September /October 2015

The Mission of the Edgeboro Moravian Church Family is to Love God, Grow in Christ and Share the Holy Spirit through worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry and evangelism.

Edgeboro Moravian Congregation

Dear Members and Friends of the Edgeboro Congregation:

Can we talk?

Every now and then it is good to sit down with your friends and family and just get caught up on what is happening in life, talk about things that are meaningful, and how we can best journey in life together. That is just what we want to do over a series of Sundays here at Edgeboro beginning in September.

These conversations will be held during the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary following the 9:00 a.m. service and before the 11:15 a.m. service. We would like to hold these conversations by age groups as a way to address joys and concerns that are unique to each group. This is a conversation between each of you and me as your pastor. During this 45-minute conversation I want to offer a chance for us to talk about our hopes and dreams for Edgeboro are as we seek to serve God in this neighborhood for yet another 100 years.

While we are dividing this up by age group, feel free to come to the one that you feel will best serve you and your family. Nobody will be checking your age at the door! Here then are when we are planning on holding these discussions.

September 20 – Those 66 and older

September 27 – Those 51-65

October 4 – Those 36-50

October 11 – Those 26-35

October 18 –Those 19-25

November 1 – Those 14-18

November 8 – Those 11-13

November 15 – Those 0-10, with their parents

I am finding it a true privilege to be serving the Edgeboro congregation as its pastor, and I look forward to this wonderful opportunity to sit down with as many of you as possible so that we can cast a God-given vision for the future of our ministry together. So please make it a priority to be in attendance on the day that you can come.

Your Servant in Christ,

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In this section you will find information about special offerings, services and activities for the communal worship of our congregation.

Worship

Joyful Noise Offering

Annual BAM Picnic

The annual BAM picnic will be held on Sunday, September 13th

at 4:00PM at Central Moravian Church. So please put the date on your calendar and be sure to join us as we gather with our Moravian brothers and sisters from around the city of Bethlehem. All the food is provided, just bring a lawn chair and come ready to enjoy!

Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. and a worship service will follow



The Joyful Noise Offering for July was for Salvation Army Feeding program. The amount collected was \$109.47.

The Joyful Noise for August was for Northeast ministries.. The amount collected was \$162.08.

The Joyful Noise for September is Alex's Lemonade Stand, October is Crop Walk and November is Esperanza.

Thank you for your generosity!



Reminder to All!

Don't miss the Council Meeting on Wednesday November 11th at 7:00PM. Look for more information to arrive in October!

Reminder:

All information for the October mini issue of the Envoy needs to be in the church office no later than September 15th.



Fall Schedule

We will resume our fall schedule on Sunday September 13th which is 9:00AM Worship, 10:15AM Sunday School, 11:15AM The EDGE. It will be a very busy day. We will install the Sunday School teachers at the 9:00AM Service and it is also Sunday School Rally Day.

Servants in September

Elders 9:00AM

6 Craig Neiman (9:30AM)

13 Val Hoff

20 Robyn Balsai

27 Myra Jones

Elders 11:15AM

13 Val Hoff

20 Robyn Balsai

27 Myra Jones

Sacristans

6 David & Sharon Bond 13 Glen & Perry Emig 20 Michael & Myra jones 27 John Meka & Linda

27 John Me Lindemuth

Ushers 9:00AM

6 Art Sergent & Family (9:30)

13 Jean Bell & Rod Sergent

20 Heath Hoff Family

27 Eric Smith Family

Ushers 11:15AM

13 Mike & Terri Long

20 Kyle Sergent & Family

27 Brian Lauderman & Ron Heft

Greeters 9:00AM

6 Cheryl & Jacob Kindt (9:30AM)

13 Joyce LeWando

20 Marcia Horning

27 LaRue Jones

Greeters 11:15 AM

13 Nancy Remaly

20 John & Rosie Bauman

27 Holly Haines

Sunday Worship Schedule

September 6

9:30AM Worship

10:30AM Adult Sunday School

September 13

Holy Communion

9:00AM Worship (Install SS Teachers)

10:15 AM Rally Day

11:15AM The EDGE

September 20 Joyful Noise

 $Children \'s\ Love feast$

9:00 AM Worship

10:15AM Sunday School

11:15AM The EDGE

September 27

9:00AM Worship 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM The EDGE & Baptism

