple of years," **Felicia Pine** took a welcome plunge: she is our newest member. Caldwell was partial influence on a big decision for Felicia. She felt a call to study law with a focus on immigration issues. "In class I realized my new calling, and I had to decide what God wanted me to do." So too for her new church home. "This church was about inclusiveness, and I have a place where God called me, so here I am."*

New members are welcomed by the Session following the first Sunday service of each month. Call the church office, 704-334-0825, for more information.

What our guests and visitors say:

- "It's big, with a big congregation. Everybody seems so friendly."
- "I'm enjoying myself so far. There are friendly people here, that's number one."
- "I like it. It's really humble."
- "It's different, and it's nice."
- "I feel welcome."
- "We knew coming here your intention was to be diverse and inclusive. And it's great to see all that at work here."
- "We're very impressed. You all have a nice website and a great video that is very welcoming, and it was very welcoming when we got here, too."



*Chief provision procurers for the Sunday breakfast for our shelter guests, **Bob Metzler**, **Jeff Michiner**, and chef extraordinaire **Randy Hood** convene on supplies before a recent service.*



***Liz Wagner** bids adieu to friends at Caldwell during her final Sunday as our intern. She was honored at a post-service reception attended by many of those she came to know. We were honored to have her at Caldwell.*



*The children at **Merry Oaks Elementary** were the big winners when Caldwell members and guests came through with a mountain of school supplies.*

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COMING UP SOON...

SEPTEMBER

Monday, September 17

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

Tuesday, September 18

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

Thursday, September 20

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

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

Saturday, September 22

Garden Get-Together, 8 - 11:30 a.m., garden

Tuesday, September 25

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

Saturday, September 29

Garden get-together, 8 - 11:30 a.m., garden

OCTOBER

Tuesday, October 2

Merry Oaks committee, 10 a.m. - noon, Shelby

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

Monday, October 8

Women's Circle, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.,
Shelby

Wednesday, October 10

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

Thursday, October 11

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

October 12, 13, 14 HOMECOMING WEEK- END - details included in this issue of CGN!

Monday, October 15

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

Tuesday, October 16

Finance committee, 12:15 - 1:30 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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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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