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Mission Statement:

***Growing Faith, Sharing Hope, Living Love!***

**January 11, 2026**  
**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**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  
Pastor: 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: Andy Weik  
Treasurer: Barbara McKenney  
Financial Secretary: Mary Sweger  
***Ministers: All Members of the Congregation***

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

**Prelude:** “Air” from *Orchestral Suite No. 3*

J. S. Bach

**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.*

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

Come! Let us follow Jesus to the edge of the Jordan River to be baptized.

**We come to be cleansed and made whole.**

Come! Let us witness John’s confusion and Jesus’ insistence that John baptize God Incarnate.

**We come to join Jesus in choosing life in the kingdom of God.**

Come! Let us hear God declare the truth of Jesus’ identity and the truth of our identity as baptized people.

**We come to remember and embody who we are as beloved children of God.**

Come! Let us worship God who leads us into the baptismal waters and salvation life.

**We come to worship God who empowers us through divine presence to live together as the family of God.**

**\*Hymn: 317**

*Brightest and Best of the Stars*

**Prayer of Confession**

**We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which your light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires. Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you. Wash away our jealousy, greed, and all negative thoughts and behaviors that stand in the way of our truly being the people you have called us to be. Again, let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

## Words of Assurance

The love of God is always offered to us,  
freely, joyfully, for all eternity.  
Rejoice, dear friends,  
this is the good news of our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn: 447**      91<sup>st</sup> Birthday for Ruth Patsy Kremser on January 15<sup>th</sup>  
*With your presence, Lord, our Head and Savior,  
bless her now we humbly pray;  
our dear heavenly Father's love and favor  
be her comfort every day.  
May God's Spirit now in each proceeding  
favor her with his most gracious leading;  
thus shall she be truly blessed  
both in labor and in rest.*

## Shared Joys and Concerns and Prayer

**Scripture:** Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

(10:30 a.m.) **Children's Chat Hymn: 679**      *Little Children, Welcome!*

(10:30 a.m.) **Children's Chat**      Pastor Sayward Lippincott

**\*Hymn: 490**      *Spirit of God, Who Dwells*

**Message: Beloved**      Pastor Sayward Lippincott

## The Offering of Tithes and Gifts and 2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Offering

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Mile Offering for January is for The Food Hub - LCCC.

(8:00 a.m.) **Offertory Organ Music**

(10:30 a.m.) **Offertory Anthem: When John Baptized by Jordan's River**

*Renedez, à Dieu,*  
Attr. Louis Bourgeois (1543)

The anthem text may be found in the Moravian Book of Worship, #315

**\*Offertory Response: 815**      *Our Tithes and Off'rings, Lord, We Bring*

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*Hymn:** 485

*O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** *Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten*

J. S. Bach

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**Serving Today:**

**Sacristan:** (8:00 a.m.) Don Stoner (10:30 a.m.) Matt Good

**Head Usher:** Matt Bomberger

**Scripture Reader:** (8:00 a.m.) Paul Swope  
(10:30 a.m.) Ellen McQueen

**Sound Booth Personnel:** Wayne Wolf

**Nursery:** Chris and Jessie Styers

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## A **THANK YOU!** *That Is Way Too Late*

*We wish to offer our heartfelt thanks for the years of faithful service Dan Turnbull gave to Lititz Moravian. We especially remember how he continued to serve during his own season of physical healing and his attention to safety, which provided peace of mind and protection to this congregation.*

*His gifts and dedication nurtured the life and ministry of this congregation, and his work has blessed many in ways both seen and unseen.*

*We also acknowledge, with humility, that we did not extend these words of gratitude at the time of his departure.*

*This was a serious oversight, and we sincerely ask for forgiveness.*

*Please know how deeply we appreciate all Dan offered in his season among us.*

**SAVE THIS  
SHEET!**  
(in case of sleet!)

# Inclement Weather Policy



The office hours and church activities will follow Warwick School District's school schedule on inclement weather days.

The church office & activities will run on a 2-hour delay,

if Warwick is on a 2-hour delay.

