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**Caldwell Good News!**  
**May, 2013**

## Let the conversation start

Caldwell begins the 3D process



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**Youth-led service for the young at heart**  
Caldwell's youth led every element of our April 13 service from start to finish. Our younger generation led us from prayer to dance to music to thoughtful meditation. They closed with a flourish that included a bit of creativity from nearly everyone in the entire congregation.  
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**New associate pastor ready to lead**  
Rev. Evie Landrau is our new Associate Pastor. "To see a community at Caldwell reaching out impressed me." She said at Caldwell, "families are tight and the community is tight."  
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**Women's retreat**  
A group of 25 women trekked to Montreat for another weekend of faith and camaraderie. The adult equivalent of *Godly Play* was the theme, along with food, fellowship and reflection. Read all about it.  
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**Caldwell in photos**  
Flowers on Sundays, a sign up for the church directory, and our team headed to Guatemala.  
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## Let the little children come

*"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - Matthew 19:14*

Time and again I hear one of you joyfully describe one of our most cherished moments in worship, that time when our kids hop, skip, jump, scamper and sometimes stroll at their leisure down to the doorway at the front of the sanctuary to be dismissed to Sunday school.

Worship engages all of our senses and this moment each Sunday

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“preaches” loudly and clearly. It reminds us how blessed we are that our ranks of children are growing. It also reminds us that we make a vow each time a child is baptized to help raise each child in the ways of Christ.

That opportunity is growing! Thanks be to God, Caldwell is experiencing a baby boom, including Micah Denison (the latest, born May 10), Grace Jordan, Margaret Kiviranna, Joey Masto, William Shumaker and Eli Kleinmann.

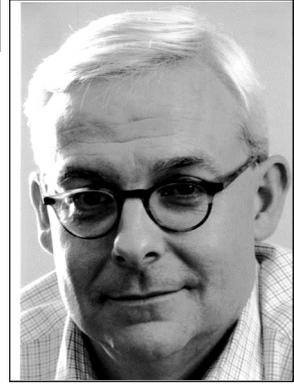
Combined with our other kids aged 12 and under, these latest additions boost our number of kids close to 50. Each Sunday, they are in one of three classrooms:

- The nursery: Birth until they are out of diapers.
- Godly Play: Up to first grade.
- School-aged kids: First through sixth grade.

Caldwell is blessed with well-structured class programs for kids of all ages, organized, planned and coordinated by a dedicated team of Education Committee members. But the classrooms rely on volunteers! Each class needs 2-3 volunteers every Sunday.

None of us has an excuse for not volunteering in ways that “let the little children” come to church and learn about our God in Christ. No experience is needed and the ‘training’ is simple. What our kids need most is adults who care about them and can affirm them in their faith development.

Caldwell has about 250 active members and friends. If each one



**Rev. John Cleghorn**

volunteers once or twice a year, every classroom on every Sunday will be covered. It is not any more complicated or demanding

that that. In turn, we can relieve the dedicated handful of volunteers who miss more than their share of worship services so the rest of us can remain while they go teach.

In the Book of Acts, we find one of the most important principles in what it means to be church together: “And all who believed were together and they had all things in com-

mon.” (2:44) This idea of shared commitment describes our mutual responsibility and duty to God to teach our children. But it is more than just a duty, it is a joy and a gift we are given.

Of all the books about the future of the church that I’ve read, each full of ideas, “strategies” and alternate endings, there is one thing I know. One of the best way we can serve the church now and in the future is to

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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](mailto:david.bradley@yahoo.com)  
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Our youth - young adults, actually - pinned strips of cloth (which held writings from the congregation) into the form of the Caldwell logo. An incredible idea with incredible results.



The uplifting, young voices of the Youth Ensemble took over from the choir for a day.

Caldwell youth led a spirited, lively worship service in mid-April, much to the delight of the congregation.



## Wednesdays: the Prayer Room welcomes you

Something in your heart cry out for extra prayer?

Maybe you've noticed that the Prayer Room hasn't changed much since it was set up for the Prayer Vigil right before Easter. The journals; the books on prayer, faith and meditation; the art supplies; the prayer prompts; the prayer tree - almost everything is still in place.

The reason? Caldwell's Prayer Room will now be open one afternoon every week for anyone who wants a more intentional experience with prayer.

Beginning on May 22, you're welcome to drop in on Wednesdays anytime between 3:45 - 6:45 p.m. Stay for a short time or as long as you like.

