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"Come In & Go Out"

Last summer, Bishop Sam Gray led a program at Camp Tar Hollow called "Come In & Go Out," focused on preparing ourselves for the mission field. The key takeaway of the week was that we must have a strong relationship with Christ before we are ready to go out into the world and be advocates for him. This program really stuck with me as I entered my junior year of college and faced my final summer before graduation. Although the Moravian church has always been a huge part of my life, I felt that I could grow my relationship with Christ and get more involved in the community. I reached out to mentors that I had connected with through years of camps, youth groups, and Sunday schools, asking about possible opportunities to get further involved in the church. This led to a mission trip to Haiti as well as the Try-Ministry Internship at East Hills.

I started my summer in Haiti to extend the love of Christ to two orphanages in the region. Imagine Missions is a home to nearly 80 kids and hosts a school for many more. We spent our time here installing a dozen ceiling fans in the church so they could get some air movement in the constant heat. Although the church service was in French, it was definitely exciting to see how involved and energetic they get about worship.

While Imagine Missions has been around for many years and is well financed through a network of churches in the United States, the second orphanage we worked at is not so fortunate. Grace for Orphans Ministry was started by an orphan who aged out of the system and, because of his caring nature, has had 18 children dropped off at his door. He preaches the word of God through his actions and was an example for our team on how we should treat one another. We were fortunate enough to have the funds to build a chicken coop and some shelves for the orphanage. When we weren't fixing up the house, we were spending time with the kids showing them the kind of individual love that orphans don't always get being in a large group.

After returning from Haiti, I made my way to Bethlehem, and, while I haven't spent any time here before this summer, I have been welcomed by the community and shown genuine hospitality. This opportunity has allowed me to nurture my spiritual life and walk the path of ministry first-hand. Through meetings, visitations, and worship, I am able to see what the life of a pastor entails and I am extremely thankful for this enlightening and enjoyable experience.

Through my travels both to Haiti and East Hills, I am reminded of the dual responsibility I have as a Christian to be prepared and secure in my relationship with Christ before I go out into the mission field. I am so thankful for the opportunities that God has allowed me to be a part of this summer, and, while I have not committed to a life of ordained ministry yet, I have booked my next flight to Haiti. This December I will take my experiences from East Hills and "Go Out," to Grace for Orphans Ministry and continue to show God's love through word and action.

Matthew Spies

Christian Fellowship News & Opportunities

<u>Thank You</u>

~Dear EHMC family,

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, flowers, and food you so willingly gave during my recent hospitalization. I am so grateful to all of you.

Blessings, Sue Hahn

~Thank you to everyone for all of your cards, prayers, flowers, and encouragement during my recent surgery. A special thanks to Pastor Derek for his support. Frieda Soska



Adult Fellowship Swim Party

Please join us for sun and fun on **Sunday**, **July 22**, **at 2 pm** at Sandy & Joe Gribbin' s pool at 1622 Mark Twain Circle, Bethlehem. Cost to be announced. Bring a potluck picnic item and your beach chair. **RSVP by Wednesday**, **July 18**, to Sandy Gribbin @ 610-868-7437.

EHMC Preschool

Registration for the 2018-19 school year is underway. We offer classes for 2, 3, and 4-year olds. For more information, please call the preschool office at 610-868-6242.

Upcoming Adult Fellowship Event

Saturday, September 29, 2018 – Save the date! Join us for the Northampton County Open Gate Farm Tour which runs from 1:00 – 5:00 pm. As we get closer to the actual tour date and know all of the participants, five to six locations will be selected to visit. We will gather at the church around noon, on that day so that we can be at the first stop at 1:00 pm. Rides will be coordinated rides so we are able to take the least amount of vehicles. **Contacts will be Bob and Kathy Wingrove 610-867-0537.** Some of the participants already committed to the tour are: Equi-Librium, Camel's Hump Farms, Tolino Vineyards, Grand Central Landfill and Wildlife Preserve, Easton Urban Farm, 4H Center, Baarda Farms, Klein Dairy Farm & Creamery, Miller Egg Farm and Seiple Farms. More details to come as information becomes available.

