The Envoy

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.

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Edgeboro Moravian Congregation

Dear Edgeboro Friends and Family,

First off...The Lord is Risen! Even though Easter Sunday is past, let us not forget that the Easter season extends on for a few more weeks. Therefore, we still have reason to celebrate!

But the big celebrations, Palm Sunday and Easter, are now in our rearview mirror. This year at Edgeboro, they were *big!* More than 230 people packed the sanctuary on Palm Sunday to see 8 young people confirm their faith. Then nearly 300 people came to both worship services on Easter. You could just feel the Spirit in the air!

Now that these *big* celebrations have passed, I feel like I can find a few more moments in my schedule to relax a bit. Celebrating is great, but it takes a lot of energy! We're entering that time of year where a lot of celebrations will be taking place - end of the school year, graduations, weddings, Mother's/Father's Day. Sometimes we might need to take a breath between these events.

We're approaching a time of year in our church where breathing is *very* important. During Pentecost (beginning June 4th), we remember when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples. In the gospel of John, Jesus *breathes* the Holy Spirit into the disciples. In addition to that, the Greek word (*pneuma*) and the Hebrew word (*ruach*) for spirit, as in *Holy Spirit*, is the same word used for *breath*.

We continue to receive life by breathing – it's obviously a very important thing to do! But do we think about breathing as a way of directly connecting with the Holy Spirit? Whether we just need to find a moment to breathe during the busyness of life, or we feel like we need a breath of fresh air in whatever we are doing, let's use those times to stay connected with God. Here's a prayer that can help us do just that in many different circumstances.

Busy? Take a minute anyway to pray the following words aloud.

Be still and know that I am God

(A deep breath in. A slow breath out. Keep reading.)

Be still and know that I am

(There will be time, God's time, for you today.)

Be still and know

(Another breath. Another moment.)

Be still

(Be held. Be loved.)

Be

(Breathe.)

Be still

(Wait. Watch. Listen.)

Be still and know

(Life and motion and being in Him.)

Be still and know that I am

(Love that won't quit, all that's fair and right.)

Be still and know that I am God

Amen

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Living in the Spirit with you,

Pastor Dan

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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

Congregational/Sunday school Picnic May 21, 2017

Bethlehem Township Community Center

Outdoor Worship at
11:00 am (offering will be taken at this service)

Picnic lunch following church ~~
games, relays, fellowship
Restrooms are available
We are in need of the following items:
*monetary donations*chips*fruit and
veggie trays
*salads-tossed, pasta, potato,
macaroni*desserts
(hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks
provided)

Be prepared to keep your contribution cold!

Questions: Val Hoff (610-746-1853) or valhoff 1974@hotmail.com

The Joyful Noise Offering for April was for Backpacks for Hope . The amount was \$231.09

The Joyful Noise Offering for May is for Camp Hope.

Thank you for your generosity!

Summer Youth Conferences at Camp Hope

Here is the schedule for summer camp. Financial support for Edgeboro campers has increased! \$200 of the cost will be provided per Edgeboro camper by Edgeboro and BAM. (Campers attending an additional camp do not qualify for this support for an additional time.) Cost should not prohibit anyone from going to camp. If cost is still a concern, please see Pastor Dan.

Registration forms can be found in the Church office or on the table in the vestibule. You can also go to *camphope.org* to download registration forms and see more about the camps.

Conferences

Pre-primary (Grades 1-2) June 14-17 Primary (Grades 3-4) June 16-22 Middler (Grades 5-6) June 25- July 1 Jr. High (grades 7-8) July 2-8

Sr./Post High (grade 9 – age 21) July 30– Aug 5

Specialty Camps

Sports Camp (grades 7-12) June 18–24 Swimming Camp (grades 3-6) July 9–15 Fishing Camp (grades 7-11) June 18—24 Musical Theater (grades 3-8) July 9—15

Memorial Day Family Camp
May 25-19
Memorial Day Picnic
May 29th

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Servants in May

Elders 9:00AM

7 John Bauman

14 Robyn Balsai

21 Craig Neiman

28 Johanna Heft (9:30)

Elders 11:15AM

7 John Bauman

14 Shannon Swingle

21 Val Hoff

Sacristans

7 Dave Bond & Linda Lindemuth

14 Tom & Gilda Pheiffer

21 Bob & Elley Silfies

28 Brad & Mary Williamson

Ushers 9:00AM

7 Michael & Myra Jones 14Rod Sergent & Earl Kunsman

21 LaRue Jones & Ruth Zaun

Ushers 11:15AM

7 Kyle Sergent & Family

14 Brent Sergent & Family 21 Randy & Deea Graser (picnic)

28 Bob & Elley Silfies

Greeters 9:00AM

7 Marcia Horning

14 LaRue Jones

21 Nelson & Sherri Hoff

28 Tim & Hope Harrell (9:30)

Greeters 11:15AM

7 Knox Family

14 Scott & Jessica Sine

Sunday Worship Schedule

May 7

Joyful Noise

Communion

9:00AM Worship

10:15AM Sunday School

11:15AM The EDGE

May 14

Christian Family Lovefeast

9:00AM Worship

10:15AM Sunday School

11:15AM The EDGE

May 21

Church Picnic

9:00 AM Worship

11:00AM Church Picnic

May 28

9:30 AM Worship

10:30AM Adult Sunday School



Nursery Schedule

Date	Toddler Room	Infant Room
5/7/2017	Season Pagano	Carole Schachter Holly Haines
5/14/2017	Sherri Hoff	Karen and Woody Werner
5/21/2017	Penny Sergent	Karen and Woody Werner
5/28/2017	Val Hoff	Karen and Woody Werner