Looking Ahead

October 4

World Communion Joyful Noise Offering



Nursery Schedule

Date	Toddler Room	Infant Room
September 6	Season Pagano	Carole Schachter
September 13	Heather James	Karen and Woody Werner
September 20	Callen Messman	Karen and Woody Werner
September 27	Gaye Eldridge	Karen and Woody Werner

Our Worship Attendance for July			
2014		2015	
98 (SS) (C)	Week 1	76 (SS) (C)	
109 (SS) (OW)	Week 2	109 (SS)	
97 (SS) (B)	Week 3	102 (SS)	
77 (SS)	Week 4	99 (SS)	

B= Baptism

C = Communion

OW-Outdoor Worship

SS= Summer Service

Servants in October

Elders 9:00AM

4 Val Hoff

11 Craig Neiman

18 Mike Long

25 Myra Jones (10:00AM)

Elders 11:15AM

4 Robyn Balsai

11 Craig Neiman

18 Mike Long

Sacristans

4 Scott & Beth Pretti

11 Bob & Elley Silfies

18 Brad & Mary Williamson

25 John Bauman & Peggy Leith

Ushers 9:00AM

4 David Bond & Linda Lindemuth

11 Jean Bell & Rod Sergent

18 LaRue Jones & Ruth Zaun

25 Bob & Elley Silfies (10:00AM)

Ushers 11:15AM

4 John & Rosie Bauman

11 Randy & Deea Graser

18 Brent Sergent & Family

Greeters 9:00AM

4 Groner Family

11 Bucchin Family

18 Linda Lindemuth

25 Sally Abruzzese

Greeters 11:15 AM

4 Knox Family

11 Ryan & Becky Beller

18 Sharon Hollowell

25 Randy & Deea Graser

Sunday Worship Schedule

October 4 Joyful Noise Holy Communion 9:00AM Worship

10:15 AM Sunday School 11:15 AM The EDGE

October 11

9:00AM Worship & Baptism 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM The EDGE

October 18

9:00 AM Worship 10:15AM Sunday School 11:15AM The EDGE

> October 25 Anniversary Lovefeast 10:00AM Worship Pot Luck Lunch



Nursery Schedule

Date	Toddler Room	Infant Room
October 4	Jenny Minnich	Carole Schachter
October 11	Tim & Hope Harrell	Karen and Woody Werner
October 18	Sherri Hoff	Karen and Woody Werner
October 25	Cheryl Kindt	Karen and Woody Werner

Our Worship Attendance for August				
2014		2015		
85 (SS)	Week 1	110 (SS)		
122 (SS) (C)	Week 2	91 (SS) (C)		
98 (SS) (OW)	Week 3	89 (SS)		
141 (SS)	Week 4	112(SS) (OW)		

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Fellowship

In this section you will find information about fellowship events, correspondence received during the month and birthday and anniversary dates!



BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3) Myron Hahn
- 4) Nelson Hoff Nicole Dotta
- 6) Thomas Balsai LaRue Jones Valerie Peters
- 7) Daniel Shaffer Andrew Miller
- 9) Brent Sergent, II
- 10) Paul Messman
- 11) Nikole Raskovic Elizabeth Pretti
- 12) William Burkhardt Grace Fenner Stephen Kish Martin Talpas, Jr.
- 13) Barbara Peters Rose Yeates
- 14) Meghan Long
- 17) Rita Young
- 19) Anne Hosterman
- 21) John Meka
- 22) Leah Henry
- 23) Andrew Schwepfinger
- 24) Todd Schwepfinger
- 27) Laurie Schwepfinger
- 28) Myra Jones
- 29) Renee Shelbo
- 30) Eric Smith

Common Thread

The Common Thread support group, will continue meeting on the fourth Tuesday (usually) of the month at 11:00 AM. This month it is September 29th and in October it is October 27th . You are encouraged to bring a light lunch with you. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Marcia Horning at 610-657-0207.

SUGAR CAKES

The next time sugar cakes will be made is **Friday**, **October 16th**. There are **not** going to be any made in September so get your orders ready for October!



