

Ephraim Moravian Church

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Celebrating the 37th Anniversary of Pastor Dawn's Ordination - July 17, 2022
Morning Worship, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

PASTOR:.....The Rev. Dawn E. Volpe
MINISTERS:.....Members of the Congregation
MUSIC DIRECTOR:.....Colin Welford
SECRETARY:.....Diane Kirkland

Serving the Community Since 1853

Ringling of the Bell

****Prelude**

Welcome & Announcements

Hymn #573 "In the Morning When I Rise"

Liturgy Psalm 84 (insert)

Scripture Lessons: Genesis 18: 1 – 10a; Luke 10: 38 – 42

Hymn #607 "I am Thine O Lord"

Sermon

Prayers of the Church, The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Sung Response: ((96)

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me (2x)

Melt me, mold me; fill me, use me,

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen.

Benediction

****Postlude "Carillon" – by Louis Vierne**

****10:30 Service**

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? – Genesis 18:14

MONDAY:

Pastor's Sabbath

WEDNESDAY:

9:30 a.m.

Caring Hands

THURSDAY:

4:00 p.m.

Trustee Meeting

SUNDAY:

8 & 10:30 a.m.

Worship Services

WELCOME to Ephraim Moravian Church. Our Nursery is open for children under the age of 4.

EPHRAIM MORAVIAN CHURCH is the 'Church of the Open Door.' We hope you find our church open to you in every way!

MOTTO OF THE MORAVIAN CHURCH: In Essentials, Unity;
In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love.

EPHRAIM MORAVIAN WATCHWORD 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION – Today we are celebrating Pastor Dawn's 37th anniversary of her ordination as a minister of the Moravian Church! Special musical surprises at the 10:30 service!



Reflection - Pastor Dan Olson

When we were married a half century ago, it was normal to “register” for flatware and dinnerware. We weren’t the least bit pretentious, of course, but we assumed people would flock to the jewelry stores to ‘surprise’ us with their gift choices of forks and butter plates. We have always been grateful for such generosity.

For the next few decades, we enjoyed “putting on the dog” by setting an elegant dining room table. If, with a bit of luck, the menu turned out, we could call the whole culinary event a success. But it must be asked, who were we trying to impress? Our guests? Truth be told, I believe we were trying to please ourselves and take great pride in our wonderful work. We mirrored Martha’s activity in today’s story.

And then there was Mary. Mary didn’t do ‘fuss’ very well. She likely would be happy serving a couple of hotdogs (Kosher brand, of course). Jesus was her guest and that was the important thing. Polishing silverware wasn’t Mary’s thing. But friendship was. And Faith. And growth in mind and spirit. Mary chose the better part. May that be true also of us.

Over time we’ve become way more casual in our dining and entertaining habits. We’ve come to understand that the people around the table are more important than place settings. Perhaps no one will notice the paper plates and plastic silverware!