

Ephraim Moravian Messenger

News from the Open Door

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

Congregational Watchword for 2016

The Lord your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands. - Deuteronomy 30:9 (NIV)

July 2016

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



After many years of reading and studying the bible, one would think that new insights would be rare. But I have learned that, each time I study the scripture, I can discover something unexpected and wondrous. When that happens I look to the heavens and say, “thank you.”

Today's epiphany occurred during James Heroux's morning study (he'll be at the Berchinger Center in Egg Harbor for the next 3 Thursdays, 8 a.m.). James is leading us in a study of instances in the bible where God speaks directly to a person (not through a messenger). Today we studied God's encounter with Job. This past year, our bible study group did an in depth study of Job. I've read this book many times and lead numerous bible studies. I have studied the characters, the circumstances and the theology of this book.

We were talking about God's interrogation of Job (chapters 38 - 41). In these chapters, God eloquently and poetically describes nature in all its variety and magnificence. We were discussing the reasons why God brought up this subject, so unrelated to the questions Job had about his own suffering. It was then that I realized that God was reminding Job of all the beauty and wonder of nature, generously and graciously provided to us. This gift of abundant beauty was not removed when Job was plunged into suffering. Job's preoccupation with his suffering blinded him to the gifts all around him.

How often are we blinded to the beauty of God's grace, the beauty of friendship, the beauty of family and the beauty of nature? It is so easy to get distracted by the ugliness around us. It is so easy to wrap ourselves in our own pain. I do not think the book of Job teaches us to ignore suffering or dismiss our feelings. I do believe that Job reminds us that, when we suffer, the gifts of God are still with us in all their variety, in all their loveliness, in all their abundance. May the Holy Spirit continue to open our eyes to God's wondrous gifts to us! - 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.



Services in July

- July 3— 8:00 a.m. Early Service**
10 a.m. Worship Service/Communion
- July 10— 8:00 a.m. Early Service**
10 a.m. Worship Service, Joyful Noise for Loaves & Fishes
- July 13—Anderson Docks-ology with Stella Maris, 7:30 pm**
- July 17— 8:00 a.m. Early Service**
10 a.m. Worship Service
- July 20—Anderson Docks-ology with Immanuel Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.**
- July 24— 8:00 a.m. Early Service**
10 a.m. Worship Service
- July 27- Anderson Docks-ology with Ephraim Moravian and Tim Tahtinen from Spirit of Peace, Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m. Featuring the New Day Singers!**
- July 31— 8:00 a.m. Early Service**
10 a.m. Worship Service, with Spirit of Peace Lutheran Church and Pastor Christie Melby-Gibbons

YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

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(Church Building and Parson-
age Interiors/Grounds)

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#### **ELDERS**

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421-0032  
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Elder for the month of:  
July...James Heroux

**For  
July's  
Feed  
My  
People**



**Suggested Donations for this month:**

*Summer food items—baked beans,  
salad dressings, chips, macaroni*



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

**Save the date!**



**Spiritual Lasik:  
Seeing God through the Fog**

**A Women's Retreat at  
Björklunden, Baileys Harbor  
Wednesday, November 9  
8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

**Presented by Pastor Dawn Volpe,  
Ephraim Moravian Church  
\$10 per person – RSVP 920/854-2804**



**Fruit of the Spirit Choir Concert**  
**This Sunday, June 26—4 p.m.**  
**here at Ephraim Moravian Church**

Combined choirs of Ephraim, Sister Bay and Sturgeon Bay, with special guests Kim Larsen, Peggy Royseck, Hal Halvorsen, Kim Knapp, flutist Pamela Johnson and World House Music's Dr. Abe Caceres. Free-will offering to support Dr. Abe's project of sending a grand piano to Tumaini University in Tanzania—the country's first-ever grand piano!

The University's Music Department began in 2005 with 4 students and 2 teachers. Now it is an active program with 25 music majors from Tanzania, Kenya, and the USA, and 10 teachers from Tanzania, America, Finland, and Malaysia, plus exchange students from Finland, Germany, Sweden, and Denmark. Over 100 university students participate in its many programs including instruction in musical instruments, dance, audio recording, and choir. The music department has received funding from the European Union to create the first University level cultural arts center in the country.





