



August 2019

# The MESSENGER

**To glorify God, we invite all to grow as faithful disciples and to share in the love, grace and ministry of Jesus Christ by serving the church, community and world.**

## Discussions with Dave

Back in January, the Discipleship Class traveled to our camp at Mt. Morris for the Discipleship Retreat. This retreat is put together by the pastors who take part. They plan and decide on a focus. This past retreat was on worship. The youth learned about different aspects of a worship service, including how a sermon can be put together. They were each given a scripture lesson and decided what those words meant to each of them. The youth from our congregation used these when they led worship in late March.

One of the things they learned about worship is that worship involved three parts. Director, participants, and audience. That sounded logical and straightforward. That is...until they had to answer "Who is the audience?" Those sitting in the pews was an incorrect answer.

We often think of "church" and "worship" as being interchangeable, but they are not. The "church" is all of us, the Body of Christ. The "church building" is the place where the Body of Christ gathers to worship and learn. It is also the base for the mission work the Body of Christ does in the community and world. "Worship" is an act of honor or reverence we bring to God.

To answer the above question: The director is the leader of worship. Often a pastor or someone likewise who has been trained or has learned to lead a worship service. The participants are those sitting in the pews, the people of God, the Body of Christ, who have gathered to bring honor and reverence to their God. The audience, therefore, is God.

Over the years people have apologized to me for missing worship. While I have worked to put together a worship service I hope will inspire people to show God praise, in reality it is not me they should apologize to, but God. I pray no one has ever come to a service to worship me.

I have heard people say, "I don't get anything out of it" when referring to worship. My usual response is, "What have you put into it?" Worship is an act. As such it requires action on our part. Years ago, two of my confirmation students sat in the front of the sanctuary one Sunday morning. They had no bulletin. They could not take part in the responsive reading listed in there. The hymns were listed on a board in front of the sanctuary, but they never picked up a hymnal and looked at the hymns. In class later in the week they mentioned the service was boring. Sitting for an hour doing nothing is boring. Taking an active part in worship should not be.

The one aspect of worship which causes the greatest discussion and argument is over music. Some want traditional organ-led hymns from our Book of Worship. Others want more contemporary. Some would like to hear strings, flutes or brass played. Others bass guitars and drums. If the music we use brings glory to God, should it matter the type?

Our Choir Director of 55 years, Jerry Jenkins, retired on June 9 of this year. Jerry's leadership of the choir and his presence among us on a weekly basis will be missed. But where one door closes another one opens. The Joint Board sees this as an opportunity for the congregation to engage in a conversation about our music program. The Choir Director's position will not be filled immediately to allow this conversation and evaluation to take place. Our Worship Committee is currently engaged in finding a way to make this happen.

We are looking for individuals and groups who would be willing to provide music for our worship services this Fall. If you sing or play an instrument would you be willing to share your gift with the congregation during worship and add to our ability to worship our God with honor and reverence? If you would be willing to sing with a group of people, a group can be put together. The Worship Committee wants to give more people an opportunity to use their gifts for the glory of God. If you have an interest, any interest, please speak to me, or leave a message in the office, or send an email, anything.

We are the Body of Christ. Brought together for worship. Brought together to support those who are hurting. Brought together to celebrate the joys in people's lives. Brought together to prove to the world our God is great!

*Pastor Dave Sobek*

## 2020 Daily Texts

Don't forget to order your 2020 Daily Text!! There is a sign-up sheet on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board or you may call or email the office. **Order Deadline is August 9.**

## Korth Park Outdoor Worship Holy Communion – August 11

We will be gathering at Korth Park on Sunday morning, August 11, at 9:00 a.m. for worship and a potluck meal. There will be no worship services held in the sanctuary that morning.

Please bring a dish to pass, your own table setting, and your own beverages.

As this is also the Sunday closest to August 13th we will be celebrating Holy Communion. This will be a little like those folks at Herrnhut in 1727. After they engaged in Holy Communion they were so filled with the Holy Spirit they would not leave the worship space. Count Zinzendorf sent to his house for food and they all shared in a meal together! I pray we will feel this Spirit as well.

First semester college scholarships will also be presented at this service.



