



Striving to glorify God by being a Christ-centered, caring church through worship, discipleship, missions and ministry.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2011

10:55 AM Worship

- Prelude..... "Pat a Pan"arr. Wyrzten
- Welcome to Worship.....Rev. Alex Martin
- *Congregational Greeting Time
- *Carol of Praise..... "The First Noel" (Stanzas 1 & 4)..... No. 180
- Lighting of the Advent Wreath..... Travis & Christi Stevens and family
- The Church Family at Prayer Rev. Alex Martin
- *Carol of Giving "Silent Night, Holy Night" (Stanzas 1 & 4) No. 206
- *Offertory Prayer
- Offertory..... "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach/arr. Smith & Hustad
- *DoxologyNo. 668

Tapestry of Light

A Celtic Christmas Celebration by Joseph M. Martin



Gray Shelton and Sylvia Gentry—narrators

Carols of Hope and Light
Longing for the Light

Genesis 1: 1-3
Isaiah 40: 3-5; Isaiah 42:6

Teresa and Alex Martin—soloists

An Advent Garden
The Holy Child of Mary
O Wondrous Night

Isaiah 35:1-2
Isaiah 7:14; Luke 1:26-34
Isaiah 9:6; Luke 2:1-7

Mark Merritt—soloist

A Celtic Noel
Bethlehem Light

Luke 2:8-14
Isaiah 60:1-3; John 8:12

Bob McPherson—soloist

Carols of Celebration

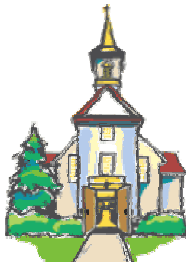
John 1:1-4

- *Closing Comments & PrayerRev. Alex Martin
- *Congregational Response..... "O Come, Let Us Adore Him"Traditional/Wade
- *Postlude "Joy to the World".....Handel/arr. Johnson

***Congregation please stand.**

**Hearing assistance devices are available. Please see an usher.
Please turn off cell phones during the worship service.**

- Deacon of the Week: Danny Lineberry (320-3018)
- Good Shepherds: Sherry Hiatt (320-2622) Mary Jo White (789-5821)
- First Care Team: Charlie & Betty Wagoner (786-6055)



WELCOME
TO WORSHIP

Welcome to Calvary Baptist Church

If you are a guest today at Calvary, we are so glad that you are here. Thank you for worshipping with us. A guest card is inserted in the pew pockets; please complete it and drop it in the offering plate so we will have a record of your visit. Several information centers are located throughout the building filled with information about our church, its ministries and a map of our facility. We also have a website with daily Bible readings and devotionals for adults and children: www.calvarybcmntairy.org

For those with babies and/or small children, we provide a nursery and children's church during both services.

Below is a listing of our Sunday School classes. Please take the opportunity to visit one or several of these over the next few weeks.

If you have any questions about Calvary, please see one of the ushers today or contact the church office during the week (786-4778). Again, thank you for being with us today. We are glad that you are here.

"Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness;" Psalm 96:9

SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRY WE HAVE A CLASS FOR YOU

| <u>Class</u> | <u>Room</u> | <u>Class</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>Room</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| NURSERY BED BABIES | 211 | YNG ADULTS 1 | 20S - 30S | 202B |
| 2 YEAR OLD CLASS | 212 | CO-ED 1 | 20S - 40S | 117 |
| 3 -4 YEAR OLD CLASS | 213 | CO-ED 3 | 30S - 40S | 114 |
| KINDERGARTEN | 217 | CO-ED 4 | 40S - 50S | FELLOWSHIP HALL |
| 1 ST - 2 ND GRADE CLASS | 121A | CO-ED 5 | 50S - 70S | 115 |
| 3 RD GRADE CLASS | 121B | PAIRS&SPARES | 40S -70S | 113 |
| 4 TH - 5 TH GRADE CLASS | 119 | LADIES 1 | 50S - 60S | 118 |
| 6 TH ,7 TH , 8 TH GRADE CLASS | 102 | LADIES 2 | 50S - 60S | 112 |
| 9 TH - 12 TH GRADE CLASS | 103 | LADIES 3 | 50S - 70S | 111 |
| College & Career | Chapel Prayer Room | LADIES 4 | 60S - 70S | 120 |
| | | LADIES 5 | 75+ | 201 |
| | | MEN 1 | 40S - 50S | 116 |
| | | MEN 2 | 60+ | 200 |

Sermon Notes:



Prayer Concerns (as of December 15, PM)

Use our On-line Prayer Concern Form at:

<http://www.calvarybcmtairy.org/Forms/PrayerForm.htm>

Recent Additions to our Prayer Concerns

Jim Armbrister, friend of Gray Shelton; **Jessie Brooks**, family member of co-worker of Keith Doyle; **Claudia Bryant**; **Leonard Davenport**, Faye Jarrell's brother; **Caroline Kirkman**; **Mary Lou Lawson**, grandmother of Julie Gurley's friend; **Don Thompson**; **Ann Young**, cousin of Pam Peake

Remember the Bereaved

The Family of Gary Collins in his death, Jo Hodge's nephew

The Family of Doug Franklin in his death, Keith Doyle's cousin

The Family of Claude King in his death

The Family of Ronald McMillian in his death, neighbor of Phil & Sherry Hiatt

The Family of Ethel Vernon in her death, Claudia Bryant's aunt



Fourth Sunday of Advent

(The 1st, 2nd and 3rd Candles Are Lit) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:1-4)

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we are gripped with anticipation: the darkness is fading and the light is about to dawn. How can we contain our gratitude for the gift of God's amazing grace, shared with us in the child of Bethlehem? Let's not hold back our praise. Let's join instead who with angel choirs who sing, "Glory to God in the highest!" **(The 4th Candle Is Lit)**

Today, we light the fourth candle of our Advent Wreath, and we pray – that by its light – we will give joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.

