

Ephraim Moravian Messenger News from the Open Door

"In Essentials, Unity; in Non-Essentials, Liberty; in All Things, Love"

<u>Congregational Watchword for 2022:</u> The wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. – James 3:17

April 2022

From the Pastor's Desk



All Things New

After watching events in Washington D.C. for a bit this week, it took very little time to conclude if I never hear the words "sentencing guidelines" again will be WAY too soon. Not only that, but I've had enough sermons and sanctimony for several lifetimes. What I crave now is a whole week of reruns of "Murder She Wrote"! My point of reference is the writing of the Apostle Paul found in First Corinthians, chapters 3 and 4. You would think Paul was the CNN of his day.

What drove me to this particular Biblical reference is where we are in the seasons of the year. We now turn the page of our calendars from March to ... April. Your first thought might be? April Fool's? What is the origin of this tradition? There is no place in the world where April Fool's day is officially recognized save one city, Odessa in Ukraine of all places. If ever there were people in need of levity and happiness it would be our neighbors in Ukraine! But where the tradition came from is unknown. One very early reference goes back to 1392 in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales "Nun's Priest's Tale". It is a day of fun, really, a time to be wary and on guard about being tricked at one's own expense.

Truth be told, I have no need of a yearly reminder about being a fool. It's easy to be taken in, to do something stupid, to be naïve, to be human. The good news for us is that we are "Fools For Christ"! Yes! When we are drenched in the water of Baptism we are claimed by God our Father. We are marked by the Cross of Christ forever! In our feeble humanity this makes no sense whatsoever. We celebrate Jesus' Resurrection and it makes no sense whatsoever! God's Power and Grace can never be corralled by our "wisdom" Instead, we are "Fool's For Christ," rescued from ourselves by Resurrection and renewal!

-Pastor Dan G. Olson

Ephraim Moravian Church Hours PASTOR: Monday Pastor's Day Off Tues-Fri 9 a.m. to Noon

SECRETARY: Wed-Thurs 9:30-4:30 Church phone: 920-854-2804 Cell Number: 920-421-4042 (Church phone does NOT ring in the parsonage—please keep the Pastor's cell phone number handy for after hours.



YOUR BOARD MEMBERS

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Natalie Neddersen, President Carly Mulliken, Secretary Rob Meyer Tad Dukehart Gunilla Wilson

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Pastor Dawn Volpe, Chair Sherry Moore, Vice-Chair Linda Carey, Secretary Kathy Zehner Cici Mulliken Tiggy Shields (summer)



If you don't have a computer, can't watch the Facebook service or find our web page with the audio of the service, we can send you a

CD of the services at no charge! Just call 920-854-2804 and leave word that you'd like a CD of each week's service.





If you are on Facebook, look for "Ephraim Moravian Church." If you are NOT on Facebook, let Pastor Dawn know, and she can add you to the list of those who receive a link to the service. You don't need to belong to Facebook.

Chess Group

When: Thursdays from 4-5pm **beginning on April 14** and running year-round.



Have you always wanted to learn to play chess or do you already love playing chess? A new chess group is starting on **April 14 from 4-5pm** in the Ephraim Moravian Church Fellowship Hall; the group will meet every Thursday year-round. Whether you are a seasoned chess player or have a budding interest, all ages are invited to attend and enjoy a game or two. Mylo Sherman has a newfound appreciation for chess and would love to play against others. At this time, we only have one chessboard to share so we are asking players to bring a chessboard. If anyone has a chessboard collecting dust they would like to donate to the group please let Angela Sherman know (920-421-4113, angelat13@gmail.com). Chess group will follow the same safety protocols as the church.

April 2022 Services

Sunday, April 3 - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook - Communion

Sunday, April 17 - EASTER MORNING

10:30 a.m. in person and on FacebookSpecial guests Cynthia Stiehl, Scott
Ramsay, Marcia Ellis, Karen Ekberg,
Amanda and Cana Mittermann, Linda
Carey, Hal Whitacre







Sunday, April 24 - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook







We are pleased to welcome **Rev. Greg Behrend** to our church on Sunday, April 24. He will lead us in worship that day.