## Breakfast with James

Everyone is invited to meet with our intern, James Heroux, for a very special Bible study..."When God Shows Up." Mark these remaining dates on your calendar to join us for continental breakfast and the study, being held at the Bertschinger Center meeting room in Egg Harbor (7860 Hwy 42 ).

Thursdays, 8 a.m.     June 30  
July 7 and 14

### Prayers

...for the family of Anne Hobler, who died at the age of 98 in June  
...Vicky Schult, as she continues treatment for her cancer  
...of strength and peace for Jane Olson, living with cancer at Scand  
...for Jock Whitacre, in rehab from an aneurism in Illinois

### MISSION NEWS....MISSION NEWS....MISSION NEWS...MISSION NEWS....

**Ahuas, Honduras**—the Clinic celebrated its 70th anniversary on June 16! They are implementing new goals for equipment maintenance, good financial management and maintenance of inventory, and have reappointed Rick Nelson as Interim Director through November 2016. The "Wings of Mercy" mission plane operating out of Ahuas has had damaged repaired from the buzzard (you read it right...) and is now flying again to serve the people of La Mosquitia.

**Nepal**—The church in Nepal is still seeking people who could spend 3-4 weeks helping with the kindergarten and new first grade. The kids speak English and benefit from English-speaking helpers. If interested, contact Jill Kolodziej at [jill@moravianmission.org](mailto:jill@moravianmission.org).

## Dearly Departed



## Monday, September 12

Tours at 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Ida Seiler Sohns (Karen Ekberg)  
Charlotte Amundsen (Carolyn Glabe O'Donnell)  
Elsie Groenfeldt (Sally Jacobson)  
Clara Alpha Oneson Scudder (Ruth Oneson Minke)

Halvor Anderson (Dick Volkmann)  
J.J. Groenfeldt (Rob Moore)  
George Larson (George Larson)



## TREASURER'S REPORT

Member giving through May: \$34,358  
2015 through May: \$45,479  
2014 through May: \$40,862

Visitor giving through May: \$16,347  
2015 through May: \$20,100  
2014 through May: \$12,780

### Income

Budget for 2016 is \$157,800  
Actual through May: \$ 55,677

### Expenses

Budget for 2016 is \$193,696  
Actual through May: \$ 67,465



## Thank You's from Recipients of our Fundraisers:

"Thank you for your continuous generous support to the Door of Life Food Pantry. We just received another check today for \$615 in conjunction with your bake sale. I'm so glad for the hungry people who are going to be fed and for the fruit that is abounding to your account!

**Philippians 4:16-17:** "For even in Thessalonica you sent [me contributions] for my needs, not only once but a second time. Not that I seek or am eager for [your] gift, but I do seek and am eager for the fruit which increases to your credit [the harvest of blessing that is accumulating to your account." (AMP Bible)

-Blessings and THANK YOU to you, Dawn. and the Ephraim Moravian Family from our Door of Life Family! - Ed (House)"

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"Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for your check in the amount of \$3,765 dated May 22. The Lovefeast held that Sunday was very enjoyable and spiritually uplifting.

These funds, designated for the Tricklebee Café and Spirit of Peace Urban Retreat Center, will be most useful as we move forward in these new collaborative ministries. Again, many thanks for your most generous support.

- Brandon Koltz, Council President—Spirit of Peace Lutheran Church"

.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in June: Kris & Ranny Nelson, Glenn & Joyce Gerdman, Kathy Zehner, Burtons & Carlsons.

...to those who ushered or acted as Sacristan in June.

...for those who provided baked goods or worked at the "Spring into Summer" sale.

...for Jendean Olson and all the choir members for their Sunday concert!



## Anderson Docks-ology 2016 Sunset Services

7:30 p.m.

