

Join us on Sunday, August 29, 10:00 a.m. on Facebook for a special service with Dawn Volpe and Colin Welford. Special musical guests Betty Lewis, Cynthia Stiehl, and Paul Zafer.

Music:

“To Be Sung of a Summer Night on the Water” – by Frederick Delius

“Allegro Energico” from Suite in G minor, Op. 71 - by Maurice Moszkowski

Reflection:

“Just Act” by Barbara Axelson

The apostle James cautions believers to be doers of the Word, not just hearers.

We have all heard a lot of reflections on this passage, from devotionals, churches, pastors...some of it truly inspiring. But how well do we listen? How completely do we trust? It is about soldiering on rather than napping through life.

There’s an old joke that no good deed goes unpunished. If there were no good deeds, it would be an even tougher world.

I remember an inspiring sermon about doing someone else a kindness. After the church service, I was sitting in the car waiting for my husband to come out of a grocery store and reviewing the sermon in my mind. I thought to myself, “there is seldom an opportunity to do a good deed.” At that very moment a woman arrived at the car parked next to mine. She was frail and overburdened and I asked, “may I help you put your groceries in the car?” She immediately said, “God bless you!” And I inwardly blushed at my know-it-all attitude about good deed opportunities.

Hearers forget, but doers act. We must not emulate the Pharisees who were so consumed with details that they forgot important. Let’s shake ourselves, get the cobwebs out and jump at the opportunities that present themselves. Amen.



Through August we will also be holding **Sunday 8:00 a.m. services** in the parking lot at Ephraim Moravian Church (9970 Moravia Street).

Bring a chair, we will be singing, and park in the upper church parking lot or on Moravia Street. There will be a few spaces on the lower parking lot available for those with mobility issues.

These 8:00 a.m. services will be cancelled if there is inclement weather.