EHMC Book Club

The East Hills Moravian Church book club welcomes everyone to meet on **Monday, September 17 at 7:00 pm** to discuss Karen White's <u>On Folly Beach</u>. "This is storytelling of the highest order; the kind of book that leaves you both deeply satisfied and aching for more." Contact Amy Frantz Gross at <u>bartlet4pres@yahoo.com</u> or 610-217-6008 with questions.

<u>Women's Fellowship</u>: On Tuesday, June 5, the Women's Fellowship met for a delicious and enjoyable dinner at Prime Steakhouse. The dinner was attended by 33 women. This will be our last meeting until September. Our last meeting of the year is strictly a meeting of fellowship, and, although we had an excellent turnout, we would love to see more women at the dinner next year. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month except July and August for our monthly bible study and welcome all women to join us; meetings resume Tuesday, September 4 at 7:00 pm in the church parlor for the evening group and Wednesday, September 5 at 10:00 am in the old kitchen for the morning group. Thank you to the women who attended the dinner and made it a success!

Vacation Bible School

Children and adults from Advent, Central, and East Hills Moravian Churches all came together at Advent Moravian Church the week of June 11-15 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm each day for our joint VBS entitled "Rolling River Rampage". Approximately 36 children attended to grow together in faith through science, games, crafts, music and fun. We thank all of our participants and helpers for a wonderful week and look forward to next year!

Outdoor Worship

Save the date for our **9:30 am** outdoor worship service on **Sunday**, **July 8**. We will have our church picnic that same day, **Sunday**, **July 8**, but at a new time, **from 4-7:00 pm**; bring a dish to share at the picnic. Also, we will have our first ever pie bake-off at the picnic! Enter your best pie in the congregation's choice contest. **JULY 1 is the deadline to enter the pie contest**. Contact Amy Gross, 610-217-6008; <u>bartlet4pres@yahoo.com</u>, or Laura Kemmerer, 610-504-5114; <u>laura.noel@gmail.com</u> to enter.

EHMC Bowling Outing

Join us at Parkway Lanes, 1630 S. 12 St., Allentown on **Sunday, July 29, from 4-6:00 pm** for free bowling including free shoe rental. **RSVP by July 22** to Amy Gross, 610-217-6008; <u>bartlet4pres@yahoo.com</u> or Laura Kemmerer, 610-504-5114; <u>laura.noel@gmail.com.</u>

EHMC Family Game Night

Save the date of **Sunday**, **August 19**, **from 4-7:00 pm**, for an East Hills favorite summer tradition! We will have Family Game Night in Fellowship Hall that evening so bring your favorite games and a snack to share.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

We acknowledge the following 2018 graduates in the East Hills Moravian Church Family and wish them well in their future endeavors:

COLLEGE GRADUATES

- <u>Gregory Adams</u> graduated from Drexel University with a major in Chemical Engineering and a minor in Business Administration. He has accepted a full time position with Merck & Co., Inc. in Lansdale, PA. Greg is the son of Jeff and Linda Adams and brother to Ben.
- <u>Peter Conzola</u> graduated from Johns Hopkins University with a degree in Economics. He has accepted a job in Rye, NY with a Private Equity firm. He will be living in Manhattan. Peter was a Captain of the JHU Swim Team and was named a two time NCAA All American. Peter is the son of Joseph and Anne Conzola and brother to Andrew and Allison.
- Joshua Friedman graduated Summa Cum Laude from the Honors Program at Fordham University in New York City. At Fordham, Joshua was a member of Alpha Sigma Nu Honors Society and played trumpet in the Fordham orchestra and pep band. He will begin his career at Deutsche Bank in New York City as a Group Audit Analyst following orientation in London this summer. Josh is the son of Scott and Marybeth Friedman.
- <u>Nevada Heft</u> graduated from Case Western University School of Law (Cleveland, OH). He will be taking the Pennsylvania Bar Exam in July and hopes to practice law in the Philadelphia area. Nevada is the son of Todd Heft and Dianne Moody and brother to Zoli.
- <u>Cory Brandon Kohn and his wife, Kathryn Paris Kohn</u>, both graduated from Michigan State University on May 4, 2018. Cory received his Doctoral of Philosophy in a dual major; Integrative Biology and Ecology and Evolutionary Biology and Behavior. Katie received her Doctoral Degree in Chemistry. Katie is planning on continuing her education to obtain a Master's Degree to become a Research Librarian. Cory will defend his dissertation in July and hopes to be a professor by the fall semester at a college yet to be determined. Cory and Kathryn are the son and daughter-in-law of Denise Kohn-Lesko.

