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10:30AM WORSHIP
May 12th, 2024 || 7th Sunday of Easter

Welcome & Announcements

Arriving for Worship

A Verse for Mother's Day (*Isaiah 66:13*)

"As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you."

Prelude & Reflection

Sung Response

#659 v. 4 MBW

*As a mother looks with favor on the new life in her arms,
Searching ev'ry small expression, sav'ring moments filled with charm,
So God smiles on ev'ry person, so God takes such keen delight
In the praises that we offer; we are precious in God's sight.*

Mother's Day Liturgy

pg. 12 SttL

Scripture Reading – Ephesians 1:15-23 (pg. 192; Lg. 276)

Message

Offering

Offertory & Anthem

***Doxology & *Prayer of Dedication**

#817 MBW

Congregational Prayers

***Benediction & Postlude**

*Those that are able and comfortable, please stand.
MBW: Moravian Book of Worship || SttL: Sing to the Lord

Visiting? If you are looking here for a church home in which to nurture your faith, please speak with the Pastor following the service.
Young children? There’s a nursery downstairs.
Need Large Print? Please speak with an usher.

Pastor	Rev. Dan Miller
Organist & Choir Director	Gayle Justice
Elder of the Day	Andrew Miller
Sacristans	Thomas & Gilda Pheiffer; Peggy Leith
Ushers	Joe & Sue Testa
Ministers	YOU!

Your Notes – Insights, reminders, names, or contact information.

May’s **Joyful Noise Offering** will support Moravian ministries in Nepal. Please place your offerings in the joyful noise can or give online to Edgeboro, marking your gift for “Joyful Noise.”

Make a Gift to Edgeboro Online! Scan the QR code to make a gift to Edgeboro online using a credit card or bank account.



Today we will celebrate a **Moravian Lovefeast**, a centuries-old tradition which consists of a simple “meal” of food and drink to symbolize our unity and fellowship in Christ. We will be served while the songs are sung. (If you are joining us online, please have your “meal” with you.) Please wait until we have sung the table grace before partaking.

Lost and Found

When I was about seven years old, my mother took my sister and me to a local department store where my father was a part-time security guard. Almost immediately after entering the store, I ran toward the toy department. After a few moments, I realized that my mom and my sister weren't anywhere to be found. As I looked around, I began to feel afraid. I started roaming around the store. I couldn't find them. I looked and looked to no avail. Now, I was panicking. What was I going to do?

The store was across from my church. I could go over there. But it was across the busy highway. My house wasn't very far, and I could walk home. However, I had the same problem with the busy highway. What should I do?

What I didn't realize is that my dad just happened to be working that evening. He was in a secret room with a one-way mirror that overlooked the entire store. He was watching me from his perch. He was following me and watching where I was going, as were my mom and sister by this time.

In John, we hear Jesus say, "I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except [Judas]" (John 17:12). In the same way that my parents protected me, and made sure that I was not lost, so too does Jesus. He protects us from the busy highways in our lives and keeps us from harm. It gives us great comfort that no matter where we go or what we do, we are not abandoned.

Perhaps that's why I love the line from the hymn "Amazing Grace": "I once was lost, but now am found."

*Eric Renner, pastor, Canaan Moravian Church, Davenport, North Dakota,
and Shepherd of the Prairie Moravian Church, Fargo, North Dakota*

The Moravian Church

Ascension Sunday
Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024



MOTHERS' DAY

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give you thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands, and gave it to us. Thank you for the sacrifices they made in carrying us and giving us birth.

We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our moms.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

Grant them time to share with their families.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for moms who try to balance vocation and family.

Grant them courage for the living of each day.

We pray for stepmoms.

Grant them patience and understanding and love.

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who have lost children.

Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We pray for mothers who aborted their children.

Grant them healing and peace.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.

We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.

We pray for girls and women who think about being moms.

Grant them wisdom and discernment.

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be moms.

Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for moms who show us the way of faith.

Grant them the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother in the past year.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.

(All women and girls are invited to stand for a blessing.)

Lord, we thank you for the gift of motherhood. We thank you for the many examples of faithful mothers in scripture, like Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Lois. Now hear the names of other women who have inspired us by their motherly examples . . .

