EAST HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2018

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"The Importance of Continuing Christian Religious Education"

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

An old proverb states "Charity begins at home;" so too, does spiritual growth and a healthy relationship with God. Weekly worship is a good beginning, but limiting one's program of religious enrichment to worship alone is the spiritual equivalent of trying to rehabilitate an injury by doing physical therapy only once a week. It's a routine and disciplined approach to Christian religious education that leads to real progress. Fortunately, there are many resources available for those wishing to grow spiritually.

September 9th is Rally Day, the beginning of a new year of Sunday School. Each Sunday at 9:30 am, persons of all ages have the opportunity to dig more deeply into scripture in the context of a community of believers. Discussion and study are facilitated by our committed Sunday School staff. If Sunday School does not appeal to you, East Hills Moravian Church offers week-day Bible Study groups. On Tuesday, Jesus Saves, led by Eugene McDuffie, meets from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Parlor. On Wednesday, Men's Bible Study meets from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the same room. There are also groups of Moravian Women who meet periodically and begin their time with Bible study. If self-study is your preference, Bible reading plans are available in most study bibles and in the Moravian Daily Text. The Daily Text itself is available as a free daily email.

Ideally, each of us would partake from a varied diet of individual and collective reflection and study. Yet, HOW we go about continuing our Christian religious education matters far less than THAT we continue to feed our souls on a daily basis. Resolve to review and, if necessary, improve your personal program of religious enrichment this fall.

1. In this proverb the word "charity" is used in its "archaic" sense as meaning 'the love of humankind."

Duck French



Preschool News Mary Kay Brezinsky

It is almost time for preschool classes to begin, and we are busy getting ready for the first day of school. Everyone is well rested and looking forward to the return of

our preschoolers! The beach chairs are being cleaned off and are used in the Four Year Old Class reading area, and the bulletin boards become alive again with the artwork from our preschool children. Our annual Parent Open House is **Wednesday**, **September 5 at 7:00 pm** in the sanctuary, our Parent/Child Orientation is **Thursday**, **September 6**, and the first week of classes begins **Monday**, **September 10**. We still have just a few spots left in our classes that range from ages 2-5 years. We are here to help you with your preschool needs. East Hills Moravian Preschool is a wonderful place where children Learn, Play and Explore, and we hope that you will tell your family, friends and neighbors about our wonderful program! Please call the office, come see our beautiful facility, and meet our staff. The office number is 610-868-6242, and we look forward to hearing from you!

Christian Fellowship News & Opportunities

Worship Schedule Changes

Our current summer worship schedule with one service at 9:30 am and no Sunday School will run through **September 2**. Please join us when our regular worship schedule resumes on **Sunday**, **September 9** for worship at 8:30 and 10:30 am and our special <u>Rally Day Sunday School opening celebration</u> in the Family Center at 9:30 am.

Women's Fellowship

You are invited to join us this fall for 4 sessions of Moravian Women. Our first session will be held on **Tuesday, September 4, at 7:00 pm**, at the home of Sue Hahn, when we will discuss "Random Acts of Kindness." Please let Sue know if you plan to attend (610-865-2304). Plan to join us for the remaining 3 sessions, each one on the first Tuesday of the month, when we will discuss the study guide written by retired Rt. Rev. Dr. Kay Ward, "Let's Shine A Little Light on our Faith." Watch the bulletin, weekly emails from the church office, the Star, or check in the Narthex for details.

EHMC Book Club

The next meeting of the book club will be **Monday, September 17 at 7:00 pm** to discuss Karen White's <u>On Folly Beach</u>. Contact Amy Frantz Gross at <u>bartlet4pres@yahoo.com</u> or 610-217-6008. **The September book club meeting will be held at Lucy Thompson's home, 895 Wafford Lane, Bethlehem.**

EHMC Childcare For Worship

Child care for infants through kindergarten children will be provided September through May during the 10:30 am worship service beginning September 2018. If you are interested in volunteering and have your clearances, please contact Kelly Newhall at 610-861-4699 or text 610-653-6368.

Save The Date

Senior High Games and Pizza Night **Sunday, October 7; 4-7:00 pm**. Bring your favorite games. Senior High Youth Group is for all current high school students. Please RSVP to Amy Frantz Gross at <u>bartlet4pres@yahoo.com</u> or 610-217-6008 by **September 30**.

Obituary - The Rev. Larry Wetzel

We give thanks for the life of The Rev. Larry Wetzel, who passed into the more immediate presence of his Lord and Savior on May 19, 2018, at the age of 77. Brother Wetzel was a former pastor here at East Hills during the time the sanctuary was being built in 1967. He is survived by his wife, Janet, his son, Christopher, his daughter, Michele, and two grandchildren. Janet's address is: 19626 N. Sombrero Circle, Sun City, AZ 85373, for anyone wishing to send a card.

Care Of Brass Items

Handling brass items in the church with bare hands transfers oils, salts, and acids to the metal surface, and these can interact with the brass over time to cause finger marking, tarnishing, and corrosion. To keep the brassware bright at East Hills, please ask a Sacristan for assistance or wear cotton gloves that are stored in the top left drawer in the Sacristan's kitchen. Thank you.

