

## Ephraim Moravian Messenger

### News from the Open Door

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

#### Congregational Watchword for 2019

“Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands- O prosper the work of our hands! - Psalm 90:17

**March 2019**

### FROM A PASTOR'S DESK

I read a very interesting quote in the book *“Just About Everything”* by Anne Lamott: “To be born is a death sentence.” Now isn't that a cheery thought to brighten your day! The fact is, no one is going to get out of life alive. There is a fascinating symbiosis between life and death, darkness and light, hope and hopelessness. All of life's experiences are subject to this inevitable rhythm of life.



When our youngest son, Aaron, was in grade school there was a bicycle in the window of a shop in downtown Sturgeon Bay that he wanted in the worst way. His hinting and pleading for that bike was incessant and overwhelming. Then, one day, he noticed that the bicycle was gone. I suggested he go ask about it. He was crestfallen when he found out it had been sold. During the ride home, he was solemn and morose. But things were about to change. When he went to his bedroom in order to sulk, he was flabbergasted to discover the object of his deepest desire was there to greet him. Darkness had become light.

We've very recently rejoiced at the birth of Jesus and, during the season of Epiphany, have celebrated the light of that good news. Now we come to the season of darkness – Lent. During this season we rehearse the suffering and death of Jesus and our response of reflection and repentance. It will be an exercise in spiritual growth and reflection as we gather together for worship during the weeks of Lent. During all my years in ministry I always found the Season of Lent to be the finest experience of spiritual formation. Let's face it, we're not given naturally to investigate our own shortcomings and need for contrition.

We might go to lengths to hide darkness, but light is impossible to conceal. Even though our sloggling through the dark days of Lent seems endless and bleak, the hope and promise of the Light of Christ is our once and future hope.

Pr. Dan G. Olson

## *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.

### **Shrove Tuesday March 5—Pancakes!**

From 5-7 p.m. There will be a free-will offering and auction to benefit Secret Santa, for their work in providing funds for those who need help with heating costs.

**SPECIAL AUCTION ITEMS!** 1996 commemorative Green Bay Packer Super Bowl ring, with Brett Favre's name, and 2010 commemorative Super Bowl ring with Aaron Rodgers' name!



### **YOUR BOARD MEMBERS**

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

#### **TRUSTEES**

George Carey, President of  
 the Trustees 854-9253  
 Carol Sandstrom 854-9580  
 B.D. Thorp 854-7212  
 Dave Chomeau 854-2203  
 Brent Bristol 421-3626

### **Sunday Services in March 2019**

<b>March 3 -</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship and Communion</b>
<b>March 6 —</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Services/The Meadows at Scand</b>
<b>March 10 -</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship and Joyful Noise Coin offering for Door CANcer</b>
<b>March 13—</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Services/The Meadows</b>
<b>March 17 -</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>March 20 —</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Services/The Meadows</b>
<b>March 24 -</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>March 27 -</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Lenten Services/The Meadows</b>

#### **ELDERS**

Pastor Dawn Volpe, Chair  
 Hugh Mulliken, V. Chair 854-2336  
 Kathy Kirkland, Sect'y 854-6174  
 Liz Opitz 854-5949  
 Kathleen Harris 421-2941  
 Lonnie Vitse 608-628-7545

Elder for the month of:  
 March....Kathleen Harris

Sacristan for the month of  
 March....Bob Volpe

THANK  
YOU!

.....to those who offered Fellowship after church in February: Natalie Neddersen & Mary Ann Schuder, Betty Chomeau and Susie Samson, Mary and B. D. Thorp, Claire Bierman and Sherry Moore.

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

....to those who served as lay readers or provided flowers in the sanctuary.

## Bystander/Upstander Workshop

Save  
the  
Date

Witnessed acts of discrimination?

- Not known what to do?
- What to say?

Learn about the "bystander effect" and how to respond safely & effectively.

