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"In Essentials, Unity; In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love"

Congregational Watchword for 2011

"Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today." -Exodus 14:13

April 2011



From Pastor Dawn's Desk

The following article was written last year by my nephew Samuel, who submitted that as part of his college application process. It's very funny in parts. It will give you some insight into my 'state of mind' some 15 years ago. I submit this because there is an important message in this essay. We do not influence people with a great speech or a fantastic program. Our influence is in the day to day behavior that people observe. How are we observed handling the pressures and responsibilities given to us? Are we displaying a Christ-like character? I hope this article helps us think about how

we can reflect God's grace both in our family and in our community. - Pastor Dawn

As I write this essay I think to myself, "Who really influenced me, who helped shape me?" I first think of my Mother, yet how cliché is saying my dearest Mother influenced me. I figured that it would be best to write something only slightly cliché and write about my Aunt, the Rev. Dawn Volpe, and her influence upon me. It all started when I was two and my mother and I moved from Rhode Island to my aunt's house in Maryland.

We arrived around Halloween and my aunt became pregnant in November. Her pregnancy taught me many things, mainly survival tactics. Pregnancy did not agree with her. Young Samuel learned to speak softly, follow directions, hold hands, and get potty trained as quickly as possible. Young Samuel also learned the fine art of communicating with some one a little unbalanced, diplomacy if you will. All of these invaluable skills would serve me well in my future, especially the potty training part.

After my cousin was born, my aunt returned to a semi-normal state. Her pastoral duties fascinated me and gave me many experiences that few young children would be likely to have. I only realized this recently but not every child had funerals as a weekend activity. Experiencing this helped me to understand the finality of death, the promise of the resurrection that each Christian has, and gave me a glimpse of what grief is. I saw grief being expressed in many different ways; from people being overwrought and devastated with the passing of a dearest loved one to joyful farewells for the person's more immediate presence with the Lord. Besides those things learned with her at her job, I also learned a lot about cultural differences which taught me to be unprejudiced by her example.

My aunt's church was racially integrated. Thus I grew up with many other children of different races and cultures. The example given to me was one of impartiality, so I grew up 'color blind.' Later on in elementary school, I was one of maybe three white children, in a severely anti-white school. If I had not had that early experience, I would have grown up to be racially intolerant. As it is, I still view people as people, skin color being irrelevant. It's what's on the inside that counts.

As I have continued to go through school age and into adolescence my aunt has been a consistent influence on my life. Her example, through her dealing with less than amiable individuals as well as very agreeable people, has shown me how to love in a Christ-like manner even when the situation is not in my favor. In conclusion my life would have been much poorer had she not been my Aunty. - Samuel Pauley



Cemetery Walk through Ephraim's Past Tuesday, May 17 -1-3 pm

From an idea of Lonnie Vitse's has sprung our first cemetery walk at our own EMC cemetery.

The object of the project is to provide historic background on the Village through presentations/portrayals of individuals from our history. Characters being developed for presentation are Frank Anderson, Kittie Valentine, Ole Larson, Harold Wilson, Mally Mayhew, one of the Onesons, and one of the Ohmans (all seven are not necessarily to be presented this year). Several of our members will be involved, and we hope to add music and perhaps an adjoining event at church as an additional outreach.

If the interest level is high and attendance supports it, it could become a recurring event!

WEDNESDAYS in LENT March 16 - April 13 6:30 p.m.

Scandia Nursing Home: The Meadows
Joint Services with Sister Bay Moravian

Each week we will be hearing an inspirational message on the subject:

The Seven Words TO the Cross

These messages reflect on the words people said to or about Jesus during his suffering and dying.

Please be sure to come out for a time of reflection and fellowship with the community.

