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The Chancel Choir presented the Hallelujah Chorus at the 11:00 a. m. worship service. The children's Christmas Musical, "Angels, Lambs, Ladybugs and Fireflies" was enjoyed at seven o'clock followed by a "Birthday Party For Jesus" in the Fellowship Hall, December 23rd.

Three Christmas Eve Services were held on December 24th. One at four o'clock for the children and Candlelight Celebrations of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 and 11:00 p. m.

On December 30th, a reception to honor college students was held following the eleven o'clock morning worship service.

The year's final activity was a New Year's Eve Alternative Celebration to undecorate the tree, meet international students, play games, share worship and communion, and fix breakfast together.

As an integral part of our witness and service to the community and denomination and as good stewards of our time, talent, and money we sponsored, Betty Sykes a 13 year old girl, at the Presbyterian Home of the Highlands; hosted the Bloodmobile each quarter; delivered Meals on Wheels; visited the Shore Drive Convalescent Home, taking gifts and fruit, playing games, conducting sing-a-longs, etc.; were on call at designated times throughout the year to provide food and clothing for the Virginia Beach Social Services; created an atmosphere of beauty in the sanctuary by providing flowers each Sunday, lilies at Easter, harvest table at Thanksgiving (the fruits and vegetables were taken to the elderly and shut-in); and poinsettias at Christmas; collected Campbell Soup and other product labels for the Davis-Stuart Presbyterian Home to allow them to purchase books. We also shared our building with a wide variety of organizations, such as: Brownies, Boy and Girl Scouts, Alcoholic Anonymous, Garden Clubs, Woman's Clubs, Civic Leagues, Parent and Children Support Groups, Handcraft Guilds, Cerebral Palsy Group, Navy Family Service Programs and Workshops, N.R.T.A. and A.A.R.P. to sponsor a Tidewater Area Tax-Aide Program to provide free tax assistance and counseling for those sixty and over, and others as requested.

As we reflect on the year of 1984 we welcome the 128 new members who have joined with us on our journey of faith. We are grateful for the contribution to our heritage that the 64 members who have been dismissed or placed on the inactive roll, and that the 11 whose journey has ended in heaven, have made our journey easier and our heritage richer.

We continue our journey of faith looking to 1985 with renewed zeal and determined to read the road signs carefully and follow the road map that has been set before us.

Laurie Robinson

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HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED TO CAROLYN A. WALSH

September 18, 1984

You have such a
positive outlook on life
Your words are always encouraging
Your face is lit up with excitement
Your actions are so straightforward
Your inner strength helps you achieve
so much
When people are around you
they seem to absorb your uplifting attitude
When we think about you
We can only think
of happiness
and how lucky we are
to know you

-Susan Polis Schultz

This poem sums up our feelings about the one we are to honor tonight. She officially joined Bayside Presbyterian Church in December 1976. Just prior to that time she retired from the United States Marine Corps as a Lieutenant Colonel, trading that career for a new one--that of full-time community volunteer.

Carolyn Walsh, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gail P. Auldrige of Lewisburg, West Virginia, graduated from the University of West Virginia in 1956. She was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps, thus beginning a 20-year career that included many varied and interesting duty stations. She was transferred to Tidewater from Quantico to the staff of Fleet Marine Force, Atlantic, from which she retired and came to us.

Being the mother of a very active boy, she began her volunteer career with child-oriented things--PTA room mother, team mother for various sports, and chauffeur for various musical activities.

Carolyn's love for music is evident by the way she has supported and has been a vital part of the Bell Choir for years. She has been instrumental in working toward the goal of completing five full octaves of bells for the choir. She is also active in the Thoroughgood Music Club, having served as President and is currently serving as Associate Director for District 3 for Virginia Federation of Music Clubs.

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Upon joining Bayside, Carolyn soon became actively involved in church work. She has served on the staff of Vacation Church School, held an office in Adult Fellowship, and has been a member of the Sessional Nominating Committee. She became a very active member of Circle 3 and served as its Chairman for two years. She then became President-Elect and is now completing a two-year term as President. As President she has attended conferences and training sessions, both in Makemie Woods and Massenetta, to help her in this leadership role.

Even though she is stepping down as President of the Women of the Church, her work will continue. She has recently been elected a ruling elder in the Class of 1987 and will be ordained and installed, effective the first of October. In addition, she will serve as W.O.C. District Chairman of the Elizabeth River District 1 of Norfolk Presbytery.

As President of the Women of the Church, Carolyn has led in an untiring and unselfish manner. Her dedication and love for God and her Christian concern for others continue to inspire us all.