Children

- 7) Karlie Harrell
- 13) Asher Koren
- 15) Veronica Campanella
- 23) Arianna Ditmar
- 27) Joseph Scalise
- 30) Benjamin Miller

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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- 1) Jeremiah & Jessica Beller
- 4) Richard & Cynthia Grebs
- 5) Stephen & Shervl Moller
- 7) David & Ann Amidon
- 8) John & Marcia Madison
- 19) Pat & Nancy Zulli
- 20) Christopher & Nicole Dotta
- 24) Brian & Dorothy Smith
- 25) James & Jessie Bucchin Gary & Sherrie Rohn



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BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1) Kay Gariepy
- 2) Lacey Bacon
- 4) Joyce LeWando Arthur Sergent Brent Sergent Tamara Baer
- 5) James Buss Jennifer Minnich
- 6) Dennis Wilson
- 9) Jessica Beller
- 10) Helene Boyle
- 12) Claire Hahn Christopher Shelbo
- 13) Darlene Borst Spencer Smith
- 14) Michael Becker Erik Gross
- 15) Tina Giesler
- 16) Andrew Giesler
- 18) Donna Hendley Karen Werner
- 19) Scott Pretti
- 21) Harold (Kyle) Borowski Paula Horn Paulette Moll
- 22) Anita Fazakas Peter Raskovic Carole Schachter
- 23) Robert Frank Rachel Schachter
- 26) Terry Smyser Craig Neiman
- 27) Bradley Miller Betty Stewart
- 28) Michelle Volkert Penny Sergent
- 29) Justin Peters Brittany Lilly
- 30) Jameson Gillen
- 31) Aleace Walrath

Moss collecting?! What????

We need 20-something crates of moss for our Putz. Join us on Saturday, October 31st at 9 a.m. in the church parking lot. The rain date is Nov 1st.We will carpool and caravan to the secret moss collecting spot. The drive is beautiful, the hotdogs taste better in the woods than anywhere else, and you will discover how many types of moss there are in Pennsylvania!

Call Art Sergent or email adsergent@verizon.net so he know how many hotdogs to bring.

Make this a yearly tradition. You will not regret it!

The **Moravian Historical Society** would like to invite area Moravian congregations to participate in this year's Christmas in Nazareth celebration on December 12th from 11am – 6pm. We have carved enough space upstairs in our museum area to accommodate one 6ft table per congregation. This is a great opportunity to sell arts & crafts, baked goods, general outreach and so on. There is absolutely no cost to reserve a table – I would just need to know by November 1st (earlier would be better) if there's a group or groups in your congregation that would like to take advantage of this.

Thank you and please do not hesitate to reach out with questions! Derrick Clark

Moravian Historical Society 610-759-5070



Children

- 2) Harmony Hoff
- 3) Carolyn Burke
- 8) Robert Engelbrecht Callen Walrath Hailey Walrath
- 13) Dane Mohap
- 14) Aidan Fetcho
- 16) Toni Frank
- 18) Kaylee Wagner
- 20) Sophie Terry
- 21 Chase Dotta
- 25) Joseph Courtade

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1) Thomas and Christine Shafer
- 2) John and Diane Knox
- 16) Michael and Betty Louie Christopher and Amy Dreisbach
- 19) Scott and Anita Jones
- 22) Hope and Tim Harrell
- 26) Heather and Ryan James
- 30) David and Sharon Bond



Church News

Our New Student Pastor — We are thrilled to announce that Edgeboro will be receiving a new student pastor beginning in September. Greg Behrend is from the great State of Wisconsin and is beginning his second year at Moravian Theological Seminary. Yes, along with Pastor Chris, he does share a fondness for a certain football team located in Green Bay. Greg and his wife Amy have been living in Los Angeles this past summer as Greg has been serving as a supply pastor at the Downey Moravian Church. We look forward to Greg being with us for the next two years as he completes his seminary studies in preparation for service in the Moravian Church.

We wish **Tayte Messman**, **Liza Bucchin and Emily Sergent** good luck as they start their college experience.

Northeast Ministry is extremely grateful to have such a great partnership with Edgeboro Moravian Church. As you may know, we host an annual golf tournament in memory of our former Executive Director who passed away in September 2012. This year marks our 3rd Annual *Steve Godbolt Par Fore Kids and Northeast Ministry Golf Classic*, which will be held on **September 25, 2015** at the Bethlehem Golf Club.