Want someone to pray with you or for you? Come to the Prayer Room.

Want to retreat from day-to-day pressures for a short time? The Prayer Room will be the perfect place.

Have something on your heart that cries out for extra prayer? Visit the Prayer Room.

Want to connect with God more intentionally in a way that reflects your unique spiritual gifts? Explore diverse ways to approach prayer in the Prayer Room.

I've been on the journey to deepen my prayer life for a long time. At various times, I've given up on prayer and I've considered myself a failure at prayer and I've made the even bigger mistake of thinking I had found all the



answers. At every stage of that journey, simply showing up to spend time in God's presence has given me gifts I could never have imagined. What I have discovered is that there are so many ways to engage with God that it sometimes seems - almost - possible to pray without ceasing.

When you show up on a Wednesday afternoon in Caldwell's Prayer Room, here's what you can expect: You will not be alone, so you can be contemplative or engage with others if you choose. If it's your first visit, someone from the congregation (maybe me, sometimes others) will be on hand to

show you around the space and help you settle in.

You can explore or you can make yourself at home on the sofa or in a rocking chair. You may want to grab a book, meditate on the cross or journal your prayers. You can find your favorite quote on the prayer tree and take it home with you. Or maybe you'd like to add a prayer to the prayer tree. You can ask someone to pray with you or you can simply rest and restore. Some weeks, we'll even have special prayer activities like group meditation, intercession or Taize meditative music, so watch the calendar for news.

Beginning Wednesday, May 22, 3:45-6:45 p.m., you can enter through the side courtyard. No need to ring the bell; the door near the Choir Room will be unlocked during Prayer Room hours.

Let's come together to engage the prayer journey.

- By Peg Robarchek

*Have questions or ideas for ways to enhance the Prayer Room and this experience? Have art supplies or books on prayer and meditation that you'd like to donate? Contact Peg Robarchek at [coachpeg@aol.com](mailto:coachpeg@aol.com) and use "Prayer Room" in the subject line.*

*Pastor from page 2*

fulfill our vow to teach our children. By doing so, we truly obey Christ's command to "let the children come" to him.

Are you signed up to teach in the next 12 months?

To sign up, contact Elder Caroline Lublinkhof, chair of Christian Education, at [carolinecheek86@gmail.com](mailto:carolinecheek86@gmail.com) or by phone at 704-651-1077. You have my thanks for doing so - and my promise that you will enjoy the experience.

### Thank you!

We have now completed the first four months, or one-third, of the 2013 fiscal year. As a result of your generous and committed giving to Caldwell, our church is in good financial condition. Our overall income is right on track, and our expenses are running slightly below budget. We are getting ready to enter the summer months, a time when, because of vacations and other distractions, church giving often falls behind. Please continue your commitment to giving. You may want to consider on-line giving while you are away. Together, we can make sure that all of Caldwell's wonderful ministries continue for the summer and the rest of 2013.

	April	Year to Date
Income	\$37,974	\$130,009
Expenses	31,856	121,233
Net	\$6,118	\$8,776

*Some people are driven by their life's circumstances. Others are driven by the expectations society has placed on them. Yet still, others are driven by a need for change, for something different, something positive and something beneficial; especially when that "something" defines their very own existence.*

Bell Niba,



*Obong Fankam*

My name is **Abong Fankam** and I am a student at Union Presbyterian Seminary. This summer I have been blessed with the opportunity of doing my Internship here at Caldwell Presbyterian Church. Thank you all for welcoming my daughter Mongai and me into this beautiful community of faith. Though the coming weeks I will be getting to know you more by names and you will get to know more about me. But I thought, I should tell you a little bit about myself and a non-profit I support. I came to the United States as teenager and found myself in a predicament many Africans find themselves in when they first arrive. I found myself being the outsider with the "funny" accent no one could understand. I found that my home country, Cameroon, was not as popular as I thought. One thing that surprised me was that Africans did not like to share the stories and struggles people face back in Africa. One time I got into a conversation with a fellow African about why we do not talk about the horrible conditions in the rural areas and try to get some help for them. I was surprised, when I was told that stories like those are not to be shared.

For some time I too decided to stay quiet. But I later realized that change does not come by being quiet and not taking action. After a lot of prayers and reflections, I was moved by the plight of those Jesus called "the least of these" and I deeply yearned to touch those most in need. In 2005, I co-founded "A Place of Hope Inc.", a non-profit organization that meets the educational needs of AIDS orphans in Cameroon.

