

February 2009

# THE CLIPSHEET

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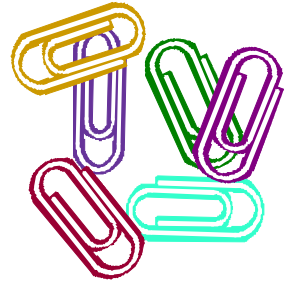
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*From the pastor's keyboard –*

*I don't know how many times Glenna and I have been asked, "Why do you go to France? Do you have friends or family there?" The closest to family we might have comes from a conjecture in the book, *The First Families of Virginia*, that my paternal grandmother's family may have migrated from France*

*to England many generations ago and that her family name, Leake, comes from du lech which referred to barbers.*

*So . . . do we have family there? Not really. Yet we feel very much at home. I suspect the ancient echoes of the hundreds of years of civilization that have nestled in the hills and along the rugged coasts of Brittany welcome us. Among those forbearers, the Celts, with their deep sense of God's spirit in the world around them intermingles with our own understanding that brings Cardinals to our sanctuary, an understanding that God's presence is around us and we can learn to see and respond to it. Spending time on the Labyrinth in the floor of the Cathedral at Chartres each time we go "across the pond" helps us go to the well of God's love and to remind ourselves that we, like other people of faith, are pilgrims as we journey the courses laid out so long ago for brothers and sisters to use to find their way into the heart of God.*

*Pastor Elvery*

## Dear Calvary Church Friends,

The Fellowship Committee is planning an

**Adult\* Family Night** (at church) for  
**Saturday, February 21st @ 7:00 PM.**

So, save this date – **February 21st**



Now, you'd probably expect us to scare you with a Frankenstein movie, or bore you to tears with a sappy movie with the Three Stooges, or an athletic movie about Volley Ball, or even a silly movie about cooking.

We wouldn't dream about such a choice, but we will use all available resources to choose a movie that has a good story, imagination and makes you think about a new life-style choice ("Hey, one out of three isn't bad!").

**\* To use the term "Adult" for a movie choice means that the Committee will provide an opportunity to have age-related movies for children at a different time.**



begins on February 25th, Ash Wednesday. On that day, the four churches of the United Protestant Council will gather together for worship in the evening at St. Paul's-Good Shepherd Church, 480 Lakewood Blvd., Park Forest.

### PRAYER CHAIN

Now that the new year is well underway, it is time to do some 'house keeping' of our Prayer Chain list. . .

- Would you like to join the Prayer Chain list?
- Would you like to be removed from the list?
- Would you like to be moved from the phone list to the e-mail list?
- Do you have any questions?



Call Betty, today, as the 'house keeping' is underway!

### JANUARY 20, 2009 SESSION

#### NOTES:

Session read and discussed Mark 3:7-19, shared joys and concerns and prayer.



A Motion was made and passed to approve the December 30, 2008 Session Minutes and the January 18, 2009 Executive/Finance Committee's minutes.

A Motion was made and passed to elect a treasurer of Calvary Church starting February 1, 2009, and D. Miller as Finance Secretary effective January 1, 2009. The structure of the Executive Committee will be Clerk of Session, Vice Clerk of Session, Secretary and Treasurer ex officio.

A Motion was made and passed to approve the 2009 budget with the changes presented.

A Motion was made and passed to receive the following reports: The December 2008 Financial Secretary's report, the December 31, 2008 Balance Sheet and Income Expense Report and the Fellowship Committee's report.

#### Notes received:

*Dec 22, 2008 from Church World Service: Receipt for \$345.00 to Blankets+ Program with note: ". . . Thank you for your generous contribution. Thanks to donors like you, Church World Service can provide food, shelter, health care, and clean water to families forced to flee their homes by natural disasters. With your help, we can also assist impoverished communities as they work to improve their farming techniques, develop reliable water sources, and build a more sustainable future.*

*While we live in challenging times, I remain hopeful because of the creative, resilient men and women we work with around the world, and because of people like you, who empower us to act on your behalf in our wounded world. May God bless you for your compassionate support.*

*Faithfully yours, Rev. John L. McCullough, Exec. Dir. And CEO"*

January 16, 2009 from Church World Service: "Thank you for contributing to Church World Service through our Blanket+ Program. With your help we can continue to assist people overcome by natural and human-caused disasters, as well as supporting community efforts to develop sustainable agriculture, reliable safe water supplies, and other means to break the grip of grinding poverty.