## Church Pictorial Directory

Plans are underway to have a new church pictorial directory in September. We need a volunteer to head up this project, as well as volunteers to schedule appointments, to greet members on their scheduled photo day, and to take photos of church groups and activities. Please contact Pastor Dave or the church office if you would like to help!

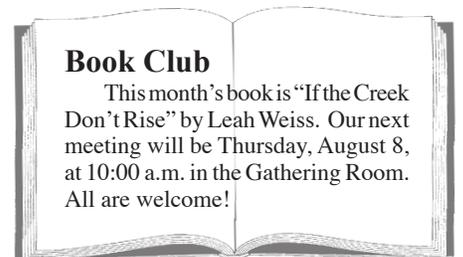


## Men's Fellowship

Our next Men's Fellowship breakfast will be Saturday, August 10, at 7:30 a.m. All men are welcome!

## Book Club

This month's book is "If the Creek Don't Rise" by Leah Weiss. Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 8, at 10:00 a.m. in the Gathering Room. All are welcome!



## Meeting Our Financial Responsibilities

June 30, 2019 (Actual)

Budget as of June 30: \$158,424.84  
 Actual Income as of June 30: \$122,806.57  
 Actual Expenses as of June 30: 150,426.76  
 Difference (Needed) YTD (\$27,620.19)

As you can see, we are in the "summer slump" when it comes to giving. If you are unable to be at worship, please consider sending your offering for the weeks you miss so that our shortfall does not continue to grow.

Mary Bade, Treasurer



**FUNERALS:** We extend our sympathy to the friends and family of Sue Koplin, who passed away on June 27. Her memorial service was held on July 3 at First United Methodist Church of Lakeland, FL.

**BIRTHDAY WISHES:** August 1 – Mike Denzin; August 7 – Darlene Schultz; August 18 – Ronald Behm; August 24 – Jack Meister

**SPECIAL BIRTHDAY WISHES (80+):** August 10 – Oreaan Strasburg "103"; August 13 – Nancy Hein; August 18 – Jeanette Hills; August 27 – Ruby Strasburg

**THANKYOU's:** I'd like to say a special heartfelt "thank you" to Diane McFarlane, Barb Sanft, and Barb Zastrow for covering the office for me during my absence for my daughter's surgery. You all are amazing and I am so very blessed to have you in my life! – Nikki

We'd like to thank all of our volunteers who help out with various different tasks in the office, our janitors, for always working so hard to keep the church looking amazing, and to the congregation, for all of the support you show.

Lastly, we'd like to thank Rev. Hugh Drennan, Rev. Mary Lou Plummer, and Derek Sobek for leading our worship services while Pastor Dave was at Chetek and on vacation.

## Discipleship Students and Parents



There will be a meeting on Wednesday evening, August 21, at 6:00 p.m. for those who will be a part of the Discipleship program in the Fall. A pizza dinner will be provided. Please email (dave.lmmc@gmail.com), text (9207280948), or speak to Pastor Dave by Monday, August 19, to confirm how many from your family will be attending this meeting/meal.

This is a mandatory meeting. If any youth will be in the Discipleship Class, they and at least one parent must attend this meeting or make other arrangements with Pastor Dave prior to August 21.

## Western District Women's Retreat Greek Words to Live By

The Western District Women's Retreat will be held at Mt. Morris September 20-22, 2019. Reverend Dr. Amy Gohdes-Luhman will be the guest speaker as we explore Greek words that we can live by.

Amy's topic for the weekend reminds us that Eleos, Splagchnizomai, and Chara are three Greek words that we can live by; concepts that shape who we are with God and one another: mercy, compassion and joy.

We hope you can join us at tranquil Mt. Morris to take time to relax and share how you have experienced these concepts in your life. In addition to a great program there will also be time for fellowship, laughter, sharing and delicious meals. The cost will be \$140.00 for housing in Black Oak or \$110 for housing in one of the cabins. Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast meals are included. If you are only able to come for part of the weekend, that could be accommodated as well. Registration materials are available in the church office. The retreat is being hosted by the Lake Mills Moravian Women.



