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10:30 AM WORSHIP

October 11, 2026 || 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome & Announcements

Arriving for Worship (*A moment to center ourselves and listen to the Spirit.*)

Watchword for the Week

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for
 you have done wonderful things. (*Isaiah 25:1*)

Prelude & Reflection

Call To Worship

***Hymn** *He Leadeth Me* #787 MBW

***Peace and Justice Liturgy** MBW p148

Joys, Concerns, Thanksgivings and Prayers

Children's Chat

Offering

Offertory - Choir Anthem

***Doxology & *Prayer of Dedication** #817 MBW

Scripture Reading – A Journey Through Psalm 23 p. 10 SttL
 Philippians 4:1-9 (pg. 198; Lg. 286)
 Matthew 22:1-14 (pg. 24; Lg. 34)

Hymn *Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng* #786 MBW

Sermon

*Hymn

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#743 MBW

Benediction & Postlude

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

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. Jodie Harney
Organist & Choir Director	Gayle Justice
Elder of the Day	Tim Jones
Sacristans	Thomas & Gilda Pheiffer: Peggy Leith
Ushers	Brent & Kyle Sergent
Ministers	YOU!

Notes:

October's **Joyful Noise Offering** will support **Family Promise of the Lehigh Valley** . Please place your offerings in the joyful noise can or give online by using the (QR code) to the right.
Label 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.

Invitation to Responsibility

The parable of the Wedding Banquet (Matthew 22:1–14) is surprisingly relevant to our world today when reduced to its core themes: invitation, response, inclusion, and accountability.

The king invites many guests, but the invitations are ignored and rejected. Today we live in a time of almost unlimited access to information, opportunities, faith, and community—at our fingertips, in our pockets, and on our desktops. Yet important calls for justice and compassion are ignored. While the information and opportunity exist, they are not enough. The response matters.

When the original guests refuse, the king expands his invitation to “everyone”—people who weren’t originally considered. Worldwide, we’ve seen barriers disappear. In some countries, there is more inclusion of people of different races, classes, and backgrounds. Communities have become more diverse and interconnected. Grace, opportunity, and purpose are open to all.

But the acceptance of the invitation isn’t passive. One guest shows up without proper wedding attire and is cast out. Being invited isn’t just about showing up; it’s **how** you show up. Integrity and respect still matter. Claiming a community means accepting the values of that community.

Actions have consequences. Those who rejected the invitation face consequences, and the unprepared guest is removed. Social, environmental, and political decisions carry real costs. Ignoring responsibility eventually leads to a fallout.

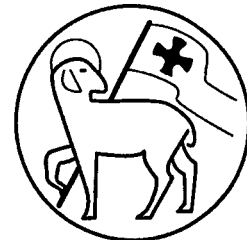
“Many are called, but few are chosen.” The closing of the parable, applied to today, is less about exclusion and more about response and responsibility. We are invited. We are included. We are given opportunity. Will we live up to it?

*Jan MacDonald Russell, member of Shepherd of the Prairie
Moravian Church, Fargo, North Dakota*

The Moravian Church

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026



He Leadeth Me

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1 He lead - eth me: O bless - ed thought! O words with heav'n - ly
 2 Some - times 'mid scenes of deep - est gloom, some - times where E - den's
 3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ev - er mur - mur
 4 And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the

com - fort fraught! What - e'er I do, wher - e'er I be, still
 bow - ers bloom, by wa - ters calm, o'er trou - bled sea, still
 nor re - pine, con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see, since
 vic - tory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since

Refrain

'tis God's hand that lead - eth me.
 'tis his hand that lead - eth me. He lead - eth me, he
 'tis my God that lead - eth me.
 God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.

lead - eth me; by his own hand he lead - eth me, his

faith - ful fol - l'wer I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.

PEACE AND JUSTICE

(Standing)

How should we come before the Holy One and bow before God on high?

God has shown what is good and what is required: to do justice, to show constant love, and to walk humbly with our God.

