



Ephraim Moravian Messenger

News from the Open Door

“In Essentials, Unity; In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love”

Congregational Watchword for 2017

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.” - Colossians 3:16

February 2018

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

“Shattered” ... How do we cope when our labors of love and delight in accomplishments are shattered? If we haven't experienced it ourselves, we see it played out almost daily in news reports - people losing homes to mudslides and fire. In those houses were a lifetime of memories, now gone. We see it when the finest medical interventions cannot save a loved one. We see it when we do our very best to promote justice in our community, only to watch in helplessness, as dishonesty and greed are rewarded. Have you ever felt shattered?



I recently read a letter sent by missionaries many years ago. They had labored to build a sanctuary in a small village in Argentina. For eight long years they met in homes, raised funds, enlisted the aid of volunteers, surmounted obstacles including rough terrain, until finally, the building was completed and a magnificent celebration ensued. The very next day an awful sight greeted them: 'All windows were broken, stones as big as a baby's head and splinters of glass were scattered throughout the sanctuary. The cross on the outside wall was damaged' Someone had vandalized their sacred space. I can only imagine the heartache. The missionary went on to describe the meeting after the tragedy. 'With the windows broken the wind howled through the sanctuary as we had our meeting the following evening. But we were able to thank God for his presence and work among us. We prayed for those who broke the windows and laid violent hands upon the cross. And in doing so we remembered that the Christian Church grew by persecution. Why should we then lament over a few broken windows?'

Amidst the shattered glass, this small band of Christians found healing, hope, strength and the determination to continue. It is tempting, when our hard work is dismantled, to give up hope. Let us, like these missionaries long ago, remember that nothing can disrupt God's abiding presence, that the winsomeness of God's grace cannot be contained by evil intent. May these words strengthen you. - Pastor Dawn

Ephraim Moravian Church Office Hours

PASTOR: TUES - FRI 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 MONDAY Pastor's Day Off
 SECRETARY: WED. - THURS. 9:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
 CELL NUMBER: 920-421-4042 The Church Phone does NOT ring in the parsonage. Please keep the Pastor's Cell Phone handy for after hours.

Welcome Quinnley Sophia Campbell !

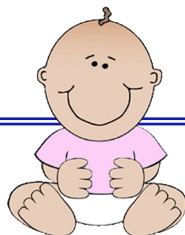


**Born January 24, 2018
7.8 lbs. and 20.5"**



**Congrats to Jackie
and Seth**

**Grandparents Tim
and Kristy**



YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

TRUSTEES

Funds: Investment Committee
 of John Turner, Chuck Mead

Chuck Mead 854-3357
 (Cemetery/ Building Exterior/
 Trustees President)

George Carey 854-9253
 (Cemetery)

Ryan Sherman 920-734-1313
 (Church Building and Parson-
 age Interiors)

Rob Moore 847-295-6388
 (Building Exterior, Grounds)

Shelley Cox 421-0101
 (Church Building and Parson-
 age Interiors)

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#### **ELDERS**

Pastor Dawn Volpe, Chair  
 Hugh Mulliken, 854-2336  
 Karen Ekberg, Vice Ch 421-2553  
 Kathy Kirkland, Sect'y 854-6174  
 Theresa Weborg 421-0032  
 Betty Chomeau 854-2203

Elder for the month of:  
 February 2018—Hugh Mulliken

### **Services in February 2018**

**Feb 4— 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Communion**

**Feb 11 - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship and  
 Joyful Noise offering**

**Feb 13—5-7 p.m. Shrove Tuesday & Pancake Supper to  
 benefit the Angel Fund at Gibraltar**

**Feb 14—6:45 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service at The Meadows**

**Feb 18 — 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship**

**Feb 21— 6:45 p.m. Lenten Service at The Meadows**

**Feb 25— 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship**

**Feb 28— 6:45 p.m. Lenten Service at The Meadows**



**"Thank you to everyone who baked bars, helped serve, did set-up or clean-up for Ray's Memorial Service.**

**A heartfelt thank you to each of you. Everything was so nicely done. You made a difficult day easier.**

**Thank you again,  
Eunice and family"**

### Prayers

...for Karen Ekberg as she recovers  
...for Lucille Sohns as she regains strength after her illness  
...for Liz Opitz for a quick recovery following hip replacement  
...and congratulations to Jackie and Seth Campbell, who welcomed their new daughter, Quinnley, into the world on January 24