Wednesdays

July 13 - Aug 17

Anderson Dock, Ephraim

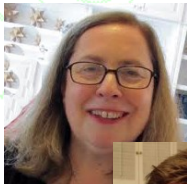
Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort  
Rain location: Village Hall, 9996 Hwy 42



July 13  
Father David Ruby  
Stella Maris Parish



July 20  
Rev. Sue Gunderson  
Immanuel Lutheran



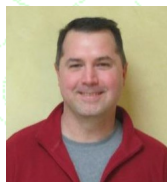
July 27  
Pastor Dawn Volpe  
Ephraim Moravian  
Rev. Tim Tahtinen,  
Spirit of Peace Church,  
Milwaukee  
New Day Singers



August 3  
James Heroux



August 10  
Rev. Joel Rose  
Bethel Baptist



August 17  
Pastor Kerry Krauss  
Sister Bay Moravian  
Singer Katie Dahl



## July Birthdays

Theo Sherman... 1  
Penny Schultz...3  
Jolynn Nelson...4  
Judy Turner...6  
Keith Krist...9  
Eric Christofferson...11  
Craig Anderson...12  
Anne Glabe... 12  
Carol Sandstrom... 13  
Liz Schroeder...13  
Joyce Gerdman...15  
Christian Koehler...16  
Jill Schroeder...17  
Mark Anderson...18  
Daryl Larson...20  
Matthew Christofferson...21  
Karin Wilson...22  
Vicky Anderson...25  
Pastor Dawn Volpe...28  
Kelsey Neddersen ...31

## July Anniversaries

Lisa and Gary Carlson – July 4, 1981

*If your name, or the name of a loved one  
is not listed in our birthday and  
anniversary listings, please let us know  
by email or phone!*



**Spirit of Peace Church  
joins us here in Ephraim July 27 through 31!**

**Wednesday, July 27 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Anderson Docks-olgy with Pastor Dawn and Pastor Tim Tahtinen  
and the New Day Singers leading the sunset service on Anderson Dock**

**Saturday, July 30 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

**—Picnic at the church grounds with our friends from Spirit of Peace**

**We need: 4 people to bring their grills for hamburgers, brats, vegetarian burgers**

**People to sign up to bring side salads and desserts.**

**A Sign Up Sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall.**

**Sunday, July 31 10:00 a.m.**

**Spirit of Peace will be in worship with us, along with Pastor Christie Melby-Gibbons.**

**We will be presenting the gifts we've purchased for both Spirit of Peace Urban  
Center and Tricklebee Café. We encourage you to bring in the following items**

**between now and this service: Toilet paper, waxed paper rolls, hand soap (bulk),  
and Kleenex in 'earthy-looking boxes'. Baskets to receive your donations  
are located on the bench in the Upper Hallway (beneath the long coat rack)**



***Graduation Celebration!  
Violin and Piano  
Classical Recital  
Sunday, July 10, 2016 - 2 p.m.  
Ephraim Moravian***

Maryellen Pung and  
Beth Chafey-Hon



***Celebrate with Beth!***

**Beth Chafey-Hon has graduated from  
UW Oshkosh with a Bachelor  
of Music degree in  
Performance and  
Composition.**

**Maryellen Pung is an accomplished  
pianist who studied with  
famed Swedish-American pianist  
and composer Rudolph Ganz as ear-  
ly as age 12.**

**Join them for a concert of classical  
pieces by Brahms, Beethoven,  
Franck, Beth Chafey-Hon, and more.**

***Free-will offering for  
Unity Hospice of  
Door County***



Can you drive one or more international students to some of the social events or English groups?

Can you be a conversation partner for English groups on Thursday nights?

Do you know how to repair bicycles?

Would you be willing to pray for specific international students this summer?

Talk to Kathy Zehner (868-3454) or call Joyce Detert (920/743-4930).



### **Cherry Fest at Sister Bay Moravian!**

**Thursday, July 21**

**11 a.m.—2 p.m.**

**For Lunch, sales & Lots of Fun!**

If you would like to display & sell your craft items (no rugs, baked goods or food), please call Kathy Ray at 920-421-0422 or email [dray2@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:dray2@tampabay.rr.com) to reserve your space. A space is \$25 – vendors must bring own tables.