As a social service agency serving the Marvine-Pembroke low income housing development, Northeast Ministry's mission is *to empower individuals and families of the Marvine-Pembroke community to break the cycle of dependence and reach their highest potential*. The programs and services we provide to the community help us achieve this mission and one way we are able to do so is by using the funds raised by the golf tournament.

We know there are many great causes to support, and we thank you for choosing Northeast Ministry as one of them. Please feel free to contact me for any further information.

Paula Johnson 610-691-3355

(The church office has some registration forms)

Prayer – Your Greatest Privilege
Eastern Region Moravian Women's 2015 Fall Workshop
Saturday, September 26, 2015
East Hills Moravian Church
1830 Butztown Road
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Registration begins at 9:00AM Workshops begin at 10:00AM Continental Breakfast and lunch will be served.

Registration: \$20 due before Sept 12th, 2015

After Sept 12th: \$25.00

Workshop Topics

Prayer Health & Wellness Mission

Registration Contact: Sis Janice Sinclair – Muguercia Phone: 201-543-8019 Email: jasmuguercia@gmail.com Page 8

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FaithBuilders Celebrate a Completed Home!

For almost two years Bethlehem Area Moravian congregations along with First Presbyterians (Bethlehem), and Nativity Cathedral Episcopalians worked together to build a Habitat for Humanity Lehigh Valley house for a family in need. Through donations, selected offerings, designated gifts from the BAM Craft Festival, and a BAM ministries grant, we have raised a little beyond our goal of \$25,000. Members have given their time and sweat to participate in the blitz build and other volunteers opportunities on this house. We especially thank our coordinators Harry Tachovsky and Bob Adams.

We are thrilled that the house on 8th Street on the southside of Bethlehem was completed this spring and dedicated on July 25th. The Ntawugiheza family, a family of five, who formerly lived in an African refugee camp, will be the new

Owners. Both parents work locally and have completed their 250 hours of "sweat equity" to be eligible for their Habitat home. If you are interested in volunteering with Habitat for Humanity Lehigh Valley. please contact Harry Tachovsky from Central Moravian at harry.tachovsky@gmail.com, or 610-691-3737.

Mark your Calendars!

Sunday, October 11, 2015

31st Annual Bethlehem Crop Walk

The Walk starts at 1:00 p.m. under the Hill to Hill Bridge

Please plan to help us with this important event!

WALK WITH US

Join with people around the world by finding sponsors and walking the 6 mile (10K) course with us, with shorter distances marked for those who need it. It's an easy pace with lots of companionship and support

SUPPORT OUR WALKERS

If you can't walk, please consider sponsoring one of our walkers. Donations of any size are welcome.

Please contact Paul Messman if you'd like to participate in this important event at messmanblake@gamil.com or 610-954-5173.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE

Friday October 30th
5-8 pm
(come for 10 mins. Or all 3 hours!)



All Ages Welcome

Food includes: Hotdogs, chips, carrots, and milk.
There will be cookie decorating and crafts.
Free will offering.

Feel free to bring candy to hand out to the Trick or Treaters!

We are located at: 645 Hamilton Ave. On the corner of Elm St and Hamilton Ave.

Office: 610-866-8793





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Ice Cream Festival 2015

How is it that we can amass such a crowd on a Monday night? I have pondered this for years but know to stick with the wisdom: "don't fix something that is not broken." We would **not** have a better turn out on a Friday night.



How many people do you think came to the Edgeboro's Ice Cream Festival? Did you notice all the little kids playing?

Paul and I run an intergenerational camp in western Pennsylvania every summer and a phrase that comes to everyone's mind during the camp is that our time is "like a little slice of heaven." Our evening with all those friends and neighbors at Edgeboro is like a little slice of heaven too. All the work, helping, and contributing whether you were making food, setting up, contributing food, decorating, serving, cleaning up, singing,...these are all uses, these all make us feel happy as we do them. That is what I think heaven is like.

Thank you for helping, thank you for coming, thank you for contributing, thank you for bringing family and friends. Heaven! Let us come together again next year.

