

Ephraim Moravian Messenger News from the Open Door

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

Congregational Watchword for 2014

"May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 15: 5-6

June 2014

From the Pastor's Desk....

"Sacred Places"

While living in the Bronx, N.Y., I had to travel into Manhattan several times per month. To return home, I needed to transfer at the 125th Street subway station for my connecting train. I usually ended up there at night. The station was always dirty and very noisy. One such evening, as I was waiting for my train, I felt very tired and was getting really grumpy because the trains pulling into the station were not mine. My feet were aching since there was no place to sit. I didn't know which was worse, the grime or the cacophony of sound. As I stood there, I noticed out of the corner of my eye, an itinerant musician setting up his guitar case. These musicians were a fixture in the subways. They would sing (mostly offkey) and hope that some kind hearted souls would put money in their cases. I was in no mood to have my ears assaulted that night! Sighing, I tried to shut out the noise. This man was no different than so many others I had heard in that station. He was slightly off-key. His choice of music, however, was familiar gospel songs. I was drawn to his voice and strained to listen over the din. As I did, I noticed something incredible. The constant noise of the station was stilled. I looked around to see all the people quietly listening to the message in this man's soft, off-key voice. In an instant, this anonymous minstrel had transformed the 125th Subway station into a Sacred Place.

We see so many instances in the New Testament where Jesus turned an ordinary place into holy ground. When Cleopas and his companion invited a man they had just met to supper, the man said a blessing, and this ordinary meal became sacred because they recognized that their new friend was Jesus himself. (Luke 24: 28 - 31).

We, who have the Spirit of Jesus, can turn every space into a sacred one. If one off-key singer can turn a subway station into a sacred space, think of what we can do by bringing the Spirit of Jesus with us into our work places, into our homes and into our community. Everywhere can be a sacred place if the Spirit of Jesus accompanies us.

Soon, our long, hard winter will be a distant memory. Tourists will again populate our streets, restaurants and hotels. May we, their hosts, bring the love, joy and peace of Jesus so that, whether in our church building or not, our guests will encounter Sacred Places.



Ephraim Moravian Church Office Hours

PASTOR:

SECRETARY.

TUES - FRI MONDAY WED. - THURS. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Pastor's Day Off 9:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

CELL NUMBER: 920-421-4042 The Church Phone does NOT ring in the parsonage. <u>Please</u> keep the Pastor's Cell Phone handy for after hours.



<u>June 29</u> - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship

Sacristan for June - Jody Thiell

Thank you...

.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in May: Ellie McCullin, Doug Schultz leading all the guys for Mother's Day, Judy Cloninger, Lonnie & Gary Vitse

...to those who made the High Tea for our Mothers such a great success on May 14, especially Sue Sherman and her crew for such smooth execution of the day.



.....to those who ushered or served as Sacristan for May.

.....to those who worked on Spring Clean-Up in the cemetery, grounds & interior of the church this past week: Hedy Heise, Betty Ann Knudson, Chuck Mead, Paul Burton, Arps Horvath, Logan Mittermann, Mike Mittermann, John & Judy Turner, Wes & Vicki Maynard, Paul & Kay Wilson, Tom & Gunilla Wilson, Mary Wilson, Jody Thiell, Pete Classen, Diane & Kathy Kirkland, Bob & Dawn Volpe, Doug Schultz

Hi EMC Friends,

Paul and I are wondering if anyone over there is interested in doing a joint "SUMMER" community lunch with us over here at SBMC, on a first Wednesday in June, July, August or September?! We would need 3 or 4 of you to help and YOU pick the month!! We sure would like to work with you guys on this together. So let us know if this works for any of you. Our phone Is 854-0007 or e-mail <u>palubahn@yahoo.com</u>.



Your friends for Christ, Cheryl and Paul Lubahn

Spring into Summer! FREE Continental Breakfast, Moravian Style (Moravian sugar cake, Lovefeast buns, coffee, juice)



Saturday May 24, 2014

8 a.m. to noon at Ephraim Moravian Church

Beautiful Plant Sale! Yummy Bake Sale!

If you are bringing baked goods (please do!) please have them at church no later than Friday afternoon,.... THANKS!

Congratulations to our college graduates, Class of 2014!