- <u>Elliot Laubach</u>, son of Gretchen and the late Jonathan Laubach, and grandson of Susan and Rich Kriebs, graduated from DeSales University on May 19 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in TV and Film. Elliot is a video editor and lighting artist who also specializes in motion graphics. His work can be viewed on his website, Elliot Laubach Creative. He interned at global media agency Fleishman Hillard in Washington DC and also worked at DeSales University as Media Specialist. He has received awards for his films and had several films featured in the 2018 DeSales University Film Festival, as well as other festivals in the past.
- <u>Madison Paige Sauers</u> graduated from Moravian College on May 12, 2018, with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and was honored for her academic success in Philosophy and Ethics. While at Moravian, Madison was very active in the campus chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha. She hopes to continue on with a career in the fashion industry. Madison is the daughter of Robert and Shannon Sauers and sister to Meredith and Cameron.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

- <u>Laura Davison</u> graduated from Freedom High School where she played flute and piccolo in the FHS band and cello in the FHS orchestra along with being a member of the Fife & Drum Corp. She was a member of the National Honor Society, President of the Choir, Student Director of the Full Choir and Handbell Choir and participated in Les Chanteurs and Chorale. In addition, Laura was on the swim team for three years and is active in Girl Scouts and BSA Venture Crew. Future plans for Laura include attending Lehigh University to double major in biochemistry and music. Laura is the daughter of Brian and Karen Davison and sister to Andrew.
- <u>Andrew Evans</u> graduated from Freedom High School and will be attending West Chester University this fall. Andrew is the son of Eric and Jodi Evans and brother to Adam.
- **Christopher Johnson**, son of Meg and Pete Norman, graduated from Freedom High School.
- <u>Lauren Soska</u> graduated from Freedom High School where she was involved in the Freedom Choir for three years, and the Hand Bells for four years. Lauren accumulated over 300 hours of community service in her four years of high school and will wear a silver cord at graduation to honor this achievement. In addition, she enjoys playing softball. Lauren will attend Bloomsburg University in the fall to study Medical Imaging. Lauren is the daughter of Joe and Annemarie Soska and sister to Sarah and Alan.

EHMC PRESCHOOL GRADUATE

 Julianna Grace Pitman graduated from East Hills Moravian Church Preschool and is excited to begin kindergarten at Governor Wolf Elementary School in the fall. We are very grateful for the Pre-K education and the wonderful, loving, and caring staff at East Hills. A very special thank you to her classroom teachers, Mrs. McLaughlin and Mrs. Conzola. Julianna is the daughter of Joe & Jill Pitman and sister to Savannah.







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EAST HILLS CASH CARD PROGRAM

New for Cash Cards!

There are some changes to our Cash Card Program.

For grocery store cards: (i.e., Giant, Valley Farm, and Wegmans), cards will continue to be available for immediate pick-up each week.

For the cards that are special ordered, orders will continue to be accepted each week, but Sue Larson will be placing an order with the supplier just once a month; on the last Sunday of the month, and cards will be available the first Sunday of the month.

Through November 2018 order deadlines will be:

- July 29th for Aug 5th delivery
- Aug 26th for Sept 2nd delivery
- Sept 30th for Oct 7th delivery
- Oct 28th for Nov 4th delivery
- Nov 25 for Dec 2nd delivery

In December, orders will be placed weekly to accommodate the holiday rush. The December 2018 order deadlines will be:

- Dec 2nd Dec 9th delivery
- Dec 9th Dec 16th delivery
- Dec 30th for Jan 7th delivery

In January 2019, we will evaluate if this is a working plan. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact Sue Larson at 610-737-0012 or <u>GSMom225@aol.com</u>

EHMC Yard Sale

The yard sale and the Women's Fellowship bake sale have been postponed until the fall; date to be announced.

Star Newsletter

The deadline for all information for the **September issue of the Star will be August 10.** Thank you!

Update Contact Information

If you or a family member has a change in name, address, phone number, e-mail address, etc., **please** notify the church office so we can keep our database current and keep you notified of upcoming events.



