

# **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

October 2014

#### Pastor's Page:

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. - Jeremiah 29: 11

When Jeremiah wrote these words, his people were chafing under foreign domination. They yearned to return to their homeland and rebuild their lives. Many spiritual leaders assured the people that God would answer their prayers and reverse their fortunes. Jeremiah, however, told them that those leaders were lying. There was to be no miracle of deliverance. The people exiled to Babylon would never see home again. In that reality, Jeremiah instructed them to put down roots, get married, have children, buy land and thrive in exile. He was giving them a plan for their future. In this plan, written thousands of years ago, we can apply its wisdom to secure our own future.

"Seek the welfare of the city and pray to the Lord on its behalf."- This is difficult when we have differences with those in our community, whether religious, political, cultural or personal. Seeking the welfare of our community is to understand that the vitality of our neighbors directly impacts us and our progeny. When we work to create economic opportunity, when we work for justice, when we act with compassion, generations after us will benefit from our labors. When we pray on our neighbor's behalf, God will stir up within us a sincere desire to 'love our neighbor as ourselves'.

"When you search for me, you will find me; it you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the Lord." This was a revolutionary idea! Ancients believed that gods resided within the boundaries of the regions they protected. The God of Israel was thought to reside in Jerusalem. To say that God could be found in Babylon was an amazing promise. It reminds us that God is not limited to our vision. God is not limited by time or distance. And, most importantly, God is not limited by our own darkness or despair. In whatever place we find ourselves, God is with us! It is something we need to teach our children.

It is very difficult, when we're in situations that defy logic, or create heartache, to see any hope. When I've had these experiences, I've asked God for rescue. Most often, I was not delivered. Sometimes I stumbled through the hard times, scratching my head, wondering what the master plan was. But through all those times, when I searched for God, I found all the grace, strength, peace and hope in God's presence. May you also, be assured of God's presence this day, and God's promise of hope in the days to come.

#### Ephraim Moravian Church Office Hours

PASTOR: TUES - FRI 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

MONDAY Pastor's Day Off WED. - THURS. 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.



SECRETARY.

#### BIBLE STUDY

We are continuing the study "Men in the Shadows of History," looking at some of the lesser known men of the bible: heroes, villains and ordinary people.

Join us every <u>Friday in October at 10</u>
<a href="mailto:a.m">a.m</a>. Our studies are usually one hour in length and refreshments are included.



Unity Prayer Day - we share the day with Sister Bay Moravian and Sturgeon Bay Moravian.

It won't be a hard date to remember: It's **Christmas Day!** Stay tuned for our sign-up times.



#### Services in October

Oct 5 - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship,
Communion

Oct 12 - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, Joyful Noise for Secret Santa

Oct 19 - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship

Oct 26 - 9 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship



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Elder for the month of: October.....Doug Schultz November....Cici Mulliken

Sacristan for October Jane Olson



.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in

September: Eunice Rutherford and Jody Thiell, the Shermans for Theo's baptism, and all of you who helped at the Ministry Opportunities Fair during our September Stewardship Month!

.....to those who ushered or served as Sacristan for September!



We're pleased to announce that Bishop Kay Ward will be in Door County to lead the *second* **Sacred Writing Wordshop** in Sister Bay Moravian Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, October 11, at 10 am**. If you know others who would like to participate, pass the word along...it doesn't matter if you weren't present at the first Wordshop.

You can respond by e-mail to <a href="mailto:sbmcoffice@dcwis.com">sbmcoffice@dcwis.com</a> or add your name to the sign-up list in our Fellowship Hall (for a head count). We're hoping to continue this wonderful faith outlet!



Program sponsored by the Ministry Door County Medical Center and the Door County Alcohol and Other Drug Coalition

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorders

Strength through Understanding

Tuesday, October 7, Stone Harbor Resort, Sturgeon Bay 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Resource Fair 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Presentation by Rob Valentine

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Rob Valentine is Community Services Supervisor in Marinette County. He worked in Door County for many years, first as County AODA Coordinator and later in private practice. Rob will discuss links between mental health and substance abuse, including the struggles and solutions for families and communities.

It's a free event - refreshments. More information, call 746-2234.