The ministry started by paying students' school fees, providing shoes, uniforms and school supplies for 100 AIDS orphans. Today it has grown to 750 AIDS orphans in six villages in Cameroon Africa. It also pays for teachers' salary in a Presbyterian elementary school and has built an elementary school.

Through its "No Backpack Day" program, the ministry has provided thousands of backpacks filled with school supplies to the neediest children in Cameroon.

I am in awe of the blessings that God has given me through this ministry called A Place of Hope. I have seen so many children being blessed by the head, hands, and hearts of the Charlotte community. Children who never had any thought of being able to go to first and second grade are starting to think about what career they want to study while in college and vocational school. They are considering what contributions they will be able to give back to their global society. They have Hope.

Two years ago, 11 year-old Samiratou, a student supported by A Place of

Hope since 2007, was ranked first out of 7000 students in her school district. She lost her father to HIV/AIDS and she and her five siblings were left under the care of their mother who was not able to provide enough food for them, let alone send them through school. When interviewed Samiratou had this to say ***"These excellent results could not have been possible without the support of A Place of Hope Charlotte USA. There are many other children who can produce better results than mine, but their studies are unfortunately constantly interrupted because they are in need of money for school fees and other school needs. I was able to produce this result because my studies were not interrupted, thanks to the support I have been receiving from A Place of Hope. I have three younger siblings who are looking up to me, and my dream is that one day I will become a well-educated woman who will not only not depend on a husband, but will be able to be in a position to help other underprivileged children."***

As you read this article, I am presently in Cameroon with students from Queens University distributing backpacks filled with school supplies, doing arts and crafts, playing soccer but above all loving them and sharing a message of hope that will transform their lives and heal their hearts. Please keep me and the students in your prayers.

In His Love and Service,  
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## **ELIZABETH'S CALDWELL HOUSE PRESENTS: CALDWELL FASHION PARADE 2013!**

Caldwell Presbyterian Church cordially invites you to enjoy an evening of transformation through fashion, Sunday, May 19.

STARTS at 7 p.m. with doors open at 6:30 p.m. in the Bread of Life Christian Ministry, Belk Hall.

- By Deborah Porter

**3D in action:**

# Step 1: get to know each other and the path taken on faith journeys

As a practical matter, the first gatherings of each of our 23 3D groups - Discernment, Discussion and Dreaming - have been almost by necessity meet-and-greet sessions. As the church has grown, 3D is an expanded chance for both those new to Caldwell and those who have been with us for awhile to put a name with a face, and, more important, a story with a background. Many 3D groups began, or will begin, by getting to know each other.

The success of the 3D process will rest on deeper personal familiarity among Caldwell members and friends. For some, that familiarity is knowing the path others have walked on their faith journeys. At a session hosted by **Ann Alford**, participants did just that.



## Nancy Nance

Nancy was looking for a church and read a newspaper article about Caldwell. "The very next Sunday, we visited," she said. Of attending, she said "I can't describe the feeling of love. I said 'this is it for me.' It didn't matter your color or what you wore." Her journey goes on; "I've got a long way to go because I have a lot of questions. I question myself a lot. Am I a true Christian? It's an ongoing question."

## Judith Harne

Judith lived as a teacher in Columbia, SC but the grandchildren were in Charlotte. So, she and her husband moved here but she said "I don't know where I had heard of Caldwell. We both immediately felt at home." an interesting part of her teaching background: teaching at a women's prison. "It was a wonderful job, you left every day feeling like you had done something good for someone."

## Mike Hemlepp

Born a Methodist the Savannah native moved to Charlotte. His MapQuest of Caldwell found it right around the corner. "The plan was to visit churches, but I walked in and never left." Mike came out late in life and says "Caldwell is so open to the gay community. People have no idea how impactful that is." He wants to lead a Bible study for gay Christians. Now, Mike is "living in Charlotte and healing."

## Ellen Kelly

As a child in New York, Ellen recalls she "would sit in church and listen and sing pretty songs." Those good feelings stayed with her after a move to Charlotte. "I remembered that calm hour and pretty songs." A chance meeting with Jeff Sinn found others were 'meeting as a small group at another church'. That church was Caldwell. She wants to know those in the church. "I love Caldwell," she said.

