



Ephraim Moravian Messenger

News from the Open Door

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

Congregational Watchword for 2022: 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

May 2022

I recently posted these reflections on Facebook, but I felt compelled to share them with all of you here too. Your thoughts, prayers and rejoicing meant a great deal to me.

My beloved cat, Sienna Grace, passed away earlier this year, leaving a deep sorrow in my heart and a tangible void in my home. Her gentle presence shaped my days in ways I always appreciated, often meeting me at the door when I came home, meowing a greeting as she entered a room, or jumping up on the couch to snuggle against me as I read a good mystery or a bit of Jane Austen. It's easy to forget these small, important moments when someone we love is still loved, but not there anymore. Remembering her and learning to live without her became my daily goal.

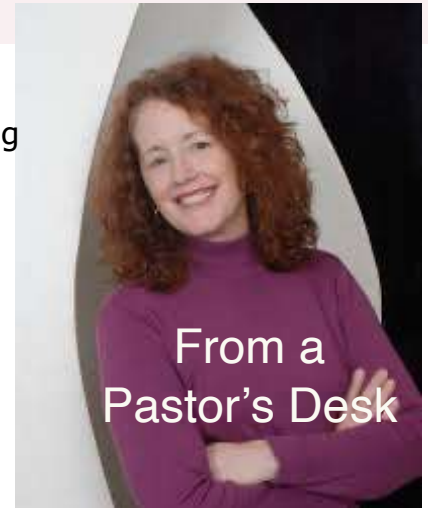
It's easy to forget that Jesus' disciples faced this anguish by themselves. When Jesus was brought down from the cross and temporarily laid to rest in a borrowed tomb, his followers were already in hiding, in fear for their own lives. Sunday's triumph was today's conviction and potential sentencing to a fate equally brutal and horrifying as their teacher's.

The trauma, especially during the Passover, is beyond comprehension. The Passover marks the Exodus, God's miraculous, powerful act, bringing the Jewish people out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage that had held them so fiercely for so long. Where was their freedom, their hope, now that Jesus was gone? What did his teaching mean? How could they hold on to all he had given them and, hopefully, keep living their lives?

Most of us have, and all of us will, suffer loss in our lives, the kind that has the potential to make us question what has always been, what we had hoped for that may not be realized, leaving us to deal with what is. Our collective pandemic experience personally disrupted all of our lives, and we are sorting that through as we reach milestones of returning to what we have missed and now cherish so much more.

But it is important to remember that without loss, without the sorrow and grieving, we do not experience resurrection and new life in our own lives. We know that Jesus died, and we believe he rose from the dead. But we are called to more than these: we are called to follow the Christ who lives on and leads us to serve without letting the fear that pushed the disciples into hiding push us there too. As Paul wrote from his prison cell, addressing the church he had founded at Corinth, "So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see,

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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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Cici Mulliken
Tiggy Shields (summer)

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everything has become new!" God's love for us shown in the short, beautifully-lived life of Jesus of Nazareth, is remembered best, lived best, in this love that continues through us and never ends.

For myself, when people tentatively asked me if I would ever have a new cat in my life, I assured them I would because I love cats. Losing a cat doesn't take away the love, but it does take time to grieve and heal. Having been blessed with so much loving support after Sienna Grace died, healing became possible and took root in my soul. A few weeks ago, I welcomed Charlotte Adelaide and George Franklin home, two lovely cats who are happy to share their lives with me. God always sends me the best cats to love.

—Rev.Cory Kemp



Chess Club

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



Have you always wanted to learn to play chess or do you already love playing chess? A new chess has started on **Thursdays 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.

May 2022 Services

Sunday, May 1- 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook - No Communion - Rev. Barbara Sajna preaching!



Sunday, May 8, Mother's Day - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook; Amanda, Cana and Glory Lou Mittermann, Katie Dahl - Joyful Noise



Sunday, May 15 - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook Cyndy Stiehl and Scott Ramsay with Christie Melby-Gibbons preaching (our Anniversary Sunday!)



Sunday, May 22 - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook

Sunday, May 29 - 10:30 a.m. in person and on Facebook Linda Van Dyke



Spring Clean-Up Day (inside version)

Join us on Friday, May 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to help with damp/dusting of baseboards, edge-vacuuming, cleaning the stove, refrigerator, cupboards in the kitchen, and (within reason and reach) windows. Looking for lunch-makers for the cleaning crew, too! Sign-up sheet in narthex...or call 920-854-2804 if you can come.

The History Committee is organizing documents related to our church's women's activities. Recently, the committee met to review cookbook materials. Did you know the Ephraim Moravian Church has published at least seven cookbooks over the years? We are especially looking for copies of the 1921 and "Potluck" cookbooks. If you wish to donate your copies, call the church office. Meanwhile, why not try this recipe submitted by Joan Weborg for our 1984 cookbook! - Kathleen Harris

RHUBARB TORTE

1 cup flour. 2 T sugar

1/2 cup butter

Mix above as for pie crust and bake about 20 minutes, 325°.

