## **Adoration's History 1990**

1990 was another active year at Adoration. In January we resumed our participation in the Bread of Life Meal Program, serving every other month; in February we participated in the Cluster III Assembly at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church and on the 25th we celebrated the first year of the Beutlers being with us at Adoration with an Anniversary Luncheon; in March we collected 200 items for the Guest House in Milwaukee and also began our new Pictorial Directory; In June Pastor Beutler, Christi Sheehy, and Bob Zeit attended the Synod Convention at Carthage College in Kenosha, we sponsored a dinner for the Association of Lutheran Handicapped Persons, and Pastor Beutler offered a 2-week class on "The Relaxation Response"; in July Pastor Beutler offered a 2-week "Guilt and Shame" class; our Annual church Picnic was held on August 26th; in September we hosted a Public Policy Forum given by the Lutheran Office for Public Policy, offered the British Brass Rubbings Exhibit; and the Women of the ELCA held a rally; we again participated in the Crop Walk in October; In November Pastor Beutler repeated the 2-week class on "The Relaxation Response", offered a 3-week class entitled "Capital Punishment", and on the 11th we held our second Intergenerational Event in preparation for Thanksgiving; in December we again participated in the Operation Christmas program offering 115 gifts to children in the Milwaukee area, collected 67 items on our 'Mitten Tree', and went Christmas caroling and delivered fruit baskets to our shut-ins. Bible Studies were held throughout the year; our Mt. Carmel Ministry continued as well as our involvement with Southwest Interfaith Program for the Elderly; a Quilting Group began, making quilts, lap robes, and school bags for Lutheran World Relief and Mt. Carmel Nursing Home; and a Memorial Committee was formed to determine the needs and wants of the congregation and compile a list of how to use Memorial Fund monies. We began a new approach to stewardship with a 'Year-Round Stewardship' campaign. A goal of was set to raise \$1,000 for World Hunger this year and our final total of offerings for 1990 was \$1,730! The youth held a Board Game Afternoon, made Easter baskets for the shut-ins, and spent a Sunday morning at Luther Manor accompanying residents to Worship Services. Vacation Church School was held 4 consecutive Mondays during Summer and the Sunday School Christmas Program, "I Love to Tell the Story", was held on December 16th. Lenten Worship Services were held on Wednesdays at 10:00 Am and at 6:15 PM with a soup supper preceding the evening Service. An Easter Sunrise Breakfast Service was held at 6:30 AM with Services of Holy Communion following at 9:00 & 10:30 AM. Summer Services were held on Sundays at 9:30 AM. Our 2nd Annual "Thank-In" Service was held on Thanksgiving Eve. Advent Services were offered on Wednesday during Advent at 6:15 PM with soup suppers preceding them. Christmas Eve offered three Services at 4:30, 7:00, & 11:00 PM and a Christmas Day Service was offered at 9:00 AM. Membership stands at 770 baptized members and 540 confirmed members. Average weekly attendance was 255.