**.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in January: Kay Wilson, Betty Chomeau & Susie Samson, Anne Glabe & Carol Sandstrom, and the Joint Board for Church Council**

**.....to those who ushered or acted as Sacristan in January.**

**...to those who helped at the Scand Birthday Party!**

**...to those who attended and helped at Church Council!**



## **For February's Feed My People**

**Suggested Donations for  
this month:**

**Personal items such as toothbrushes and toothpaste, shaving cream or shampoo**



**Place in any of the  
"Feed My People"  
baskets we have in the  
church. Thanks!!**

## **RETURN TO AHUAS**



A mission group from Sturgeon Bay Moravian and Rotary Club will be traveling to the Moravian hospital in Ahuas, Honduras, from **March 4-11.**

The group will be finishing the tasks our group started last year: fencing, plumbing issues, and painting the new ceilings. At least one nurse is going and will assist with medical work. Others will help with infant feeding program.

They would be grateful for any donations toward work at the clinic. Contact Sally Pfeifer for information on how to give. [sallyp@thomaspfeifer.com](mailto:sallyp@thomaspfeifer.com) or 920-854-4987.





## February Birthdays

Paul Wilson...2  
Chuck Zehner...2  
Dale Jacobson...3  
Betty Wolf...5  
Dick Bierman... 5  
Rob Moore... 5  
Diane Jacobson...6  
Tim Christofferson... 10  
Betty Anderson...15  
Keith Tschannen...17  
Shelley Cox...18  
B. D. Thorp...18  
Pat Horvath...20  
Natalie Neddersen ...20  
Theresa Weborg...26  
Marilyn Cushing - 26  
Karin Jacobson...28  
Niles Weborg...29



## February Anniversaries

Norma & Roger Larson – Feb 13,  
1971

If we have missed you or someone you know  
in the lists above, please let us know in the  
church office!

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
Sister Bay Moravian Church

# BOOYah Bash!

Thursday, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>  
4:30–6:30 pm



*Featuring the music of  
Bedrock Bluegrass Band*

**Spectacular BOOYAH "Chicken Stew"**

- Booyah, bread, salad, dessert, and beverage
- \$10 adults, \$5 kids (eat in/take out)

Proceeds support Secret Santa (winter heating support) &  
Peru Moravian Mission Field

Let's Booyah at 10924 Old Stage Road, Sister Bay (854-4080)

## The Monthly Memory Café

continues

4<sup>th</sup> Wed. each Month, 2-3:30, Meadows Solarium  
RSVPs encouraged 854-7221 Kathy Wagner

Anyone who is experiencing mild to moderate level of memory loss is encouraged to attend with family, friend, or care partner. Much like your neighborhood café, it's not a place for supervision or respite. It's a place to laugh, learn, and love that old feeling of normalcy.

Mingling among café clientele are dementia-trained professionals and volunteers, to support conversations and attend to any specific questions. Coffee and refreshments provided.



Literally, called to serve... our Open Door Lunches! Sign-up sheet for the three remaining Open Door Lunches is in the Fellowship Hall. We need leaders and those who can make the food, serve/clean up.