People: Let us declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness and into His wonderful light.

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| Ministers | Our Church Family |
| Pastor | Rev. Alex Martin (e-mail— pastoralex@calvarybcmtairy.org) |
| Minister of Music | Rev. Stephen Farrar (e-mail— steve@calvarybcmtairy.org) |
| Administrative Assistant | Billie Doyle (e-mail— billie@calvarybcmtairy.org) |
| Office Assistant..... | Ann Richardson (email— ann@calvarybcmtairy.org) |
| Organist | Carolyn Greene |
| Pianist | Jean Williamson |
| Custodian..... | Carlos Delfin |
| Audio Engineers | Phil Hiatt, Danny Lineberry |

If you look for Me at Christmas



*you won't need a special star—
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem,
I'm right there where you are.
You may not be aware of Me
amid the celebrations—
You'll have to look beyond the stores
and all the decorations.
But if you take a moment
from your list of things to do
And listen to your heart, you'll find
I'm waiting there for you.
You're the one I want to be with,
you're the reason that I came,
And you'll find Me in the stillness
as I'm whispering your name.*

*Love,
Jesus*



Additions and corrections for the Homebound List:

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| Roger Marion Rose Plantation Nursing Home 125 Rose Plantation Drive King, NC 27021 | Dot Tolbert Golden Living 542 Allred Mill Road Mount Airy, NC 27030 |
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Wednesday Night Activities Begin
January 11

Ladies Bible Study

Blood Drive—January 15

Youth Ski Trip—January 20-22

Fifth Sunday Combined Worship
January 29

More Details to Follow....

| Helpful Reminders | December 18 | December 25 |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nursery Workers | Uplift | Uplift |
| Bed Babies—4 years | No Uplift Service | No Uplift Service |
| Children's Church | No Uplift Service | No Uplift Service |
| | Traditional | Traditional |
| Bed Babies /Toddlers | Anne Forrest, Carolyn Underwood | Sandy Nowlin, Evelyn Nowlin |
| 2 - 4 Year Olds | Johnny & Mary Lynn Goins | Kent and Kyle Moser, Faye Haas |
| Children's Church | No Children's Church | No Children's Church |

| <i>Church Statistics</i> | | | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Budget Year 10/01/11 thru 12/11/11 | Budget to Date | Receipts to date | Expenditures to date | Receipts minus Expenditures |
| General | \$92,254.25 | \$86,683.49 | \$61,694.22 | \$24,989.27 |
| Debt Retirement | \$2,490.51 | \$4,983.18 | \$329.32 | \$4,653.86 |
| Transportation | \$830.17 | \$661.15 | \$124.62 | \$536.53 |
| Debt Reduction Funds Available: \$24,863.76 Loan Balance as of November 1: \$ 45,660.48 If you have questions concerning the budget contact any member of the Finance Committee. | | | | |
| Date | Bible Study | Uplift | Traditional | Total Worship |
| 12/11/11 | 184 | 92 | 207 | 299 |



Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 18

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:55 AM Traditional Worship

Christmas Cantata

6:00 PM Children's Christmas Musical

7:00 PM Youth Christmas Party

Monday, December 19

6:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 20

6:15 PM Grief Share

Wednesday, December 21

6:30 PM Church-wide Christmas Caroling

Friday, December 23

Office Closed

Saturday, December 24

5:00 PM Christmas Eve Service

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day

10:55 AM Traditional Worship

Monday, December 26

Office Closed

Tuesday, December 27

10:30 AM Women In Mission

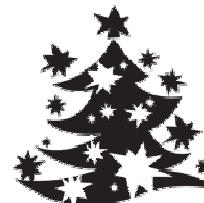
Medical Ministry

Wednesday, December 28

No Wednesday Night Activities

Saturday, December 31

New Year's Eve





CHRISTMAS



Schedule

Friday, December 23—Office Closed

Saturday, December 24—Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 25—No Uplift Service
No Sunday School
Worship Service—10:55 AM

Monday, December 26—Office Closed



Join us for the Children's Musical Performance

Arrest These Merry Gentleman



Tonight, December 18th 6:00 PM

The Chrismon Tree

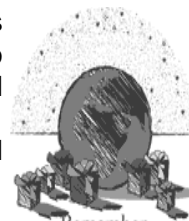
Remember to bring your unwrapped gifts to the Children's Musical Performance TONIGHT at 6:00 PM. All gifts collected will be given to the Blue Ridge HOPE (shelter for domestic abuse) and the Shepherd's House so that they can minister to the children who come to these facilities throughout the coming year. Please give prayerfully and generously so that our congregation can continue to share the love of Christ with our community.



Wednesday, December 21

Come join us as we go caroling to our church families that are home-bound or at assisted-living facilities in the local area. We will meet in the church fellowship hall at 6:15 and leave in groups shortly after for caroling. The groups will reconvene at the McDonald's on Rockford Street for a time of fellowship (Dutch Treat).

Let's remember our missionaries during this Christmas season. Envelopes are available in the information centers to receive offerings for international missions and missionaries. Offering options are Global Missions (CBF), Lottie Moon (SBC), and our own missionary family, Andy and Cari Robertson. Our goal is \$3,000.



Remember
Our Missionaries
This Christmas

Total Collected To Date: \$2,365.00



Beginning Sunday, January 1, Pastor Alex encourages you to be present in worship for "Resolved: New Hope for a New Year." This three week message series invites you to consider: What resolutions will make a "Kingdom difference" in the year ahead? Why not invite a friend to join you in worship as we kick off a new year together?