



Ephraim Moravian Messenger News from the Open Door

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

Congregational Watchword for 2018

“You were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.” 1 Peter 2:25

May 2018

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



I must admit that even I found our Winter/Spring weather a bit much. The picture on the left was taken on Sunday, April 15. Sushi and I were walking up Willow Street at the height of the blizzard. She was willing to brave the pelting snow-- I was not. We never made it up the hill. I snapped the picture and turned back toward home. It seemed like Spring would never arrive in Door County. Even now, with warmer temps at the end of April, piles of snow remain.



But I do see signs of Spring. Small green shoots are appearing. I shed my winter coat for a light jacket. The ice is thinning in the harbor. I know, through several seasons in Door County, that although the Spring/Summer season takes longer to appear than in most areas of the country, it always returns... every year, without fail. The same can be said regarding our personal winters - when the sun refuses to shine, the cold seeps into our bones and we can't find any signs of life. It is at these times that we must hold on to the evidence of God's presence in the past. We must hold on to the hope of eternal Spring. This is why people flock to church for Easter: to re-enact the story of God wresting life from death's grip. We remind ourselves that Darkness is defeated by Light, Death is defeated by Life and Good conquers Evil.

So, dear friends, let us not permit the winter seasons of the soul to deceive us. As cold and dreary as they are, Spring is right around the corner. We, the people of Easter, know within the depths of our being, that new life will Spring up within us, around us and above us. Thanks be to God!

—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.



**In the tradition of the ecumenical monastic community
founded in 1940 in Taizé, France,
a service now celebrated worldwide**



An Ecumenical Service of Music, Silence and Prayer

**Sunday, May 20
4:00 p.m.**

**St. Luke's Episcopal Church
2336 Canterbury Lane,
Sister Bay**

**For more information: 920-854- 9600 or
stlukesdoorcounty@gmail.com**



YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

Funds: Investment Committee
of John Turner, George Carey,
Pete Classen

TRUSTEES

Rob Moore, President of the
Trustees 847-295-6388
George Carey 854-9253
Ryan Sherman, Secretary of
Trustees 920-734-1313
Shelley Cox 421-0101
Carol Sandstrom 854-9580

ELDERs

Pastor Dawn Volpe, Chair
Hugh Mulliken, 854-2336
Karen Ekberg 421-2553
Kathy Kirkland, Sect'y 854-6174
Liz Opitz 854-5949
Betty Chomeau, Vice Chair
854-2203

Elder for the month of:
May.....Karen Ekberg

Sacristan for the month of
May.....Jody Thiell

Sunday Services in May 2018

**May 6 — 9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10 a.m. Worship and Communion**

**May 13 - 9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10 a.m. Worship and Joyful Noise Coin offering
for Loaves & Fishes**

**May 20 — 9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10 a.m. Worship- Lovefeast Celebrating 165
years of Ministry!
4 p.m. Taize Service at St. Luke's, Sister Bay**

May 27 — 9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir



.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in April: Pastor Dawn Volpe, Kris & Ranny Nelson, the Volpes

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

...to those who helped at Jim Sokolowski's memorial service.

...to those who hosted our final Open Door Lunch of the season.

NUTRITION PROGRAM

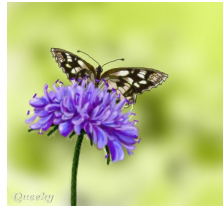
If you are over 60 years of age, you can take advantage of the "senior meal sites" in Door County! The suggested contribution for a meal is \$4 (under 60 years, \$12). Meals are served from noon to 12:30 and require reservations, but they have everything from baked chicken to lasagna, corned beef and Swedish meatballs! Wonderful meals.

Liberty Grove Town Hall
Mon/Wed/Fri

Baileys Harbor Town Hall
Wed/Fri

Sturgeon Bay Aging and Disability Resource Center
Mon through Fri
(full meal or just soup/salad bar)

Call 920-746-2372 to reserve your space at Liberty Grove or Baileys Harbor—no reservation necessary for the Sturgeon Bay site.



**For April's
Feed My People
Suggested Donations for
this month:**

Flower and Vegetable Seeds

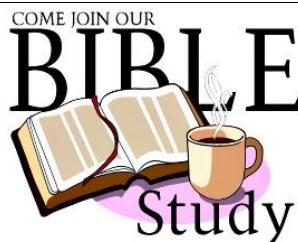


**Place in any of the
"Feed My People"
baskets we have in the
church. Thanks!!**

Ephraim Moravian Congregation:

We are so thankful to have Charlie baptized in a church that means so much to us. We are thankful for those who were able to attend his baptism and everyone's generosity in providing gifts at the baby shower! Charlie is so lucky to have all of you and the church in his life!

