

### THE ADVANCE

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#### **Congregational Watchword for 2022**

Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts.

Ephesians 5:19

#### LENTEN SERVICE

Wednesday evening Soup & Study service - April 6-dinner at 6:30 pm and follow with the program concluding by no later than 7:45 pm.

Palm Sunday -April 10- Worship at 10:45 AM



#### Holy Week Services will be held:

Monday - April 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM
Tuesday - April 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM
Wednesday - April 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM
Maundy Thursday- Communion - April 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM
Good Friday - April 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM



#### West Side Moravian Annual Easter Egg Hunt!!!

The hunt will be held on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Children of <u>all</u> ages please join us at the Historic Area along the Monocacy Creek (across from the parking lot). Come and bring your friends.

Don't Forget an Easter basket.

#### Needed!!!

Dyed, hard boiled eggs for the hunt. Please put in West Side Moravian's kitchen refrigerator by Friday evening April 15<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your help!



#### Easter Sunday- April 17@ 6:00AM

- \* Easter Dawn service will be held at Central Moravian Church.
- \* Everyone is welcome to participate, the service will be led collaboratively by Bethlehem Moravian Clergy, including Pastor Tammie.
  - \* The service begins in the sanctuary and concludes in God's Acre.

Easter Sunday - April 17, 10:45AM Service here at West Side. April 2022 THE ADVANCE Page 2

Sunday	Flowers Given by	Counters	Liturgists
 4-3-22	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Wanamaker's	Duffy Snyder
 4-10-22	Open	Jim Kleintop	Peter Collier
4-17-22	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Clugston's	Pastor Tammie
4-24-22	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Wanamaker's	Audrey Wanamaker

#### Important dates to remember in April:

Refer to Page 1 for more info-

Wednesday Lenten Program

Holy Week

Easter Egg Hunt

Easter- Holy Communion



Please remember to update the church office of any changes of address with us if you are moving or have moved recently. Home address, email address and/or phone number changes are needed. Please call 610-865-0256 or email to westsidemoravian@gmail.com with updates. Thank you!

# Help us NAME THE CAFÉ

Little by little, step by patient step, the Pay What You Can Community Café for Bethlehem's Westside neighborhood is coming to life. Styled after the flourishing and sustainable Tricklebee Café, a mission of the Moravian Church in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, our local PWYCCC will be a hospitable place where everyone, regardless of ability to pay, will experience inclusion, acceptance, kindness, and hope along with a delicious, nutritious, often locally sourced meal. A lawyer is now working with the Café's Planning Team on zoning issues and the Moravian Ministries Foundation of America has generously provided a \$50,000 Hunger and Thirst Field of Interest Grant to help get the project started.

We hope that all the Moravians in the Lehigh Valley will get involved with this project and proudly see it as their own. As we take our first few steps to bring the Café to life, you can help out by imagining the future with us. Imagine yourself eating at the Café when it opens, volunteering, and telling others about it.

We also hope that you will do something concrete to help the effort right now. Please pray for us and please help us NAME THE CAFÉ. From now through the end of May, we hope to receive your suggestions. Be creative, be sincere, be clever! Please submit your ideas for a café name to <a href="MameYourCafe22@gmail.com">NameYourCafe22@gmail.com</a>. The name should reflect our desire to provide good food for people of all income levels in a warm and hospitable environment. Stay tuned for a naming announcement in the coming months, and for other tangible ways you can get involved.

The PWYCCC Working Team includes Dawn Fenner, Rebecca Miller, Kasey Thomas, and The Reverends Tammie Rinker, Lynnette Delbridge, and Christine Johnson.

Submitted by Lynnette Delbridge

#### Getting to know one another better.

#### Stephanie Bolmer

1. When did you join the Moravian Church? My father's parents were members of First Moravian Church in Easton, and he was raised there and eventually married my mother there. I started attending West Side when I was about six years old, when my father and my stepmother, Sally Snyder Bolmer (raised as a member of Central), moved across the street and got married here. I was baptized here by Rev. Denny Rohn, and grew up to become a confirmed member. Although I have moved away multiple times, I always end up coming back to West Side, which will always have a special place in my heart as my spiritual home/family.



- 2. What do you look forward to the most when you come to church? It's all the little things that make coming here special -- the peacefulness of the sanctuary, the familiarity of everything from the pew cushions to the tones of the organ, the way a flood of memories can come back in an instant just by turning the corner of a hallway, the feeling of consistency and history of knowing our church family has worshipped here year after year for over a century and a half, and of course seeing the people I have known all my life since I was a little girl.
- **3. What is your favorite hymn?** I could list a dozen honorable mentions, but my true #1 favorite hymn is "Just As I Am."
- **4. What is your favorite memory of West Side?** It's impossible to choose just one. From singing "Morning Star" as a duet with my lifelong best friend, Lindsay (Yetter) Fujita, whom I met here and grew up going to Sunday School, youth group, VBS and singing in the choir with here, to standing next to her as the maid of honor at her wedding, we have had so many good times together. West Side was my second home for a long time, and I've loved the worship, the fellowship, the fun of Ice Cream Festivals and Halloween Parties, the Sunday School Christmas plays I got to write for our class, and much, much more. I suspect that a new favorite memory will be when my marriage celebration with my husband, Brandon Goodling, hopefully gets to take place after two years of COVID delays on May 28.