If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

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Cindy Miller - cb\_miller@charter.net - 920-648-3632

## August Servants

**DIENERS:** Bob & Anna Hoyt; B: 920-723-6559; A: 920-723-6560

**SORTERS:** Shannon Yahn & Mike Durant

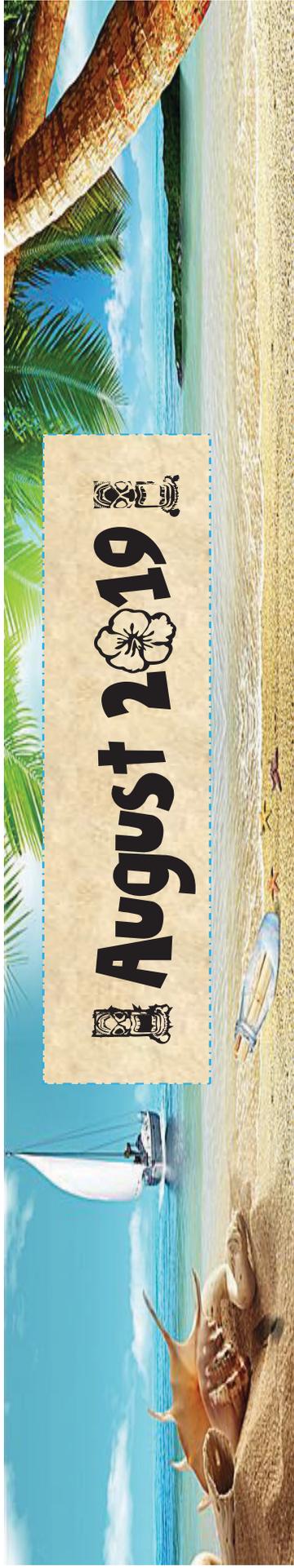
GREETERS					
Date	Service	Front Entrance	Fellowship Hall	Bell Tower	Lower Level
8/4	9:00 A.M.	Marilyn Meyer	Jackie Frey	STUDENT	Don Frey
8/5	6:30 P.M.	Shirley Hofer	Anna Hoyt	Bob Hoyt	
8/11	<b>Korth Park</b> 9:00 A.M.	Donna Hinzmann	Bev Stelse	Diane Fronck	Bob Hinzmann
8/12	6:30 P.M.	Connie Oestreicher	Carl Kutzke	Linda Kutzke	
8/18	9:00 A.M.	Terry Streich	Ken Manske	Connie Manske	Pam Streich
8/19	6:30 P.M.	Anna Hoyt	Bob Hoyt	Barb Zastrow	
8/25	9:00 A.M.	Dorothy Hartwig	Bill Hartwig	STUDENT	Theresa Palmer
8/26	6:30 P.M.	Larry Fahney	Cindy Fahney	Barb Sanft	

LAY READERS		
Date	Service	Reader(s)
8/4	9:00 A.M.	Pam Streich
8/5	6:30 P.M.	Nan Nelson
8/11	<b>Korth Park</b> 9:00 A.M.	Rich Fronck
8/12	6:30 P.M.	Steve Brockert
8/18	9:00 A.M.	Deb Van Ommeren
8/19	6:00 P.M.	Diane McFarlane
8/25	9:00 A.M.	Kathy Wendt
8/26	6:30 P.M.	Bob Oestreicher

USHERS		
Date	Service	USHERS
8/4	9:00 A.M.	Mike Denzin
8/5	6:30 P.M.	Todd Messmer
8/11	<b>Korth Park</b> 9:00 A.M.	Ken Manske
8/12	6:30 P.M.	Bob Hinzmann
8/18	9:00 A.M.	Stewart Masche
8/19	6:30 P.M.	Dave Wendt
8/25	9:00 A.M.	Dan Piper
8/26	6:30 P.M.	Paul Crossman

Our Core Values	
• Christ Centered Worship	• Spiritual Growth
• Leadership • Youth • Community	• Living Out Our Faith Journey

NURSERY SCHEDULE		
Sunday, 9:00 A.M.		
8/4	Teresa Holzhueter	Cindy Miller
8/11	<b>Korth Park</b>	
8/18	Terry Heinz	Pam Krueger
8/25	Jean Osborne	Julie Renz