To receive registration information,  
email [dccivilityproject@gmail.com](mailto:dccivilityproject@gmail.com)

Sponsored by Door County Civility Project, HELP of Door County, Inc, Hope United Church of Christ, JUST Door County, Inc., PFLAG Door County, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Door County

Tuesday  
April 30  
2019

Kress Pavilion  
Egg Harbor

Presented by



**Calling all  
Musicians**

*The Board of Elders is looking for people who are willing to play for an early Easter Service. We're in the planning stages. The service would take place around 8 a.m. at the Cemetery on Easter Morning. Please contact the church office if you or someone you know plays a brass or woodwind instrument!*

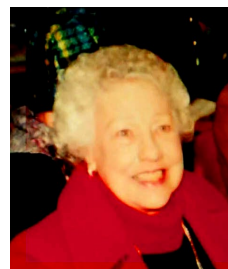
## For March's Feed My People

Suggested Donations for this month:

**Men's and  
Women's  
Personal Needs**



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



Dear E.M.C. Friends,

Thank you for the many beautiful cards and notes for my 100th Birthday—a wonderful surprise. It brought back happy memories of my days in Door County.

Celebrating 100 years has been very exciting.  
Thank you all. Love, Betty Wolf

## Enzo Sherman

### Baby Shower

**April 14 is the date!**

They use cloth diapers but they use Huggies Little Snugglers or Mama Bear (Amazon brand) size 2 for traveling. Supplies to make baby wipes: Bounty or Presto Giant select-a-size (plain); Honest Company unscented or sweet orange vanilla shampoo/body wash (no Johnson & Johnson—allergies). Also OxiClean Free or Shout Advanced stain remover spray for washing diapers!





## March birthdays



Kevin Horvath...1  
 Katharine Oneson... 2  
 Scott Weborg...5  
 Brent Bristol... 6  
 Logan Mittermann... 6  
 Priscilla Krist...12  
 Winfield Bristol... 17  
 Sydney Heim...20  
 Peter Classen...21  
 Mitchell Weborg...24  
 Ellie McCullin... 24  
 Roger Larson...25  
 Michael Weborg...26  
 Donna Nelson.....27  
 Nancy Christofferson...27  
 Kelly Schuder...30

## March Anniversaries

Liz and Jack Opitz – March 26, 1983

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



**The Northern Door Visually Impaired Support Group** is meeting monthly (second Tuesday from 1-3 p.m.) at First Baptist Church in Sister Bay.

There is no cost to attend; call Angie at 920-241-2641 if you'd like to go.

## Missing!!

**Has anyone seen our stepstool, the one kept in the kitchen?**

**We haven't seen it for a while now.**



## A Note from the Pastor

*We are so blessed in our church with people who are active in the community. Our members participate in the local school board, as village administrators, workers, trustees, and business owners. We have a wealth of information and we encourage our members to keep us connected with community matters - especially where we can be supportive. It is tempting, when encountering our leaders, to bring up village/business concerns to them when we see them on Sundays. It's convenient, but not appropriate. We want all people who come to church to be able to worship and reflect without encumbrances. By all means, if you want to say something positive, feel free to do so on Sunday. Any business or concern, however, needs to be addressed during the member's normal business hours. - Pastor Dawn*



The kids' table is jumping during Fellowship!

## Open Door Lunches

**March 20**

**April 17**

The Elders are looking for **helpers for our Open Door Lunches**—we will order the main food for each (unless you have something special in mind, in which case, *go for it* and let us know), but we'd still like homemade desserts.

So for **March & April**, we still need someone to pick up the ordered food (and deliver back empty containers, if needed), someone to set up and clean up afterwards, two helpers during the lunch for serving and refreshing the food, and someone to make desserts for about 40 people...so, five helpers per lunch.

**Sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall! Thank you! This is an important ministry of the church!**

*Living in the Ash Heap  
(Reflections on the Book of Job)  
Mid-Week Lenten Services  
The Meadows Gathering Room  
at Scandia Village*

**6:30 p.m. Wednesdays Mar. 6 - Apr. 10**

March 6 Ash Wednesday

Joint Choir Singing

"Meandering Among the Ashes"

-Pastor Dawn preaching

March 13- The Ash Heap of Shallow

Religion- Pastor Dawn

March 20- A Boxing Match on the Ash Heap-

Pastor Dawn

March 27- Rebuilding in the Ashes-

Pastor Kerry Krauss

April 3- Companions in the Ashes-

Chaplain Joy Zakrzewski

April 10- Redemption in the Ash Heap-

Chaplain Joy Zakrzewski

## Voices from the Past

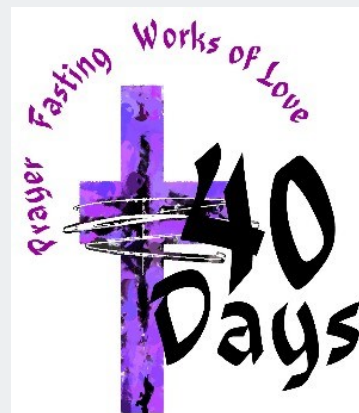
From 1971 - 1980, no diary was kept by the pastors. Wolfram Fliegel revived the practice during his tenure.

His first entry was a sad remembrance for the congregation. Wolfram's call came after the untimely death of Pastor Johansen

*"Pastorate of the Rev. John Johansen  
1975 to 1979 - no entries.*

*Rev. Johansen died while taking a walk around the village, on the evening of March 5. Interment was in Bethlehem, PA, and a memorial service was celebrated at this church. "*

The Memorial service was held on March 10, 1979. Rev. Warren Sautebin, Rev. Milo Loppnow and Rev. Gerald Harris presided. Leaders of our congregation spoke about their beloved pastor: Glenn Gerdman, Reginald Adams & Louise Gottschalk. The liturgy was excerpts taken from 'A Service of Divine Worship Commemorating the Birth of James Montgomery' - compiled by Rev. Johansen. The scriptures were reflections of hope and eternal joy: Revelation 21: 3 - 7 and 22: 1 - 9.



## DOOR CANcer Inc.—Our newest Joyful Noise Coin Offering Recipient



I am the corresponding secretary for DOOR CANcer Inc. We call ourselves DOOR CAN (all capital letters) because we feel that Door County “CAN DO” something to help its residents through cancer treatments. We are a 501-c3 non-profit organization so your donations are tax deductible.

DOOR CAN was started in 1997 by a few insightful people who realized that medical bills were not the only expenses that financially burdened families had to deal with during cancer treatments.

Continually we strive to make, and accumulate money to help Door County families with their seemingly un-payable bills while enduring cancer treatments.

Two facts that stand out about DOOR CAN: 1) there are no administrative cost because the entire board of directors is and always has been ALL volunteers. 2) Money is raised through memorials and donations from businesses and private citizens and lots of fundraising. All money stays in Door County and only helps Door County residents in treatment for cancer. Our biggest annual fundraiser is our Spring Fling held on May 17<sup>th</sup> this year at Stone Harbor. Anyone wishing to attend can let me know and I will see that you get an invitation and more information. All 4 high schools have been very supportive to us and have given us proceeds from sporting events and other small fundraisers. Some businesses that have done their own fundraising events for us are, Wild Tomato with their Donation Creation, Door Peninsula Winery, Renard’s Cheese, Inn at Cedar Crossing and Scaturio’s this month, with a decadent brownie- it is well worth the trip to Sturgeon Bay. This wonderful church of ours has been amazingly supportive in the past and now giving us proceeds from the Joyful Noise offering is so generous. I thank you from the bottom of my heart as does the entire Board of Directors.

DOOR CANcer does not pay medical bills—we pay for groceries and gas, mortgages or rent, utilities, phone and heating bills, insurance premiums and other monthly bills that continue to come due while you are in treatment.

I’d like to let you know how much financial assistance we have given families living in Northern Door County as they navigated through cancer treatments in 2018. We’ve assisted 19 families with addresses north of Sturgeon Bay 65 times with a total of \$57,156.60 you can see by the numbers that as long as you are in active treatment you may re-apply for more assistance. The amount we gave throughout all of Door County last year totaled \$153,141.43 and since our beginning, the total assistance given is \$1,214,616.43. Please remember that all money raised stays in Door County.