Greg has initiated a new ministry in the Western District, "You Belong", a ministry of inclusion, especially for families of 'Special Needs' children. We are supporting this effort by collecting the following items which Pastor Greg will use to put together family care packages. Please purchase new:

Baby Wipes. Diapers (size 1-3). Pull-Ups (size 2T-5T)
Footie PJs (size newborn-5T). Baby Bottles
Sippy Cups. Small Stuffed Animals

Please bring any of these items to church between now and April 24 so we can support his ministry! There will be a collection basket in Fellowship Hall.

April Birthdays

Katharine Koehler Schadrie..7
Andy Dukehart... 8
Amanda Carlson...12
Ryan Sherman – 13
Glenn Gerdman...19
Kay Wilson...27
George Carey...30



April Anniversaries

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



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

Prayer Concerns



Hate doing your taxes? Need a little help??

AARP Tax-Aide is free tax help for taxpayers with low and moderate income, with special attention to those 60 and over.

Call for appointment 920-333-3639. Egg Harbor Library, Kress Pavilion.

- ...The family of Bob Schroeder
- ...The family of Lucille Kostka
- ...Pastor Kerry Krauss (father died)
- ...Kate Lorenz (Joan Lewis' daughter)
- ...Barbara & Kevin Axelson
- ...Sherry Moore
- ...Doug Peterson
- ...Ingrid Halvorsen

Treasurer's Report

Member Giving Visitor Giving

<u>Through Feb 2022: \$39,867</u> Through Feb 2022: \$6,461

Expected income for 2022 is \$162,100 Through Feb: \$46,753 (29%)

(doesn't include memorials)

Budgeted expense for 2022 is \$239,576 Through Feb: \$58,153 (24%)



Florence Price Concert - Midsummer's Music - May 13 7-9 p.m. at Ephraim Moravian Church

The Griffon String Quartet, along with our own Colin Welford, present music by composer Florence Price. She was the first female composer of African descent to have a symphonic work performed by a major national symphony orchestra. It will be a wonderful program! Tickets are FREE but there will be a limited number of guests. Call Midsummer's Music at (920) 854-7088 or go to midsummersmusic.com to reserve your spot.



HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Holy Thursday Services:

-5:30 p.m. at Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church, Ellison Bay -6:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Juddville (either in the church or the parking lot)

Good Friday Services:

- -2:00 p.m. at Sister Bay Moravian Passion Week Manual Readings
- -5:30 p.m. at Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church, Ellison Bay
- -6:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran, Juddville

EASTER MORNING AT EPHRAIM

- -8:00 a.m. Cemetery (Rain or shine... unless it's a monsoon!)
- -8:30 a.m. Activities/Stories and refreshments for children in Fellowship Hall. Coffee & treats in Parlor for adults
- -9:45 a.m. Rehearsal
- -10:30 a.m. Easter Worship (Masks Required)

We continue with all the Covid protocols in our church as we face uncertainties with new strains of the virus.

*Masks Required for Sunday School (9 a.m.) and all services. For 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, enter the building no earlier than 10:15 a.m.

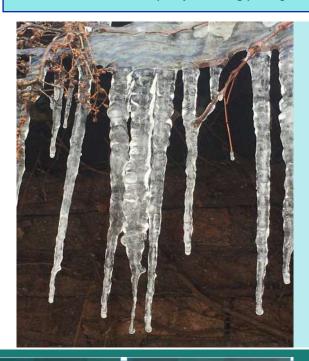
*If you are vaccinated, please volunteer for Ushers, Lay reading and sharing your musical gifts (call office, email or speak to the Pastor in person)

*If you become infected with Covid-19 and have recently come to a worship service, please call the Pastor at 920-421-4042. Your information will be kept confidential, but we will let members know (without using your name) in the event they need to get tested.

*Nursery is open to your children. If one child in the family is ill, please keep the entire family home. Only fully vaccinated adults may be in the Nursery.

If you are eligible, please don't delay in getting vaccinated and boostered. You'll help yourself and the community. If you are having difficulty scheduling one, the pastor is available to assist you.

Thank you for doing your part to protect our children and vulnerable adults!



