



## Ephraim Moravian Messenger

### News from the Open Door

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

#### Congregational Watchword for 2013

*“Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Ephesians 3:20-21*

**May 2013**

*Tis the Spring of souls today, Christ has burst his prison  
And from three days sleep in death as a sun has risen.  
All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying  
From his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.  
(From: Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain, lyrics- John of Damascus)*

Although the calendar tells us it's spring, there are still mounds of snow outside my office window. The birds are back, but seeking shelter as the snow flakes swirl. It reminds me of another Spring, many years ago, when I was in my teens...

On an April Easter Sunday morning, a blizzard hit New York City. If it had occurred on any other Sunday, our church might have cancelled worship services. But this was Easter Sunday and everyone was determined to celebrate. As we were getting ready for church, Mom suggested that I consider wearing suitable clothing for the storm—not the new Easter dress, coat and shoes laid out for that morning. Although an eminently practical suggestion, I balked! It was Easter, it was April, Spring-time and flowers! Why should I wear my tired old clothing when I had something brand new to celebrate Easter? Through the blowing snow, I trudged to the car in my fancy shoes, thin spring coat and flowery dress. It was an exciting Easter! I don't remember anything about the worship service, but the ride home was quite invigorating. While Mom transported a car load of stranded worshippers, my family was driven home by a young man who had to open the driver's side door in order to see where he was steering! I sat in the back seat, shivering, but with absolutely no regrets. After all, it was Spring!

I must admit, I was not thinking of the theological implications of my spring finery, but more about how festive I looked! I do believe, however, that we need to embrace spring-time, even when winter refuses to leave. I'm not suggesting wearing spring clothing. I'm talking about defying the darkness that seeps into our souls, especially when sorrow, illness and tragedy become our constant companions. We need to remind ourselves of the Sunday, long ago, when light burst through the darkness. There is Springtime for our souls whenever we approach the light and grace of Jesus. If you've felt enveloped in the drabness of winter, the Christ who brought spring time into the world, will bring to all who ask, his beauty, strength and grace.

--Pastor Dawn

## *Important Events Coming Up!*



### *Wednesday, May 15*

The **Baccalaureate service** for our graduating seniors will be held on May 15 at 7 p.m., Stella Maris Church, Fish Creek. Come show your support!

### *Sunday, May 19*

Our church's **Anniversary Lovefeast** will be held during our worship service. Happy 160 years to Ephraim Moravian!



### *Wednesday, June 12*



A **Farewell Concert** by our seniors at Gibraltar, just a few days after they graduate on June 9. Rob Volpe has organized this thank-you concert as a fundraiser for the Scand Capital Campaign. Delmar Dahl will be there to talk to us about the project at Scand. Participates in the concert are Kim Craig, Katie Glabe, Matt Knudson, Anya Kopischke, **Ainsley Nelson, Samantha Phillips** and **Rob Volpe**. Ephraim Moravian Church, 7 p.m.

### *Saturday, June 15*

Ephraim Moravian will again have a booth at **Fyr Bal!** We will need volunteers in two-hour shifts to help at the booth (two people per time slot) and volunteers to make Bob Volpe's famous Moravian Sugar Cake to give away at the booth.



### *Wednesday, June 19*

The **Moravian Music Festival** will take place at Ephraim Moravian Church at 7 p.m. Combined choirs singing some of your favorite Moravian music.

## *Services this month*

**May 5** - 10 a.m. Worship, Communion

**May 12** - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. , Joyful Noise (for Loaves & Fishes)

**May 19** - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, Anniversary Lovefeast

**May 26** - 9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship

## *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.—2:30 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.

### *An Invitation from the Volpe Family*

*Please join us as we celebrate  
Rob Volpe's High School Graduation*



*June 9, 2013*

*5 - 8 p.m.*

*'Drop In' Picnic on the Parsonage Grounds*

*We hope to see you there!*



### **YOUR BOARD MEMBERS**

#### **TRUSTEES**

Natalie Neddersen President:  
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839-2902

