

## There was no room at the inn...



Since 1987, MORAVIAN OPEN DOOR (MOD) has provided a temporary home for homeless adults in Manhattan, NYC.

This ministry provides safe and affordable transitional housing for 40 homeless adults. MOD provides a healthful breakfast and supportive social services to rebuild our residents' lives. MOD helps them to obtain jobs and benefits, with the goal of finding permanent affordable housing and learning the life skills to maintain it.

Residents at Moravian Open Door pay a small monthly fee for their room and services (often much of their limited income); this covers only about 50% of the operating costs for the facility and its full-time staff of three.

Moravian Open Door receives no government funds. Donations from individuals, congregations, and other private sources must cover the rest of operating expenses.

Your gift this Advent season can help the vital ministry of MOD, the only transitional housing ministry of the Northern Province of the Moravian Church.

Please consider a generous financial gift to MOD.

Moravian Open Door 347 E. 18th Street, New York, N.Y. 10003 www.moravianhouse.org



## Unity Prayer Watch 2024

As we continue in the sacred tradition with our world-wide Moravian family, this year's Unity Prayer Watch will be on Thursday, December 12th, along with Lancaster Moravian Congregation.

The sign up sheet, along with prayer suggestions, are located in The Star Room.

Thank you for carrying on this act of faith,
for embracing our world,
our Moravian Church and all of creation
within the blessings
of "never-ending prayer."

## Seasonal Events



### Advent Tea December 7th Noon - 3:00 pm



The annual Advent Tea is fast approaching, and once again we're in need of volunteers to make baked goods in advance or help on the day of the event.

Sign-up sheets will be available in The Star Room after Sunday Worship services.

Please contact Brenda Barnes at 717-626-2321 (landline) or Susan Bricker 223-403-0297 for more information.



#### Advent Tea Greens

As we look ahead to the Advent Tea on Sat., Dec. 7th, we are in need of donated greens. We would like to get any or all of the following: white pine, juniper, fir, blue spruce, cedar, and any of the yellow-colored evergreens.

Also, if anyone would like to donate a completed Christmas wreath or swag to sell that day, please let us know.

Any response or questions, please call Cindy and Dwight Herr at 717-665-9714. Please leave a message if we don't answer.



#### Lititz Moravian Annual Advent Tea

Saturday, December 7th Noon until 3:00 pm



Relax from shopping and warm up with some hot drinks, Moravian sugar cake, and baked goods in Fellowship Hall and surrounds. There will be live music, featuring the Lititz Music Academy of Music Strings. Donations are accepted to offset the cost, and all funds raised go directly to local and global charities.

This event is wheelchair accessible.

New for this year, we will have a Maker's Market including jewelry, painted shell ornaments, needle felting, and more! Plus there will be vintage earrings, vintage jewelry, and holiday fresh greens and arrangements for sale. All vendors will be on the first floor adjacent to Fellowship Hall or in the back lobby.

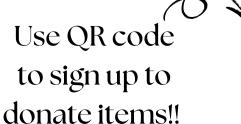
The Putz is shown every half hour from noon till 3:00PM (last showing at 2:30). The Moravian Mission Gift Shop will be open from 10:00am-4:00pm and has many Christmas gifts and Moravian stars for sale.

Children and youth families will meet on Sunday, December 8 following the 10:30 service. We will donate food items and Christmas gifts for local families in need through the Community Chest. Come to the Prep Room to help wrap gifts.

Contact Shannon Richard at 717-314-9375

for more information.

Use QR code to sign up to





# How you can help others in our community

#### TOGETHER WE THRIVE



#### REQUESTED DONATIONS

FOR THE NEWPORT COMMONS
COMMUNITY

**Donation Items Requested** 

#### Personal Care Items

Laundry Detergent

Toilet Paper

Clorox Wipes

Multipurpose cleaning spray

Deodorant (men's & women's)

Shampoo

Conditioner

Lotion

Hand soap

Toothbrush & toothpaste

Paper towels

Combs / brushes

Body wash & car soap

Wash cloths / loofahs

Feminine hygiene products

Band-aids

Lip balm

Q-tips

#### **Kitchen Essentials**

Medium and large pots

Small and medium skillets Tongs, Spatulas

Baking sheets

Colanders

Wooden spoons

Measuring spoons / Liquid measuring cups

Dishware Sets (next to new)

Silverwarre

Water bottles (reusable)









**Drop off information**: Newport Commons Leasing Office. 600 Creekside Ln. Lititz **Drop off** between 9:00AM – 4:00PM, Mon-Fri

Clothing Donations: Ferris Wheel Clothing Bank (213 Swarthmore Dr. Lititz) is accepting clothing drop-offs. Impacted families can reach out to Ferris Wheel to be assisted with specific clothing needs/sizes, and community members can donate here!

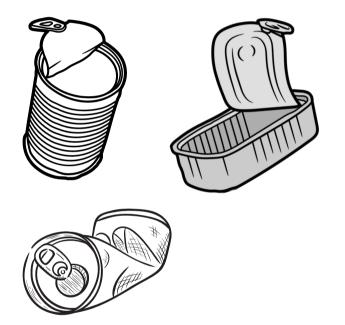


## Extra! Extra! Read All About It!



The December SPIRE will soon be here! Please be patient with the slight delay due to the holiday.

Be sure to contact the office with your email so you don't miss out on any upcoming events!



The aluminum can collection box is now located near the outside basement door of the Sexton's Office



#### Attention Group Leaders

Soon it will be that busy time of year!

Just a friendly reminder that your Narrative Reports for 2024 will be coming up!!





"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart?

Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern."

~ Mother Teresa