As Carolyn steps down from this office today, she remains a capable leader, a loving mother, a devoted daughter, a caring friend, but above all a strong servant of our Lord.

Carolyn, in behalf of the Women of the Bayside Presbyterian Church, it is my privilege and honor to present to you this Pin and Honorary Life Membership Certificate in the Women of the Church, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

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SESSION

Richard J. Keever, Pastor
James P. Ashmore, Associate Pastor
W. Lloyd Cole, Jr., Minister of Music

Class of 1984

Martha Boyce
Thomas D. Call
Joseph C. Clark
Diane W. Garrison
Fletcher A. Manning
Douglas S. Murray
Louise Parrett
Jean Reid
LeRoy Scott
Evelyn (Brum) Tefft

Class of 1985

William H. Chapman
P. Lawrence Edmonds
Aundrea H. Edwards
Robert S. Hamilton
C. Edward Hipps
Sidney L. Lawrence
Walter (Hank) S. Lorwy
Louise W. Robinson
Geroge O. Tyner
William B. Warden

Class of 1986

R. K. Stewart Cole
Edna E. Etheridge
Jack E. Gove
James B. Haugh
Robert L. Kays
Sylvia Maume
Thomas A. Moore
Doris Neil
Isabel Pflueger
J. Douglas Sorenson

Trustees

Al Holland
Harry Boyce
George Guthrie
Cary Stone
Benjamin Hamilton

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WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Officers:

President

Mrs. Melvin Hanna

First Vice-President

Mrs. Sophie Schreiber

Second Vice-President

Mrs. John Ingram

Secretary

Mrs. Donald Dahlman

Historian

Mrs. Edna E. Etheridge

Program Chairmen:

Personal Faith and Family Life

Mrs. Everett Birckhouse

Christian Community Action

Miss Marion Keagle

Ecumenical Mission and Relations

Mrs. R. K. Cole

Leadership and Resources

Mrs. George Guthrie

Card Committee Chairman:

Mrs. Alfred Duncan

Circle Chairmen:

Circle #1

Mrs. Thomas Moore

Circle #2

Mrs. Mildred Sellers

Circle #3

Mrs. Don Damuth

Circle #4

Mrs. Rudy Felts

Circle #5

Mrs. John Reed

Circle #6

Mrs. Fletcher Manning

Circle #7

Mrs. David Brinkley

Circle #8

Mrs. Charles Hicks

Circle #9

Mrs. Harry Boyce

PRESBYTERY OF NORFOLK
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CHURCH HISTORY
January 1, 1984 through December 31, 1984

The first Sunday in January was also New Year's Day and the people of Bayside celebrated with their regular worship services, including the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

As we began a new year in our Journey of Faith we were challenged to read the Bible through, beginning with Genesis, and reading a chapter a day. As we read we were to ask ourselves the following questions:

1. What does this chapter say about God?
2. What does this chapter say about humankind?
3. What does this chapter say to us?

This study enabled us to grow in our knowledge of God, of others and self.

On January 8, 1984, new pew cushions were dedicated in memory of Elder William (Bill) E. Anderson during the Morning Worship Service.

During the first Annual Meeting of the Congregation a representative Nominating Committee to propose names for the 1987 Class of Elders and to fill any vacancies that may occur was elected.

The committee was composed of Carolyn Walsh, Jane Lawrence, Nancy Lowery, John Hamilton, Frances Baldwin, David Brinkley, Duane Haas, and Brum Tefft.

A second Congregational Meeting was held on Sunday, January 29, to review the terms of call of the Pastor and Associate Pastor regarding insurance to cover disability or protracted injury compensation for our pastors. This action has allowed them to continue their ministry free from financial worry should illness or accident befall them.

The Session also expressed their concern and care for the full time Staff in case of illness or injury as they voted that full time staff employees after twelve months continuous employment would receive up to thirty days compensation for extended absence due to injury or illness.

Adult Fellowship gathered for an International Dish-Pot Luck Dinner to hear the story of the pilgrimage of one of Bayside's newest members, Dorothy Evelyn Stanley, retired Old Dominion University professor and former Nazi war prisoner.

Elders Diane Garrison and Bill Warden attended the Winter Meeting of Norfolk Presbytery in the Cradock Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth, Virginia, as our elected representatives. Dick Keever and Jamie Ashmore attended as minister members. The meeting was held on Saturday, January 28, 1984.

The Youth Group project for February was Muscles for Missions. Members of the group were available for odd jobs, inside or out, washing cars and/or windows, cleaning yards, polishing silver, etc. The young people realized one hundred forty-two dollars (\$142.00) from the project and contributed the entire amount to the Witness Season offering.