## Ann Alford

Years ago, Ann tried another church but "wasn't wild about it" - the church was cool to divorced people. A newspaper article piqued her interest in Caldwell. "I was going to try it, and was so taken by the people and friendliness. Little did I imagine I'd find a church like Caldwell." If she was going to be part of the church, "I needed to participate." Ann has served Buildings & Grounds and other committees.

## 3D groups discuss various aspects of church life such as how we serve a growing number of children and youth

How do we involve our children in church and minister to their needs and those of their families? That is just one question in front of Caldwell's 3D groups as they address our larger mission.

The 3D group led by **Alex Smythers** and hosted by **Maggie, Grace and Bo Jordan** took on this emerging topic with a round of open and heartfelt discussion.

The conversation ranged not so much on how to attract children and families but how to tend to their needs and expectations while at church and beyond the church walls, too.

To Alex, among the points Caldwell might focus on is "what do we want to teach our children? Children are very observant and they know what you believe by what you do. If we have any hypocrisy when they ask their question, they're going to know."

As many adults do, children may also have questions of faith, according to Maggie. "I like the idea of a church that allows kids, at a certain point, to question things." Her experience at Caldwell, she said, is that of a church that accepts her even if she has

### 3D in action:

## Step 2: Discuss what it means to be missional and transformational



questions about Christianity. The church can be, she said, "Multiple things or multiple personalities."

The church may where children follow the lead of adults in terms of how others are treated. Caldwell is, said **Mary Ann Ogle**, "a place where we have respect for people."

### A shifting view

Also figuring into the equation is the shifting view of how we see change in the religious world. "Beliefs have changed," said **Nancy Faires**, on formerly hot button items such as homosexuality and the Virgin birth. Yet at Caldwell "We welcome and are tolerant and are active in the community," said **Susan Gover**.

of possible collaboration with other churches to create youth programs when no church has the resources to do so on its own.

The group tossed out other possibilities, including a youth intern. It raised another large question: what is the difference between children and youth minis-

### A critical mass

Caldwell may be rapidly entering a phase where a crossroads is reached: a growing number of children and the potential for a ministry devoted to them and their families.

A central question: Is Caldwell *the* place for young families at this point in their lives?

The church has relied heavily on momentum built of eager volunteers. Yet, is that enough for families that may look for a full time youth program from education to music to other activities?

Bo said the church may be approaching a "critical mass" where full time staff for youth is a consideration. He raised the point

### A church trajectory

At issue is the trajectory of our church; what do we offer? Is it for all?

The point was made that Caldwell offers retreats for both men and women but no version for young families.

What it may boil down to is landing on a deliberate structure that meets these new needs.

But such is the point of the 3D sessions: open and candid exploration of questions that come out of the journey of a church that seeks to be missional and transformational.

"How many churches could do what we do, an go off and talk about it?" said Alex. "How do you want a church to change?"

Mecklenburg Ministry Events calendar: From Sit-Ins to Eat-Ins

## 50 years of desegregation in Charlotte restaurants

<b>Sunday, May 19</b>	<b>Levine Museum Panel Discussion</b> , 2:30 p.m. at First United Presbyterian Church, 201 E. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.; Levine Museum and partners presents a discussion among participants in Charlotte's 1963 restaurant desegregation and noted historians as they share perspectives on these historical events, <b>free</b> .
<b>Sunday, May 19</b>	<b>March from Johnson C. Smith University to County Courthouse</b> , 2:30 p.m., <b>free</b> .
<b>Monday, May 20</b>	<b>City and County Proclamation</b> , 12:45 p.m., Old Mecklenburg County Courthouse, 600 E. Trade Street; <b>free</b> .
<b>Monday, May 20</b>	<b>McGlohon Theater, Spirit Square</b> , 7:30 p.m., Isabel Wilkerson: Pulitzer Prize winning author of <i>The Warmth of Other Suns</i> , tickets (\$12) available at <a href="http://www.carolinatix.org">www.carolinatix.org</a> or 704.372.0023.
<b>Thursday, May 30</b>	<b>From Sit-Ins to Eat-Ins Community Festival</b> , TBD.
<b>For information</b>	Contact Marion Idol, <a href="mailto:cmmsidol@carolina.rr.com">cmmsidol@carolina.rr.com</a> .



Rev. Evie Landrau says "I'm a box of surprises" and that finding Caldwell is "definitely a work of the Holy Spirit."

