

Ephraim Moravian Church

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost - October 16, 2022

Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.

PASTOR:.....The Rev. Dawn E. Volpe
MINISTERS:.....Members of the Congregation
MUSICIANS:.....Colin Welford & Barbara Classen
SECRETARY:.....Diane Kirkland

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Ringling of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

“Jesu Joy of Man’s Desiring” – by J. S. Bach

Hymn #531: “Stand Up and Bless the Lord” (v. 1 – 4)

Responsive Reading Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and for evermore.

Hymn #701: “My Life Flows On”

Scripture Lessons: Genesis 32: 22 – 31; Luke 18: 1 - 8

“Amazing Grace” – Traditional melody

Sermon

Prayers of the Church, The Lord’s Prayer

Congregational Sung Response (Hymn 742):

Come now, O Lord, and teach us how to pray

Teach us to ask ourselves from day to day

If we are yours and yours alone will be

Through earthly days and through eternity. Amen.

Benediction

“Shine, Jesus, Shine!” – by Graham Kendrick, Arr. Lyndell Leatherman

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *Proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching.*
(2 Timothy 4:2)

<u>TODAY</u>	4:30 p.m.	Chess Club
<u>MONDAY:</u>		Pastor’s Sabbath
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	9:30 a.m.	Caring Hands
	1:00 p.m.	Trustees
	4:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
<u>SUNDAY:</u>	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

WELCOME to Ephraim Moravian Church. Our Nursery is open for children under the age of 4. Weather permitting, coffee and snacks for a time of fellowship on our church lawn (under the maple tree).

THANK YOU to Barbara Classen, pianist extraordinaire, for joyfully sharing her musical gifts with us this morning.

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*



SUNDAY CHESS CLUB

All Ages and abilities welcome
4:30 P.M.
Fellowship Hall
Chess boards provided

Persistently Pursue the Lord

-Barbara Axelson

Jacob wrestled with God... We wrestle with our sinful nature.

But once we have wrestled with God, we find ourselves changed.

Yes, He changes us. Sometimes it hurts. Like Jacob, we are often tested when we claim God's favor. In Jacob's encounter with God, he came away with a new name and a profound mission- to partner with God to create a new nation- reflecting God's light to the world.

Although we may not be given such a weighty task, when we are changed by the living god, we become more intentional believers, a positive thing indeed.

The other lesson we learn today is about the widow who ultimately won the victory through her refusal to give up.

Pray, pray again and return to plead with the God who loves you. He is not an unjust judge, like the man in the parable. He answers us in love.