—Nick, Katie & Charlie Weborg



*May - June Bible Study
Fridays 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hall*

*Finding Jesus in the
Gospel of Mark*

*Join us as we explore the first gospel to be written.
We'll learn about the gospel writer,
the times in which he wrote and his portrayal
of Jesus of Nazareth*



May Birthdays

Jody Paschke...2
 Gunilla Wilson...3
 Elli Opitz Lapolla..6
 Cindy Phillips...11
 Dave Chomeau - 11
 Arnold Sohns...13
 Doug Schultz...14
 Mylo Sherman... 17
 Pieta Horvath Thompson...18
 Tiffany Ann Opitz 18
 Anne Spooner Crowe.. 19
 David Sohns...21
 Nicolai Carlson...23
 Elaine Jacobson...26
 Elizabeth Opitz...30

May Anniversaries

Tim and Kristy Nelson – May 6, 1989
 Judy and Paul Flottman – May 25, 1974
 Walt and Tiggy Shields – May 28, 1971
 Erin and Brent Bristol – May 28, 2011

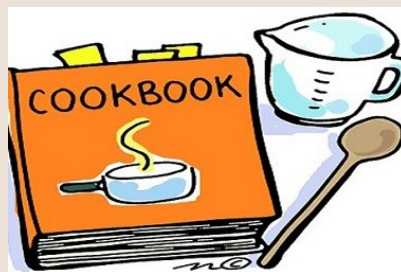
If we have missed you or someone you know in the lists above, please let us know in the church office!

LOST & FOUND

Lose something at church?

The Lost & Found basket is right by the back door... some nice looking gloves in there right now.

Check it out!



New Cook Book for 2018!

We're still looking for healthy recipes and family favorites for our new Cook Book! Email us your favorites, or take a card in the Fellowship Hall to write in your recipe. Local restaurant recipes will be included, as well as Tricklebee Café favorites from their pay-if-you-can restaurant in Milwaukee.

Get your recipes to us ASAP so we can have this cook book ready for summer sales!

All profits from this cook book will go to the ministry of the Tricklebee Café.

The Monthly Memory Café

continues

4th Wed. each Month, 2-3:30,
 Meadows Solarium
 RSVPs encouraged
 854-7221 Kathy Wagner

Anyone who is experiencing mild to moderate level of memory loss is encouraged to attend with family, friend, or care partner. Much like your neighborhood café, it's not a place for supervision or respite. It's a place to laugh, learn, and love that old feeling of normalcy.

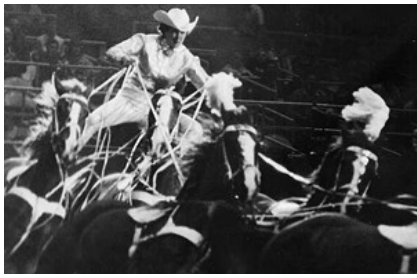
Mingling among café clientele are dementia-trained professionals and volunteers, to support conversations and attend to any specific questions. Coffee and refreshments provided.

May 23—School is Out!
 June 27—Anniversary Celebrations

The 2018 Spring's Ladies Tea is

"WHEN COWGIRLS DREAM – DREAMS TO REALITY"

Wednesday, May 9—1-3 p.m.



A fabulous highlight of the program is coming from Prairie du Chein, Elaine Kramer, Wisconsin's own 81-year-old National Cowgirl Hall of Famer (putting her alongside Dale Evans and Annie Oakley). Her spectacular career was unusual for a woman of her time---or any time.



Cowgirl duds are very welcome! Wear them or not, but giddy up and join us in fellowship hall at Sister Bay Moravian Church.

Bring your side kicks!

\$20 per cowgirl helps Door CANcer in their need to support us. Watch for April's notices of final full information and invitation.

Trail master Cheryl Lubahn is looking forward to your reservations prior to May 1 at **(920)-246-6459** or e-mail **palubahn@yahoo.com**.

You need to register by May 1—give Cheryl Lubahn a call today!

BABY SHOWERS

COMING UP: Elli and Ryan Lapolla's daughter Brie will be baptized and have her baby shower on June 10.....



.....and Jackie and Seth Campbell's daughter Quinnley will have her baby shower on July 15 and her baptism in October.

"Singing the Living Traditions"

Put it on your calendar!