## Welcome Rev. Evie Landrau to Caldwell

Get ready to welcome the **Rev. Everdith (Evie) Landrau** as our new Associate Pastor, arriving June 10.

Evie brings a high-energy, enthusiastic and passionate style to a church that she first heard about through the PCUSA Multicultural Church conference in Charlotte in April 2012. "I had already been hearing a lot of positive things about the church," she said. Months later, after **Rev. Veronica Rogers** left Caldwell, Evie received a call from the Caldwell session. To Evie, Caldwell is "an example of what God is doing. To see a community at Caldwell reaching out impressed me."

Having grown up Puerto Rican in Harlem and lived in different locales, Evie is familiar with the perspective of being "the stranger." "I have had to rely on a community that would embrace me as an equal, a sister, a friend. I have learned how to live with an extended family of strangers." She sees the close-knit culture of Caldwell as one where "families are tight and the community is tight."

She said she "likes to build relationships and hope that is my priority." Evie would like to build upon those relationships "before I bring ideas" to the church. Evie said she would like "to learn from John. I'll be a co-laborer in ministry."

She's glad to be at Caldwell, and we're glad, too. "God is so real to me, she said. "God says 'I'm not done with you yet'."

## The women's retreat draws 25 but the weekend was "all about stories by way of scripture ... by way of Godly Play."

*This was my first time coming to the retreat. It was wonderful to get away and be surrounded by the beauty of God's creation. I led a small group in an experience of Godly Play, hiked to the top of Lookout Mountain and enjoyed the fellowship of other Caldwell ladies. The best part was getting to know each another better, making new friends, and sharing our stories.*

**Sheena Bossie**

*A springtime weekend at Lookout Lodge in Black Mountain, for what is known as the Caldwell's Women Retreat, has become for me each spring a weekend of great anticipation. This year retreat was no different. Being introduced to "Godly Play" was great but seeing Mary Carol Michie was fantastic. Mary Carol wrote a very moving note about her great time with old friends and meeting the new ladies. Just think if it was not for George and Mary Carol Michie and a few others like them at Seigle fifty years ago it probably would not be a new Caldwell today.*

**Carol Williams**

## Twenty-five Caldwell sisters gathered at Montreat in April for our 6<sup>th</sup> annual women's retreat, this year's program centered on Godly Play.

We began the weekend by sharing Bible stories that resonated with our individual faith journeys. Our intros spanned the Old Testament and the New Testament, the psalms and the parables. At one and the same time, our introductions were unique and they overlapped. All in all they were a powerful testimony to the importance of sharing our stories.

And then we made ice cream sundaes and played games. Endless rounds of banana-grams ...

**Liz Wagner** began the program on Saturday morning by introducing us to the power of God's stories, how they tell us who we are and, more importantly, whose we are. We broke into three Godly Play groups, led by **Ruth Curtis**, **Doreen Byrd** and **Sheena Bossie**, three storytellers from Caldwell's Godly Play preschool program. We spent the morning experienced the stories of Joseph's coat, the Good Samaritan and Advent.

And then we had free play... We cracked eggs over each other's heads. We rocked on the porch and visited with **Mary Carol Michie**. We shopped in Black Mountain. We hiked Lookout Mountain and we napped. All as we continued to share our stories and connect to each other.

Saturday evening Liz led us to a greater understanding of the concept behind Godly Play and how we implement the program with our preschoolers each Sunday morning.

And then we turned in early... It had been a full day.

Sunday morning was a time to share each group's Godly Play experience. Sheena's group shared hearts of many colors, Ruth's group enacted the story of the Good Shepherd and Doreen's group told of the birth of Christ with the Advent candles. We shared ribbons with messages for our secret sisters ...

This year's retreat was all about stories – telling our own stories by way of scripture, experiencing God's stories by way of Godly Play, and lastly retelling those stories as we playfully and reverently worshipped God.

- By Katy Hill

Justice Forum June 30::

## Dream or Dead-End? The Future of Immigrant Youth

What's it like to grow up in an undocumented immigrant family, living with the fear that your parents could be deported at any time? To graduate from high school like everyone else, then learn there's no way you can go to college? What do you do with your dreams--and your parents' dreams--for your success in America, the land of opportunity?

On the evening of June 30, we'll consider these questions at Caldwell's community-wide Justice Forum - Dream or Dead-End? The Future of Immigrant Youth.