HYMN TO JOY

Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser-vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
who up-on the cross, for-sak-en, worked your mer-cy's per-fect deed:
we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a-lone, but heart,
con-se-crating to your pur-pose ev-'ry gift which you im-part.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for you are good;

For your steadfast love endures forever!

Who can utter your mighty works, or show forth all your praise?

Blessed are they who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

Is not this the kind of worship that pleases me, says our God: to undo the bonds of injustice, to let the oppressed go free and break every yoke, to share bread with the hungry and shelter the homeless poor, to clothe the naked and not turn from your own people? I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, sick or in prison and you visited me.

When did we see you hungry and feed you, thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, naked and clothe you, sick or in prison and visit you?

Truly, I say to you, when you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me.

(Sitting)

Unison BAHNSON

"Come now, you bless - ed; eat at my ta - ble,"
Christ, when we see — you out on life's high - ways,

Christ Je - sus said to the right - eous a - bove.
look - ing to us in the fac - es of need,

"When I was hun - gry, thirst - y, and home - less,
then may we know — you, wel - come and show — you

sick and in pris - on you showed me your love."
love that is faith - ful in word and in deed.

If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word; if you give your bread to the hungry and relief to the oppressed, then your light will rise like the dawn; your goodness will go before you and the glory of God behind you.

God has shown us what is good and what is required: to do justice, to show constant love, and to walk humbly with our God.

As we consider these things, let us confess our sins in silence.

SILENT CONFESSION

The peace of Christ be with you;

And also with you.

QUEBEC

Give me your cour - age, Lord, to speak when - ev - er

strong op - press the weak. Should I my - self as

vic - tim live, re - mem - b'ring you, may I for - give.

TEXT: © by Concordia Publishing House

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn,
For they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,
For they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
For they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful,
For they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart,
For they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they will be called children of God.

Jesus said: You have heard it said, "You shall not murder"; and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgment." But I say to you that if you are angry with your neighbor, you will be liable to judgment.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

You have heard it said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But I say to you: Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

You have heard it said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I say to you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

PERFECT LOVE

Fol - low with rev - 'rent steps the great ex - am - ple of him whose

ho - ly work was do - ing good; so shall the wide earth

seem our Fa - ther's tem - ple, each lov - ing life a psalm of grat - i - tude.

Praise God, all you nations,

Praise God, all you people!

Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals in whom there is no help. There will be One who will rule with integrity and govern with justice: One who will be like a shelter from the wind and a place to hide from the storm; One who will be like streams flowing in a desert, like the shadow of a giant rock in a barren land; One whose eyes and ears will be open to the needs of the people.

Our God says:

Here is my servant, whom I strengthen, the one I have chosen, with whom I am pleased.

I have filled him with my Spirit, and he will bring justice to every nation.

He will not lose hope or courage; he will establish justice on the earth.

He will teach us what he wants us to do;

We will walk in the paths he has chosen.

He will settle disputes among the nations; he will arbitrate for many peoples.

We will beat our swords into plowshares and our spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will not lift up sword against nation; neither will they learn war anymore;

We will live in peace, and no one will make us afraid.

Justice will roll down like waters,

And righteousness like an everflowing stream.

And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness will be quietness and trust forever. And we will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

We will live in peace, and no one will make us afraid.

(Standing)

God has shown us what is good and what is required:

To do justice, to show constant love, and to walk humbly with our God.

PEACE AND JUSTICE

SARUM [58 E]

Peace - mak - ers! Blessed by Christ's in - vit - ing word,

The first system of musical notation for 'Peace and Justice'. It consists of a treble and a bass staff, both in the key of D major (two sharps) and 2/2 time. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

chil - dren of God, let ev - 'ry - where be heard

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the staves.

the sounds of peace and jus - tice not de - ferred. Al - le -

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The fourth system of musical notation, which concludes the piece. It features a final cadence in both staves. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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A JOURNEY THROUGH PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

I want so much, Lord. I desire so many things that promise to make my life easier, fuller or more exciting and meaningful. And yet the “things” of this life do not provide the fullness of life. Give me wisdom to know my want from my needs. Give me eyes to see the fullness of my life in you. Give me a heart that is willing to journey with the Shepherd.