Volunteers Needed

The Christian Education Committee is looking for some folks to join the crew. The meetings are short and the work load is light. Please contact Jon Burcaw at 610-428-0703 for details.

Adult Fellowship Events

- ~ Saturday, September 22: Do you need more "ZIP" in your life? Hold on to your hats (literally) and join us for zip line mountain adventures at Camelback Adventure Park in the Poconos. We will carpool from the church at 9:00 am. Various activities are available to you including the mountain coaster and the zip line. More details are available at www.camelbackmountainadventures.com. Contact Steve Thompson (slmicro@ptd.net or 610-691-2708) by Sunday September 16 to sign up.
- ~Saturday, September 29: Join us for the Northampton County Open Gate Farm Tour which runs from 1:00 5:00 pm and is a tradition of the Penn State Extension for more than four decades. We will gather at the church at noon, so we can be at the first stop by 1:00 pm. Rides will be coordinated to limit vehicles. Your costs for the day will be for gas, purchases at the farms if you so desire, and dinner if anyone wants to gather after. This is a very optional day, with no set meals at this point. Five to six stops will be selected from the participants: Equi-Librium, Purple Haze Alpacas, Camel's Hump Farms, Tolino Vineyards, Grand Central Landfill and Wildlife Preserve, Easton Urban Farm, 4H Center, Baarda Farms, Klein Dairy Farm & Creamery, Miller's Egg Ranch and Seipel Farms. *Note this also runs on Sunday, September 30 if you want to go to other locations that we don't visit. Call Bob and Kathy Wingrove, 610 867-0537, by Sunday, September 23 for more info or to sign up.

EAST HILLS 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:
 - 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 auestions please contact Sue Larson at 610-737-0012 or GSMom225@aol.com



Dear Well Wishers,

Thank you from a perennial generation citizen for your various happy birthday wishes. I enjoyed a splendid 90th birthday celebration with my family at a local

restaurant. I especially enjoyed the hot fudge sundae following the celebration! Thanks again for all of your thoughts, prayers, cards, and phone calls. Blessings to all, Barbara Cressman

To my Church Family,

A BIG thank you for your prayers, phone calls, cards, and well wishes during my recent hospitalization and surgery. I appreciate having such a caring community! Steve Thompson

OUR LAST SUNDAY WORSHIP OF THE SUMMER SCHEDULE WILL BE LABOR DAY WEEKEND, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 9:30 AM.

Our regular worship schedule with two services and Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 9.

September Worship Schedule

ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 9:30 AM/NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 2

September 2

Last Sunday of Summer Schedule

Sacristans-Jim & Anna Koehler

Elder- Jay Larson **Liturgist-**Lisa Mixon

Ushers- Jim Knerr/Jon Burcaw

Counters-Sue Larson/Mike DelPriore

Flowers-Gribbin/Ozimek

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE RESUMES WITH TWO SERVICES AT 8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM AND SUNDAY SCHOOL (RALLY DAY) AT 9:30 AM ON SEPTEMBER 9

September 9

Rally Day

Sacristans-John & Phyllis Kulp

Elder-(8:30) Mike Taylor (10:30) Laura Kemmerer

Liturgist-(8:30) Bruce Montgomery (10:30) Bill Matz, Jr.

Ushers-(8:30) Joe & Frieda Soska (10:30) John & Ellen DeStasio

Counters-Kelly Newhall/Mike DelPriore

Flowers-Knerr

September 16

New Member Lovefeast

Sacristans-All Sacristans

Elder-(8:30) Rob Sauers (10:30) Bob Wingrove

Liturgist-(8:30) Randy Emmons (10:30) Ellen DeStasio

Ushers-(8:30) Jim & Anna Koehler (10:30) Becky Bieber/Antonio DelPriore

Counters- Jim Epler/Randy Emmons

Flowers-Matz

September 23

Sacristans-Gary & Linda Marsh

Elder-(8:30) Mike Taylor (10:30) Jay Larson

Liturgist-(8:30) Peter Norman (10:30) Jeff Adams

Ushers-(8:30) Peter Diehl/Bob Hauck (10:30) Greg & Nancy Costa

Counters- Jim Epler/Randy Emmons

Flowers-DeStasio/Thompson

September 30

Sacristans-Jack & Jean Skillman

Elder-(8:30) Jeff Adams (10:30) Bob Wingrove

Liturgist-(8:30) Jay Larson (10:30) Peter Diehl

Ushers-(8:30) Michael Clem/Mike Taylor (10:30) Steve & Lucy Thompson

Counters- Jim Epler/Deb Spinney

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- **15** Mark Ozimek
- 17 James Koehler, Sr.
- 18 Ruth Allen, Carol Grace Hicks
- 19 Christine Darrah, Laura Davison
- 20 Russ Costa, Sam Hicks
- **25** Eileen Ackerman, Hunter Shook
- **27** John DeStasio
- **28** Jessica Taylor
- 29 Jennifer Cooke, Sarah Hull, Art King
- **30** Betty Hippenstiel

Happy 3rd Birthday Zoe Noel Kemmerer!