#### James Joniec

- **1. When did you join the Moravian Church?** I joined in early 2019. My wife Elise joined in 2020. We are both currently members of Emmaus congregation.
- 2. What do you look forward to the most when you come to church? I love everything about services, but I particularly love to hear how the pastor crafts the message in her/his sermon. I also love the music!
- **3. What is your favorite hymn?** This is a tough one. I love so many hymns, but my favorites are Amazing Grace, O' Holy Night, O' Come All Ye Faithful, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, and Christ the Life of All the Living (big fan of Christmas hymns!).



**4. What is your favorite memory at a Moravian Church?** Elise and I were married in Emmaus Moravian Church on June 26, 2021. Hard to beat that! lol



### **Share Your Favorite Recipes...**

Do you have a Favorite recipe?

Maybe a great cooking trick you would like to share? We would love to share it in our new recipe corner!

Please send a copy or email to westsidemoravian@gmail.com for our new recipe corner.

This month's recipe is from Betty Lou Hall and Luther Keck...

#### TOMATOES AND RIPE OLIVES IN CUMIN DRESSING

Ingredients:

5 tomatoes, cut into slices or wedges

2 onions, chopped

1/4 c. chopped parsley

1 c. drained, pitted ripe

olives

Toss all salad ingredients together lightly to blend.

Dressing:

1/4 tsp. freshly ground black

good dash of tumeric

pepper

4 Tbsp. lemon juice

2 tsp. sugar 1 scant teaspoon cumin

Put all dressing ingredients in a jar and shake to blend. Pour over vegetables in a shallow dish; refrigerate.

This dressing can also be served on Brussels sprouts or lettuce.

#### **LUTHER KECK'S CREAMY RICE PUDDING**

Ingredients:

8 Tbsp. long grain rice (not instant)

pinch of salt

2 eggs

2 gt. whole milk

2 tsp. vanilla

1 c. sugar

Cinnamon

Rinse 8 level tablespoons of long grain rice. Add milk and heat on high, stirring constantly, until it comes to a boil. Reduce heat to medium and let boil until rice is soft, about 40 to 45 minutes. In a small bowl combine sugar, salt and eggs. Beat until nice and creamy. Add to rice and cook for about 15 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla. Pour into a dish and sprinkle with cinnamon. Only use whole milk and regular long grain rice or it will not come out right.



West Side Moravian Church now has online giving enabled through the Moravian Ministries Foundation. Online giving can be a way for people to support your church from afar, make memorial gifts in lieu of flowers, honor a loved one, schedule tithing, and more.

https://mmfa.info/west-side-moravian-church-padonation-form/





# MEMORIAL DAY CHURCH PICNIC AT CAMP HOPE

Memorial Day, May 30, 2022 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

A celebration for **EVERYONE** in the Moravian Church, Eastern District, in appreciation for your support of Camp Hope!

Come when you can and leave when you must!

Fishing, boating, swimming, lawn games, and relaxation are all part of this special day.

No charge.

Bring your own picnic lunch. Pavilion and grill will be available.



Although there is no charge to attend, a headcount is useful so we can be sure to have enough lifeguards available.

Please RSVP here: Memorial Day Church Picnic.

You can also call (908 459 4435) or email (hopecenter@camphope.org)

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT CAMP!

#### Highlights from our March Meeting

Opening Devotions & Sharing - led by Pastor Tammie

Treasurer's Report - received, no unusual or surprising income or expenses

**February Ministry activities:** Officiated marriage vows for a couple from the community, **Pulpit Exchange**, PWYCCC - zoom with city leaders (Ec Dev & DEI directors), Emerging Ministry zoom

**PWYCCC Working Group** made up of Bethlehem Area Moravians, continues to meet and work toward bringing a cafe to the West Side.

**Pastor** continues to further her education through courses at Moravian Seminary (Spiritual Direction) **Anne** continues to keep us on track administratively.

Facility needs: Building usage requests/charges - PWYCCC, Maintenance issues - sanctuary door estimates, roof

#### The Month Ahead:

- Special worship services -
- Defibrillator Training after church
- Visit to Congregation Brith Shalom
- Requests for fund-raisers Moravian Village bell request

#### Visioning:

New ministry ideas/suggestions: Afghan Family neighborhood picnic

#### **West Side Giving and Expense Totals**

February expenses:

\$ 15,287.66

February income & giving:

\$8,033.00

#### Watch Sunday Morning Worship on ZOOM

worship with us You're invited to join our Zoom Sunday at 10:45AM.

