

THE ADVANCE

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2025 Watch Word

19 You will again have compassion on us; you will hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

Micah 7:19

Upcoming Events



July 6- Holy Communion
June 15- July 15 - Pastor Tammie will be on sabbatical









Rose fest 2025

What a beautiful day we had at the Rose Garden.

West Side Moravian had a busy tent with lots of crafts goers and many visitors stopping to say hi!

Thank you to Jane, Greg, Sally, and Anne for coming out and making it a success!



Sunday	Flowers Given by	Counters	Liturgists
07/06/2025	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Clugstons	Reed Acheson
07/13/2025	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Wanamakers	Sally Bolmer
07/20/2025	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Clugstons	Duffy Snyder
07/27/2025	Open	Jim Kleintop & The Wanamakers	Os Matthew



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-sidemoravian-church-pa-donation-form/





One of the ministries offered within West Side Moravian Church is that of Spiritual Companionship, more commonly known as Spiritual Direction. Pastor Maggie Wellert eets with individuals in a ministry of deep, confidential, holy listening. In a safe, sacred space, you explore the invitation God offers to be in a deep relationship with you. We notice God's Presence, The Spirit's movement in your life, and explore the open doors Spirit offers for you to stretch and grow. God longs for us as much as we long for God, the true Director of this holy conversation. If you'd like to explore, reach out to Maggie at maggiewellert@gmail.com or 610-417-2803.



Collect Plastic to Recycle

Through the *Trex* Plastic Recycling Program, West Side is still collecting plastic to be recycled and made into outdoor benches. Please call the church office to arrange a drop-off time. Here's a reminder of accepted plastics: Accepted plastics include: pallet wrap and stretch film, grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziplock bags, produce bags, bubble wrap and air pillows, salt bags, and cereal bags. (*NOTE: All plastic must be clean, dry, and free of food residue.*)



Mission Minute: Keep In Touch with the BWM!

Wondering how to stay connected with the Board of World Mission? We offer two regular newsletters for Moravians around the world:

- 1. The Mission Message is our official quarterly newsletter and gives the best and broadest overview of our work. If you want to know what the BWM's staff and board are working on and how you can connect, this is the newsletter for you! We offer the Mission Message via email and postal mail, so you can subscribe—for free—to whichever format is best for you.
- 2. The **Ahuas Spotlight** is a quarterly emailed newsletter about the Ahuas Clinic, a medical ministry serving the La Moskitia region of Honduras for over 75 years. It is lovingly compiled by BWM board member and Ahuas Committee member Lisa Pampe and gives inspiring and thorough updates on all aspects of the Clinic's ministry.



Subscribe to our BWM communications at MoravianMission.org/News/. Click the big green button to share your contact info and subscription preferences. We also invite you to follow us on social media for more regular updates on our work! We are on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and Bluesky.

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You are Cordially Invited to the Ordination Service of Brother James Joniec



Date:

July 13, 2025

Time:

3 PM ET

Place:

Emmaus Moravian Church, 146 Main Street, Emmaus, PA

Office:

610-965-6067

Plenty of parking in church lot.

Clergy families are invited to gather in the Moravian Room/Parlor by 2:45 pm. Reception and Refreshments will be in the Chapel, following the service. The service will be live streamed via the Emmaus Moravian Church's Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4429489211



Jon Hus

John Hus strongly advocated for the practice of communion under both kinds (bread and wine) for all Christians, including laypeople, challenging the prevailing custom of the Roman Catholic Church which restricted the chalice to priests. He believed this practice, where only the bread was given to the laity, was incomplete and that all believers should partake of both elements.

Here's a more detailed explanation:

Challenge to Church Practice:

Hus questioned the authority of the Church to restrict communion to one kind, arguing that it contradicted biblical teachings, particularly the Last Supper narrative.

• Importance of Both Kinds:

Hus emphasized that receiving both the bread and the wine was essential for a complete communion experience and that withholding the chalice from the laity was a deviation from the true practice of the faith.

• Influence on Hussites:

Hus's views on communion, along with his other reformist ideas, led to the <u>Hussite</u> movement, which continued to advocate for communion under both kinds after his death.

• Historical Context:

Hus's emphasis on communion under both kinds was part of a broader challenge to the authority and practices of the Roman Catholic Church during his time.