Our Worship Attendance for March				
2016		2017		
114	Week 1	100 (C) (FSL)		
85 (DS)	Week 2	90 (DS)		
197 (PS) (CD)	Week 3	110		
204 (E)	Week 4	119		

C = Communion

CD = Confirmation Day

DS =Daylight Saving Time

E = Easter

PS = Palm Sunday

Servants in June

Elders 9:30AM

Sacristans

- 4 Craig & Tammy Baer
- 11 John Bauman & Peggy Leith
- 18 Dave & Sharon Bond
- 25 Glen & Perry Emig

Ushers 9:30AM

- 4 Linda Lindemuth & David Bond
- 11 Rod Sergent & Earl Kunsman
- 18 John & Rosie Bauman
- 25 Art Sergent & Family

Greeters 9:30AM

- 4 Ryan & Becky Beller
- 11 Heath & Val Hoff
- 18 Paula & John Horn
- 25 Sally Abruzzese

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Summer Schedule Changes!

As we move into the summer months, please be aware that our worship schedule changes.

Our last day with two worship services will be May 14th. On May 21st there is one service here at 9:00AM and 11:00AM at the picnic. On May 28th we will go to one service which will begin at 9:30 AM. Each Sunday there will be a 15 minute prelude of children's music and praise songs led by the Edge Band. So come early to experience the joyful music.

Please note that there will also be an Adult Sunday School class each Sunday beginning at 10:30 AM. This class will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

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Sunday Worship Schedule

June 4
Joyful Noise
Communion

9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

June 11

9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

June 18

9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

June 25

9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School



Nursery Schedule

Date	Toddler Room	Infant Room
6/4/2017	Jenny Minnich	Carole Schachter
6/11/2017	Cheryl Kindt	Karen and Woody Werner
6/18/2017	Gaye Eldridge	Karen and Woody Werner
6/25/2017	Justin Hoff Jen Hoff	Karen and Woody Werner

Our Worship Attendance for April				
2016		2017		
96	Week 1	141 (B)		
103 (C)	Week 2	231 (PS) (CD)		
118	Week 3	270 (E)(B)		
121	Week 4			

B = Baptism

C = Communion

CD = Confirmation Day

E= Easter

PS = Palm Sunday

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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

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1) Shauna Moller
- 2) Nicole Freed
- 4) Andrew Batson
- 5) Donna Henning
- 6) Kyle Sergent
- 7) Diane Vought/Aker Linda Ruhf Kathie Smyser
- 9) Michael Horwath
- 10) Abigail Lovell
- 12) Bradley Williamson
- 13) Thomas Ruhf
- 14) Blake Messman
- 15) Amanda Borowski Marietta Pretti
- 17) Mary Williamson Zachary Louie
- 21) David Swanson Jayden Eldridge
- 24) Jeffrey Minnich
- 29) Linda Kunsman Douglas Long
- 30) Cassidy Baer
- 31) Sylvia Cusatis



CHILDREN

- 9) Joseph Volkert
- 15) Jillianne Durnin
- 16) Kayla Drust
- 22) Abigail Maugle Maxwell Beller
- 23) Emily Campanella
- 25) Arohn Testa
- 26) Addison Giesler
- 30) Michael Giesler

MAY ANNIVERARIES

- 4) Robert & Bridget Frank Myron & Claire Hahn
- 5) John & Laura Bannon
- 10) Heath & Valorie Hoff Kyle & Jamie Sergent
- 13) Kyle & Amanda Borowski
- 15) Brent & Nancy Sergent
- 21) Johanna & Ronald Heft Amy & Bruce Weikert
- 22) Craig & Laura Neiman
- 29) Jarret & Melissa Hoff
- 31) Daniel & Lindsey (Jankiewicz) Breiner



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BIRTHDAYS

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1)Kim Zaun Joe Testa

- 2) Clara Ihle Michael Jones Abigail James Carson James
- 4) Heath Hoff Craig Baer
- 5) Craig Ihle Hallie Smith
- 8) John Cunningham
- 9) Heather James
- 10) Gerald Eldridge, Jr.
- 11) Allison Lauderman
- 13) Sharon Woomer
- 14) William Henry
- 15) Jarret Hoff Amy Tashner
- 19) Tim Gilman
- 20) Rebecca Beller
- 21) Randy Graser
- 24) Katy Hankins
- 26) Amy Dreisbach Stephanie Smith
- 27) Keaton Zaun
- 28) Loretta Reinhard
- 29) Nancy Meka
- 30) Glen Emig

Sunday **May 21st** is another opportunity to help with Edgeboro's ministry at Bethlehem's Salvation Army. You can volunteer to assist with food prep, serving the meal, or donate money toward the cost of the food and supplies. See Tom Shafer for more details.



