

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

April 2019

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

I took the photo below from my picture window. Usually my window affords me views of magnificent vistas – in the winter-time, pristine snow and ice; in the summer – sailboats lifting sails against a bright blue sky. This photo displays snow blackened with soot and vehicles designed for utility. Ephraim is “under construction.’ For awhile, we will not be able to boast of idyllic scenes and serene quiet. I already hear the sounds of rumbling and see unsightly barriers marring my view. If I travel further north to our local grocery store, I am greeted with dusty floors and makeshift aisles... construction as far as the eye can see. Being under construction is quite inconvenient. I don’t like navigating detours on roads or in grocery stores. But I tolerate it, because I know that within a few months, we’ll have a fine road to traverse and a grand grocery store with wide aisles!



Being Under Construction is messy and inconvenient, but it is necessary. The same principle applies to our own growth– spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically. Sometimes we’re just a mess. We need to remember, that within the chaos, God is at work, helping us to grow in grace, in depth, in character, in wisdom. It all takes work. It isn’t pretty. So, dear friend, whatever circumstance we’re in today, especially if it’s difficult, let us learn to say, ‘I’m simply under construction.’ *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*



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.

Ladies Who Lunch.....

**Meet at Al Johnson's
 THIS Friday, March 29
 Noon**

**To treat yourself to lunch
 and fellowship with
 friends!
 Invite more friends!**



YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

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Elder for the month of:
 April.....Liz Opitz

Sacristan for the month of
 April...Liz Opitz

Sunday Services in April 2019

April 3— 6:30 p.m. Lenten Service/the Meadows
Companions in the Ashes- Joy Zakrzewski

April 7 - 9 a.m. Sunday School /Choir
10 a.m. Worship and Communion

April 10 - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Service/the Meadows
Redemption in the Ash Heap-Joy Zakrzewski

April 14 — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10:30 a.m. Palm Sunday / Joyful Noise

April 15—17 7:00 p.m. Holy Week Readings, EMC
April 18— 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday/Communion/EMC
Bring cash or cans for Door of Life food pantry !

April 19 - 2:00 p.m. Good Friday Service/EMC

April 21 - 8 a.m. Service in the Cemetery followed
by breakfast (see article, pg 6)
9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10 a.m. Easter Worship

April 28 - 9 a.m. Sunday School/Choir
10 a.m. Worship

.....to those who offered

Fellowship after church in March:
Carol Sokolowski, Kaye Maher,
Natalie Neddersen, Kathleen Harris



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

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

...to those who helped at our Open Door Lunch!

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

Summer is Coming!! ?

Bug Spray, Sun Protection



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

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*

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



**A very Happy 96th Birthday to Katharine Oneson,
shown celebrating at a surprise party at
The Meadows in Sister Bay on March 2.**

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY

Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church in beautiful Door County, Wisconsin is seeking the right person to serve as our part-time Director of Children and Youth Ministry. The ideal candidate will bring energetic, passionate and creative leadership to our ministry with pre-k, elementary, middle, and high school youth. They will also recruit, encourage, and empower members and parents to share in this ministry to our younger members. A full job description can be found at www.shepherdofthebay.org. To be considered for this position, email your resume to Pr. Jim Honig at sotbpastor@gmail.com. The same address may be used for questions.





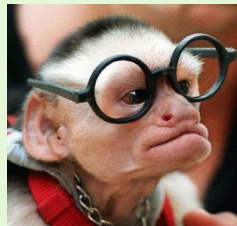
April birthdays

Katharine Koehler...7
Amanda Carlson...12
Ryan Sherman – 13
Glenn Gerdman...19
Kay Wilson...27
George Carey...30

April Anniversaries

Betty and Bob Anderson - April 12, 1969
Kay and Keith Tschannen...April 22, 1967
Diane and Larry Jacobson – April 28, 1979

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.



Roger Larson celebrating #80 in March!



TIME TO ORDER SPRING FLOWERS FOR EASTER!

If you are interested in spring flowers in memory or in honor of someone, fill out the form below and return it to the church office as soon as possible. They are \$15 each.

The deadline is April 10 !

I would like ____ pots of flowers for Easter this year.

In memory of:

In honor of

Your name _____

Total \$ _____
(put in offering plate or secretary's office w/form)

Do you know about Door-Tran?

It's a resource that **provides rides to Medical Clinics from Green Bay to Milwaukee—free to Door County Veterans!**

It provides **county-wide rides for Door County residents who need to travel between Door, Brown, and Kewaunee counties**—costs range from —0— to \$.40 per mile based on income;

They provide **half-price travel vouchers** for the cost of a private taxi fare;

They provide **half-price gas vouchers**, up to \$50 in fuel costs for employment-related trips;

They provide **no interest loans to assist in purchasing or repairing a vehicle** for employed Door County residents, and **repair grants for repairing a vehicle** for residents who may be on disability or on a fixed income;

They **work closely with Door 2 Door Rides** and services provided by the Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Look at the church bulletin board for more

CALLING ALL CHOIR SINGERS!

Lent is ending, and the glorious message of Easter is soon here! Choir is rehearsing Sunday morning at 9 am on April 7 to share our music with the congregation on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Easter! Not all of our faithful singers will have returned—if you are willing to lend your voice, don't be bashful! You will be appreciated! Talk to Jendean.

Voices from the Past

Newspaper Article from April 1921:

CONVENTION NEXT SUNDAY

The Northern District Sunday School Convention will be held at Ephraim next Sunday, April 17th. A most interesting and instructive program has been arranged.