He makes me lie down in green pastures.

Because of you, Lord, my life is fertile. You planted the seed of faith in my heart and you cause it to grow. Everything in my life – the joys, the sorrows, the worries, the discoveries – has been embraced by your love and contributes to who I am today.

He leads me beside still waters.

Although there is turbulence in life, your spirit fills me with peace and calm. There is a stillness that you provide when I find myself navigating troubled waters. Protect me from fear, worry and anger when life becomes threatening, that I might enjoy life as you intended it.

He restores my soul.

Lord, when circumstances of life threaten to defeat me, you offer healing to me. Even if I question your presence in my life or if worry overwhelms me and I wonder if I can go on, you refresh my soul. In time, you breathe new life into me. You fill me with so much of yourself that the world simply becomes the place where I come to know you.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

When I look back at my life and see the choices that I have made, I stand humbled and acknowledge your guidance. I seek your wisdom as I face each day. I ask that you journey with me one step at a time.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley I fear no evil for you are with me your rod and your staff – they comfort me.

Challenges will come. They will threaten to take my breath away. But your breath remains. Your Spirit guards my life. You give me hope. You give me peace and the warmth of your Son brings a smile to my heart.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You have invited me to a party in your honor. There is a place for me at your table, in your kingdom. With all the faithful, Lord, you have welcomed me to break bread with you and confess my faith in your love. Those who ridiculed me because of my faith will see your glory in me. Let them see it now so that they might take their place at your table also.

You anoint my head with oil.

You have chosen me, Lord, for a holy purpose. You have gifted me to perform your work. You have called me to do your will. Convict me with your Spirit so that I might never betray you and assure me of your forgiveness in the event that I do.

My cup overflows.

The words of my mouth are attempts to express what cannot be spoken. My life is so full, so rich that only my heart can sing the praise that you deserve. In my greatest moments of emptiness, Lord, you fill me up. Fill me now with your truth, your Word.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.

It doesn't matter where I live, where I work, where I travel, who I am with or how long I walk this earth. If I bring you with me, my journey will be blessed.

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

May my life be a prayer. May my life be a witness. May my life be my confession of faith in you, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Philippians 4:1-9 NRSVUE

⁴ ¹Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Exhortations

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Matthew 22:1-14 NRSVUE

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

22 Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng!

1 Re - joice, O pil - grim throng! Re - joice, give thanks and sing:
 2 Your hal - le - lu - jahs loud, your clear ho - san - nas raise!
 3 Lift up your stan - dard high! March on in firm ar - ray!
 4 At last the march shall end; the wea - ried ones shall rest;

your fes - tal ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your king.
 Send forth your stur - dy hymns of old, the psalms of an - cient days.
 As pil - grims through the dark - ness wend till dawns the gold - en day.
 the pil - grims find their home at last, Je - ru - sa - lem the blessed.

Refrain

Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks and sing!
 Re - joice, re - joice,

TEXT: Edward H. Plumptre (1865), alt.
 TUNE: Arthur H. Messiter (1883)

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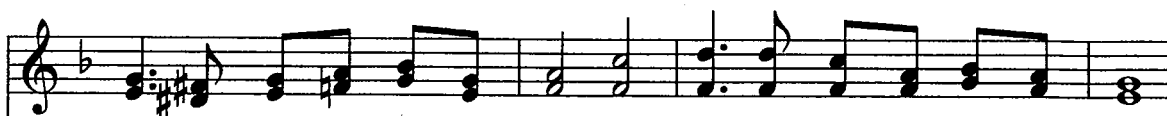
What a Friend We Have in Jesus 743



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged, take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge, take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

TEXT: Joseph M. Scriven (1855), alt.
 TUNE: Charles Crozat Converse (1868)

Alternate tune, hymn 652
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 FRIENDSHIP

Announcements

Edgeboro's 2026 Watchword: For whoever would approach God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.
(Hebrews 11:6)