• Symbolic Significance:

Beyond the practical aspect, Hus's call for communion under both kinds also held symbolic importance, representing a more egalitarian approach to faith and participation in the sacraments.



Sponsor a Cabin Refresh

Seven cabins have been sponsored—a big thank you to those who donated! We still have one more cabin to go! Will you, your family, or your church sponsor a cabin? A donation of \$500 will allow us to buy: all new LED light bulbs, new shower curtains, shower caddies and bath mats, a can of paint, and more! Get your name hung in the cabin as our thanks!

What's Happening at Camp?

Summer Long Staff arrives at Camp on Saturday, June 21 to kick off a great summer!

We Need Your Help

We are fully staffed for the summer and can't wait to welcome all of the campers! But Camp Hope cannot operate without the generosity of our Moravian community. Donations make up more than 30% of Camp Hope's operating budget! \$20 can buy two new basketballs. \$100 can fund the food and background checks for a volunteer counselor. \$250 can stock the nurse's station and first aid kits. \$1,000 can pay the electric bill for a month. Please keep Camp in mind when considering your charitable giving.

New Merchandise

New sweatshirts, stickers, water bottles (and so much more!) will be for sale in the Camp Store this summer!







Summer Camp Schedule

Musical Theatre Camp: 6/29-7/5 (5th-9th grade)
Primary Camp: 7/6-12 (3rd or 4th grade)
Middler Camp: 7/13-7/19 (5th or 6th grade)
Junior High Camp: 7/20-7/26 (7th or 8th grade)
Senior High Camp: 7/27-8/2 (9th-12th grade)
Swim Camp: 8/3-8/9 (3rd-6th grade)

Pre-Primary Camp: 8/3-8/6 (1st or 2nd grade)
It's not too late to register! Register for camp here!

Volunteers Needed

The following camps are in need of volunteers. If you are available to volunteer your time, please contact Camp at hopecenter@camphope.org

Pre-Primary: male and female counselors

Primary: nurse

Middler: male counselors: nurse

Swimming: male and female counselors

Swimming: male counselors

Staff Spotlight

Kendra Lotti; Camp Cook

Kendra is 27 years old, and currently lives in Walnutport, PA but grew up in Bethlehem, PA where she attended West Side Moravian Church! Kendra has a Culinary Arts degree with a passion

in baking. When she's not working, Kendra loves spending time with her friends, playing with her dog Klaus, or baking something sweet. As a child, Kendra attended Camp Hope. She can't wait to return as Camp Cook this summer! "There is always light. If only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it."

-AMANDA GORMAN

Scan the QR Code for the Camp Hope website



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with Angela

Beginner friendly - all are welcome! \$5 suggested donation

SATURDAYS 9AM

ALT. WEDNESDAYS 7PM

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For more information visit: www.sweetrootlife.com

The Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers Market



The Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers Market is part of MANA's continuing mission to strengthen our local community. The Market will be open Saturdays from June 4 to mid-October, 9 AM to 1 PM. Every year it is growing.

Most of your favorite vendors will be back. And, we are inviting vendors, crafters, and food trucks to join in; so if you know of someone who might be interested, send them to us. Check back in April for more information about vendors and the schedule. Also, let us know if you have ideas for weekly events (displays, demos, music, fun for kids).



Pay-it-Forward with a Wooden Nickel



Wooden Nickels offer an opportunity to provide a meal for someone else.

Stop by the cafe and pick up wooden nickels for a suggested price of \$12.00 each. Each **wooden nickel** can be redeemed for a nourishing meal.

Two ways to provide meals to others:

*Place wooden nickel in our counter jar. This jar is kept at the counter, paying it forward for our guest that may not be able to make a donation for their meal. OR

*You can take the **wooden nickel** with you and give it to a friend in need, or a neighbor who may be working hard and simply too tired to cook, or give as a gift for someone that gave you a helping hand, sharing with them your experience at Essentials Cafe.

Please Pray For:

Prayer list:

Health: Sally, Lori, Nancy, Pat

Bereavement: Speck Family, Ross, DiMenichi, Carly

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.

Weekly Watchwords for July

Week of July 6

Galatians 6:9

⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.

Week of July 13

Psalm 25:4

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

Week of July 20

Genesis 18:14

14 Is anything too wonderful for the Lord?

Week of July 27

Luke 11:1

11 "Lord, teach us to pray."



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. The Unified Board will also be informed of your prayer request.