1/2 cup rich milk. 3 egg yolks

Pinch of salt. 1 1/2 cups sugar

2 T flour 3 cups cut raw rhubarb

Mix and pour on top of crust. Bake until custard is done.

3 egg whites 1/2 cup sugar

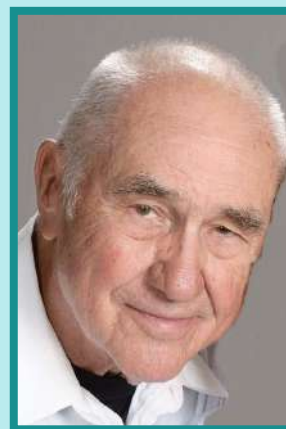
Cream of tartar

Mix above for topping, put on custard and bake until brown. 8 x 10 pan. Serves 10-12.



A Celebration of Life will be held for Kenneth Douglas (Doug) Schultz on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at 1 p.m. at the Ephraim Moravian Church (masks required).

Doug was born on May 14, 1933, to Kenneth and Dorothy Schultz. He served our nation in the Navy during the Korean War. He was active in the Ephraim Men's Club and delighted to participate in raising funds for scholarships, which enabled young people to pursue their college careers. He supported the Arts, especially the Midsummer's Music Festival. He was a faithful member of the Ephraim Moravian Church, serving on boards, organizing mission trips for youth, participating in the "Bridges of Friendship" program (which provides connections for foreign workers in Door County) and creating ecumenical collaboration with the Spirit of Peace Church in Milwaukee.



He was also an active supporter of Tricklebee Cafe, the community "pay what you can" restaurant in Milwaukee. Doug was known for his warm hospitality, openness to new friends and ideas, and his deep love for God. On December 11, 2021, Doug was called home to Eternal Rest.

The community is invited to attend this special tribute. In lieu of flowers, donations in Doug's name are requested to Ephraim Moravian Church.

Easter Morning 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.



"Hallelujah Chorus" &
Resurrection Medley

Angela Sherman with the kids in
church after a long two years



Fyr Bal is Coming! There will be a Fyr Bal this year, and Ephraim Moravian will have a booth along the shore once again! If you can sign up for a two-hour shift on Saturday, June 18 (there will be two people on each shift), look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex of the church (or email us to say what times you'd be available). You'll meet people, direct them to the church and give out brochures, give out free coffee and Moravian Sugar Cake, and have a great time. It's a ministry!

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

May Birthdays



May Anniversaries

Tim and Kristy Nelson – 6, 1989
 Mary & John Koehler – May 17, 1986
 Judy and Paul Flottman – 25, 1974
 Walt and Tiggy Shields – 28, 1971
 Erin and Brent Bristol – 28, 2011

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

Dear Friends

We want to thank you for your
 overwhelming support during this
 difficult time.

So many helping hands, so many
 prayers, the beautiful music, so
 many cards of sympathy and
 Memorial gifts for the church.



We are so thankful and blessed for our
 Pastor Dawn and all who made
 the memorial service a special memory.

Our love and gratitude The Schroeder Family

Prayer Concerns

...The family of Bob Schroeder
 ...The family of Lucille Kostka
 ...Pastor Kerry Krauss (father died)
 ...Marge Hassler (brother died)
 ...Kate Lorenz (Joan Lewis' daughter)
 ...Barbara & Kevin Axelson
 ...Sherry Moore
 ...Doug Peterson
 ...Hal Halvorsen
 ...Volpe Family on the death of Rob's
 Godfather, Gary Clark.

Treasurer's Report

Member Giving

Through Mar 2022: \$55,019

2021: \$33,226

2020: \$25,679

Expected income for 2022 is \$162,100

Budgeted expense for 2022 is \$239,576

Visitor Giving

Through Mar 2022: \$8,111

2021: \$4,831

2020: \$8,834

Through Mar: \$63,610 (40%)

(doesn't include memorials)

Through Mar: \$92,768 (39%)





Midsummer's Music **Florence Price Concert** on May 13 (with the Griffon String Quartet, along with our own Colin Welford) is sold out!

There is a free concert in Sturgeon Bay on the 15th with the Quartet, so call Midsummer's Music at 920-854-7088 if you'd like to attend.



(ANOTHER) CONCERT!



A series of concerts, entitled "**COLIN & FRIENDS**" will begin at the church this summer. Colin will be joined by various accomplished musical guests to perform works of instrumental, vocal, piano and organ music at the Ephraim Moravian Church. The inaugural concert will be on:

Sunday May 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

Continuing our celebration of the music of Florence Price, this concert features pianist Betsy DiFelice (a regular with the New Jersey Symphony and the New York Philharmonic, and who for 35 years led the piano department at Princeton University), and our own beloved Cynthia Stiehl, mezzo-soprano. The program contrasts with that of the concert on May 13th, and explores a different aspect of Florence Price's music; her songs and piano works, including her arrangements for four-hand piano. Cyndy will also sing songs by Dvorak. Framing the concert will be two major organ works: J.S. Bach's celebrated masterpiece, the "Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor," and the fascinating, rambunctious Organ Sonata No.1 of Florence Price, written some 200 years later.



