

Ephraim Moravian Church

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Second Sunday after Pentecost - June 11, 2023

Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.

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

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Welcome & Announcements

Prelude 'Après un Rêve, Opus 7, No.1' – by Gabriel Fauré

Watchword for the Week

Hymn #386 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Liturgy of Peace and Justice, p. 148 – 151

Joyful Noise Offering for Secret Santa

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament: Hosea 5: 15 – 6: 6

Gospel: Matthew 9: 9 – 13, 18 – 26

Sermon

Offertory 'Thanks Be to Thee' – by G.F. Handel

***Doxology**

Prayers of the Church, The Lord's Prayer

Congregational Sung Response: #445 (Red Hymnal)

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,

That calls me from a world of care and bids me at my Father's throne.

Make all my wants and wishes known; In seasons of distress and grief

My soul has often found relief, and oft escaped the tempters snare

By thy return sweet hour of prayer. Amen

Benediction

Postlude 'Nimrod from Enigma Variations, Opus 36, No.9' –
by Edward Elgar

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: God desires steadfast love and
not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings. –
Hosea 6:6

TODAY: Time of Fellowship following Worship

MONDAY: Pastor's Sabbath

WEDNESDAY: 10:00 a.m. Elders Meeting

FRIDAY: 2, 4 & 7 p.m. Colin & Friends Concerts

SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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 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

THANKS to Dale Stafslieen for his solo today and to Harald Halvorsen
for providing the music for our service.

FYR BAL – See the insert for the Colin & Friends Concerts that will
be held here Friday, June 16. And thanks to all who have signed up to
help at our Fyr Bal booth, open house or to make sugar cake! We will
have an Open House here next Saturday from 11 am – 2pm, and our
booth on the shore will be open from 10 am to 6 pm.

Reflection – Pastor Dan G. Olson

I don't recall saying, "Isn't this marvelous? We owe extra taxes this year!" Or, "Wonderful! Here's a letter from the IRS!" Or worst of all, guffawing over coffee with the nice men from the IRS! Yet, that's exactly where Jesus was, enjoying lunch with the traitorous tax people. Jesus rendered no guilt trips and met them as they were.

Then Jesus was touched by and touched both a woman who was bleeding and a girl who was dead. These actions would render a person unclean for many days. Jesus was unconcerned, accepted those seeking help, and granted it.

These vignettes are not so subtle reminders for us as followers of Jesus to go out, to reach out.

More than once I have observed that churches can be utterly obsessed with shaming the "inactive" back to church, if they bring their wallets. Or, wondering how to coax people in, rather going out to where they are. We simply can't get away with it.

"Preach the Gospel! Use words if you must." Invite with abandon!

Kind of reminds me of "The Church with The Open Door".

**Celebrating 170 Years
in 2023!**



Proudly presents the opening event of
Ephraim's 2023 'Fyr Bal' Festival

On FRIDAY, JUNE 16th

...with a **CONCERT** of great music, in celebration of Door County's Nordic and German heritage. International musician Colin Welford is joined by three special guests, who will perform on piano, organ, cello, and the Swedish National Instrument, the Nyckelharpa. Beautiful songs and pure silliness complete the line-up. Admission is free. Donations gratefully accepted.

Performances at 2pm, 4pm, and 7pm (seating limited)
Ephraim Moravian Church, 9970 Moravia St., Ephraim

Join us as we celebrate the start of summer!



ColinAndFriendsConcerts