#### Samantha Phillips

Luther College 700 College Dr. SP0 2384, Decorah, IA 52101

#### **Ainsley Nelson**

110 Gilman St., Apt. 4 Madison, WI 53703

#### **Robert Volpe**

Coe College GMU # 1278 1220 1st Ave NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402



#### Our College Kids!

#### Kyle Nelson Student Suite #1504 St. Norbert College 100 Grant Street

DePere, WI 54115

Andrea Nelson 2508 Delaware St SE Apartment 162A Minneapolis, MN 5414-3469

#### TREA\$URER'S REPORT

Member giving through September 15 - \$68,612 Visitor giving through September 15 - \$35,049



Income through August: 2014 Budget of \$148, 250, Actual \$109,081 Expenses through August: 2014 Budget of \$173,444, Actual \$116,845



#### Theo Sherman's Baby Shower is October 5 after church!

Angela and Ryan say that they are using cloth diapers with Theo, but they could use some things that help augment that as well as their homemade baby wipes:

Bounty Paper Towels, select-a-size California Baby Shampoo & Body Wash - Tea Tree & Lavender or Calendula California Baby Massage Oil - Calming Oxi-Clean FREE Door County Creamery Goat Soap - Natural Mrs. Meyer's Clean Day Dish Soap, Basil Huggies Wipes-Natural Care Huggies Diapers - Pure and natural, size 2 and up



They primarily shop at Target, so Target would have these items.

#### AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD...

**WELCA FALL SALE, SHEPHERD OF THE BAY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, top of the hill Ellison Bay, WI., Saturday, October 4. 10 -2 p.m. Pasta e fagioli luncheon served from 11:00-2 p.m. Plants, dried arrangements, fresh fruits and vegetable, fresh baked pies, cookies, muffins all available for purchase. All proceeds go to benefit missions supported by the church. Special fund raising for WAR, Intl, an agency benefitting women who have become victims in the trafficking industry. World Marketplace open featuring Nativities at 30% off.

#### AROUND THE WORLD ....

From the Board of World Mission, SPECIAL PRAYERS for Mohamed and Safie Braima and the people of Sierra Leone....Youth and children crossing our borders as they flee violent situations in their homelands....Teams from Canada and Minnesota, who served in Limón, Costa Rica...the team from Kernersville Moravian who

worked along with brothers and sisters in the Peru Moravian Mission Area....the 5 young adults from the Western District who took part in the Moravian Youth Conference in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua.



#### October Birthdays

Robert Schroeder...7
Erika Wilson Burkemper...8
John Turner...13
Kyle Nelson...15
Diane Kirkland...18
Kathy Kirkland...18
Maggie Schnackenberg... 18
Andrea Nelson...20
Lisa Carlson...22
Paul Flottman...24
Shayla Opitz - 24
Betty Overbeck...27
James Sokolowski...28

#### October Anniversaries

Priscilla and Keith Krist - October 1, 1966

# FEED MY PEOPLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Our Feed-my-People theme for October is

"Protein Foods" (peanut butter, tuna, beans, hearty stews)





# Harvest Table Supper and

# Bead for Life Fundraiser



## When:

Wednesday, October 15, 2014 5 – 7 p.m.

\$10 adults, \$5 kids 12/under

## Where:

Ephraim Moravian Church Fellowship Hall

- \*Generous baked potato topped with pulled pork, broccoli & cheese, mushrooms or other vegetarian options
- \*Roasted squash, fresh fruit, breads
- \*Mbata cookies (Ugandan) and apple dumplings
- \*Cider, coffee, water



**Bead for Life** helps Ugandan women who previously earned less than \$1/day to become entrepreneurs, making and selling beads, shea butter and other items. Profits from this sale and from the supper will be shared between Bead for Life and our Moravian Church in Uganda.

#### EPHRAIM MORAVIAN STEWARDSHIP

Our last week in the 3-week series in which Pastor Dawn has explored our Past, Present and Future!

10:00 a.m. Worship Service Stewardship of the Past Sept. 28 Pastor Dawn will be speaking about the importance of preserving our past and how it will inform our present and our future.

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour "Ministries Opportunity Fair" Our Fair returns so that you have an opportunity to visit tables you may have missed during the first one!



#### Ephraim Moravian Church P.O. Box 73 Ephraim, Wisconsin 54211

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### Fall in Ephraim

"No spring nor summer beauty hath such grace as I have seen in one autumnal face."

--John Donne

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Noon – Sister Bay Luncheon	2 1:30 pm – EHF Historic Tour 3 pm - Jt. Board Mtg 7 p.m. AA meeting	3 8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	4
5 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Wor- ship/Commun Baby Shower Theo Sherman	6	7 5 p.m. Elders	8 9:30 a.m. Caring Hands 1:30 p.m. Trustees	9 1:30 pm – EHF Historic Tour 7 p.m. AA meeting	8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	11
9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Joyful Noise	Columbus Day	7:00 p.m. Mothers' mtg Nursery	15 "Harvest Table" supper & Beads for Life fundraiser 5 pm-7 pm	7 p.m. AA meeting	17 8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	18
9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	20	21	22	7 p.m. AA meeting	8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	25
26 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	27	28 5 p.m. Loaves & Fishes at St. Rosalia's	29  Congregational Potluck for 2015 Budget prep	7 p.m. AA meeting	8:30 a.m. OA meeting 10 a.m. Bible Study	