On these days, the office will be open at Noon.

The church office & activities will be closed, if Warwick is closed for the day.

In the event there is inclement weather on a Sunday morning, the worship team will determine whether one or both services will be canceled.

You may find out about any possible delays or closures by:

- Email updates sent by Church Staff, IF you elected / opted into emails.
- Call the main phone line at 717-626-8515 for an automated message detailing any closure or delay.
- Refer to social media outlets (Facebook and Instagram).
- WGAL.com for listing under 'closures' or on WGAL-TV channel on lower header listed at the bottom of your screen.
- 94.5 WDAC Christian Radio (FM) through their website: [www.wdac.com](http://www.wdac.com) or listed on air.



**If you would like to opt in for emails,  
please send us a note at: [office@lititzmoravian.org](mailto:office@lititzmoravian.org) to have  
your name added so you can receive up to date information!**

# Announcements

## January 11, 2026

### BE PART OF THE LAST SUPPER



### HAVE YOU EVER IMAGINED YOURSELF SEATED AT THE TABLE WITH JESUS?

We are seeking eleven individuals to portray the disciples in a **powerful and prayerful** way to share Jesus' story.

Participants should be able to:  
Be present for the performance and attend 3–4 rehearsals  
Memorize a prepared monologue  
(15–25 sentences — scripts are provided)  
Hold a still pose for short periods during the presentation  
(with breaks built in)

If you are interested or have questions, please  
contact: Dwight Herr  
d.herr.md@gmail.com

717-537-7948 | 717-665-9714

### A SMALL DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE

BURROWES ELEMENTARY IN  
LANCASTER CITY HAS  
MOVED INTO THEIR NEW  
BUILDING!  
PLEASE HELP US STOCK  
THEIR TEACHERS'  
CLASSROOMS FOR THE REST  
OF THE 2025-2026 YEAR!

### BURROWES' WISH LIST

- ✓ TISSUE BOXES
- ✓ CLOROX WIPES
- ✓ EXPO DRY  
ERASE MARKERS

DONATIONS CAN BE  
DROPPED OFF IN THE  
STAR ROOM UNTIL  
JAN. 31<sup>ST</sup>. PLEASE  
DIRECT QUESTIONS TO  
JESSIE STYERS.



**JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>**

**LITITZ MORAVIAN CHURCH**

**K-6<sup>TH</sup>  
GRADE**

**GOD'S  
WINTER  
WONDERLAND**



**ACTIVITIES**



**CRAFTS, GAMES, SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS, SNACKS  
AND MUSIC! REGISTER FOR "SNOW" MUCH FUN!**

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BUILDING  
8 CHURCH SQUARE**





## **Prayer & Lay Leadership: A Three-Part Educational Webinar Series**

*Deepen your prayer life. Strengthen your leadership.*

*Enrich your community.*

Join us for a three-part series of 90-minute live webinars via Zoom exploring how prayer shapes personal faith and congregational life. Each session offers a unique perspective—its theology, creativity, and role in leadership—led by gifted Moravian educators.

Join one, two, or all three sessions—each stands alone while contributing to a richer understanding of prayer.

**Who Should Attend:** Lay leaders, worship assistants, educators, musicians, and anyone seeking to deepen their understanding and practice of prayer.

**Hosted by:** The Eastern District Executive Board

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### **Session 1: The Heart of Prayer**

*Led by the Rev. Dr. Jennika Eckhaus and Theresa Fisher*

Date: January 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Explore the foundations and expressions of prayer. Learn simple, practical ways to deepen your spiritual life—whether you're new to prayer or seeking renewal.

### **Session 2: Preparing Meaningful Devotions**

*Becky Lepore & the Rev. Mikayla Sauerbrey*

Date: February 24, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Asked to offer devotions at a gathering? Looking to provide spiritual grounding for your group? Learn practical tools for creating meaningful moments of prayer and connection.