WE ARE CURRENTLY FOLLOWING OUR SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE WITH ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:30 AM

This schedule will continue through Labor Day Weekend, Sunday, September 2. Our regular worship schedule with two services and Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 9.

July Worship Schedule

ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 9:30 AM/NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

<u>July 1</u>

Sacristans-Steve & Lucy Thompson Elder-Jay Larson Liturgist-Barb Hendricks Ushers-Jack & Jean Skillman Counters-John Hicks/Ellen DeStasio Flowers-Thompson/Donatelli

<u>July 8</u>

Outdoor Worship Holy Communion/Jon Hus Festival Sacristans-Jack & Jean Skillman Elder-Laura Kemmerer Liturgist- Phil Turton Ushers-John & Ellen DeStasio Counters-John Hicks/Yvonne Gerlach Flowers-Larson/Sedlock

<u>July 15</u>

Sacristans-Brian & Tanya Yost Elder-Todd Heft Liturgist-Jon Burcaw Ushers-Mike Taylor/Bob Hauck Counters- Dwight Taylor/Yvonne Gerlach Flowers-Walz

<u>July 22</u>

Christmas In July Lovefeast Sacristans-All Sacristans Elder-Bob Wingrove Liturgist-Michael Clem Ushers-Michael Clem/Mike Taylor Counters-Dwight Taylor/Dave Evans Flowers-Marsh

<u>July 29</u>

Sacristans-Jon & Sue Burcaw Elder-Ellen DeStasio Liturgist-Todd Heft Ushers-Peter Diehl/Bobby Shimer Counters- Dwight Taylor/Dave Evans Flowers-Gruver/Mera

August Worship Schedule

ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 9:30 AM/NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

August 5

Sacristans-Bob & Lynn Greenawald Elder-Rob Sauers Liturgist-Eileen Mera Ushers-Greg & Nancy Costa Counters-Chris Gaugler/Phyllis Kulp Flowers-Burcaw/Murphy

August 12

Holy Communion/August 13th Festival

Sacristans-Wayne & Debbie Gruver Elder-Mike Taylor Liturgist- Jay Larson Ushers-Yvonne Gerlach/Sandy Gribbin Counters- Chris Gaugler/Phyllis Kulp Flowers-Matz

August 19

Sacristans-Bob Hauck/Eileen Ackerman Elder-Dave Sommers Liturgist-Kevin Moyzan Ushers-Jeff & Linda Adams Counters- Chris Gaugler/Jack Skillman Flowers-Adams/Hudock

August 26

Sacristans-Jim & Lucia Knerr Elder-Jeff Adams Liturgist-Jeff Adams Ushers-Rob Sauers/Heather Frantz Counters-Sue Larson/Jack Skillman Flowers-Reynolds





<u>JULY</u>

- 1 Lauren Soska, Kathy Wingrove
- 4 Karen Montgomery
- 5 Robert Frantz
- 8 Michelle Prall
- 9 Joanne VanBilliard
- 12 Brian Davison
- 14 Katherine Emmons, Patricia Hoffert
- 15 Jon Burcaw, Susan Clem
- **16** Bertha Murphy
- 18 Steven Calderon
- 19 Wayne Gruver, Debbie Matz, Bill Spinney
- 21 Justin Gichiengo, Amy Gross
- 22 James Eckerd
- **25** Lauren Jancsarics
- 27 Barbara Cressman, Anna French
- 28 Barbara Kemmerer
- **30** Ava Gruver

AUGUST

- 2 Lynn Greenawald
- 3 Zoe Kemmerer, Priscilla Mack, Terralyn Marsh, Jack Skillman
- 7 Kevin Moyzan, Jr.
- 8 John Hicks
- 10 Anne Conzola, Robert Sauers
- 11 Donna Kromer
- 12 Sue Christoff
- 13 Marcus Gichiengo, Cathy Taylor
- 15 Charmayne Stauffer
- 17 Rachel Shook
- 18 Marissa DeStasio
- 19 Linda Marsh
- 20 Matthew Kemmerer
- 21 Andrew Burcaw
- 22 Art Taylor
- 23 Ben Adams, Nancy Kichline, Megan Shook
- 25 Abigail Cooke, Shari Dunstan, Marybeth Friedman, Lucia Knerr, Ryan Latham
- **26** Randy Emmons
- 27 Benjamin Moyzan
- 28 Laura Eberly, Vanessa Kaki
- 30 Cole Donatelli, Lex Donatelli, Allison Shook, Virginia Yanzsa, Trevor Yost



Fifty Goats for Cuba



Support our Eastern District Youth and Young Adults Mission Development as we assist with rebuilding the sustainable goat farm owned and operated by The Moravian Church in Camaguey, Cuba. The cost of one goat?.....\$20.00.