# August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>4</b> 9 AM Worship 10 AM Fellowship Hour 	 <b>5</b> 9-10 AM Beg Line Dance 10-12 AM Line Dancing Sr. <b>6:30 PM Worship-Praise Band</b>	<b>6</b> 6:30 PM Moravian Women Board meeting- Old Conf. Rm 7 PM Market Day Meeting – Old Conf. Rm. <b>4M Camp at Mt. Morris August 5 - 7</b>	<b>7</b> 7:30 PM AA <b>Junior Camp at Mt. Morris July 28 – August 1</b>	<b>1</b> 6:30 PM CEC – “Matt”	<b>2</b> 9-11 Line Dancing	<b>3</b>
<b>11</b> 9 AM Worship at Korth Park/ Holy Communion/ First Half Scholarship Presentation Followed by potluck	<b>12</b> 9-10 AM Beg Line Dance 10-12 AM Line Dancing Sr. <b>6:30 PM Worship &amp; Lovefeast with LLVBS</b>	<b>13</b> 9 AM Kim Sibert 6 PM Madison Homeless Shelter	<b>14</b> NO Brenda Brent Circle 7:30 PM AA	<b>8</b> 10 AM Book Club – Gath. Rm NO E. Appenfeldt Meeting 6:30 PM Trustees- “Matt”	<b>9</b> 9-11 Line Dancing	<b>10</b> 7:30 AM Men’s Breakfast
<b>18</b> 9 AM Worship 10 AM Fellowship Hour <b>Plus 50 Camp at Mt. Morris</b>	<b>19</b> 9-10 AM Beg Line Dancing 10-12 AM Line Dancing for Seniors <b>6:30 PM Worship-Praise Band</b>	<b>20</b> 6 PM E. Raiford – Picnic at Shelly Piper’s	<b>21</b> 5-7 PM Comm Meal-EMS 6 PM Discipleship Students & Parents Meeting 6:30 PM Christie Melby-Gibbons Circle 7:30 PM AA	<b>15</b> 6:30 PM Elders – “Matt”	<b>16</b> 9-11 Line Dancing	<b>17</b>
<b>25</b> 9 AM Worship 10 AM Fellowship Hour	<b>26</b> 9-10 AM Beg Line Dancing 10-12 AM Line Dancing for Seniors <b>6:30 PM Worship (Last Monday Service)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 7:30 PM AA	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9-11 Line Dancing	<b>24</b>
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## LITTLE LAMBS V.B.S.

Little Lambs V.B.S. will be held Monday, August 12 through Wednesday, August 14, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. with supper being served. It is open to all children 3 through 6 years old.



If you haven't registered your child(ren) yet, you can still do so. We do ask that registrations be submitted by August 1 so that we can better prepare for the amount of campers. If you did not receive a registration form, please contact the church office at (920) 648-5412 during normal business hours (M-F 9-12 & 1-4) or contact Sue Trumpf by phone at (920) 723-9386 or email [strumpf84@gmail.com](mailto:strumpf84@gmail.com). If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Anna Hoyt at (920) 648-5559 or [abhoyt@charter.net](mailto:abhoyt@charter.net) or Diane McFarlane at (920) 988-1993 or [diane.dave.mc132@gmail.com](mailto:diane.dave.mc132@gmail.com).

The cost of three days of LLVBS camp is only \$20.00/one child, \$30.00/two children and \$35.00/family, which includes supper each night, craft projects and a t-shirt! Please register your children by August 1, and they may even invite friends to join in this awesome event.



## Korth Park Worship



Our annual outdoor worship and potluck at Korth Park will take place on Sunday, August 11 at 9:00 a.m.

## Christmas Putz

The Stewardship/Outreach Committee is working to bring back the Moravian tradition of the Christmas Putz, telling the glorious story of the Nativity. If you have Christmas/Nativity figurines of any size that you are willing to donate and do not want returned, please bring them to the church office. If you would like to help to create the Putz, please contact a member of the Stewardship/Outreach Committee. Thank you for your help.



## The Work of Our Boards

The **Board of Trustees** met on Thursday, July 11. Following are highlights of that meeting: -

- the treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.
- recommendations from the Memorial Committee were approved.
- installation of new windows outside the Matthew Room and in the stairway has been completed.
- new storm doors have been installed in the parsonage.
- it was decided to have the dying maple tree in the parsonage front yard removed.
- there was ongoing discussion about the kitchen stove, potential organ repairs, and the church van.