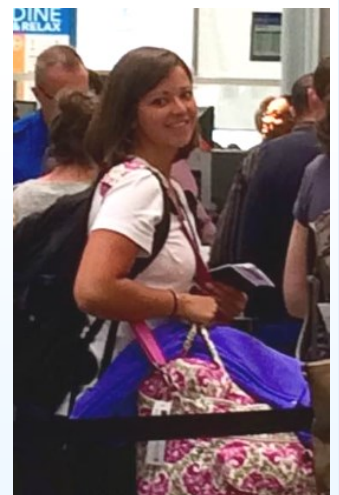


### **Sunrise over the Andes Mountains**

(Photo by Samantha)

Samantha Phillips is spending the rest of the summer in Chile with studies, mission work, and teaching ESL.

Godspeed, Samantha!







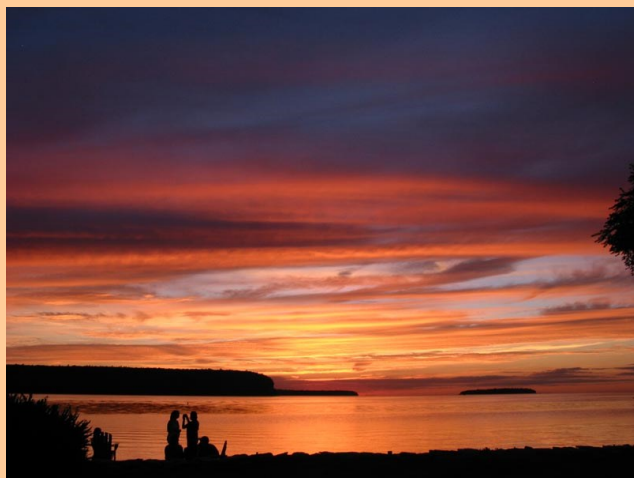
# July 2016

| Sunday                                                                                                                                   | Monday                                   | Tuesday                                                 | Wednesday                                                                                | Thursday                                                                                | Friday                          | Saturday                                                                                               |
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| <b>3</b><br>8 a.m. Early Service<br>10 a.m. Worship Services/ Communion                                                                  | <b>4</b><br><i>happy Fourth of July!</i> | <b>5</b><br>5:30 p.m. Elders                            | <b>6</b>                                                                                 | <b>7</b> 8 a.m. <b>Breakfast with James</b><br><br>4 p.m. Trustees<br><br>7 p.m. AA Mtg | <b>8</b><br>8:30 a.m. OA Mtg    | <b>9</b>                                                                                               |
| <b>10</b><br>8 a.m. Early Service<br>10 a.m. Worship Services/ Joyful Noise for Loaves & Fishes<br><b>2 p.m. Beth Chafey-Hon concert</b> | <b>11</b>                                | <b>12</b><br>10:30 a.m. Cathie Gelhaar Memorial Service | <b>13</b><br>9:30 Caring Hands<br>7:30 p.m. Anderson Docksology-Stella Maris Churches    | <b>14</b><br><b>8 a.m. Breakfast with James</b><br><br>7 p.m. AA Mtg                    | <b>15</b><br>8:30 a.m. OA Mtg   | <b>16</b>                                                                                              |
| <b>17</b><br>8 a.m. Early Service<br>10 a.m. Worship Services                                                                            | <b>18</b>                                | <b>19</b>                                               | <b>20</b><br>7:30 p.m. Anderson Docks-ology - Immanuel Lutheran Church                   | <b>21</b><br>11am - 2 pm Cherry Fest Sister Bay Moravian<br>7 p.m. AA Mtg               | <b>22</b><br>8:30 a.m. OA Mtg   | <b>23</b>                                                                                              |
| <b>24 /31</b><br>8 & 10 a.m. Worship Services - <b>July 31 with Spirit of Peace</b>                                                      | <b>25</b>                                | <b>26</b>                                               | <b>27</b><br>7:30 p.m. Anderson Docks-ology - Pastor Dawn & Tim Tontinen New Day Singers | <b>28</b><br><br>7 p.m. AA Mtg                                                          | <b>29</b><br>8:30 a.m. OA Mtg   | <b>30</b> 11 a.m. <b>Lorraine Morton Memorial</b><br><br>1 - 3 p.m. <b>Picnic With Spirit of Peace</b> |

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**A summer Ephraim sunset**

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