An interfaith choir concert *here* on Fyr Bal Sunday, June 17, at 4 p.m. Cynthia Stiehl conducting, featuring choirs from Northern Door, Violinists, Flutist Pamela Johnson, and the Sister Bay Bell Choir.



*Please join us as we celebrate
165 years of
continuous ministry
Sunday
May 20 at 10:00 a.m.
Worship service and Lovefeast*



Story with
Angela
Sherman



Franne Dickinson—
"Thank you for the
beautiful Easter flowers!
They are perfect, and I
was thrilled."

Easter
2018



Singing
With
Mr. Bob

Nancy Davis-
"You will never know how much the
flowers have meant to me. I feel so loved
by you all. I hope you had a blessed
Easter despite the winter weather. Love
and family are what counts, after all.
All my love, Nancy Davis
The 'Catholic Moravian'"

May Day Prayer Walk 9 a.m. - May 1, 2018 Rain or Shine

- *Walk, pray, and chat with others
in the Northern Door Community
- *Add depth to your faith as you
pray for your concerns and those
of others
- *Route map, water and snack
provided



This first Prayer Walk will begin with
instructions and a prayer at the Ephraim
Moravian Church parking lot (9970 Mo-
ravia Street) and wander through serene
wooded areas on stable surfaces—
approximately 45 minutes, at a leisurely
pace or at a pace of your choosing!
Future walks will be planned in other
Northern Door communities.
Everyone is invited!

TREASURER'S REPORT



Member giving through Mar: \$29,570
2017 through Mar: \$34,534
2016 through Mar: \$20,895

Visitor giving through Mar: \$8,758
2017 through Mar: \$12,748
2016 through Mar: \$5,601

Income

Budget for 2018 is \$177,500
Actual through Mar 2018: \$39,360

(\$650 in memorials year-to-date)

Expenses

Budget for 2018 is \$186,641
Actual through Mar 2018: \$50,690

Update from Christie Melby-Gibbons of Tricklebee Café:

"This Spring we will be partnering with some stellar students at Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE) to install a stage along the west side of our building. This is just one part of our Lawn Transformation Project, which will also entail the building of raised garden beds, benches, a bus shelter, and a rain catchment system. We are seeking some funding help for this project to buy the rest of our materials. Your donation will help us to promote goodness in our neighborhood through live music, summer markets, and outdoor games with kids. Thank you in advance for investing in the good work of Tricklebee!"



The stage before being installed!

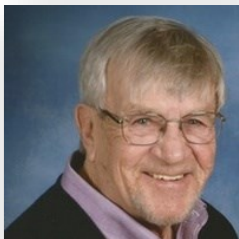
To help out, go to www.GoFundMe.com and enter Tricklebee Cafe.

Our season of **Open Door Lunches** was a great success! Thanks to all who contributed to that success with food, serving, decorating, cleaning up and making our guests welcome.

We had 40 in attendance at our April lunch, with soup and rolls from Czarnuska's, roll-ups from the Piggly Wiggly, pasta salad made by Pastor Dawn, and yummy cherry pies made by Hedy Heise.



"The family of Jim Sokolowski would like to express their sincere gratitude for all the many acts of kindness and sympathies extended to us. They brought much comfort and peace during this sad time. Thank you.



With warm regards,
Carol and Family "

Western District Conference: the Two Feet of Justice September 21-23 at Mt. Morris

This conference on Justice Ministries is to move beyond service ministries to delve into advocacy and systemic change. Learn to advocate for affordable housing & other justice issues.

More information is forthcoming—stay tuned!

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

POSTAL WORKER: Thank you for delivering this to:

May 2018 Newsletter



Taken by Tad
in the middle of
April!
No no no no

Photo by Tad Dukehart

Ephraim Moravian Church - PO Box 73, 9970 Moravia Street - Ephraim, WI 54211 - 920-854-2804
Website: www.ephraimmoravian.org

General Correspondence: worship@ephraimmoravian.org

Visit us on Facebook!



May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Prayer Walk, 9 a.m. Rain or Shine—meet in parking lot	2	3	4 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 10 a.m. Bible Study	5
6 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship/ Communion	7	8	9 9:30 a.m. Caring Hands	10 8:30 a.m. Elders Meeting	11 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 10 a.m. Bible Study	12
13 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Joyful Noise Offering	14	15 11 a.m. Trustees	16	17	18 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 10 a.m. Bible Study	19
20 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Lovefeast Taizé Service 4 pm at St Luke's	21	22 5 p.m. Loaves & Fishes, St. Rosalia's	23	24	25 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 10 a.m. Bible Study	26
27 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	28	29	30	31		