April 2011 Services

- April 3 Worship 10 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Lent, Holy Communion
- April 6 Wednesday Joint Lenten Service, Scandia, 6:30 p.m.
- April 10 Worship 10 a.m. Fifth Sunday of Lent (Joyful Noise and Feed My People offerings)
- April 13 Wednesday Joint Lenten Service, Scandia, 6:30 p.m.
- April 17 Palm Sunday Worship 10 a.m.; Holy Week Reading 6:30 p.m.
- April 18, 19, 20 Holy Week readings here, 6:30 p.m.
- April 21 Maundy Thursday Communion, 6:30 p.m.
- April 22 Good Friday service here 2 p.m., Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church, Ellison Bay, 7 p.m.
- April 24 Easter Sunrise Service, 6 a.m., 7 a.m. Breakfast, 10 a.m. Easter Worship

Ephraim Moravian Church Office Hours

PASTOR: MON - THURS 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. FRIDAY Pastor's Day Off

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. The only time her cell phone is off is during meetings or visiting. Please leave a message so that she can return your call.

SECRETARY: WED. - THURS. 9:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

GOALS FOR 2011

Each year, the pastor and Joint Board send a report to the Northern Province detailing the life of the congregation over the past year. One of the features of this report is the description of the things we hope to accomplish for the coming year. These goals are not just for the Joint Board's understanding. We hope that, as you read these goals, you will think of ways that we can make these happen. You will also note (with some satisfaction) that some of the goals are already achieved or advancing in good order!

GOALS FOR 2011:

- 1. To be a visible presence in our community by:
 - a. Inviting the residents to a monthly free lunch
 - b. Working with other churches to bring midweek devotions to the waterfront during the summer
 - c. Participating in Fyr Bal (opening of tourist season)
 - d. Modeling Christ's love within Village political upheavals
- 2. To build up our infrastructure for the growth we will experi-

ence by:

- a. Establishing an Usher Corp
- b. Establishing a Sacristan Corp
- c. Training leaders
- d. Maintaining good records
- 3. To create a safe, inclusive environment for worship by:
 - a. creating 'under-shepherds' (elders) to nurture members and friends
 - b. creating more opportunities for people to minister in a positive environment.

LONG RANGE GOALS:

- 1. To provide accessibility to the church building
- 2. To keep the building in good repair
- 3. To provide ministry opportunities to our summer residents

We are rich only through what we give: and poor only through what we refuse and keep." — ANNE SWETCHINE (1782-1857), RUSSIAN-FRENCH WRITER

YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

TRUSTEES

<u>Funds</u>	
John Turner	854-5060
Building Interior/P	<u>arsonage</u>
Jack Opitz	854-5949
<u>Grounds</u>	
Gunilla Wilson	854-5105
Cemetery	
Karen Ekberg	823-2526
Building Exterior	

Jim Sokolowski

ELDERS

839-9265

Pastor Dawn Volpe, Chair
Diane Jacobson 854-2871
Eunice Rutherford 868-3373
Doug Schultz 839-2153
Pete Classen: 839-2902
George Carey: 854-9253

Elder for the month of:

March..... Doug Schultz
April.... Diane Jacobson

Philip and Martha Cherry Scholarship

The Ephraim Moravian Church (EMC) administers the Philip and Martha Cherry scholarship fund, which is available to all EMC members. If you are a high school senior (it is in your scholarship packet), college students (already mailed to you) or as an adult member who is going back to school. We hope you will apply.

The scholarship ranges between \$3,000 and \$5,000 a year and can be divided between two applicants. You may also apply, if you have already won, for up to four years.

You are judged on financial need, church, civil, community, school involvement, services and academics. Anyone with a desire to work hard should apply. If you would like to receive the application, please contact Diane Jacobson at 920-854-2071 or email dianejacobson73@yahoo.com

We look forward to hearing from you! Due date is **April 30, 2011**; applications should be sent to the church office (PO Box 73, Ephraim WI 54211).

The Scholarship Committee

Trustees Report

The Trustees are working on a notebook that will contain a vendor list, scholarship guidelines, building use & rental guides, investment policy and many more items of importance. Other projects are:

- Getting prices for the church signboard and determining the best location
- Replacement of the furnace, to be done after the heating season is over.