The Moravian Church in Cuba started to build Camaguey's goat farm three years ago. The main purpose of the farm was to become selfsustaining and eventually use a portion of the profits to support the growing ministries of The Moravian Church in Cuba. This fall, the farm was hit by hurricane Maria. While the buildings and land sustained minimal damage, many of the livestock were lost, specifically goats. Our goal is to raise enough funding to purchase 50 goats and thereby restore the

farm to sustainability. Help us reach our goal by donating today, make it a Sunday school, youth, young adult or other mission project. Instead of going to the movies, stay at home one night and donate the money you would use to see the movie to buy a goat.

In developing countries, goats can change everything; they provide happiness. Their milk is a source of great protein to help children grow. A healthy dairy goat can give up to 16 cups of milk a day. Goat's milk is easier to digest than cow's milk and is an excellent source of calcium, protein, and other essential nutrients that growing children need. Goats are practical animals — flourishing in harsh climates while producing valuable manure to fertilize crops and vegetable gardens. In this case, the local Moravian Church can share milk produced and sell any extra to earn money for ministry and church growth. Your gift will help The Moravian Church in Camaguey, Cuba to change their corner of the world, smiles will widen and happiness will be shared.

Send your Donaaaaations to: EDEB, 1021 Center Street; Bethlehem, PA 18018 Donations accepted June 1st – August 1[;] List Goats - Camaguey, Cuba on the memo line of check.

BAM MinCom News: Habitat for Humanity

Bethlehem Area Moravians will be helping with the Habitat for Humanity Build on **September 13** (Thursday) and September 22nd (Saturday). We can use up to 8 volunteers on each day. Beginners are welcome! If you would like to volunteer, go to http://habitatlehighvalley.volunteerhub.com and create an account. If you have participated in the past, you only need to update your password. A safety waiver is required. For assistance or additional details, contact Harry Tachovsky at 610-691-3737 or http://habitatlehighvalley.tachovsky@gmail.com.

Moravian Music Foundation Needs Your Help

The Moravian Music Foundation is excited to announce the Third Moravian Unity Brass Festival, July 19-22, in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Info at: <u>www.unitybrass.moravianmusicfestival.org</u>. Two international groups of Moravians will be visiting the Lehigh Valley: **July13-15** a group from Port Elizabeth (South Africa) and **July 25-30** a group from the Continental (European) province. We are looking for housing (bed and breakfast) for both groups during their stays. If anyone is able to help, please contact Gwyn Michel at the Bethlehem office of the MMF (610-866-3340 or <u>gwyn@moravianmusic.org</u>).

The Salem (South Africa) Brass Band will be presenting a concert on **Saturday**, **July 14**, **2018**, **7:00 pm at Nazareth Moravian Church**, **4 South Main St.**, **Nazareth 610-759-3163**. Free admission; offering will be received to offset travel costs for performers.

EAST HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH EVENTS AUGUST 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Summer Worship Schedule 9:30 am One service			1 7:00 pm Men's Bible Słudy	2 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	3	4
5 9:30 am Worship	6	7 7:00 pm CEC	8 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	9	10 *Deadline for Sept. Star Information	11
12 9:30 am Worship	13 7:30 pm Worship Cmte	14 7:00 pm Preschool Board	15 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	16 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	17	18
19 9:30 am Worship 4:00 pm Family Game Night	20	21 7:00 pm Trustees	22 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Why Knots	23	24	25
26 9:30 am Worship	27	28 7:00 pm Elders	29 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	30	31	

EAST HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH EVENTS JULY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 am Worship Deadline to enter pie contest	2 7:00 pm CEC	3	4 Independence Day Church Office Closed	5 7:00 pm Boy Scouts	6	7
8 9:30 am Worship Outdoor Worship Holy Communion 4:00 pm Church Picnic	9 7:30 pm Worship Cmte	10 7:00 pm Preschool Board	11 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study	12	13	14
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