#### A few important notes:

- \* We are still meeting in person, this is an addition to Sunday morning worship
- \* This is not a livestream, just a simple Zoom
- \* The camera only captures the chancel area, pews/people are not on camera
- \* Those on Zoom are not visible to the congregation



Tammie Rinker is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Sunday Service @ West Side

Time: Every week on Sunday 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81002891183?pwd=NngvQW5oRUV0bEowVHM1V2ZScnZtUT09

Meeting ID: 810 0289 1183

Passcode: 510680

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# MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND FAMILY CAMP AT CAMP HOPE

#### Friday, May 27 - Monday, May 30, 2022

A weekend of intergenerational fellowship and relaxation. Your schedule is your own for the weekend; you may relax, swim, boat, fish, or visit nearby attractions.

Evenings can be a time of fellowship and fun around the campfire. Swimming and boating are available during scheduled hours and are supervised by the Camp Hope lifeguards.

Space is limited so don't wait -- book your cabin TODAY!







LODGING: heated/cooled cabins with attached bathrooms (each cabin sleeps 12 in bunk beds)

MEALS: bring your own food to prepare in the camp's kitchen and/or on the grill in the pavilion

COST: \$65 for the first person in your cabin; \$25 for each additional person over age 4

For more information call (908)459-4435 or email hopecenter@camphope.org



# NEED HELP WITH SPRING CLEANING? CAMP HOPE QUILTERS CAN HELP!!

Before you get too excited –no, we don't do windows! But we do help with unwanted bedding and fabric!

The Hope Quilters are working on creating as many MISSION QUILTS as possible, and we hope you can help out. We need supplies to finish our projects and get them sent to areas in need in the US and around the world! We donate our finished quilts to Lutheran World Relief – a well-oiled machine that distributes tens of thousands of warm quilts to refugees.

**HOW CAN YOU HELP?** It's time to sort through your linen closet, basement and attic and find those old blankets, sheets, mattress covers that are not going to be used. We can make them into quilts!

- Blankets (no wool) stains are OK
- Mattress covers (no plastic or waterproof) stains are OK
- Sheets flat or fitted, please no stains
- Fabric cottons only!
- Donations or JoAnn fabric gift cards

We hope to gather these items by <u>April 30</u> to keep our project going. Can you help? Please contact us at <u>hopequilters@gmail.com</u>. Or call 484-456-6701 (Jill Bruckart). Items can also be brought to your church for pick-up.

## The Intercessor April 2022

#### I will rejoice in the Lord; I will exult in the God of my salvation. Habakkuk 3:18

#### Praise and Thanksgiving:

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. Psalr

Psalm 23:2-3

My Shepherd will supply my need; the Lord God is his name. In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me for his mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace.

MBW 730

Lifting up our shut-ins and others that are homebound or living in retirement communities:

God of us all, share your love with us all. We ask a special blessing for those who are not able to get to church.

Those in need of prayers:

\*Please pray for those suffering job loss or insecurity. The ramifications of this pandemic are widespread.

#### Please Pray For:

**Health:** Michael, Doug, Kevin, Betty Lou, Mégan, Emily, Fred, MaryAnn & Glen, Elwood, Bill, Michele, Leah,

Erika, Carolyn, Laura, Skylar, Karen **At home/in care:** Mattie, Kurt, Richard

**Bereavement:** Cody & Family, Rachael & Family, Collier Family, DeAngelo Family, Petra & Tracy, DeWalt & Young Family, Dunbar Family, Kopinga Family.

Active Service: Jess

Prayers:

Christ invites us to come and worship

To rest from the things that are troubling us;

To pray for the needs of those close to us as well as for the needs of the world:

To realize what we can offer to others

And so to return into the world to serve.

Let us worship God.

Psalm 63:1-8

O God, you are my God,

I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;

my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land

where there is no water.

So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,

beholding your power and glory.

Because your steadfast love is better than life,

my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,

and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

when I think of you on my bed,

and meditate on you in the watches of the night;

for you have been my help,

and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

My soul clings to you;

your right hand upholds me.

Confession of Sin

(from the Liturgy for Lent II in the Moravian Book of Worship, pages 78-79. Used by permission of the Interprovincial Board of Communication)

Lord Jesus, we come before you in humble confession. Help us conform our lives to you as the model for holy and righteous living.

Forgive us for our desire for personal greatness, our attempts to make gods of ourselves, our willingness to exalt ourselves at the expense of others, and our resistance to serving one another as you have served us.

Forgive us for making light of your obedience and sacrifice on the cross by living an undisciplined and indifferent Christian witness; forgive us for yielding to fear rather than relying on your strength to take the risks of discipleship.

Forgive us, dear Jesus, for times we have not looked to you as our Lord and for allowing the clamoring distractions of the world to become higher priorities than you. Forgive us for yielding more to the temptations of this world than being transformed by your mercy and peace.

May the Holy Spirit empower us to accept the grace that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, offers to us today. Hear the words of our Lord, "Your sins are forgiven, go and sin no more."

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts since, as members of one body, we were called to peace. And let us be thankful.

https://www.moravian.org/

The Prayer Chain can be activated by any member of West Side Moravian Church. Simply call any member of the Prayer Chain with your joy or concern and that information will be passed on so that your joy or concern will be held in prayer. As the Board of Elders is especially charged with the spiritual welfare of the congregation, they too will be informed of your prayer request.