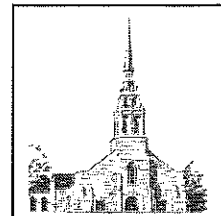


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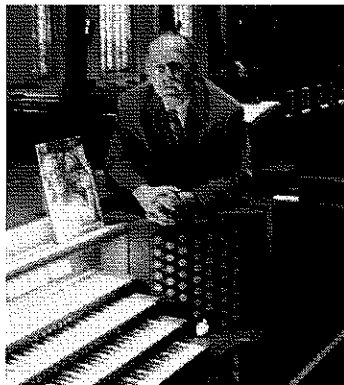
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Lenten Organ Recital

The Music Ministry of Corinth Reformed Church will have the last Lenten Organ Recital on Friday, March 21. These recitals are dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of Raenelle Bolick



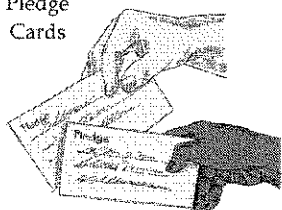
Abernethy. Mrs. Abernethy was a devoted member of Corinth, sharing time, talents, and financial contributions.

The organist for Good Friday, March 21 is Peter Corneliussen. Peter Corneliussen grew up in Santa Cruz, CA and earned degrees in organ performance from Whittier College, and the University of Michigan. He came to Corinth after twelve years at Miami Shores Presbyterian Church in Miami, FL. Peter has been the Organist/Music Director at Corinth since September 2001.

Peter is also a composer and has created several original music theater productions including the music drama M. Magdalene, youth musicals: The Ark, Meet Me In the Den, The Pilgrimage, and Joseph and Pharaoh.

He and his wife, Lisa, have two sons, Garrett and Shane.

Pledge Cards



2008 Pledge Cards

The Board of Christian Stewardship would like to update the congregation on the 2008 pledge cards. To date we have received 100

pledge cards totaling \$448,948. This amount is down from last year's pledge of \$663,424 from 144 families.

The Board of Christian Stewardship encourages members to make a personal financial commitment, as it is imperative to the life of the church.

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday, March 20, 7:30 pm - Thirteen men will re-enact the Last Supper Jesus shared with his disciples the night before he died. The men will read the words of scripture recalling the words of Jesus and his closest followers. As the "disciples" share bread and wine with Jesus, they will also share the elements with the congregation.

Good Friday, March 21, 12:30 pm - Peter Corneliussen, Director of Music and Organist at Corinth Reformed Church will present the final Raenelle Abernethy Lenten Organ Recital in the sanctuary.

Community Easter Sunrise Service, March 23 6:30 am at Corinth - Corinth will join Viewmont Baptist Church, St. Aloysius Catholic Church, and St. Luke's Methodist Church to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus as daylight dawns. Breakfast will follow the service.

Easter Worship Services, 8:30 and 11:00 am services - Glorious music will accent a festive spirit of worship and praise as we rejoice in the new life of Christ.

Mid Atlantic Christian Education Association Conference

The Mid Atlantic Christian Education Association Conference will be in High Point on March 28 and 29. This is a key training event that is sponsored by this non-denominational organization to help churches equip their teachers and workers in various ministries. They offer seminars on leading effective Bible study discussions, creative teaching ideas, and ministry helps for the nursery to senior adults.

Please let Linda Thompson 328.6196 ext 206, or email linda@corinthtoday.org know if you would like to attend by March 16. The cost is \$45 including lunch. The church will subsidize the cost to make it only \$15 for our teachers to attend a one day portion of the Conference.

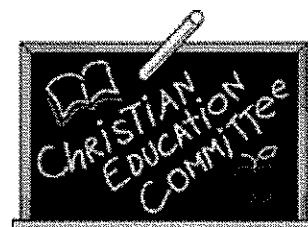
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HOLY WEEK



Heart Spa - Women's Retreat



All women are invited to attend the Women's Retreat April 11 - April 12. The retreat will be held at the Catholic Conference Center in Mountain View.

Check-in and Fellowship 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm on Friday, April 11. Saturday, April 12 "treatments" 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Registration for overnight guests ranges in price from \$85 to \$98. If you want to join us, but do not wish to spend the night, the cost is \$56. Registration forms are available after the services on Sundays, online at www.corinthtoday.org, or in the church office. The due date is March 23.

Easter Celebration

All kids through 5th grade, mark your calendars for the Easter Fun Day. It will be on Saturday, March 22, 11:00-3:00. You may register for this day by calling the office 328.6196 ext 201 or 203, or sign the sheet in the Sunday School hall.