P.S. For those who like the bottom line: 2015 profits - \$2226.70

Moravian Mints

Imagine it is Christmastime again. It's not hard as it seems to come faster every year. You want to get your neighbor a little something for helping you shovel that last wicked batch of snow. You think immediately of the delicious Moravian mints your church sells. But, wait, they didn't make them again? What will you do???

How can this tragedy be avoided the second year in a row? Easy! The first week of November will be Mint Making week. We need stirrers, pourers, meal makers and those amazing ribbon tiers to make it happen. We need an earnest commitment from those wanting to keep this great tradition alive.

If you can commit to any amount of time please let Marcia Horning know through a phone call or email. Without a commitment from enough helpers, it cannot happen. Please prayerfully consider helping out to make it an amazing year for mints!

Marcia Horning home phone 610.691.3209 or cell phone 610.657.0207

Or by email mdhorning@rcn.com

Commitment Dates for 2015

MAKING_	<u>PACKING</u>
Mon. Nov. 2	Tues. Nov 3
Tues. Nov. 3	Wed. Nov 4
Wed. Nov 4	Thurs. Nov 5
Thurs Nov 5	Fri. Nov 6

Board of Trustees' July Meeting Highlights

• Bill Burkhardt had the plumber he uses at the Dairy Store stop in to fix the toilet in the Nursery which ended up being a \$700.00 expense due to no shutoff valves on the line into the toilet so the city had to be contacted to shut off the main to do the repair. The repair included installing a shut off valve on the water line to the toilet.

- Salvation Army meal upcoming; also Tom mentioned we are now a member of the Restaurant Depot in Bethlehem which is less expensive than Sam's & BJ's.
- John Bauman is recruiting people to help to be counters.
- Glen Emig has agreed to fill Ryan's position due to resignation.
- Motion made by Bill to hire Waldron Painting and Weber's Wood Flooring for the refurbishing project of the sanctuary
 - **Don't forget to sign up for e-Giving!** If you have any questions about this please see Ryan Beller. He will be more than happy to assist you.
 - **Ask yourself Are you a faithful giver?** We understand that due to work, vacations, inclement weather and sickness it may not be possible to attend church every Sunday. The work of the church continues even when you can't be here. Thank you for considering becoming faithful in your giving. And if you are already a faithful giver *thanks!*

Board of Elders' August Meeting Highlights

- Joyful noise
- Aug- NE ministries back to school program
- Sept- Alex lemonade stand
- Oct- crop walk
- Nov- Esperanza for Bethlehem
- ~Reviewed Fall Stewardship series
- ~Elders accepted resignation of Ron Heft and voted to keep position open until elections in the fall.
- ~ Reviewed upcoming worship schedule

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Halloween Open House At Edgeboro

(Hundreds of people come each year)

We need:

food servers
craft helpers
greeters
clean up help
Friday October 30th:
4:30-6:30 pm; 6:30-8:30 pm
Call the office, Blake, or sign up in the Narthex



ATTENTION CRAFTERS IDEAS for the PUTZ CHRISTMAS ROOM needed!!

Dear Christmas room CRAFTERS and ATTIC TREASURE donators!!!

At this time I would like to **ask for your help** in making the operation of the Christmas Room **donations** go more smoothly for 2015. As much as all donations are so appreciated, I am limiting all attic treasure donations to be brought in the month of <u>Oct only</u>. Please do not bring in donations before October to be placed on the stage. Attic treasure donations <u>will not be accepted after Oct.</u>

31st. This will give myself and volunteers time to **sort** and **price** all items in a timely fashion for opening of Dec. 1st.

As for all hand made craft donations, these will be accepted up to and including the <u>Putz Raising</u> <u>date Nov. 14th</u>. Again, this will give us more time to price and display appropriately. I have heard of some busy crafters already working. How exciting to have our congregation come together during this special Putz season. Thank you again!!

Sincerely, Megan Weikert

bethlehem area moravians

Christmas craft festival

fri., oct 23 – 2pm – 7pm

sat.., oct 24 – 9am – 3pm

Quality crafts by local artisans



Lunch and snacks Homemade bake sale

Central Moravian Church –CE Bldg 40 W. Church St., Bethlehem, PA www. Centralmoraianchurch.org

> benefits esperanza and bethlehem's emergency shelter