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Free income tax counseling for those sixty years of age or over was offered each Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 p. m. beginning in February and continuing through the tax season. The program was sponsored by the National Retired Teacher's Association and the American Association of Retired Persons.

On February 19, Nancy Amidei, Director of the Food Research Action Center in Washington, D. C., addressed the congregation on "Hunger in America" during the morning worship service. A soup and sandwich luncheon in the Fellowship Hall followed the service with time for pulpit talk-back and discussion.

Kerygma, a comprehensive thematic study of the Bible for adults, began in February with two sessions per week for thirty-three weeks. The study was led by our Associate Pastor, Jamie Ashmore. The study groups met on Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings.

The Adult Fellowship spent an exciting and interesting evening playing Crazy Cards with new and old freinds. They also enjoyed hor d'oeuvres and dessert furnished by members as their February event.

We were grateful to the Madisionians from James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, for their musical contribution to our morning worship service on March 4th.

The men of Bayside held their first Men's Saturday Breakfast and Devotional on March 10th. at 7:30 a. m. Dick Keever led the first study on "Jesus and the Twelve Disciples". The group will meet on the second and fourth Saturdays.

A Fun-Work-Day was held on Saturday, March 24, following the Men's Saturday Breakfast and Devotional. The devotion was led by Jamie Ashmore.

Much fun was enjoyed by the twenty-seven Bayside folks who went to Old Donation School field and flew kites on Sunday, March 18th. Nancy and Hank Lowery provided refreshments for the event.

At the invitation of Senators, Paul Tribble and John Warren, Mark Warden attended the Virginia Student Leadership Conference at the Sheraton National Hotel, Arlington, Virginia, March 30 - April 1. Mark is the son of Sandy and Bill Warden.

Gloria Owens, student secretary at Bayside, participated in the Bayside High School Spelling Bee and was the second alternate. She, also, won First Place in the Office Procedure Event in the Norfolk State University Competitions.

Neil Frazer made the Dean's List in his studies at Old Dominion University.

Fathy Abdou, who with Lee and his family has returned to Bayside and private practice in Virginia Beach, was notified that he had received the United States Air Force Medal of Commendation for his outstanding services at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama. We congratulate him and are delighted to welcome him back.

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We were grateful for the creative skills of Lenora Welch and rejoice with her in winning a blue ribbon during the Ocean Park Women's Club Annual Creative Arts and Crafts Contest.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated during the Maundy Thursday Service and the meditation, "A Farewell Party," was brought by Jamie Ashmore.

We resumed having two morning worship services on Easter Sunday. Dick Keever's Sermon, "Does He Call You By Name?," was preached at both services.

Six of our women attended the annual meeting of the Women of the Presbytery in the Yorkminster Presbyterian Church, Grafton, Virginia. Carolyn Walsh was elected Chairman of Elizabeth River District One and Dorcas Lowery was elected White Cross Chairman for the District. Peggy Reed was recognized as she completed her term as District Chairman.

Several of our ladies attended the May Fellowship Day service at the Scott Memorial United Methodist Church, Virginia Beach. The program "The Family: A Portrait of Change" was very interesting.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Ives presented a program on their medical work in Honduras at the Adult Fellowship Covered Dish Dinner on Friday, May 4, 1984. This work is done through the Christian Medical Society.

The Women of the Church Birthday was celebrated with a congregational "Potluck Dinner." The 1984 offering went to the Third World Leadership Center in Seoul, Korea. The needs of this center were presented by Kay Hemphill, First Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach and Norfolk Presbytery's Birthday Interpreter. The program was under the leadership of Martha Sorenson and closed with musical selection by Bayside's Bell Choir.

Several members of the Handbell Choir participated in a Workshop Festival for Handbells on May 4-5 at the Old Cavalier Hotel, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The Junior and Senior Youth groups spent the day at Busch Gardens May 5.

On Sunday evening, May 6, a covered dish supper was given to get to know the new members. Dick Keever and Jim Stephenson presented the program on Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia.

A Lifetime Planning and Stewardship Breakfast was held on Saturday, May 12th., 8:00 to 11:45 a. m. The first session was led by Doug Sorenson and Ann S. Dodson, "Writing a Will in the Commonwealth of Virginia;" Joe Schopen led the second session, "Planning a Secure Future Financially;" and the third and final session, "Planning a Secure Future Medically" was led by Oz Edwards.

The following persons were elected to serve as Elders in the Class of 1987, during the congregational meeting on Sunday, May 20th.: E. David Brinkley, Letcher A. Hudgins, Jr., Paula A. Jesberg, Carole A. Kerr, Steven L. McCleaf, Donald J. Merchant, Frederick W. Ritemour, Joseph J. Schopen, Carolyn J. Walsh, and George L. Zuidema.