Future items needing attention are:

- Landscaping of the parking lot hill
- Upper parking lot gravel
- Cemetery road gravel

The Trustees are having a spring cleanup on Saturday, April 16 (see note in next column!); we had a very successful fall clean-up and are planning on a good turnout in April!.

Mt. Morris Camps

<u>July 17-23 - Chetek Camp</u>, for those who have completed 9th grade through age 21

<u>July 24-30 - Winmor Camp</u>, for those who have completed grades 6 through 8

<u>September 19-22 - Plus 50 Camp</u>, for those who are at least 50 years old.

Mt. Morris will have registration forms available soon. Let the church office know if you would like one!

Calendar Note! Spring Clean-Up and Lunch

- a family event! - will be Saturday, April 16 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



All ages welcome from kitchen helpers to groundskeepers and everyone in between! Bring your rakes, shovels, Gloves, garden tools, rags and a spirit of adventure! Lunch provided. We will also have a sign-up sheet with specific tasks. RSVP to Gunilla Wilson so we'll know how much lunch to prepare.

Looking Ahead to Holy Week

This year, our friends at Sister Bay Moravian will be joining us for the readings of Holy Week. The readings begin on Palm Sunday through Thursday. Each evening we will meet in our Sanctuary to reflect on God's great sacrifice. Please keep these dates open:

Sunday—Thursday, April 17—21, 6:30 pm

OPEN DOOR COMMUNITY LUNCHEON

Wednesday, April 20 12 noon at church



Serving up
Soup / Sandwiches / Salad
& a chance to get to
know our neighbors!
Invite a friend!

Cost: FREE!

This is the *last* of the Open Door luncheons until November of 2011, so don't miss the opportunity to share a meal with old friends and new friends!



April Birthdays

APRIL

Katharine Koehler...7 Darrell Jacobson...10 Amanda Carlson...12 Glenn Gerdman...19 Kay Wilson...27 George Carey...30

We are sorry if we omitted or listed incorrectly someone's name from the list. Please call the church office (854-2804) or email us at (worship@ephraimmoravian.org)

Hollace Mulliken is serving on the U.S.S. Ronald Reagan in Japan! Here is her address, although Hollace says "hold off sending anything for a bit; I am not sure how we are able to get mail considering our situation":

LTJG Hollace Mulliken Unit 25061 - FPO, AP 96601-4307

Joint Board Meeting Notes

Usually the Joint Board meets quarterly, but they have met more often to work on church matters! At the March meeting, talks of the Joint Board considered and adopted included

- (a) understanding and planning proper use of income from the fixed fund investments, and
- (b) establishing standing committees for the year **Personnel** is Trustee John Turner, Elder Doug Schultz and a congregational representative to be determined; **Cherry Scholarship Committee** is Elder Diane Jacobson, Trustee Gunilla Wilson, and congregational representative Arps Horvath; **Budget Committee** is Pete Classen, John Turner, Jim Sokolowski and Treasurer Hugh Mulliken, who will oversee, collect input, and prepare the annual church budget.

Other points of discussion were

- (a) an effort to engage seasonal residents and regular visitors for participation in spring and summer projects, and
- (b) the cemetery walk presentation project led by a community group and in collaboration with the Ephraim Historical Foundation and the Moravian Church.

If anyone is interested about learning more details on any of the above, you are invited to speak with one of the Elders, Trustees, or the Pastor!



NEW MEMBERS

In April, Pastor Dawn will be holding new member sessions for all those

interested in joining Ephraim Moravian Church.

There will be three sessions, the last one being a dinner! Please let Pastor Dawn know if you are interested in joining

these sessions and the days/times that would be most convenient for you.

New members will be received on Anniversary Sunday (May 22).

What a wonderful way to celebrate the founding of this church by receiving new members into our family! You may reach Pastor Dawn by calling 920-421-4042 or by email: dawnandbobv@gmail.com

Most people want to serve God, but only in an advisory capacity

Note from Jackie Nelson...