## Moravian Women News – Upcoming Events:

August 6 – 6:30 p.m. Moravian Women Executive Board Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Market Day Meeting

September 20-22 – Moravian Women Retreat at Mt. Morris

October 19 – Market Day

## Scrip Cards

For several years our church has participated in the "scrip" program, in which you can purchase gift cards and the church receives a percentage of the cost. If you are planning to purchase school supplies or clothing, home improvement items, groceries or gas, go out for dinner or travel, there may be scrip cards for you!

Lists of available cards along with order form are available on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board. Just fill out the order form and submit with your check payable to "Lake Mills Moravian Church" to the church office. **Deadline for the next scrip order will be Sunday, August 4;** cards will be available approximately a week later.

## Shelter for the Homeless

On Tuesday, August 13, our congregation will have another opportunity to be God's hands and feet by serving the evening meal at the Madison men's homeless shelter. We always get the feeling that the meal donated, prepared, and served by the Lake Mills Moravian congregation is one of the best meals the guests get at the shelter. Please watch for the sign-up sheet on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board. Please pray for those who are homeless. It is a tough time in their lives and they all need God's help getting themselves into a better situation. After interacting with the guests at the shelter, it is always quite easy to offer a prayer of thanks to God for blessing me with a shelter of my own. Something I take for granted most of the time.

If you want to do more than watching and praying, we are able to take gently used kitchen or bath towels and kitchen or bath wash cloths for the guests to use. If you are so moved, you can donate to the Homeless Fund at church. Please make sure your Homeless Fund donation is after you have made your regular contribution to the church. We wouldn't want any single fund to take away from the overall mission of our church.

Any folks who are interested in getting involved in this community service ministry should contact Pastor Dave or Steve Brockert (648-3028) to be part of the delivery service team.



## Moravian Justice Ministry Conference: *How Can I Be A Neighbor?*

Justice is the recognition that all persons are created in God's image and are equal in God's sight. It incorporates the respect and valuing of all persons, seeking fair and equitable opportunity for all, and addressing that which minimizes the fullness that God desires for each of us. As Martin Luther King said: "On the one hand, we are called to play the Good Samaritan on life's road-side, but that will be only an initial act. One day we must come to see that the whole Jericho Road must be transformed so that men and women will not be constantly beaten and robbed as they make their journey on life's highway." (Martin Luther King Jr. "Beyond Vietnam" in Martin Luther King Jr. and the Global Freedom Struggle.)

The purpose of this conference is to provide space for people to explore what it means to answer God's call to justice in their relationships with their neighbors, grow in their understanding of some specific areas of injustice and how they intersect with each other, and strategize how we as a church might work together to learn about and respond to issues of injustice that we see in our communities and beyond.

Join us in Annandale, MN at Camp Friendship Friday, October 25-Sunday, October 27. The cost is \$135 per person if you register before August 9. After August 9 the cost is \$150 per person. Register with Marian Boyle Rohloff at [pastor@wsmoraviangb.org](mailto:pastor@wsmoraviangb.org) or 920-499-4433.



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**Hours**  
**Monday - Friday:**  
**9-12 & 1-4**



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Deadline for the September 2019 Messenger will be **Tuesday, August 20.**

Please email your articles to Mary Bade, [mmbade@charter.net](mailto:mmbade@charter.net).

## Coming in September, 2019:

September 1 – Fall Worship times begin  
Saturday 6:00 p.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
September 1 – Holy Communion  
September 2 – Labor Day – Office Closed  
September 8 – Welcome Breakfast for Sunday  
School (Open to entire congregation)  
September 8 – Sunday School Rally Day  
September 8 – Installation of  
Sunday School Teachers  
September 18 – Community Meal at EMS

### Pictorial Directory

will be sometime in September



Our Worship Services may be  
seen on Analog Channel 98  
or Digital Channel 994  
on Wednesdays at 7:20 a.m.,  
12:20 & 5:40 p.m.  
Thursdays at 12:20 & 5:40 p.m.

