

# Ephraim Moravian Church

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Fifth Sunday of Easter- May 7, 2023

Morning Worship, 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

Welcome & Announcements

**‘Children of the Heavenly Father’ – by Tryggare Kan Ingen Vara,  
Arr. Diane Bish**

Watchword for the Week

**Hymn #775 “For God So Loved Us”  
A General Prayer of Intercession, p. 115**

**Offertory  
‘Air’ - from G.F. Handel’s ‘Watermusik’**

Doxology

Scripture Lessons:

Old Testament: Psalm 118: 1 – 6, 19 – 29

New Testament: 1 Peter 2: 2 - 10

**‘Beautiful City’ – by Stephen Schwartz**

Meditation

Prayers of the Church & The Lord’s Prayer

**Congregational Sung Response: #743**

*What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear*

*What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer*

*O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,*

*All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer. Amen.*

**‘New Wine’ – by Brooke Ligertwood**

The Lord’s Supper (Insert)

**‘Cornet Voluntary’ – by Henry Heron**

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**WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK:** I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’ - John 14:6

**TODAY:** Time for Fellowship following Worship  
2:00 p.m. Colin & Friends Concert  
5:00 p.m. Colin & Friends Concert

**MONDAY:** Pastor’s Sabbath

**TUESDAY:** 9 a.m. – 12 Church Clean-up & Lunch

**WEDNESDAY:** 10:00 a.m. Elders Meeting

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
3:00 p.m. Music for Bread Concert

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**WELCOME** to Ephraim Moravian Church. Our Nursery is open for children under the age of 4. You are most welcome to join us in the Lord’s Supper, which is open to all.

**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 2023:** No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. - 1 John 4:12

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THANK YOU** to Scott Ramsay for adding his wonderful voice to our service this morning, and welcome back to Colin Welford!

## In Celebration of 170 Years

We celebrate 170 years of ministry this month, culminating with our Anniversary Service on May 21. Each week, we'll be retrieving a memory from our archives.

From the Diary of A.M. Iverson- Summer of 1857  
Concerning Plans for the Church Building (p. 89)

**Celebrating 170 years  
in 2023!**

*Its size was decided upon at this meeting and, if I remember correctly, it was to be 40 x 24, 16 feet high, with a steeple; and I was to prepare the plans. At this point a great debate took place as to the location of the church. Most of the congregation, including myself, were of the opinion that it should be built on the surveyed Church Lot, but two of the brethren were unalterably opposed to this, desiring to have it erected on the lower ground called 'The Commons.' As reason for their zealous opposition, they stated that it would be too expensive to transport all the material-- timbers, boards, laths, etc., from the shore up to the high land, although it was just a short distance, owing to the fact that no one owned horses and that there was only one pair of oxen in the settlement, the owners of which would no doubt demand a high figure for the transportation. The balance of us thought that all this opposition was really unfounded, but in order to have peace, we yielded, although we soon disapproved of this plan, for the reason that it was our great desire to have our new church erected on 'Ephraim's Hill,' where all could see it.*

(The dream of a church on 'Ephraim's Hill' was realized in 1883, when it was rolled up the hill by means of logs and horses - quite an engineering feat)