(We still need people for February 21)



**Shrove Tuesday  
Pancake Supper  
5-7 p.m.,  
Tuesday, February 13**

**Free will donation will go to the Angel Fund at Gibraltar, a discretionary fund helping students with tuitions, meals, warm coats, etc.**

**Can you help Bob Volpe with the dinner?  
Flipping pancakes, set-up or clean-up?  
See Bob and he'll put you to work!**

## ***Mark your Calendars!!***

**“A Night in Ephraim” - February 22**, hosted by the Ephraim Business Council and Ephraim businesses. It’s an opportunity to showcase our businesses and learn more about them. Times and details to follow.

**“Singing the Living Traditions”** - an interfaith choir concert here on Fyr Bal **Sunday, June 17**, at **3 p.m.** Cynthia Stiehl conducting, featuring choirs from Northern Door and the Sister Bay Bell Choir.

Father, help me to see this holy season of Lent as a time of spiritual renewal, rather than a time of deprivation. Motivate me to reach a new level of experiencing your grace.

### **BULLETIN BACKS!!**

Since we are using our own personalized bulletin covers now, we have space on the back for our own personalized missives. If you’ve been enjoying the writings, you may want to try your hand at writing one for us! We’ll need them for all bulletins onward.

Check with Pastor Dawn for the scriptures of the week you’re thinking about so you can coordinate your writings. Thank you!!



## **TREA\$URER's REPORT**

Member giving through Dec: \$124,616  
2016 through Dec: \$108,618  
2015 through Dec: \$114,308

Visitor giving through Dec: \$59,564  
2016 through Dec: \$64,171  
2015 through Dec: \$78,696

### Income

Budget for 2017 is \$163,700  
Actual through Dec 2017: \$251,470

### Expenses

Budget for 2017 is \$188,103  
Actual through Dec 2017: \$226,702

(\$60,329 of our income this year is memorials, so \$191,141 w/o memorials)



# February 2018

| Sunday                                                             | Monday    | Tuesday                                                                                                        | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Thursday                        | Friday                                                                                                                                                                     | Saturday |
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|                                                                    |           |                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>1</b>                        | <b>2</b><br>8:30 a.m.<br>OA Meeting<br>10 a.m. Bible Study                                                                                                                 | 3        |
| <b>4</b><br>9 am Sunday School<br>10 am<br>Worship & Communion     | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>                                                                                                       | <b>7</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>8</b><br>12 noon<br>Trustees | <b>9</b><br>8:30 a.m.<br>OA Meeting<br><br>10 a.m. Bible Study                                                                                                             | 10       |
| <b>11</b><br>9 am Sunday School<br>10 am<br>Worship & Joyful Noise | <b>12</b> | <b>13</b><br><b>Shrove Tuesday</b><br>5-7 p.m.<br><br><b>Pancake supper—to benefit Angel Fund at Gibraltar</b> | <b>14</b> <br><b>Valentine's Day</b><br>9:30 a.m.<br>Caring Hands<br><br>6:45 p.m.<br><b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b><br><b>The Meadows</b> | <b>15</b>                       | <b>16</b><br>8:30 a.m.<br>OA Meeting<br><br>10 a.m. Bible Study                                                                                                            | 17       |
| <b>18</b><br>9 am Sunday School<br>10 am<br>Worship                | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b>                                                                                                      | <b>21</b><br>12 noon<br>Open Door Lunch<br><br><b>Lenten Service</b><br>6:45 p.m. at<br><b>The Meadows</b>                                                                                                        | <b>22</b>                       | <b>23</b><br>8:30 a.m.<br>OA Meeting<br><br>10 a.m. Bible Study                                                                                                            | 24       |
| <b>25</b><br>9 am Sunday School<br>10 am<br>Worship                | <b>26</b> | <b>27</b><br>5 p.m.<br><b>Loaves &amp; Fishes</b><br><b>St. Rosalia's</b>                                      | <b>28</b><br><b>Lenten Service</b><br>6:45 p.m. at<br><b>The Meadows</b>                                                                                                                                          |                                 |  <p>1 Peter 1:22<br/>...see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:</p> |          |
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## February 2018 Newsletter



**Winter in Door County**  
(hang in there)

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