Admission for this concert is \$22, in cash or by check, at the door. It would be appreciated if audience members would sign up in advance, either by contacting the church secretary at (920) 854-2804 or by emailing Colin at ConcertsinEphraim@gmail.com.

Covid-19 Update

We are so fortunate, as a community, to be able to take care of one another. We have done so by continuing to wear masks when we are inside the church. We will continue this practice for the following reasons:

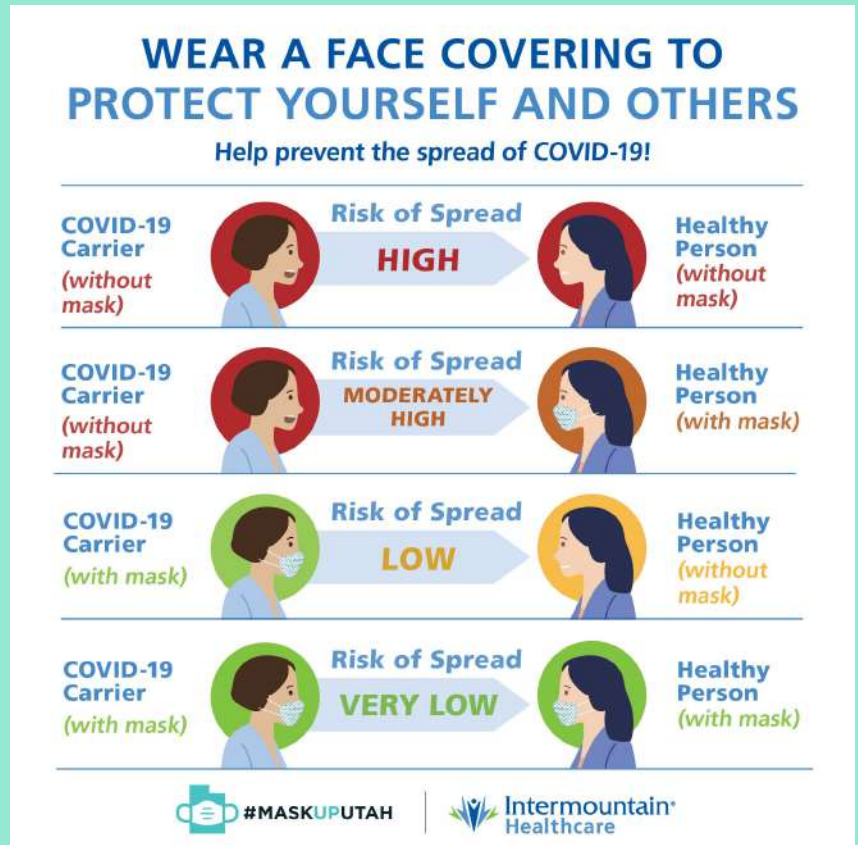
- So that people who are susceptible to severe illness will

be safe in our sanctuary

- So that we can sing!

- So that we can truly be the 'Church of the Open Door,' inviting people of all ages, vaccination status, health, and abilities to worship together.

- Although most of us are vaccinated and boosted, we may contract the virus and unknowingly transmit it to others. Wearing a mask is one more tool to prevent the spread. Our masking policy only applies to indoor events. We do not require/need masks when we are outdoors.



From our friends in Uganda...

"Dear Rev. Dawn, Blessings to you! We received \$1,996.00 in our Church account from BWM to support our piggery project. On behalf of Moravian Church in Uganda, please convey our sincere appreciation to the Brothers and sisters of Ephraim Moravian Church for the continued love, prayers and support. Wishing you a blessed Easter."

—post on your refrigerator!—



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 am Sunday School 10:30 service & LIVE on Facebook- no communion	2 AA evening	3 AA 10-noon	4	5 Chess Club 4 pm	6 OA 8:30 am	7
9 am Sunday School 10:30 service & LIVE on Facebook Joyful Noise	9 AA evening	10 AA 10-noon	11 Elders 10 am	12 Chess Club 4 pm Trustee Investment Mtg 4 pm	13 OA 8:30 am Midsummer's Music Concert 7 p.m.	14 Doug Schultz Memorial 1 pm
9 am Sunday School 10:30 service & LIVE on Facebook	16 AA evening	17 AA 10-noon	18 Caring Hands 9:30 am	19 Chess Club 4 pm Trustees 4 pm	20 OA 8:30 am	21
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Christie Melby- Gibbons for anniversary service!

* Special Concert at 2 p.m. on May 22 - see page 7 of this newsletter for information!

Services in May on Facebook, LIVE STREAMING

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.

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Summer is Coming!
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(featuring the flowers of
Green Gables)



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