George Carey, Co-Secretary  
854-9253

Paul Flottman 854-4780

Elder for the month of:  
May.....Paul Flottman

### **Loaves & Fishes**

*Loaves & Fishes is a free meal  
Served every 4th Tuesday at  
5 p.m. at Stella Maris, Sister Bay  
by Volunteers from the Faith Com-  
munities of Northern Door County.  
Whether the need is financial or social, all are  
invited.*



*Volunteers are needed: for Meal Planning, providing a des-  
sert, setting up, cleaning up and serving. We'd like to see  
representatives from all Northern Door Faith Communities!*

*Please call Kay Wilson to Volunteer at 854-4612  
or email: kwilson54211@gmail.com*

## Trea\$urer'\$ Report

We have officially finished our Capital Campaign! A huge **thank you** to all who participated, with pledges finished or still being fulfilled. We were able to do so much and still have more to do with the funds remaining and still coming in.

### Through March 2013:

Income - \$61,478 (includes \$13,000 in bequests--40.6% of budgeted income, 32% without counting the bequests)

Expenses - \$34,628 (21.7% of budgeted expenses)

### **Proclaiming the Moravian Story Understanding and Sharing The Story of Our Moravian Faith May 17-19, 2013 at Mt. Morris Camp & Conference Center**

*"Moravians have a story, we share it for God's glory  
And tell our old, old story in new exciting ways"*

-- The Rev. Jason Andersen, to the tune of "I Love to Tell The Story" (MBW 625), written during the 2012 Western District Synod



The story of the Moravian Church is a rich heritage, deeply rooted in wisdom and insight from generations of faithful brothers and sisters. To help Moravians better understand and share the roots of their unique faith traditions, the Western District Executive Board is offering a weekend workshop, **"Proclaiming the Moravian Story,"** May 17-19 at Mt. Morris Camp & Conference Center.

Hosted by noted Moravian scholar and Seminary professor The **Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood**, this two-day, district-wide workshop explores the foundation of Moravian theology and tradition and its application today. Craig will share knowledge and perspectives on the beginnings of our church. For more information, contact Karen Buchholz at 715.423.0180 or [Karen@mcnp.org](mailto:Karen@mcnp.org), or visit [www.moravianwest.org](http://www.moravianwest.org).

The New Day Singers concert on April 14 raised \$1,050 for Scand's capital campaign! To date, *Scand has raised \$5.4 million toward their projects.*  
Thanks to Jendean Olson and all the singers for a wonderful concert.







## Thank You ...

...to those who helped with our April Open Door Lunch: John and Judy Turner, Jane Olson, Jim & Carol Sokolowski

...to those who served Fellowship in April: Diane Kirkland, Mary Wilson, Erin Bristol, and the Historic Preservation Committee (Eunice Rutherford, Cici Mulliken and Linda Carey)

...to those who ushered in April

## Martha and Phil Cherry Scholarship

**Attention Seniors!** Now is the time to apply for the Cherry Scholarship grant for your further education. Pick up an application packet in the church office! **Deadline for submissions is April 30, 2013**, sent to Cherry Scholarship, PO Box 73, Ephraim, WI 54211 (or sealed applications may be dropped off in the church office with "Scholarship" on the envelope).

Priorities given to applicants of Ephraim Moravian; if none, second priority is Sister Bay Moravian, then Sturgeon Bay Moravian; support is on a one-year basis but a recipient completing one year of study may apply for further support up to three years. Church members pursuing graduate studies or other specialized post-baccalaureate degree may also apply.

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### **Note from Jim Gelhaar:**

Cathie has had her 4 chemo treatments and has had 19 of 30 radiation treatments. We have a meeting with her oncologist after she finishes the radiation. **We count our blessings each and every day.** Thanks for the many cards, emails, letters and **prayers** for Cathie. The best part, she is able to golf. Our club golf and championships was last month and Cathie reached the final 4 after just two days of net stroke play. Her birthday was the last day of the tournament; dinner was at the Club for all the players in the championship, and this was a perfect way to end the day. Cathie and I are in Bible studies in FL. We have read the entire Bible two years ago and the new testament again last year. We both have NLT study Bibles which we love. **It is one thing to read the Bible but even better to study it.** We will return to Door County in late May for 4-1/2 months.



