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Mission Statement:  
***Growing Faith, Sharing Hope, Living Love!***

**October 12, 2025**  
**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

*Enter expectantly, pray reverently, greet each other warmly,  
listen thoughtfully, sing joyfully, and leave faithfully.*

Chief Elder and Head of the Church: Jesus Christ  
Pastors: Rev. Mark V. Breland, Rev. Sayward E. G. Lippincott  
Director of Music Ministries: Dr. Jeffrey S. Gemmell  
Trombone Choir & Handbell Choir Director: Marilyn Winfield  
Children's Ministry Coordinator: Allyson Miller  
Lay Ministry Assistant: Greg Bomberger  
Office Manager: Courtney Hackman  
Administrative Assistant: Jaime Weik  
Sexton: Josh Bailey  
Treasurer: Barbara McKenney  
Financial Secretary: Mary Sweger  
Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

***\*Stand, if you are able.***

**Prayer for Meditation:** God of our salvation, you are the source of wisdom and joy. Your love and mercies are not limited to one time or to one people. You continue to heal and to save, transcending the artificial boundaries and barriers we set. For such expansive love, it is our right, duty, and joy to offer you all our thanks and praise, now and forever. Amen.

**Prelude:** *Prayer*

Alexandre Guilmant

**Welcome, Announcements and Greeting**

*Due to flu concerns, it's okay not to shake hands. Just greet your neighbor with a smile, a word of greeting, fist or elbow bump. Please pass prayer request cards to the aisle for the ushers during the first hymn. **Please sign the Friendship Register and pass it through the pew.** If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to scan the QR code on the 'Connect Card' located on the cover of the Friendship Register. We are so glad you are here! Please see an Usher or Sacristan if you would like: headphones to assist the hearing-impaired, large print bulletins, walker, wheelchair, or activity bags to help busy young children.*

**\*Call to Worship: (Leader / Congregation)**

In the midst of your hectic week you have come to worship God.

**Our lives are pulled in so many directions, we seek God's guidance.**

Let go of the burdens that weigh you down. God will take them.

**We thank God for the respite we are given.**

Tune your hearts and voices in praise to God.

**Let our voices bear the joy we feel because of God's love for us. Amen.**

**\*Hymn: 518**

*All Glory, Honor, Thanks, and Praise*

**Opening Prayer**

For the healing love you have offered to us; for the patience you have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give you thanks, O Lord. Bring our hearts and spirits to you that we may grow in our faith and service to you by serving others. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **Prayer of Confession**

**Patient Lord, you know how easy it is for us to whine and complain bitterly about all those things in our lives that are difficult. We focus on them as though they were the only things that ever happened to us, forgetting the many blessings that you have given to us and the opportunities you give us to serve you. We feel alienated--you call us beloved. We feel lost--you seek us. We feel broken and battered--your love is a healing balm. Forgive us when we forget those things. Help us to always look to you for our healing and to return thanks to you by praise and serving others in your name. For we offer this prayer of confession of our failures and gratitude for your blessings. Amen.**

## **Words of Assurance**

Turn again to the Lord, for you are beloved of God and have been given many blessings. Rejoice in God's love for you. Amen.

**(10:30 a.m.) Liturgy for Baptism: Page 165**

Baptism of Lola Hayden Senkbeil,  
daughter of Luke and Theresa Senkbeil,  
with Sponsors / Godparents, Christy Von Stetten and Ka Yerger.

## **Shared Joys and Concerns**

### **Prayer**

**Scripture:** Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

(10:30 a.m.) **Children's Chat Hymn:** 467    *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

(10:30 a.m.) **Children's Chat**    Pastor Mark Breland

**\*Hymn:** 578    *Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands*

**Message:** *Jesus Heals the Outcast*    Pastor Mark Breland

**The Offering of Tithes and Gifts and Second Mile**

*Warwick Community Chest* where neighbors helping neighbors.

We provide temporary food assistance to PA neighbors in need who reside within the boundaries of the Warwick School District.