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On June 1st. we welcomed W. Lloyd Cole, Jr. to our church staff as Bayside's first full-time Minister of Music. Lloyd comes to us with a fine music work experience and educational background. He most recently served as Minister of Music and Nature at the Trinity Presbyterian Church, Midlands, Texas. We look forward to building a creative music ministry at Bayside that will enable us to enrich our worship experiences and continue to glorify God.

Lloyd is married and has two children. We also welcome his wife, Marjorie, their son, Justin, and their daughter, Elizabeth Anne.

The church library was converted to an office for the Minister of Music and one of the classrooms across from the social hall was converted for use by the church library.

"The Bayside Binnacle" is the new name for our monthly Newsletter. This name received the most votes in the "Name Our Newsletter" contest. The name was submitted by Bob Morrison.

Binnacle is a word derived from the Latin, Middle English, Old Spanish and Old Portuguese words which meant "dwelling place." Webster says that a binnacle is a "case, box, or stand containing a ship's compass and a lamp." Bayside Presbyterian Church is a dwelling place for THE COMPASS and THE LAMP. Our church can give direction and light the way.

The Junior High Youth Group met at the home of Chip and Laurie Jackson for a swim party on June 10th.

Circle No. Seven hosted a stork shower for Run Yiem, our Cambodian mother. All circle members were invited to the shower at the home of Connie Schreiber. The excitement mirrored in Run's face at all of the lovely gifts was a joy to behold.

One of our ladies attended the Women's Enrichment Conference at Massanetta Springs, June 25-29.

A Planning Workshop was held on May 22nd. for Vacation Church School Workers.

The annual Vacation Church School was held June 13-20, 1984, under the direction of Kathleen Davis. The closing program on June 20th. brought to a close a week filled with fun and many opportunities to grow in the knowledge of God, others, and self.

Stop-Look-Listen, a six week summer program for children (ages 5-11) was held in the Church Library on Thursday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30. This music and story time provided rich experiences for Dick and Lloyd as well as the children as they listened and learned together in a relaxed atmosphere.

Dick Keever was elected by Norfolk Presbytery to serve on the Commission to install Steve Eason as Associate Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, Virginia. The installation service took place on June 10.

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An Old Fashioned Hayride through "Downtown Pungo" was enjoyed by the Junior and Senior High Youth Groups. The activity was sponsored by the Bow Creek Presbyterian Youth Group.

The July activity for the Adult Fellowship was a Pool-Patio Party and Cook-out at the home of Louise and Duane Wombolt on Friday, the 20th.

We appreciated the contribution of Sue Ellen Lowcock, flautist, as she played several selections during our eleven o'clock worship service. Sue Ellen is the Presbyterian Campus Minister to Old Dominion University with offices on the campus at Wesley-Westminster House.

Louise Robinson and Bob Kays, elder representatives, and Jamie Ashmore, minister member, attended the Summer Meeting of Norfolk Presbytery at the Thalia-Trinity Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 24th.

Aundrea H. Edwards presented the church with a grand piano. This generous contribution will add much to the music ministry of Bayside church.

On July 29th., the Junior and Senior High Youth Groups gathered with their friends at the Christ Presbyterian Church for volleyball and watermelon.

The Plymouth Festival Ringers from Lawrence, Kansas, composed of 16 College and High School students presented a Handbell Concert in our sanctuary on August 2nd. at 7:30 a. m. They are considered one of the top handbell groups in the United States. They have been acclaimed for their techniques, musicianship, and varied repertoire. This was truly an unforgettable music experience.

A very special thanks went to all of those people who helped in any way to complete the paneling in the offices of the Church Staff and the Library under the leadership of Sid Lawrence. Ilene Holland made the drapes for the church offices and Larry Boyce helped to hang them.

In September, we began using our very own printed bulletin cover for Sunday worship service and other occasions. The bulletin cover was designed by Thelma Morrison. We are grateful to Thelma and other members of the Worship Committee for this more attractive aid to services.

Two new classes of Kerygma began the first week in September. One was on Tuesday evenings in the library with Walt Walls as teacher; the second was held during the Church School hour on Sunday mornings with Mary Hutcheson teaching.

The Women of the Church were grateful to the Session for their gift of \$800.00 which enabled them to refurbish the four rooms at Massanetta Springs which they had originally furnished. The women used the \$200.00 from their budget to send delegates to the Enrichment Conference to complete the \$1000.00 needed for this project.