We are mindful this day of all these women, and especially Mary the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, who had the courage in faith to say "yes" to your calling. May these women gathered here today emulate these examples of faith. And may they model for all the rest of us what it means to be your disciple. Bless them on this special day; in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Ephesians 1:15-23 NRSVUE

Paul's Prayer

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Edgeboro Moravian Church

Christian Family Lovefeast

THE LOVEFEAST IS SERVED AS THE CONGREGATION SINGS

**Hymn #502
Red Hymnal**

Father, lead me day by day, Ever in your own sweet way;
Teach me to be pure and true; Show me what I ought to do.

When in danger, make me brave, Make me know that you can save;
Keep me safe by your dear side; let me in your love abide.

When I'm tempted to do wrong, Make me steadfast, wise, and strong;
And when all alone I stand, shield me with your mighty hand.

May I do the good I know, Serving gladly here below,
Then at last go home to Thee, Evermore your own to be.

Hymn #631, MBW

Church, rejoice! Raise your voice, sing Jehovah's worthy praise;
extol his name forever; laud him, our God and Savior;
proclaim to ev-ry nation the tidings of salvation;
bear the witness to his greatness; spread the story of his glory
to the earth's remotest bounds.

Church unite, for the right; let your foes behold your stand;
rebuke them for their error; inspire with hope and fervor;
declare the Savior's merit and how the Holy Spirit
by his power every hour, will direct us and protect us
in a world of sin and strife.

Church, go forth o'er the earth; Christ, your head, has hallowed you,
a chosen bride forever, adorned now for our Savior;
be strong and be not cheerless, and may your saints be fearless;
in all places, with all races, may that story of his glory
be the hope of all the world.

#427, MBW (with adaptation)

O perfect Love, all human thought transcending,
lowly we kneel in prayer before your throne,
that ours may be the love which knows no ending,
whom you forevermore unite in one.

O perfect Life, be now our full assurance
of tender charity and steadfast faith,
of patient hope and quiet, brave endurance,
with childlike trust that fears no pain or death.

Grant us the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;
grant us the peace which calms all earthly strife,
and to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
that dawns upon eternal love and life.

Lord Jesus Christ, invited guest and Savior,
with tender mercy hear us as we pray;
grant our desire for those who seek your favor,
come with your love and bless us all today.

#544, MBW

Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Your works with joy surround you,
earth and heav'n reflect your rays,
stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise.
field and forest, vale and mountain, flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain, praising you eternally!

Always giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed,
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
Loving Father, Christ our Brother, let your light upon us shine;
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

#675, MBW

What brought us together, what joined our hearts?
The pardon which Jesus our High priest imparts;
'Tis this which cements the disciples of Christ,
who are into one by the Spirit baptized.

Is this our high calling, harmonious to dwell,
and thus in sweet concert Christ's praises to tell,
in peace and blessed union our moments to spend
and live in communion with Jesus our friend?

O yes, having found in the Lord our delight,
he is our chief object by day and by night;
this knits us together; no longer we roam;
we all have one father; and heav'n is our home.

Grace

#816, MBW

Be present at our table, Lord;
be here and everywhere adored;
from your all-bounteous hand our food
may we receive with gratitude.

WE PARTAKE OF OUR LOVEFEAST

SPECIAL MUSIC

THE CUPS ARE COLLECTED

#673, MBW

Christian hearts in love united, seek alone in Jesus rest;
has he not your love excited? Then let love inspire each breast.
Members on our head depending, lights reflecting him, our Sun,
brethren his commands attending, we in him, our Lord, are one.

Come then, come, O flock of Jesus, covenant with him anew;
unto him, who conquered for us, pledge we love and service true;
and should our love's union holy firmly linked no more remain,
wait ye at his foot stool lowly, till he draw it close again.

Grant, Lord, that with thy direction, "Love each other," we comply,
aiming with unfeigned affection thy love to exemplify;
let our mutual love be glowing; thus the world will plainly see
that we, as on one stem growing, living branches are in thee.