**Offertory Anthem:** *Wake Every Breath*    William Billings

*Wake every breath and every string, to bless the great Redeemer King;*

*His name through every clime adored!*

*Let joy, and gratitude, and love, through all the notes of music move,*

*And "Jesus" sound on every chord.*

**\*Offertory Response:** 657    *We Give You But Your Own* (v.1)

**Offering Prayer**

**\*Hymn:** 550    *To God Be the Glory*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude:** *Trumpet Voluntary*    Jeremiah Clarke

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**Serving Today:**

**Sacristan:** (8:00 a.m.) Don Stoner (10:30 a.m.) Gary Bailey

**Head Usher:** Russ Weidman

**Scripture Readers:** (8:00 a.m.) Tom Ruckle

(10:30 a.m.) John Reidenbaugh

**Sound Booth Personnel:** Chris Rickson

**Nursery:** Cindy Walter and Brenda Barnes





# Announcements October 12, 2025



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## SUPPORT OUR SCOUTS

**Sunday, October 12, after the 8am and 10:30am services,** Scouts from our congregation will be selling delicious popcorn and nuts to support their Scouting adventures.

They will have products you can purchase and take with you or you can order from a wide variety of products.

Thank you for considering supporting our Scouts!



# Marking The Moment: Pastor Mark's Retirement



Pastor Mark's final worship service will be on  
Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m.

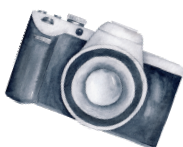
Please note there will be only one worship service on this day,  
followed by a catered luncheon in Fellowship Hall.

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Please share your memories  
and/or photos  
of Pastor Mark during his  
faithful ministry here  
at LMC.

We will use your memories  
as part  
of the retirement  
celebration for Pastor Mark.

Please send your story  
and/or photos to  
[jaime@lititzmoravian.org](mailto:jaime@lititzmoravian.org).



Members still have  
the opportunity to  
give a financial love  
gift to Pastor Mark  
and Dee.

Gifts will need to  
be made out to  
Lititz Moravian  
with the memo  
reading 'Pastor  
Mark.'



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## Happy Birthday!



Everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall  
**TODAY**, as we celebrate all those with  
birthdays this month.

If you're celebrating, don't miss the  
chance to be serenaded by  
your church family!

As always, we'll enjoy some sweet  
fellowship and refreshments together.

**Food Donations will be accepted for Church World Services food pantry during our LIFT Worship on Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. See list below for essential items needed.**



## **FOOD PANTRY ESSENTIALS**

- White rice
- Basmati Rice
- Dry black beans
- Dry lentils
- Chickpeas
- Canned tomatoes
- Tomato paste
- Black Tea
- Green Tea
- Cinnamon
- Cardamom
- Black Pepper
- Nescafe Instant Coffee
- Vegetable Oil
- Olive oil
- Cassava flour
- Corn flour
- Dried fruits
- Sugar
- Chicken bouillon
- Salt
- Turmeric

**Visit our Amazon Wishlist  
for our most urgent needs!**

### **DONATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Please contact Kate Espinosa at [kespinoso@cwsglobal.org](mailto:kespinoso@cwsglobal.org) or 717-440-8573 to schedule a drop-off. Items ordered through the Amazon wishlist can be shipped directly to the office.





Thank  
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Thank you to  
everyone who donated to the  
Breast Cancer Care Bags!

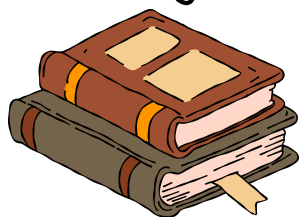
We were able to assemble  
334 bags to donate to  
local infusion centers.



## Preschool Story Hour

Are you signed up for this month?

Together, with caregivers, children will grow in faith, nurture friendships, have fun and learn about God's love through interactive songs, engaging stories, creative crafts, and tasty snacks!



Sign up is easy by  
scanning the QR code!



**WHO:** Children, ages 3-5 years old

**WHEN:** 9:30 - 10:30 AM, Friday, October 17th

**WHERE:** The Book Nook  
(2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Christian Education Building)

**Point of Contact:** Shannon Richard: (717) 314-9375 or  
Allyson Miller (859) 684-1484



## The Makers Market is back!

We're excited to welcome back the Makers Market during this year's Advent Tea—and we invite our talented church artists and crafters to rent a table and share their creations. Last year, we were truly blessed by the creativity within our congregation!