A note of Spring Hope from Tricklebee Cafe

lcicles still remind us that Winter is fading but Spring is here. We rejoice in the beauty of the cold season--especially the ways in which we are forced to rest. The waters of the snow and ice become the greens and bright colors of Spring flowers. What is beginning to melt in you? What could you have drip away in you to nourish new life? Stay hope-full! There is so much goodness ahead.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

ANTI-RACISM WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27^{TH &}
THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH
6:30PM-7:30PM
VIA ZOOM

RSVP by Sunday, April 10th to pastor@wsmoraviangb.org to ensure delivery of activity packets

Children (ages pre-K - 5th grade) and Youth (middle & high school) will enjoy crafts, activities and thoughtful discussion as we learn to work against racism and love all our neighbors



Thanks from Sherry and Rob

We would like to offer our very deepest gratitude for all the wonderful kindness, concern and support offered



to us during these past two months during my illness and the loss of our beloved sister-in-law. We are so very grateful for all of the delicious meals, desserts, bread!, treats, flowers, cards, notes, calls, emails, texts, prayers, and support. You are indeed "The Church" and your love and generosity are overwhelming! We are forever humbled and grateful to each and every one of you. Thank you!

In Peace. Rob and Sherry Moore

Good Samaritan Society -Scandia Village NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Are you retired or do you have some extra time on your hands? Are you in need of extra income? Please consider joining our team here at Good Samaritan Scandia Village. We invite you to help us give back and care for the seniors of our community. It is an extremely rewarding job where each day looks a little different.

We are searching for employees to help as little as a few paid hours per week, however full time and part time positions are always available.

Housekeeping: This is a great opportunity to interact with residents in their rooms! You could work just one day a week or as much as you like.

Food Service: Cooking and serving meals, and cleaning up. Our residents are always so thankful for the great food we servel

Caregiver positions: Our caregivers help our residents with anything they may need. It is an extremely rewarding job. Caregiving is also great if you want flexible hours and great incentives.

P.S. We will pay for your caregiver training!

If you are interested, or would like more information, give us a call at 920-854-2317! Let our receptionist know you saw our flyer and ask for Kristy.



Time to Order Flowers for Easter!

Easter is April 17—the time to order for spring flowers for church (and then to take home for your garden!)

Please fill out the form below (or give us the same information in an email) and send or bring a check to church! Each pot is \$20 this year. Deadline to order: April 6!

Name	Phone Number					
# of pots of spring flowers	@ \$20 each.	Total \$				
In memory of						
and/or in honor of						

Many Thanks to Di Taillon for the donation of the desk in the Secretarial office! It's quite regal (and quite heavy, as Colin Welford and Bob Kaminski found out when transporting it!)





Rekindle Your Heart for Jesus - FREE April Lenten Series at Egg Harbor's Kress Pavilion

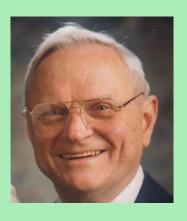


Best-selling Author Dee Brestin Endorsed by Max Lucado, Ann VosKamp, Priscilla Shirer First Four Mornings in April, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Teaching, Optional Fellowship - bring a friend! Questions? comments@deebrestin.com or Debbie, 920/823-2940 Sponsored by The Orchard Church of Door County

The O.C. Boldt Corporation invites us to honor the life of our wonderful friend Oscar Boldt at a special celebration being held April 13. If you'd like to attend—either in person at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center or virtually on your computer—contact: Kara Lendved, O.C. Boldt Celebration, 920-574-3467, <u>k.lendved@amazingevents.com.</u>

A legacy of leadership A lifetime of service

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 6:30-9:30 pm Fox Cities Performing Arts Center Appleton, WI ...or virtually





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 OA 8:30 am	2
9 am Sunday School 10:30 service & LIVE on Facebook	4 AA evening	5 AA 10-noon	6	7	8 OA 8:30 am	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9 am Sunday School 10:30 service & LIVE on Facebook	AA evening	AA 10-noon	Elders 10 am	Chess Club 4 pm	OA 8:30 am	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Easter 8 am Cemetery 8:30 am Activities 10:30 service		AA 10-noon	Caring Hands 9:30 am	Trustees 4 pm	OA 8:30 am	
& LIVE on Facebook	AA evening			Chess Club 4 pm		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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'Nuff said - Spring is Here!

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