This week's flowers are given by John & Rosie Bauman in loving memory of Rosie's siblings, sisters Michelle & Sissy and brother Ted and John's brother Allene.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 11	9:15am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Youth Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30am Confirmation Class
Monday, October 12	9:30am Palette Club Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 13	9:00am Candle Pouring
Wednesday, October 14	9:00am Candle Pouring 6:30pm Girl Scouts
Thursday, October 15	9:00am Candle Pouring 7:00pm Trustees Meeting
Sunday, October 18	9:15am Adult Sunday School 9:30am Youth Sunday School 10:30am Worship <i>Elder: Spencer Smith</i> <i>Sacristans: Bob & Elley Silfies</i> <i>Ushers: John & Rosie Bauman</i> <i>Lawn (10.12-10.18): Tyler Long</i>

Sunday School Amazon Wishlist The Sunday school teachers need quite a few items for their classrooms, which they have been covering the expense of themselves. They have provided an Amazon wish list in the event members are inclined to purchase some of the items for them. We thank you in advance. Visit tinyurl.com/59kmp2m to view the list.

Putz Committee News Crafters are needed to sell their items at the Extravaganza in November. If you knit, sew, do needlepoint, bead work, wood carving, etc. please consider joining us! We know that Edgeboro has many talented and gifted people.

Through October 25th, we are accepting your donation attic treasures for the Extravaganza, held on November 7th

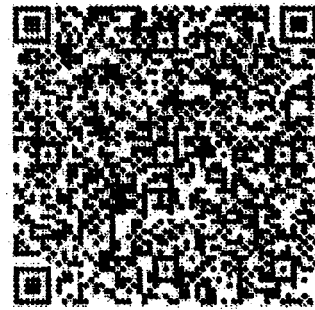
Halloween Candy is being collected for the Halloween open house, to be held October 30th. Please make sure that it is individually wrapped. We are also looking for soda, chips and hot dogs for the event! Hot dogs should be labeled Halloween and placed in the kitchen refrigerator.

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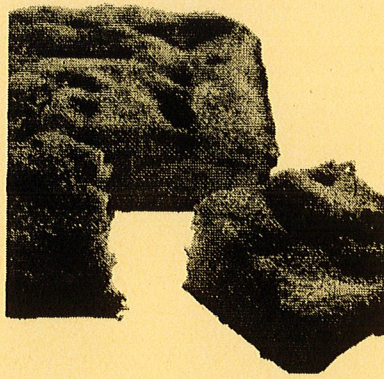
Edgeboro now has a Venmo account!

You can donate with your mobile device. Please make sure to include what your payment is for in the note section. We also that you consider padding your donation to help cover the 1.9% + \$0.10 fee for each donation. Thank you!!



venmo

NECC Thanksgiving Food Drive This year NECC has asked us to collect cranberry sauce and brownie mix (150 each) for their Thanksgiving food distribution. Please note the deadline date, November 7!



MORAVIAN SUGAR CAKE ORDER

Cost - \$12.00 each (8" square cake)

Orders due by noon, Sunday October 18

Money due at time of order

Number of Cakes _____ Total Cost _____

Paid _____

Name _____

Phone _____

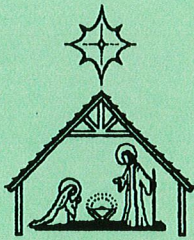
Last day to order October 18, 2026

Place order in collection plate or contact:

Dr. Becky Miller 610.442-8204

Order Pick up:

Sunday, October 25, after church service



2026 PUTZ DATES

October 25 – last day to bring attic treasures to the stage

October 19 and 26 – attic treasure pricing starting at 10 am

October 31 – Mossing (lunch in the woods)

November 1 – Mossing rain date (lunch in church before leaving)

November 1 – last day to bring handmade crafts to church unless
you plan to sell them yourself at the Extravaganza

November 5 and 6 – starting at 10 am Extravaganza set-up

November 7 – 10:00 am until 1:00 pm – Extravaganza!

November 9 through 13 – set up the Christmas Room

November 14 – 10:00 am – Putz Raising

November 22 and 29 – volunteer training in Fellowship Hall
after worship

Putz Dates – December 1 – 22.