**Spring Clean-Up is Saturday, April 27 - 8:30 a.m. to noon (with lunch following!)**

**Bring rakes, rags, buckets, and a willing spirit**

### Note from the Piggly Wiggly:



If you drop your shopping receipts in one of the donation slots at the entrance to the store when you leave (hopefully OURS!?), please note that Piggly Wiggly is changing their policies as of April 30.

**Any receipts destined for donation to one of those charities will now have to have the receipts you get dropped off at that particular business.** In our case, we will have a slotted box in the Fellowship Hall, and Kaye Maher will pick them up there to tally for reimbursement (we get a percent of each grocery tally--we just received a check from the Pig for over \$680, so we know it works!).

Manager Jay Kita acknowledged that it won't be as convenient for people to put their receipts right at the store, but they "need the space." **So we hope any of you who have been putting your receipts in the donation box at the Pig will continue to do so--but here at church!**



**Many thanks** to the 30 families who gave to enable us to purchase the wonderful spring flowers for Easter! We hope you took yours home to plant in your own yards. If the ground has thawed out enough to do that, please remember that we'd like the silver buckets back so we can hold down costs next spring.

Thank you!

#### *A Note from Doris Price*

To the Congregation--  
I was so overwhelmed at the outpouring of sympathy at Bill's death. Your beautiful cards, notes and phone calls were much appreciated.

Thank you so very much. I am truly blessed to be a member of such a caring church congregation. I look forward to seeing all of you in the spring.

Love, Doris



**TASHA SCHUH**  
"Little Things Make  
a Big Difference"

Shepherd of the Bay  
Lutheran Church  
Sunday, April 28  
3:00 p.m.

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**Didn't get your picture taken  
during our  
Church Directory dates in  
December?**

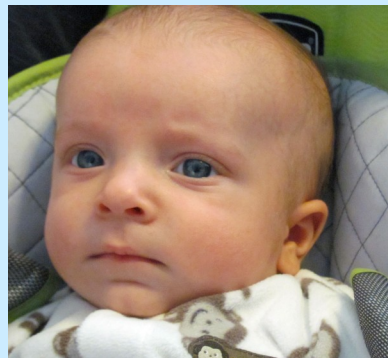
***Do we have to list your  
names??***

**We want all members and friends in  
our directory, so please sign up on  
the sheet in the Fellowship Hall if you  
haven't had your photo taken yet.**

**July 19 and 20 will be the last scheduled dates.**



**Henry Everett  
Bristol's shower**



**Anticipating the event**



**Auntie Amanda gets Henry  
to smile**



**It's not too early to think "SUMMER CAMP!"  
Mt. Morris Summer Camps 2013 Schedule:**

Junior Camp - grades 3- 5 - Mon-Fri, June 24-28  
4M Camp - grades 1 and 2 - Mon-Wed, August 12-14  
Winmor - grades 6 through 8 - Sun-Sat, July 21-27  
Chetek - grades 9 thru age 21 - Sun-Sat, July 14-20

Go online to: [www.wdcamping.com](http://www.wdcamping.com)  
for more information



**Brent, Erin, Henry, Sheila  
and Bob Bristol**

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Rodgers Grand Organ Dedication Concert at West Side Moravian Church, Green Bay** - Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m., Dr. Daniel Steinert, A.A.G.O., will bring classical organ selections, traditional hymns and contemporary church music to West Side Moravian to celebrate the dedication of their new Rodgers organ. All are invited to help celebrate. Questions or directions? Call 920-499-4433.

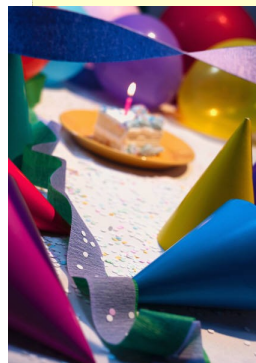
**39th Annual Salon of Door County High School Art - April 20 - May 28 at Miller Art Center, Sturgeon Bay** Door County high school artists from all five schools show a wide variety of art in all media... including our own **Rob Volpe** with two art offerings!