Attendance

March 9, 2008
Worship services - 547
Sunday School - 177

Looking Forward to Worship

Palm Sunday is always a special event in the life of Corinth. We begin the service by passing out palm branches as we remember the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. By the end of the service, we have transitioned into a remembrance of his death. Our Scripture for this Sunday is John 19:17-27, "King of the Jews."

We will share in the sacrament of Holy Communion in all three worship services.



Financial Update

- Offering this week: \$ 14,376
- Budget needs YTD: \$196,839 (19.4%)
- Offering YTD: \$180,217 (17.8%)
- Needed by 3/31/2008 to stay current: \$73,358
- Building Fund this week: \$1,076

Week of March 16

Sunday, March 16

Worship (Sanctuary), 8:30 am
Sunday School, 9:45 am
Marriage Class, 9:45 am
Traditional Worship, 11:00 am (Sanctuary)
Contemporary Worship, 11:00 am (Fellowship Hall)
Italian Lunch, 12:30 pm
Twenties N Thirties Bible Study, 7:00 pm
*Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:00 pm

Monday, March 17

Boys Scouts, 7:00 pm
Women's Guild Ministries Board, 9:30 am
Epilepsy Support Group, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 18

Men's Bible Study, 6:30 am
Abernethy/Warlick Circle, 6:30 pm
Spiritual Council, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 19

Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am
Spiritual Stretchers, 9:45 am
GriefShare, 2:00 pm
Youth Chorus, 4:15 pm
Children's Choir, 5:00 pm
Confirmation, 5:00 pm
Fellowship Meal, 5:30 pm
Handbell Choir, 6:15 pm
Kids' Club, 6:15 pm
Women's Bible Study, 6:15 pm
Men's Bible Study, 6:15 pm
Characters of the Bible, 6:15 pm
Pastor's Class, 6:30 pm
Stephen Ministry, 6:30 pm
Jr & Sr High Youth CREW, 6:30 pm
Chancel Choir, 7:00 pm
College Girl's Bible Study, 9:00 pm

Thursday, March 20

Men's Bible Study, 8:00 am
Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am
Hearts of Lydia, 11:30 am
Maundy Thursday Service, 7:30 pm

Friday, March 21

Lenten Organ Recital, 12:30 pm

Saturday, March 22

DivorceCare, 10:00 am
Children's Easter Celebration, 11:00 am

**Non-Corinth - sponsored events.*

Pastors' Prayer List

Current Items for Praise and Prayer

- David and Amy Washco requests prayer following a recent miscarriage.
- Jeff Long continues to ask prayer for his wife, Dea, who remains on life support at Frye Regional Medical Center battling a life-threatening internal infection.
- Steven Dulin was admitted to Carolinas Medical Center March 4 due to low counts and tempeture. Doctors do not know when the next to the last chemo will be given. Pray for peace, strength, and perseverance.
- Lyn Walker asks prayer for her son, Toney Gantt, whose wife, Morgan, died Saturday, March 8, at Hospice.
- Christine Cofer asks prayer for the family of Marian Belk, who died Saturday, March 8. Marian is the former director of the Women's Resource Center.
- Suzie Stewart requests prayer for her cousin Gary Wayne Smith of Wilmington, NC. Gary is struggling with current life changes and health problems.
- David Watson asks prayer for a co-worker, Randy Beal, who was admitted to Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte March 5 following a brain aneurism on Wednesday.
- Scott and Mary Millar ask prayer for their friends, Rhonda Curtis and Barry Shoemaker, who are battling cancer.
- Kathleen Shuford, daughter-in-law of Hamp and JoAnne, asks prayer for her father, Ernest Webb, who is hospitalized in Pennsylvania, her sister-in-law, Sue Webb, who is facing chemo treatments, and her nephew, Chris, who has been suffering from severe headaches.
- Hunt Broyhill asks prayer for his grandmother, Fadine Arnold, 96, who is battling pneumonia at Rex Hospital in Raleigh.