Congratulations Zoe! On August 3, Zoe turned 3 years old and graduated from Cradle Roll here at East Hills Moravian Church. Cradle Roll is a Christian-based age appropriate program where information is mailed monthly to all parents of children from birth (adoption) through three years. Once a child turns three, they graduate from Cradle Roll and become eligible to attend Sunday School Nursery Class. Cradle Roll also provides a card that is given to the family at baptism. If you know of any church members who have a child from birth (adoption) through three years old that is not receiving Cradle Roll's monthly age appropriate mailing, please let Denise Kohn know by phoning 610-867-8467 or contact the church office.

Change Of Address

Fellow East Hills member and Elder, Mike Taylor, has moved and wanted to share his new address with his church family: 1812 Leithsville Rd., Apt. 1, Hellertown, PA 18055.





BAM Picnic

Our annual BAM picnic will be held on **September 9 from 4-7:00 pm at Advent Moravian Church, 3730 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem**. We will have lots of opportunities at the picnic to eat good food, enjoy good conversation, and spend time getting to know many of our Moravian brothers and sisters from our BAM churches.

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 https://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 https://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 https://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.

Moravian Ministries Foundation Workshop

The Moravian Ministries Foundation in America in conjunction with Moravian Academy are jointly hosting a FREE workshop "Picture Your Legacy" in Bethlehem on **October 2 at 6:00 pm.** This is designed to help attendees translate their unique calling into a workable philanthropic plan that matches their interests and resources.



Camp Hope 2018

The 2018 summer camp season at Camp Hope is completed. Below is a brief report on how the camp carried out their theme of "**coMISSION**" (to do mission together).

East Hills was represented this year by nine campers and five weekly staff members:

Campers: Alec Lutz, Fishing Camp; Joshua Lutz, Fishing Camp; Alan Soska, Jr. High Conference; Antonio Del Priore, Middler Conference; Ethan DeStasio, Middler Conference; Marissa Epler, Sr. High Conference; Mikayla Bowden, Sr. High Conference; Mikela Ortwein, Sr. High Conference; Steven Ent, Sr. High Conference.

Weekly Staff Members: Lauren Soska, Pre-Primary Conference; Pastor Derek French, Fishing Camp; Bob Wingrove, Fishing Camp Dean; Mikela Ortwein, Middler Conference; Joe Torcivia, Jr. High Conference.



Camp Hope 2018 - coMISSION!

The theme of the 2018 camp season at Hope Conference & Renewal Center ("Camp Hope") was coMISSION, or "doing mission together." Each of the eight camps participated in at least one mission activity:

- They fed the hungry by packing 15,000 high-nutrition servings of pasta with tomato and basil sauce, which was given to food distribution ministries in Hope (NJ), Nazareth (PA) and northern New Jersey. Middler Conference (grades 5 and 6) campers prepared meals of penne pasta, salad and garlic bread which they gave to a neighbor of the camp and to two single-parent families with camp connections.
- All campers had the opportunity to help **clothe the needy** by bringing items of clothing they had outgrown. Camp collected the clothing for the Mountainview Moravian Clothing Ministry. The items completely filled two cars when it was delivered to the church, where it will be distributed the last two Saturdays of August.
- Pre-Primary campers (grades 1 and 2) visited the sick and those imprisoned by ill health and failing bodies. They decorated 50 small ceramic dishes, filled them with Hershey kisses, and took them to Forest Manor Health Care Center, just four miles from camp. The campers sang for the residents and interacted with them by tracing their own hand and that of a resident on the same piece of paper. The campers brightened many people's days that week.
- Campers at Jr. High Conference (grades 7 and 8) welcomed strangers by decorating and packing 86 duffel bags filled with items to make foster children feel more at home. Some of the bags were left at camp and given to campers at Royal Family Kids Camp, a group which rents the camp facilities each year to provide a week of camp for foster children from eastern New Jersey.
- Middler campers made Therapy Putty, colored rice, and colored pasta for children who are
 thirsting to figure out the world around them. The materials will be used in sensory rooms at
 First Moravian Church in York (PA) by two sensory therapy playgroups who meet at the church
 twice a week.

In addition, Sr. High campers helped to refurbish some of the elements of Ryan's Ropes, the camp's team-building and challenge course; campers at Musical Theater Camp gave two world premiere performances of **ACTS!**, an original musical written by the camp's dean (and will be giving an encore performance at Schoeneck Moravian Church in Nazareth on Saturday, September 1); Middler campers created welcome cards and a banner for a Moravian camp held in Cuba; and Jr. High campers learned what it is like to be homeless and without shelter.

The camp was pleased to be able to support some congregational ministries, as well as missions outside of the Moravian Church, with this theme. All campers went home with a better idea of the importance of doing mission, and suggestions on how they could do mission in their own congregation or community.