### 2013 Easter breakfast

The breakfast--note the new table grace, installed by Hartmann Signs



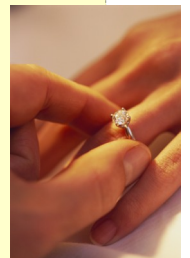
### May Birthdays



Jody Paschke...2  
Gunilla Wilson...3  
Elli Opitz...6  
Cindy Phillips...11  
Dave Chomeau - 11  
Arnold Sohns...13  
Doug Schultz...14  
Joyce Jahn...17  
Pieta Horvath...18  
Tiffany Ann Opitz 18  
Anne Spooner Crowe.. 19  
David Sohns...21  
Nicolai Carlson...23  
Earl Lorenz...23  
Elaine Jacobson...26  
Patti Bennett...30  
Liz Opitz...30

### May Anniversaries

Tim and Kristi Nelson – May 6, 1989  
Judy and Paul Flottman – May 25, 1974  
Erin and Brent Bristol – May 28, 2011



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](mailto:worship@ephraimmoravian.org)

Follow Sue Sherman's journey through her journey with cancer on [caringbridge.com](http://caringbridge.com).

When asked to put in the name of the person you want to follow, it's "Sue Sherman1"





## **Harvest of Hope (Honduras Mission Project) Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church**

### **Where is Koko Tingni, Honduras?**

The Village of Koko Tingni (221 individuals, 46 families) is located on the Kruta River, one half mile from the ocean. The high saline content of local well water makes it unsuitable for human consumption.

Early each morning village women travel six hours to retrieve fresh water from the Apalka Lagoon. In the dry season the water brought back in dugout canoes supplies fresh water household needs for a few days.

### **What Has Been Done**

Since 2008, thirteen individuals from five congregations have been on five independent visits to Honduras. They have:

- \*Installed 108 rain collection systems which benefitted 759 individuals and 108 families;
- \* Rebuilt a badly deteriorated two room school house to benefit 200 Kruta students,

### **How can a potable water project help the people of Koko Tingni?**

- \*Every woman and teenage girl will be saved 16 weekly hours of work fetching water;
- \*In the village of Tikiuraya, following the installation of water tanks, the incidence of intestinal parasites in children under 4 years of age decreased by 70%.

### **What we plan to do.**

We will raise \$27,396 to cover project expenses. They will install 25 new rain water harvesting systems and rehabilitate another 16 in Koko Tingni. Each tank costs \$600. Please consider donating to this mission project in whatever amount you can.

**Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church**  
**323 South Fifth Avenue**  
**Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235-2607**

### ***DID NOAH FISH?***

A Sunday School teacher asked "Johnny, do you think Noah did much fishing on the Ark?"

"No," Johnny said. "How could he, with just two worms?"

### **Ladies!**

**Remember to make your reservations for the combined Sister Bay-Ephraim Retreat at Ellison Bay Women's Club on Wednesday, May 29, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme of the retreat is "Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing," led by Yelone Clague. Call Beth Ferris, 920-839-9648, email [kbferris50@embarqmail.com](mailto:kbferris50@embarqmail.com) or Sue Raye Hughes, [920-839-9247](tel:920-839-9247), email [meowldy@gmail.com](mailto:meowldy@gmail.com).**

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**May 2013 Newsletter**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12 pm Lunch- Sister Bay - last of the season!	2	3 10:00 a.m. Bible Study	4
5 9:00 Sunday School Choir  10 am Communion	6	7 5:00 p.m. Elders	8 9:30 am  Caring Hands  5:00 p.m. Trustees	9	10 10:00 a.m. Bible Study	11
12 9 am S.S. Choir Reh.  10 am Worship Joyful Noise	13	14	15 Baccalaureate Service- Stella Maris, Fish Creek -  7 p.m.	16	17 10 a.m. Bible Study	18
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