Children

- 2) Maya Downey
- 11) Wyatt Hoff
- 13) Leah Borowski
- 17) Owen Minnich
- 18) Jaylynn Holderman
- 19) William Terry
- 20) Briar Weikert
- 22) Abigail Batson
- 23) Mariah Nagle

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Scott & Elizabeth Pretti Brian & Allison Lauderman

- 4) David & Debra Swanson
- 6) Andrew & Amy Geisler
- 7) Amy & Brian Tashner
- 19) Rodney & Elaine Sergent
- 20) John & Nancy Meka
- 29) Paul and Blake Messman



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Church News Congratulation to our graduating Seniors



We would like to congratulation Anthony Emig, Jameson Gillen and Jacob Kindt upon their graduation from high school.

Since the publication of the new directory there have been some changes:

- Mrs. Debra Smith Nobles changed her email address to debsmith12@comcast.net
- Add Stephen & Traci Millheim—2707 Boyd St., Bethlehem, PA 18017, 610-762-1608

Sugar Cakes

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The next time we will be making Sugar Cakes is Friday May 21st. This will be the last time until the Fall.

The price is still \$6.00.

Please have the order to Marcia Horning or the office by Tuesday May 9th.

The pick up time is Friday from 7:00—8:00 PM

Turkeys Needed for Ice Cream Festival:

Anyone have an extra turkey in the freezer? Please contact the church office or Blake Messman (610-954-5173 or messmanblake@gmail.com)



Moravian 101 Classes

Back in November, this was known as *Moravian Mondays*. Now it's back again. Have you been visiting us and would like to know more about Moravians? Are you looking to become a member? Have you been a member for a while and would like a refresher on all things Moravian? This is a three-week series offered by Pastor Dan to visitors, friends, and current members to learn more about Moravian history, traditions, and who we are today. Join us on **Wednesdays**, **May 10th**, **17th**, **and 24th from 6:30-8:00pm**.

275th Anniversary Events

Moravian Days

A festival will take place on **Saturday**, **June 17th from 10:00am-4:00pm on the church green outside Central Moravian Church**. Come join us for an afternoon of fun activities, music, and food for the whole family in celebration of Bethlehem's anniversary.

Anniversary Lovefeast

Hundreds of Moravians and community members will be gathering for a lovefeast to celebrate Bethlehem's 275th anniversary. This will take place on **Sunday**, **June 25th**, **3:00pm at Johnston Hall**, **Moravian College**. You might see many of our own from Edgeboro there serving in a volunteer role. Come join the celebration!





We are looking for individuals to place in the church's lawn mowing rotation this summer. If you would be willing to mow the lawn at church one to two times this summer, please contact the church office. (The church has it's own mower!)
Thank you!

Organ Restoration Campaign

A question was asked regarding the payment for the Organ Restoration Campaign. The payment can be made in installments. Just make a notation on the card when you send it back to the church regarding how many payments you will be making and how often you will be making the payments.

If you have any other questions regarding the campaign, please feel free to call the office or talk to Bill Burkhardt.

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Board of Trustees' March & April Meeting Highlight

• Additional Camp Hope scholarship funds are available for Edgeboro campers, \$100 per camper now available for this summers' camps.



- Lawn mowing volunteers needed! Email the church office if you wish to be added to the weekly rotation.
- Parsonage windows are being replaced this month with help of BAM grant.
- The Girl Scout troop that meets at the church would like to help with spring cleaning date; date to be announced
- Don't forget to sign up for e-Giving! See Ryan Beller if you need help or have questions.
- **Are you a faithful giver?** We understand that 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!*

Elder Highlights from the March/April meetings

Highlights of March and April Board of Elders meetings

- A motion was made and passed to approve the following confirmands for membership into Edgeboro: Cassidy Baer, Joseph Courtade, Jillian Emig, Makenna Hoff, Leah Hosterman, Abigail James, Carson James, and Sarah Neiman.
- A motion was made and passed via email to approve the baptism of Cayden Rader, son of Angela and Scott Rader, on April 30 at the 11:15 a.m. service.
- A motion was made and passed via email to approve the baptism of Rowan Wieller, daughter of Ariel and Dray Wieller, on May 14 at the 9 a.m. service.
- A motion was made and passed to approve Backpacks of Hope as the Joyful Noise offering for April 2 and Camp Hope as the Joyful Noise offering for May 7, 2017.
- Elders discussed Edgeboro representation at the 275th Anniversary Moravian Day on June 17. There will be a booth with a display celebrating Edgeboro's history and mission. Volunteers will be needed to help man the booth during the event.
- Assigned Elder of the Day duties for April and May and for Holy Week readings from April 9-14.