We have an application form with minimal questions because we feel you don’t have to be destitute to need a little help every now and then. We don’t want you to take money from your kids’ college fund because you’re sick and can’t work for a few months, we just want to help you over this hurdle. To qualify for assistance, you need to be a Door County Resident and be in active treatment for cancer. We only meet once a month as we are ALL volunteers; applications may be printed from our web page [www.doorcancer.com](http://www.doorcancer.com) but they are also available at the Cancer Center at the hospital and there is one in every new patient folder also. Thank you for reading this and for giving me the opportunity to let you know more about how DOOR CANcer operates. (“Like” us on Facebook)

—Kris Husby-Nelson

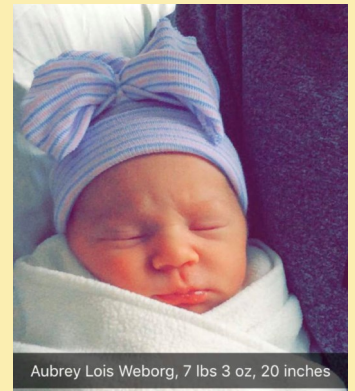
Mailed donations or other inquiries: Door CANcer, PO Box 423, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235



### Remembering in our Prayers

- Charlie Burton during his cancer treatments
- Lewis (Buddy) Gibson
- Jack Hicks, (brother of former District President, Jim Hicks)- Is battling Pancreatic cancer
- Joyce Gerdman, on the death of her sister, Grace Knudson Vernon

**PRAISE REPORT-** Aubrey Lois Weborg joined the family on February 5- daughter of Nick & Katie Weborg, and little sister to Charlie!



### Please Support Our Local Food Pantries



#### Feeding the Community

Please help our neighbors in need by donating to your community food pantries today. They need your support year-round, but potentially now more than ever!

Lakeshore CAP 131 South 3rd Ave, PO Box 791, Sturgeon Bay: 920-743-0192  
(Note: Cash donations are preferred as they can buy food at a greatly reduced rate!)

Feed My People 204 N 14th Ave, Sturgeon Bay: 920-743-9053

#### CHURCHES WITH FOOD PANTRIES

- ◇ First Baptist Church of Sister Bay 954 S. Bay Shore Drive: 920-854-2544
- ◇ Holy Name of Mary Parish 7491 County Road H: 920-856-6440
- ◇ Stella Maris Parish 4019 Hwy 42, Fish Creek: Open 24/7
- ◇ Door of Life, Sister Bay (Open 24/7) **NOTE:** Door of Life provides **pet food** through donations from Peninsula Pet Pantry, now in their second year. **420 bags of pet food to dogs & cats in 2018!** If you'd like to donate toward pet food, the Pantry's address is: PO Box 577, Fish Creek, WI 54212.

### Treasurer's Report

Member giving in Jan 2019: \$14,115  
Jan 2018 : \$16,738  
Jan 2017: \$17,004

Visitor giving in Jan 2019: \$12,072  
Jan 2018: \$6,789  
Jan 2017: \$1,651



#### Income

Budget for 2019 is \$166,700  
Actual Jan 2019: \$ 18,434  
(not including memorials)

#### Expenses

Budget for 2019 is \$198,534  
Actual Jan 2019: \$ 24,275

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## March 2019 Newsletter



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*OUR EPHRAIM*

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# March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 10 a.m. Bible Study	2
<b>3</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship/ Communion	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 10 a.m. El- ders <b>Shrove</b> <b>Tuesday</b> <b>Pancakes</b> <b>5- 7 p.m. for</b> <b>Secret Santa</b>	<b>6</b> Ash Wednesday Services, Meadows 6:30 p.m.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	9
<b>10</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship/ Joyful Noise Door CANcer	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 9:30 a.m. Caring Hands Lenten Service, Meadows 6:30 p.m.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	16
<b>17</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Noon -</b> <b>Open Door</b> <b>Lunch</b> Lenten Service, Meadows 6:30 p.m.	<b>21</b> 4:15 pm Trustees	<b>22</b> 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	23
<b>24</b> 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>5 p.m.</b> <b>Loaves &amp;</b> <b>Fishes, St.</b> <b>Rosalia's</b>	<b>27</b> Lenten Service, Meadows 6:30 p.m.	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	30
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