Saturday evening, September 15th., the Adult Fellowship held a Progressive Dinner beginning at the church with hors d'oeuvres, then on to host's homes for salad and entree, then back to the church for dessert.

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At the Annual Meeting of the Women of the Church, Bayside Presbyterian Church, on September 18th. Carolyn Walsh, outgoing President, was presented an Honorary Life Membership in the Women of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Nancy Hamilton spoke of Carolyn's dedication to her family, her church, and her God prior to the presentation. Virginia Hanna was installed as our new president by Virginia Taylor, past president of the Women of Norfolk Presbytery.

The Stewardship Committee sponsored two special dinners on September 23rd. for those whose last names began with A through L and on September 30th. for those M through Z. The theme was "ABOUND IN HOPE," with the keynote speaker being the Reverend J. Shepherd Russell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, Virginia, for both programs.

Jamie Ashmore and Louise Robinson attended the meeting of the Synod of the Virginias held at Massanetta Springs, September 30th. through October 2nd. They were elected by Norfolk Presbytery as commissioners to the meeting.

Eighteen officers and members of the Bayside Women of the Church attended the meetings of Elizabeth River Districts I, II, and III at the Calvin Presbyterian Church for training and inspiration on Thursday, September 27th. This was the largest number present from any local group in attendance.

The Session gathered for study of the Mission and Organization of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, September 29th.

A Halloween Carnival was held on October 31st. with a Hot Dog Supper, Games, a Haunted House and Costume Judging. The program was organized by the Junior and Senior High Youth Groups for all children through the sixth grade.

Ordination and Installation of Elders in the Class of 1987 was conducted on October 14th.

The Adult Fellowship Program for November proved to be an exciting evening of playing "Trivial Pursuit" after a delicious dinner of chili, salad, and dessert.

We were grateful for the nineteen families that hosted, "Visits To Listen," over the summer months. This was an opportunity to get to know members and friends in the congregation in small groups, and to have conversation with our Pastors and Minister of Music.

A Work Party was held following the Men's Saturday Breakfast and Devotional on November 3rd. Families were invited to the breakfast and the work session.

Our Handbell Choir presented programs during the morning worship service at the Wycliff Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach, and for the Keynote Music Club at the First Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, November 11th.

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The Single Adults of Bayside participated in events organized by the Single Adults of the King's Grant Presbyterian Church in November. Roller skating at the Plaza Roller Rink on Friday, November 2nd. was the first activity, followed by hiking at the Seashore State Park on Saturday, November, 17th. from 3:00 to 4:00 p. m. This activity concluded with a program by Hal Thornton, "Mr. Perfect/Ms. Perfect," at the Wycliffe Presbyterian Church from five p. m. until six p. m.

The Annual Community Thanksgiving Service, sponsored by the Bayside Ecumenical Council, was held in our sanctuary, Thursday, November 21st. at 7:30 p. m. The Reverend William Russell, interim rector, Old Donation Episcopal Church, preached the sermon with other area ministers taking part in the service. A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

On Friday, November 30, 1984, at 11:00 a. m. the first of what is hoped to be a monthly program for Older Adults (50 or more) was presented. Meijert Bendchop showed beautiful slides of "Vermont in Four Seasons," Jamie Ashmore led the devotional period. The participants brought sandwiches, beverage and dessert was furnished.

An Advent Devotional Book with devotions contributed by members of Bayside Church was made available by the Worship Committee. Aundrea Edwards prepared the booklet with the help of friends in the congregation. The meditations were based on various Christmas carols and were helpful in deepening our preparation for Advent.

Our Handbell Choir was quite busy as they presented programs in December for The Thoroughgood Music Club; Virginia Beach Maritime Museum; Women of the First Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach; Heritage Garden Club; Thalia-Trinity Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach; Bayside Presbyterian Church; and Westminster-Canterbury.

Dick Keever is currently serving as Vice-President of the Tidewater Clergy Group and plans the programs each month in that responsibility.

Dick and Jamie have spoken to and served on programs, panels, etc. throughout the year. Lloyd has played the organ for meetings of Norfolk Presbytery and used skills and musical talents in various ways for others. We were happy that our Church Staff have been able to share their many and varied skills with other churches and organizations in the Tidewater area.

The congregation joined in an intergenerational fun time as they trimmed the tree in the sanctuary and sang carols in the Fellowship Hall on December 2nd.

Following the Church Night Christmas Dinner at six o'clock on December 9th. the Youth Fellowship presented an Advent Drama, "A Christmas Corral."

A Live Nativity Scene portrayed by members of the congregation was presented on lawn each evening from 5:30 to 8:30 p. m., Monday through Saturday, December 17-22.