The Advent Tea, along with Attic Treasures and the Makers Market, will be held on Saturday, December 6th, from 12–3 PM. There will be eight tables available near Fellowship Hall (1st floor) and additional spaces near the Attic Treasures in Heritage Dining Hall. Each table is \$25, with all proceeds going toward charity.

To reserve your space, please contact Brenda Barnes via text at 717-201-5384. Come create, connect, and celebrate the spirit of the season with us!



## Attic Treasures

*Do you have any 'treasures'  
to donate?*

Moravian Fellowship will be holding an Attic Treasures during the Advent Tea on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to donate household items or home decor, please drop clean & functioning items off in the Craft Room between now and the end of November.

Any questions, contact Clara, Linda or Cindy (#717-371-0448).



Lititz Moravian Church is looking for a joyful, music-loving leader to serve as our Junior Choir Director!



This is a fun, part-time position in Christian Ministry, sharing the love of Jesus with children through the gift of song.

If you have a heart for kids, a passion for music, and a desire to make worship come alive, we'd love to hear from you!

Call: 717-626-8515

Email: [office@lititzmoravian.org](mailto:office@lititzmoravian.org)

Join our supportive, fun work environment and help inspire the next generation to sing for the Lord!



## ***Everyone's Got a Place in the Choir!***

There's still plenty of time for you to join the Senior Choir on Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

This is your choir, so we hope you will consider joining us in this enjoyable music ministry.

All are welcome, regardless of experience.

All you need is a strong desire to sing to the Lord! Come join the fun!

Questions? Email the Director of Music Ministries  
[jeff@lititzmoravian.org](mailto:jeff@lititzmoravian.org) or  
call 717-342-4469.

# 2025 Christmas Vigils



Saturday, December 20th  
5:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 21st  
10:30 am (no admission card required)  
and 5:00 pm

Wednesday, December 24th  
5:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Vigil request cards will be sent to members  
in the upcoming week(s).

You will receive your request card as you receive the Spire.

If you receive the Spire by USPS, the request cards will be sent by mail.  
If you receive the Spire by email, you will receive an email with a link to  
the Google form.

If you would prefer a paper request card, please contact the office  
at 717-626-8515, Monday through Friday from 10am - 2pm.



# Moravian Mission Gift Shop

**Now OPEN**

**Thursdays,  
Fridays & Saturdays**

**10:00 am - 4:00 pm**







Good things  
Are Coming

**Sunday, October 12th**

9:00 a.m. Snack N' Yak

11:45 a.m. Birthday Celebration



**Friday, October 17th**

9:30 - 10:30am - Preschool Story Hour



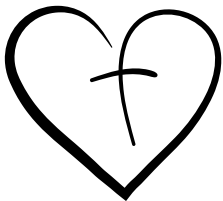
**Saturday, October 18th**

4:00 p.m. Family Movie Night with "The Princess Bride"

Scan QR code  
to register!



**Sunday, October 19th**



10:30 a.m. (Only) Worship followed by  
Pastor Mark's Retirement Luncheon

**Sunday, November 2nd**

Daylight Savings Time  
(Turn clocks back 1 hour)



**Sunday, November 9th**

Christ as our Chief Elder Communion

**Thursday, November 27th - Friday, November 28th**



Thanksgiving Day; Office Closed

**Saturday, December 6th**

Advent Tea & Attic Treasures

**December 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

Vigil Services



**Congregational Watchword for 2025:**  
**You will again have compassion on us; you will**  
**hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.**  
**Micah 7:19 NIV**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers this week all of our nursing home residents and shut-ins at home.