Three speakers will share their experience and knowledge with us. **Moises Serrano**, who came to Yadkin County, N.C. as a young child with his parents, will tell his story.

**Dr. Peggy Ceballos**, assistant professor in UNCC's College of Education with extensive experience about the lasting effects of deportation on young children. **Lori Fernald-Khamala**, director of the Immigrant Rights program of the American Friends Service Committee in Greensboro, will highlight developments on Capitol Hill and in Raleigh as immigration reform is hotly debated--and explain how you can make a difference in what kind of reform bills emerge.

- By Joyce Deaton

Laurel, Kathy and Ben Martin brought gorgeous flowers on a recent Sunday.



The latest Common Hope Vision Team is now beginning preparations for their trip to Guatemala on October 6-13 2013.

The team dedicated themselves to this mission trip with the Caldwell Congregation on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and recently had an orientation meeting with Common Hope. Joining this team will be **Cathy Lum, Sally Thomas, Jared Gardner, Deanna LeBaron, Elissa Hunt, Wilma Petty, Mary Ann Ogle, Craig Ogle, Jennifer Roberts, Jesca Yiskah El and Ann Dorsett.**



As faithful servants, we are excited to begin this journey together and are thankful for the support and blessings we have received to make this experience possible. We are all committed to God's mission in this church, our community and throughout the world.

We ask for your continued prayers and support for each member of this team as we embark on this journey of faith and service. We are honored to share this experience with all of you!

Muchas gracias a todos!

(Left to right in the photo: Cathy Lum, Sally Thomas, Jared Gardner, Craig Ogle, Mary Ann Ogle, Elissa Hunt and Wilma Petty.)

- By Cathy Lum



It's not too late to fill out your information to go into the Caldwell directory. Visit with Peg Robarchek for more information.



Merry Oaks Family and School Advocate Lisa Lewis by seven planting boxes built by Caldwell volunteers. "The whole idea is to get our students involved," she said.



The Caldwell Garden is growing, too!

# Caldwell Good News! Bulletin Board

## May

Mon., 20th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	Women's Book Club, TBA
Tue., 21st, 6 - 8:30 p.m.	Buildings & Grounds, Shelby Room
Fri. 24th, noon - 1:30 p.m.	Finance Committee, Upstairs
Tues., 28th, 5:30 - 8 p.m.	Session, Shelby Room
Wed., 29th, 3:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Prayer in the Prayer Room

## JUNE

Wed., 5th, 3:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Prayer in the Prayer Room
Wed., 5th, 6 - 8:30 p.m.	Sally Thomas, 3D, Fellowship Hall
Mon. 10th, 10:30 - 12:30 p.m.	Women's Circle, Shelby Room
Wed., 12th, 3:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Prayer in the Prayer Room
Thurs., 13th, 6 - 8 p.m.	Congregational Care, Shelby Room
Mon., 17th, 6 - 8 p.m.	Women's Book Club, TBD
Tue., 18th, 10 a.m. - noon	Merry Oaks Comm., Shelby Room
Tue., 18th, 6:30 - 8 p.m.	Buildings & Grounds, Shelby Room
Wed., 19th, 3:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Prayer in the Prayer Room
Wed., 19th, 6 - 8:30 p.m.	Sally Thomas, 3D, Fellowship Hall
Wed., 19th, 6 - 8 p.m.	Mission & Justice, Price Bldg., 1st Fl.
Thurs., 20th, 6:30 - 8 p.m.	Education Committee, Upstairs
Tue., 25th, 5:30 - 8 p.m.	Session, Shelby Room
Wed., 26th, 3:45 - 6:30 p.m.	Prayer in the Prayer Room
Sun. 30th, 4 - 5:45 p.m.	Mission & Justice Forum on Immigration, Sanctuary

## 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 Sunday school)

1st Sunday Holy Communion

Session receives new members

All Sundays Loaves & Fishes Collection  
(Non-perishables in entry basket)

### Administrative Office Hours

Monday, 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Pastor's Office Hours

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

Reach Pastor Cleghorn 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!*

**Mrs. Barbara Atkinson** Lake Park Nursing Center  
Mailing address 830 Faircrest Drive  
**Mrs. Irene Kennedy** 419 Clement Avenue

3315 Faith Church Rd., Room 600 Indian Trail, NC 28079  
Charlotte, NC 28210  
Charlotte, NC 28204

## 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 important, 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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