Dear Friends and Family... When I started fundraising for DoorCANcer, Inc., through the Door County Half Marathon, I set a goal of \$1,000. I honestly didn't expect to come close to that; what I also never expected was the immense generosity that came from the members of this church. I knew I would not be disappointed on pledge day; however, never did I expect to receive over \$650 from the members of this church alone. These contributions raised my spirits extremely high, giving me the "gusto" that I needed to continue getting pledges. Throughout my life, you all have supported me and the young people of this congregation more than we could ever imagine, and for that I am so thankful!

I invite you all to support this wonderful cause by attending DoorCAN's 13th annual spring fundraiser dinner on May 6 at Stone Harbor in Sturgeon Bay, where I will be presenting DoorCAN with one of these giant checks! DoorCAN relies solely on donations for support.

Treasurer's Report for Feb 2011



	Budget	Actual	_	
INCOME	\$ 119,918	\$28,001	23%	
EXPENSE	\$ 139,885	\$26,725	19%	

(these figures include all Moravian Fund distributions, but no flowthrough amounts such as Cherry Scholarships, Joyful Noise or other items that come in and go out in the same exact amounts)

Ministry Opportunity! There are sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall for cooking, baking and serving at the Spring Lunch and Sale held on June 4 at the Hall! Sign up today - women AND men are invited to help!

We thank those who served our church by providing Sunday Fellowship in the month of March: Diane Jacobson and Joyce Gerdman, Mary Wilson, Diane and Kathy Kirkland, and Sue Sherman...and as always, Scott Weborg for being "coffee man"! Many thanks to Gunilla Wilson for hosting our March "Open Door Luncheon" with her luscious lentil-cabbage soup, Jody Thiell for her salad, and Mary Wilson for the brownies..and Niles Weborg for doing all the dishes!! See what you're missing if you don't come to our winter lunches??

Caring Hands Report

Your Caring Hands Committee discussed shut-in visits and the possibility of setting up a monthly visiting schedule to those who can no longer make it to church--or those in Scand for recovery and rehabilitation! We will be gathering items for our Easter baskets to shut-ins at our April meeting. Let us know of any needs in our community.



This year we will again decorate the sanctuary with a profusion of spring plants to include daffodils, hyacinths, tulips and other spring flowering plants. These plants will be potted in groupings and will cost \$18.00 per pot. We will be potting the plants according to what we find blooming and fresh. Orders must be placed by <u>April 10</u> and may be picked up after the service on Easter Sunday.

Please give your order and payment to Cici Mulliken (854-2018) or Mary Wilson (854-4277), or to the church secretary, Diane Kirkland. Checks should be made out to the Ephraim Moravian Church and reference "Easter Flowers."

YOUR NAME(S)	
PLANTS ARE IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:	
PAID _\$	



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3 10:00 a.m. 4th Sun. of Lent Holy Communion	4	5 5 p.m. Elders VOTE today!	6 1 p.m. Sarah Circle, Betty Ann Knudson's 6:30 p.m. Joint Lenten Services- Scandia	7	8	9
10 10:00 a.m. 5th Sun. of Lent Joyful Noise & Feed My People Offerings	11	12	139:30 a.m. Caring Hands 12 pm Salad Luncheon- Mor. Women 6:30 p.m. Joint Lenten Services- Scandia	14 5 p.m. Trustees	15 Deadline for newsletter submissions	16 8 am to 12:30 Spring clean- up and lunch Bring rags and rakes!
17 10:00 a.m. PALM SUNDAY 6:30 p.m. Holy Week Readings	18 6:30 p.m. Holy Week Readings	19 6:30 p.m. Holy Week Readings	20 12 p.m. Community Lunch - last one 'til November! 6:30 p.m. Holy Week Readings	21 6:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Communion	22 Good Friday- 2 p.m. service here 7:00 p.m. Com- munity Service at Shepherd of the Bay	23
24 .6 a.m. Sunrise Service 7 a.m. Breakfast 10 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship	25	265 pm Loaves & Fishes	27	28	29	30