Walk-in Times:

Thursday – Saturday 6-8 pm;

Sunday 12 noon – 3 pm

December 13 – Congregational Shopping Day
beginning at 9:30 am

Putz Committee: Robyn Balsai, Shannon Balsai, Ron Freyman,
Holly Haines, Deb Hepler, Peggy Leith, Terri Long,
Blake Messman, Tom Pheiffer, Art Sergeant, Megan Weikert

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Come Shop With Us! ♥

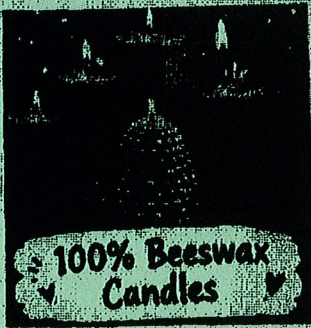
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Christmas EXTRAVAGANZA

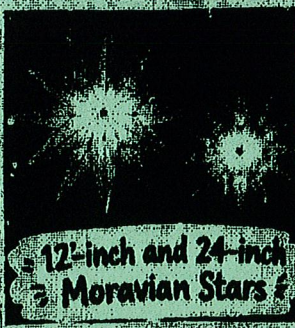
Saturday, November 7, 2026
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM



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Bethlehem, PA 18017



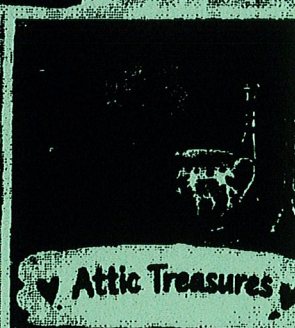
100% Beeswax Candles ♥



12-inch and 24-inch Moravian Stars ♥



Handmade Crafts ♥



Attic Treasures ♥



Turkey BBQ ♥



Homemade Soup ♥



Baked Goods ♥

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Come shop, eat & enjoy the holiday fun! ♥

All items & food available for purchase • CASH ONLY

SUPPORT LOCAL SHOP - SMALL ♥

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 you keep your prayers organized. Do what works for you to remain connected in prayer. Here are those we are praying for now:

Sharon Bond	Pat Mills (Sharon Hollowell)
Kyle Borowski	David Nagle
Helene Boyle	Irene Nora (Sally Abruzzese)
Lori Burns (Johanna Heft)	Kiera Pheiffer (Tom Pheiffer)
Billy Christman (Sherri Hoff)	Pete Raskovic (Anne Hosterman)
Namelia Duro	Ed Reed (Nancy Remaly)
Kay Gariepy	Rev. Dick Seigfried (Helene Boyle)
Anna Gehret	Brent Sergeant, II
Tammy Geiger Vitulano (Karen Gehret)	
Tim & Fatima Gilman (Robyn Balsai)	
Glenn Gemzlinger (Blake Messman)	
Jim Grebs (Rick Grebs)	J'neane Smith (Robyn Balsai)
Ronald Heft	Megan Weikert
Deb Held (Sergeant Family Friend)	
Eric Hollowell	Allison (Kathie Klein)
Sharon Hollowell	Dawn (Val Hoff)
Peg Heimbrook	Jen (Val Hoff)
Leah Hosterman	JoAnn (Carol Saeger)
Hriniak family (Myra Jones)	Louie & family (Pastor Jodie)
LaRue Jones	Nora (Sally Abruzzese)
Kyle Kutzler(Sharon Hollowell)	Nora (Terri & Michael Long)
Logan Lipsky (Jenny Minnich)	Rosie (Nancy Remaly)
Kathy Loch (Sharon Hollowell)	Tracy (Carol Saeger)

Guidance

Janice Bourdage
Jeffrey Boyle (Helene Boyle)
Ryan Zaun (Sharon Zaun)
Julie (Marcia)

Homebound

Ann Amidon (Jessie Bucchin)
Joyce LeWando

Military Service

Allison Hoff
Kole Koch (Parker Hoff)
Mark Saeger

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.