The Speakers include Rev. Andrews, Mrs. E.K. Fehl, Sturgeon Bay, Mr. George Draab, Sturgeon Bay, Rev. C.A. Boyd, Milwaukee, Mr. C.S. Smith, Ephraim, Mr. John Seaquist, Sister Bay

Every school in the Northern District is urgently requested to send a large delegation to this convention. Supper will be provided for all who come from a distance and wish to remain for the evening sessions."

*From the Pastor's Diary—
Over 300 people attended this event.*

Carol Schalla's pastels will be featured at the UU Gallery this month! She moved to Door County in 2013 after retiring from *Mid-west Living*, and her art has been juried into the Hardy Gallery, she was chosen for Miller's Emerging Artist, and she holds workshops at the Peninsula School of Art. Be sure to stop by UU and see her pastels!



On Maundy Thursday (April 18), **Logan Mittermann** will be receiving his First Communion. We invite all of the church to be present to support Logan!

This is the first time in about 10 years that we've had someone receiving their First Communion. It's a big deal for the church and for Logan and his family!

*Bring cash or cans on Maundy Thursday
for the Door of Life food pantry !*

Remembering in our Prayers

- Charlie Burton
- Bud Gibson
- Jack Hicks, (brother of former District President, Jim Hicks)
- Joyce Gerdman, on the death of her sister, Grace Knudson Vernon
- Patty Fess, who's recovering from a broken ankle
- John Turner, who had some warranty work done on his knee
- The family of Jackson Konecny
- Toby Wilson
- Praise report that Diane Taillon's granddaughter Vienna has successfully completed her treatments!



A Difficult Winter

As you look at the Treasurer's Report, you can see that we've had a rough winter. In the month of February alone, we had 12 snow 'events,' many of which were on the weekends. This means that church attendance was down. We are so pleased that those who could not be in the church building were with us on-line through our face-book streaming service. However, our building remained open, our parking lot was plowed and treated, our sidewalks were shoveled. Meetings were held and services commenced as scheduled and we raised money to assist those who were hard hit this winter with their energy bills. Now that the winter is over, please consider the offerings that did not get into the plate. Please consider bringing your February offering in April, or sign up for electronic giving. Either way, we're happy that Spring is on its way. We'll see you in the church building!



Our Sunrise Service on Easter Morning (April 21) will be a family service at a family friendly time of 8 a.m. We will be meeting at our cemetery for the service and adjourning to the church for breakfast.

Traditional Easter Service will be at 10 a.m.



Join LUCY ROSKE for
**HER GOODBYE GATHERING
OF GRATITUDE FOR 30 YEARS**
[Moving to VERO BEACH FL]

WHEN:

Saturday, April 13, 2019
Open House: Noon – 3:00 PM

LOCATION:

Door County Bakery
10048 St. Highway 57
Sister Bay - Just north of Cnty Q

CONTACT: Lucy @ 920.421.0516

Treasurer's Report

Member giving through Feb 2019: \$13,705
Feb 2018 : \$24,819
Feb 2017: \$15,500

Visitor giving through Feb 2019: \$7,822
Feb 2018: \$11,547
Feb 2017: \$4,302

Income

Budget for 2019 is \$166,700
Actual Feb 2019: \$26,911
(not including memorials)

Expenses

Budget for 2019 is \$198,534
Actual Feb 2019: \$45,379



Mark This On Your Calendar!

Timothy Botts will be joining us on Monday, July 8, for a special program.

He is a noted calligrapher and illustrator and has published several books containing calligraphic inscriptions of biblical passages. He is a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University and is noted for the great diversity of *hands* (a technical term for different styles or

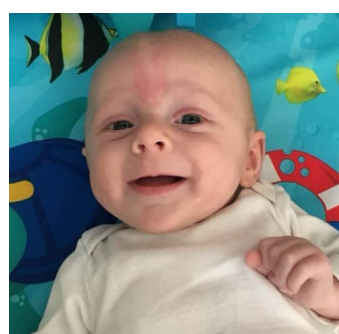
fonts of calligraphy) he has mastered.

For our program, he will draw Scripture or hymn texts and talk between phrases about his creative process as well as what the words mean to him. He will have some of his books on hand, as well.

This will be a fundraiser, so please mark it on your calendars to attend!

Watch while Tim creates one of these incredible texts for John 8:12 on this internet video:

<https://vimeo.com/26228865>



Enzo Sherman's Baby Shower is on April 14

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

April 17 Open Door Lunch

The last free lunch of our winter season will be at noon on

Wednesday, April 17. It will be a special lunch provided for us by Janet Luévanos and Totally Bueno Burritos of Fish Creek (there will be soup and vegetarian choices).



Here's how to get to church during construction of the roadway and storm sewers in the middle of Ephraim!

From the east and north, head to County Q and down to Moravia and the church. From the south, take County F to Maple Grove East, Summach Road (which turns into Townline Road) and Townline to County Q. Turn left and come down to Moravia and the church.

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Join us for Holy
Week and Easter!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 10 am Elders	3 6:30 pm - Lenten Service at The Meadows	4	5 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	6
7 9 am— Sunday School/ Choir 10 am Service/ Communion	8	9	10 9:30 Caring Hands 6:30 pm - Lenten Service at The Meadows	11	12 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	13
14 9 am Sunday School/Choir 10 am Worship and Joyful Noise Palm Sunday	15 7 pm - Holy Week Readings here	16 4:15 pm Trustees 7 pm - Holy Week Readings here	17 7 pm - Holy Week Readings here	18 7 pm - Maundy Thursday/ Communion here	19 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg 2 pm— Good Friday Service here	20 
21 8 am Sunrise/ Bkfst 9 am Sunday School/ Choir 10 am Worship Easter Service	22	23 5 pm Loaves & Fishes At St. Rosalia's	24	25	26 8:30 a.m. OA Mtg	27
28	29	30	9			