Kelly Schuder



Ava Neddersen



Nick Weborg



Andrew Phillips



Trea\$urer'\$ Report

Income: - - Budget is \$148,250; through April: \$38,589 (26%) Expenses: - Budget is \$173,444; through April: \$56,625 (32.6%)



Moravian Music Concert Friday, June 27 at 7 p.m.

Favorite Moravian Anthems, Old and New With the united choirs of Ephraim Moravian, Sister Bay Moravian, and Sturgeon Bay Moravian churches

Free will donation for the GAPS Community Projects of Downey Moravian Church, Downey, CA:

Twice weekly they redistribute rescued food (fresh, healthy food which would have otherwise been discarded) to local families. They also use it to prepare our free, healthy Open Table meal every Thursday. They host a weekly Art Night, a time when older teens and adults are welcome to join us at the GAPS house in any number of projects. The little ones in our community are invited to explore their own creativity with us during our weekly MorArt 'n Music Class. They help lead Downey Counts, an initiative to identify homeless neighbors, assess their needs and get them housed.

An Invitation to Participate in the Bridge's American Connection

Becoming part of Bridges' American Connection with the international summer workers is a very rewarding experience. These students just want to get to know Americans on a personal level--they so appreciate transportation to the Laundromat, Pig, Green Bay or Sturgeon Bay for shopping. You can provide rides to every-other-Tuesday night international programs, be a part of the Thursday evening English classes. The students enjoy chatting with their hosts, being invited to your home for meal or cook-out, going to a movie, or just be there to share advice when needed. They marvel that total strangers take time out of their busy schedules to befriend them.

What do you get out of it? You meet some wonderful, intelligent individuals who bring a great deal of joy into your life. You become an ambassador for our country and our Christian beliefs. There is a meeting scheduled for those interested in becoming hosts or wanting to know more: 6:30 p.m. on June 3 at First Baptist Church.

I would be happy to talk with you about the program. I can be reached at 854-7952, or stop by my home at 3063 Anderson Lane in Ephraim. I have booklets and forms for anyone wanting to get involved. Please let me know efore May 27 if you plan to attend the meeting, want to host student(s), help with transportation or help facilitate lessons, or just want more information.

I look forward to hearing from you. Come join in the fun!

Jane Olson

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Anderson Docks-ology Schedule Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort Rain location: Village Hall, 9996 Hwy 42

<u>July 9</u> Pastor Dawn Volpe, Ephraim Moravian Cynthia Stiehl, mezzo-soprano

July 16 Rev. Tim Tahtinen, Spirit of Peace/Milwaukee Dr. Abe Canceres

<u>July 23</u> Pastor Bruce Foster, Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran, Ellison Bay New Herrnhut Choir, St. Thomas, V.I.

July 30 Stella Maris Parishes, Door County

<u>August 6</u> Dee Brestin, Christian speaker & writer Threshold Singers

> <u>August 13</u> tbd

August 20 Reverend Kerry Krauss, Sister Bay Moravian Music tbd

God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.



Coming up on Thursday, June 5, at Sister Bay Moravian. The Men's Fellowship will host three seatings with homemade cherry desserts. For more information on times and cost, call Sister Bay Moravian at 854-4080. (I'm pretty sure it's whitefish, not shark.)

FISH BOIL!!

Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction - July 5 !



FIX YOUR OWN SUNDAE FOR A FREEWILL OFFERING! ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND AUCTION WILL GO TOWARD SCANDIA VILLAGE FOR STAFF ENHANCEMENTS, in memory of Ted Hoeppner, who loved the Scand staff so much

For the Silent Auction:

If you have a silent auction item you'd like to donate, be it a gift basket, offer of baked or canned goods, homemade jams, services for yard work/raking/planting, maintenance work, special days on the water or flying over Door County, gourmet meals for 4 or 6

at your home, handmade items, *etc.,* sign up ASAP in the Fellowship Hall (or call/email us) so we can publicize the event! Thank you!!

June Birthdays

Forgot Mylo Sherman's May birthday! It was the 17th

Carol Sokolowski 13 Denny Phillips...13 Robert Ekberg...19 Steven Cox...20 Jacklene Nelson...20 Hollace Mulliken...22 Betty Chomeau....27 Alicia Mulliken...28 Brian Wilson...30



June Anniversaries

Shelley and John Cox – June 8, 1979 Gunilla and Tom Wilson – June 15, 1974 Denny & Cindy Phillips – June 16, 1990 Betty and David Chomeau – June 29, 1963

FEED MY PEOPLE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JUNE

Our theme for June is toiletries for humans (toilet paper, toothpaste, wipes, lotions, shampoos, soaps, etc.)



pet products for our furry friends (canned or dry food, treats, cat litter, toys)







May 4 Lovefeast, Open Mic at Spirit of Peace Church, Milwaukee

Over 100 people attended, with representatives from eight churches!