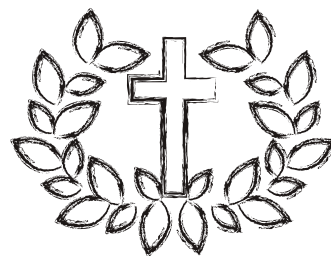
**Please remember in your prayers:**

### *Serving our country in the military:*

Lt. Col. Neal Miller, Army;  
 Sgt. Jason Stoner, Army Reserves;  
 Lt. Dain Bomberger, US Navy;  
 Major Andrew Kemp;  
 Staff Sgt. Austin Heacock

### *Pastoral Visitation:*

*Please contact Pastor Mark  
 or Pastor Sayward  
 to schedule a  
 pastoral visit for yourself or  
 family members.*



### *Prayers of Healing for:*

Barry Erb  
 Dick Martin  
 Jeff Bamberger  
 Pastor Dean Jurgen  
 Meda Hostetter  
 Erelene Deist  
 Joan Keenen  
 Rebecca Swartz  
 Marilyn Diener

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

### Completed Month of August

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$35,595	\$69,120
General Fund Other Income	\$1,282	\$5,300
General Fund Expenses	\$66,470	\$78,666
Net Income	\$(29,593)	\$(4,247)

### YTD Through the Month of August

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$373,632	\$411,139
General Fund Other Income	\$56,784	\$63,881
General Fund Expense	\$447,936	\$514,763
Net Income	\$(17,520)	\$(39,743)

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, October 12, 2025 - Second Mile Offering**

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship  
9:00 a.m. Snack n' Yak - Fellowship Hall  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)  
11:45 a.m. Birthday Celebration - Fellowship Hall

### **Monday, October 13, 2025 -**

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leadership Meeting - Liquid Classroom  
6:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee - RAO  
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir - Prep Room

### **Tuesday, October 14, 2025 -**

9:00 a.m. Quilting - Nursery  
3:30 p.m. Tai Chi - Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Archives Committee - HDR  
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee - Zoom

### **Wednesday, October 15, 2025 -**

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall  
9:30 a.m. Moravian Woman's Circle - Prep Room  
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous - Social Hall  
7:15 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

### **Thursday, October 16, 2025 -**

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Mission Gift Shop NOW OPEN Thursdays  
(through the remainder of the year)  
7:00 p.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, October 17, 2025**

9:00 a.m. Beginners Yoga - Fellowship Hall  
9:30 a.m. - Preschool Story Hour - Book Nook of CEB (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Mission Gift Shop Open  
6:00 p.m. Crafts with Friends - Outlook Library

### **Saturday, October 18, 2025**

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Mission Gift Shop Open  
4:00 p.m. - Community Family Movie Night - Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, October 19, 2025 - No 8:00 a.m. Worship this day**

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School (all ages)  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
12:00 p.m. Pastor Mark's Retirement Luncheon - Social Hall

# Gratitude Is a Must

In our text today Jesus encountered ten men who were considered outcasts in their society. Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem, through a region between Samaria and Galilee. As Jesus entered a village, ten lepers called out to him from afar. The ten included lepers from Samaria and Galilee. Since they were bonded by their misery, their national and other prejudices disappeared. “In the common tragedy of their leprosy, they had forgotten they were Jews and Samaritans and remembered only they were men in need.” \* Jesus’ response to their cry for mercy was to send them to show themselves to the priests. The priest would affirm that they were healed and could return to their normal life.

The second half of the text brings into focus the human issue of gratefulness. Only one of the ten healed lepers returned giving gratitude to Jesus. Jesus’ response to him confronts us as a people who are many times calling out to Jesus for one intervention or another. Where were the other nine? Why had they not returned the give thanks? The one person who showed gratitude to Jesus was a non-Jew, a Samaritan.

Who is most likely to be grateful after receiving a gift? Who is most likely to be ungrateful? The Samaritan represents those who request something from God, and receive it, and realize that the favor granted from God is unmerited. His natural response is gratitude to God. Gratitude is a must. The other nine, perceived to be Jews, feel entitled. As the chosen people of God, they expect God’s favor. The intentional focus that they had when crying for help disappears once they are healed. Gratitude was not in their conscious thought. They did not remember to say thanks to God.

The text calls us to be more like the Samaritan giving gratitude in response to God’s grace.

*Kevin Marshall, pastor, First Moravian Church and  
Covenant Moravian Church, York, Pennsylvania*

·William Barclay, The Gospel of Luke (Edinburgh: St. Andrews Press, 1953), 226

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## The Moravian Church

### Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 12, 2025