#731, MBW
verses 1 & 3

Savior, like a Shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care.
in your pleasant pastures feed us; for our use your folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! you have bought us; yours we are.
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You have promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
you have mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! early let us turn to you;
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Announcements

Edgeboro's 2024 Watchword: "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord." (*Joshua 24:16*)

This week's flowers were given by Heath & Val Hoff in honor of their children, Madison, Makenna & Parker.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 12 9:15am Adult Sunday School
 9:30am Youth Sunday School
 10:30am Worship (*Christian Family Lovefeast*)

Monday, May 13 9:30am Palette Club Board

Wednesday, May 15 6:00pm Girl Scouts
 6:30pm Girl Scouts

Thursday, May 16 6:00pm Girl Scouts
 7:00pm Trustees Meeting

Saturday, May 18 12:30pm Private Reception - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 19 9:15am Adult Sunday School
 9:30am Pre-School & Youth Sunday School
 9:30am Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
 10:30am Worship - (*Pentecost, Communion*)
 Elder: Tim Jones
 Ushers: Bob & Elley Silfies
 Sacristans: Bob & Elley Silfies
 Lawn: Steve Millheim
 1:30pm Palette Club

"Breakfast Church" on May 19th!

Join us for an eventful morning in the fellowship hall! Breakfast will be served at 9:30am. This will be followed by Pentecost Sunday worship at 10:30am (also in the fellowship hall). During this service, we will celebrate Pentecost, partake in Holy Communion, and be joined by special guests and friends of the congregation, Vani & Shanti Pradhan, currently leading Moravian ministries in Nepal.

The Revs. Vani and Shanti Pradhan, of Nepal, celebrated their son Nahum's graduation from Moravian University Graduate School on May 4. On Wednesday, May 15, Central Moravian's Mission Committee welcomes you to a Mission Supper in the Christian Education building (40 W. Church St.) at 6pm All are welcome! Vani and Shanti will present a program outlining their mission work in Kathmandu as well as their operation of the International Kindergarten and Shristi Academy. We hope you will also hear about their recent participation in the formation of the Southeast Asian Province of the worldwide Moravian Church.

If you cannot attend in person, their presentation will be livestreamed on zoom around 7pm. Zoom link is: <https://tinyurl.com/mvshrufb>

New Collection Request. For the month of May, we will be helping our neighbors at NECC by collecting items for their new hygiene pantry. Items needed are: anti-bacterial wipes, hand soap, laundry detergent, menstrual products, mouthwash, and tissues. Items can be left in the collections room, or in the shed if the church is not open. Thank you for your generosity!

Essentials Café is always in need of additional volunteers! Be a greeter, server, cook, caretaker, booster, forager, gardener (Next gardening time: April 28, 2:30-4:30pm), and more! Learn more and sign up to volunteer at essentialscafe.org/take-action.

Monday evenings are prep nights for the cafe. If you are interested in helping, please notify the West Side Moravian Church office at westsidemoravian@gmail.com or call: 610.865-0256

Tell Me About Synod The 2024 Synod Planning Team is hoping to make a positive impact on our community and world by planting trees to reduce their paper use footprint. For every dollar donated, a tree will be planted through the One Tree Planted organization. The Easter District Synod will match up to the first 250 trees. The goal of the Synod planning team is to donate 1,500 trees before the end of Synod, June 29th. Donations may be made through the synod web page: www.moravian.org/northern/edsynod2024.

Prayer Requests

Use this prayer list creatively in whatever way that will help you remember these names in prayer. Take it home. Place this list in a certain place. Pray while doing certain things. Pray for a different group of people each day. Download an app on your phone that will help keep your prayers organized. Do what works for you to remain connected in prayer. Here are those we are praying for now:

Healing

Billy Christman (Sherri Hoff)
Jan Dillalogue (Holly Haines)
Deb Geiger (Holly Haines)
Jim Grebs (Rick Grebs)
Kiera Pheiffer (Tom Pheiffer)
Pastor Ray Short (Mike & Terri Long)
Ted Terry (Jon & Lynn Terry)
Karen Werner
Nancy Zulli (Pat Zulli)
Jacob (Carol Saeger)
Rosie (Nancy Remaly)
Suzanne (Rita Gambler)

Homebound

Ann Amidon (Jessie Bucchin)
Joyce LeWando

Guidance

Janice Bourdage
Jeffrey Boyle (Helene Boyle)
Gareth Messman (Messmans)
Julie (Marcia)

Comfort

The family of Ron Hersch

Safekeeping

Officer Mark Kuntzman (Bethlehem Mounted Police) deployed to Iraq for
the next 10 months

This list will be refreshed regularly. If you would like a name added or removed from the list, please fill out a blue prayer request card found in the pews or contact the church office.