Special Ministries Person of the Week: Ruth Abernethy, Alterra Sterling House, 910 29th Avenue NE, Hickory, NC 28601

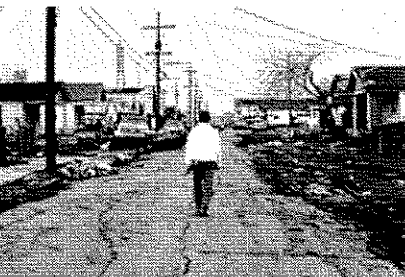
Military Person of the Week: Noah J. Davidson, US Marine, Box 13009, 3rd Battalion, Parris Island, SC 29905-3009

Student of the Week: Dave Everett, Appalachian State, 114 Calebs Crossing Rd, Boone, NC 28607, email: de70097@appstate.edu

Benevolence of the Week: Good Samaritan Fund, Corinth Reformed Church, 150 Sixteenth Avenue NW, Hickory, NC 28601, 828-328.6196, email: office@corinthtoday.org

Families of the Week: Rob & Jennifer Collins (Cassidy, Caroline, Chase), Carly Cook, Lis Cook, Peter & Lisa Corneliussen (Garrett, Shane), Pat Couch, Rebecca Couch, Gene Kresge & Nancy Cowan, Robert & Nancy Cowan, Lea Cox, Shane & Melanie Crafton, Austin Crowe, Lance Crowe, Frances Fuller (Elsa), Lee & Jacque Crump (Ann Marie), Paul & Danielle Cummings (Molly, Hannah), Nichole Curtis, Brian & Ragan Daigle

Hurricane Katrina Recovery Effort



New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity is leading an unprecedented rebuilding effort, as the largest homebuilder in New Orleans. In 2008, NOAHH plans on building hundreds of new homes in Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, and Plaquemines Parishes.

St. Bernard Parish remains one of the most devastated communities in the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Located to the southeast of New Orleans, St. Bernard suffered significant structural damage to 100% of its residential and commercial units. The citizens of St. Bernard Parish need your help in order to recover.

Corinth's Board of Community Outreach is behind a plan that would mobilize a group of church volunteers to head for New Orleans with hammer in hand to help with the ongoing building projects there. Individuals who would be interested in going on such a mission should contact Pastor Bill Howell 328.6196 ext 207, or email him at bill@corinthtoday.org. In the next couple of weeks more information on the particulars of the trip will be announced. Tentatively the dates of the mission trip would be June 15 – 22.

Name Tags for Holy Humor

Sunday

Have you ever spoken to someone whose name you know, but cannot recall to save your life, and yet are embarrassed to ask their name AGAIN? The members of the Board of Congregational Life have. So...in order for us to match faces with names, on Holy Humor Sunday, April 30, we are planning to have name tags for the congregation.

Please write your name on the name tag provided and wear it during and after the service. New members and old(er) members alike will appreciate this loving act of kindness as we come to worship together in our combined service.

Unifour Epilepsy Support Group

The Western North Carolina Epilepsy Association will hold the Unifour Epilepsy Support Group meeting on Monday, March 17th. The meeting will be held in the Althouse Room at Corinth Church. Refreshments will be at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Stephen Houston, Executive Consultant of Cyberonics, who will give an update of the Vagus Nerve Stimulator (VNS). Transportation is available, please call 24-48 hours prior to the meeting. For more information, call Christine S. Cofer 465.8985 or 312.8298.

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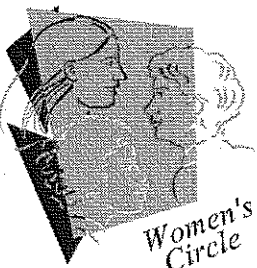
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Hearts of Lydia Circle



Hearts of Lydia Circle will meet for lunch and fellowship on March 20, 11:30-1:00 at the home of Karin Blanchard. Call Karin for direction at 328.1212 or RSVP Angie Burnham 327.4537 for more information. New Members welcome to attend.

Vacation Bible School July 14-18

Vacation Bible School is going to travel in outer space to a place called "Cosmic City" for VBS. The dates are July 14-18, 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

Please make plans to be a part of this fun adventure.

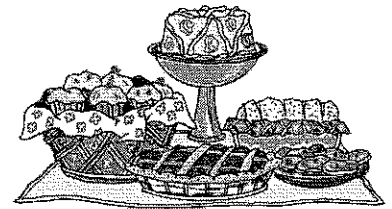
We are in need of volunteers for all age groups. This is a wonderful week to bond with our children. If you would like to be a part of this team, please email sharon@corinthtoday.org, or call 328.6196 ext 210 (please leave a name and number).

You're Welcome Desserts

Hearts of Lydia Circle will be hosting "You're Welcome Desserts" at Karin Blanchard's on Monday evening, April 21, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm.

All Corinth women are invited, especially all new members who would like to get to know the ladies of Corinth during this time of fellowship.

For more information call Karin Blanchard at 328.1212 or Angie Burnham 327.4537. Mark your calendars now and don't miss this special evening of Corinth Women's Fellowship.



Pictorial Directory

New Pictorial Directory is coming soon. Look at the website corinthtoday.org for scheduling appointments online starting Monday, March 24. More details in next week's newsletter.