Please accept this honor certificate as a sign of our gratitude for your support. We hope you will display it proudly as a sign of our partnership in building a world with enough for all.

Sincerely, Rev. John L. McCullough, Exec. Dir. And CEO, Church World Service."

(Certificate is posted in the narthex)

January 5, 2009 from Jones Center: "Thank you for your contribution of mittens, hats, gloves and scarves to the Center. We appreciate your support.

*On Saturday, December 6th we had our Penny and Dime Store and it was very successful! We had over 200 children attend who selected and purchased gifts for their families and friends. Over 70 volunteers were there to help wherever they were needed. The next Saturday, we hosted our annual Breakfast with Santa. Pictures were taken of each child with Santa, and Santa gave each child a filled stocking. This year we had over 300 families (more than 600 people) apply for Christmas food and presents and we distributed these last Thursday and Friday.*

*We are pleased that we can continue to strive to meet the needs of the community and are now in our 91st year of doing so. Happy New Year to you!*

*Sincerely, Cheryl Roop, Exec, Dir."*



## What if the Presbyterian Camps were lost forever? What if we could save it?

The sale of the Presbyterian Camps in Saugatuck, Michigan is currently under consideration. There is a very real threat that the camp could be sold to real estate developers. If this happens, the Presbyterian Camps we know and love will be gone forever.

A non-profit corporation known as the Lakeshore Camping Consortium of Saugatuck, Michigan (LCC) has been organized to present an offer to purchase the Presbyterian Camps in order to maintain and preserve the ministry of the camps that has been a cornerstone of Christian Camping for Chicago Presbyterians since 1899.

The Churches of Mission Council 8 are concerned and have arranged for an Information Night to which board members of the LCC and representatives of the Presbytery of Chicago have been invited.

*Please come to the*

**First Presbyterian Church of Homewood  
at 7:00 p.m.**

**on Tuesday, February 17**

**for an in-depth discussion of the future of the Presbyterian Camping Ministry.**

Please see Bob Zinkel for more details.



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**As a part of Lent**, we will be sharing with five other south suburban congregations in a **Sunday Night Lenten Series**. Details of which churches host a particular night will follow. This is an opportunity to share with other congregations beyond our own U P circle.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <b>11:00am</b> <b>U. P. Combined Service at Faith Church</b> 10 Hemlock Pk. Forest	2 <b>2:00-8:00pm</b> Groundhog Day Party at the Elvery's  <b>6:30pm</b> Brownies	3 <b>8:00am</b> Yoga Exercise Class  <b>7:00pm</b> Worship, Music, Education Mtg.	4	5 <b>7:00pm</b> Choir Rehearsal	6	7
8 <b>10:00am</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b> <b>After worship—</b> <b>Lectionary Group Meets</b>	9	10 <b>8:00am</b> Yoga Exercise Class  4:00pm Presby. Mtg. Lake Forest	11 <b>9:15am</b> Margareta-Charity Circle Meeting	12 <b>7:00pm</b> Choir Rehearsal	13 <b>10:00am</b> Fellowship Comm.	14  Valentine's Day
15 9am Youth Choir Rehearsal <b>10:00am</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>After worship—</b> <b>Lectionary Group Meets</b> <b>10:20 Sunday School</b>	16 <b>6:30pm</b> Brownies  President's Day	17 <b>8:00am</b> Yoga Exercise Class  7:00pm Miss. Council #8 Mtg. 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. Homewood	18	19 <b>7:00pm</b> Choir Rehearsal	20	21 <b>7:00pm</b> <b>Movie Night for Calvary Adults</b> 
22 <b>10:00am</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>After worship—</b> <b>Lectionary Group Meets</b>	23	24 <b>8:00am</b> Yoga Exercise Class	25  <b>Ash Wednesday</b> Combined U. P. <b>Worship Service</b> at <b>St. Paul's-Good Shepherd Church</b>	26 <b>7:00pm</b> Choir Rehearsal	27	28

Date:	Ushers	Counters	Lector	Servers	Communion	Feb 8th:
2/1	Joint U. P. Service at Faith Church				Serve: Linda, Bob, Bernice	
2/8		B & N Zinkel	Brandon		Bake:	
2/15		S Dresback, B.Brown	Barbara		Prepare:	
2/22		S.Gilkison, D Karwatka	Linda			