Presencing

I'm movin' to the present. Yes, I'm movin' to the present. It won't wait – So how can I? I'm livin' in the Present. Now I'm livin' in the present ~ It's a <u>choice</u>. That <u>trumps</u> a try.

I can't get tied up in yesterdays; they don't take me anywhere... And worry 'bout tomorrow? We're gonna to have to leave <u>it there</u>.

I'm breathin' in the Present And I'm standin' in the Present I can <u>act</u> and <u>speak</u> from here. I am <u>joy</u> when I am Present, I am <u>light</u> when I am Present; I know <u>love</u> can cast out fear.

We work wonders through our presence <u>now</u> that we couldn't do before; And as we collaborate in love, we're gonna <u>share</u> it more and more.

So come and <u>join</u> me in the Present We can blossom in the present In the <u>power</u> of what <u>is now</u>. We'll move <u>forward</u> in the present (Can't go <u>backwards</u> in the <u>present</u>...) We can't <u>stop</u>. No way, no how....

Kathryn Woestendiek Scepanski, member at Christian Faith In DeForest - sharing her Moravian rap!







ROOM TO SPARE?



Guests from the Spirit of Peace Lutheran Church (formerly Divine Word) will be coming the weekend of July 18-20 to participate in a concert with St. Thomas' choir and in worship that day. If you could provide housing, please let Doug Schultz or Pastor Dawn know. We are uncertain of numbers at this point.



The Ephraim Library Committee Fund., Inc., presents **First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln,** visiting the Ephraim Village Hall **on Saturday, June 28, 2014**

A tea will be hosted in honor of her visit. Tea and raffle from 1:15 to 1:50 p.m., with the program starting promptly at 2 p.m.*

Tickets will go fast, so please call ahead to Jane Olson (854-7952) to reserve your ticket. You may also call the Ephraim Library and leave your name and number; Jane will contact you.

Tickets are \$20 each; raffle tickets will be sold at the door. Proceeds benefit the Ephraim Library *noted performance artist Jessica Michna will portray Mrs. Lincoln.

Moravian Disaster Response

In response to the tornadoes, flashfloods and storms in southern United States, the Board of World Mission is asking for prayers for those affected and the emergency responders are able to reach those in need.



If you feel called to help respond, you can donate by sending

checks marked "Moravian Disaster

Response" to:

Board of World Mission PO Box 1245 Bethlehem, PA 18016

If you are interesting in joining teams to help in the recovery and rebuilding effortsfor this or any other disaster, the Board of World Mission will follow up with you regarding any specific opportunities to get involved. Call 610-868-1732.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
) 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship/ Communion	2	3 5 p.m. Elders	4 Noon – Sister Bay Luncheon 1 p.m. Trustees	5 7 p.m. AA meeting	6 8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	7
8 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Joyful Noise	9	10	11 9:30 a.m. Caring Hands	12 7 p.m. AA meeting	13 8:30 a.m. OA meeting	14 9 a.m. – noon EHF using parking lot for reception at museum
15 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship - Rev. Jane Harberg Father's Day	16	17 7:30 p.m. Mothers' mtg Nursery	18	19 7 p.m. AA meeting	20 8:30 a.m. OA meeting Synod	21 Fyr Bal – visit our booth! (NOTE: Some exhibitors will be using our parking lot during the day) Synod
22 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship - Rev. Ken Carlson Synod	23 Synod	24 1:30 pm – EHF Tram Tour 5 p.m. Loaves & Fishes at St. Rosalia's	25	26 1:30 pm – EHF Historic Tour 7 p.m. AA meeting	27 8:30 a.m. OA meeting 7 p.m. Moravian Music Concert	28
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For EMC's Fyr Bal booth on June 21:

We need 3 more sugar cakes, people to set up and take down the booth, & several more booth-sitters for two-hour periods !

Sign up in the Fellowship Hall!

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