### **Session 3: Prayers for Worship**

*Led by the Rev. Dr. Riddick Weber*

Date: March 25, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Wondering how pastoral, intercessory, and invocation prayers differ or what to say in an offertory prayer? Learn the purpose of key worship prayers & simple ways to craft them.

Scan the QR Code to Learn More & Register

Visit our website at [www.moravian.org/equip](http://www.moravian.org/equip)

For questions email [amy@mcnp.org](mailto:amy@mcnp.org)





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both locally and around the world.

When you shop at the Moravian Mission Gift Shop, you're not just shopping  
—you're giving back and helping make a difference.

**Please note the shop will be closed during January and February.  
The shop will reopen on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.**

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*Happy Birthday*



**January Birthdays, This One's for You!**

All are welcome to join us after worship **TODAY**  
in Fellowship Hall as we celebrate everyone with a birthday this month!

If January is your special month, come be showered with smiles,  
song, and birthday cheer from your church family.

Sweet treats and refreshments will be waiting!

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## **Church Council 2026**

Church Council will be held on Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Financial and Narrative Reports will be ready to view on  
Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.

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## **CANDLEMAKERS**

Christmas is over and the freezers are empty.  
It is time to start to make more candles.

**Recycling old beeswax candles will be  
February 26, 2026 at 6:30 in the  
Heritage Dining Room.**

All are welcome.  
Come and join in the fun!



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**Congregational Watchword for 2026:**  
**Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch**  
**cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in**  
**the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.**  
**John 15:4**

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### **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 Sayward  
to schedule a  
pastoral visit for yourself or family members.*

***Prayers of Healing for:***

Barry Erb  
Jeff Bamberger  
Pastor Dean Jurgen  
Meda Hostetter  
Erelene Deist  
Joan Keenen  
Marilyn Diener  
Jonathan Yerger  
Laura Pedersen

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

#### **Completed Month of November**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$60,382	\$65,381
General Fund Other Income	\$716	\$3,890
General Fund Expenses	\$58,980	\$42,112
Net Income	\$12,118	\$27,159

#### **YTD Through the Month of November**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>
Tithes & Offerings	\$531,572	\$554,460
General Fund Other Income	\$76,918	\$91,864
General Fund Expense	\$609,283	\$676,450
Net Income	\$(793)	\$(30,126)

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, January 11, 2026**

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

11:45 a.m. Birthday Celebration - Fellowship Hall

### **Monday, January 12, 2026**

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting - Liquid Classroom

6:30 p.m. Random Acts of Kindness - RAO

6:30 p.m. Moravian Fellowship Meeting

7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir - Prep Room

### **Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

9:00 a.m. Quilting - Nursery

6:30 p.m. Archives Committee - HDR

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee - Zoom

### **Wednesday, January 14, 2026**

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous - Social Hall

7:15 p.m. Senior Choir Practice - Sanctuary

### **Thursday, January 15, 2026**

6:30 p.m. Lititz Historical Society - Eschbach Parlor

7:00 p.m. Joint Board - Zoom

7:00 p.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, January 16, 2026**

9:00 a.m. Beginners Yoga - Fellowship Hall

9:30 a.m. Preschool Story Hour - Book Nook

### **Saturday, January 17, 2026**

### **Sunday, January 18, 2026**

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

## Andrews and Johns

John the Baptist offered messages and a baptism that resonated with people. There was something about what John provided that fed people's spiritual hunger. Yet John's ministry was not about himself. When Jesus walked by, John quickly identified Jesus as "the Lamb of God." John reminded his followers that this is the person he had been telling them about and the reason of all he did was to help reveal the "Lamb."

Are you like John, who had a powerful experience revealing Jesus as the Lamb to him? What has God revealed to you that you are to share with others about Jesus? And as you share, are you able to keep the Lamb as the reason for what you share? There are not many who are a public persona like John. Martin Luther King Jr. was one. Could you be one?

Are you like Andrew, following someone who is spiritual? Today, there is a variety of spiritual leaders to help us actively seek the Lamb. How do those whom you follow, and who give you inspiration, reveal the Lamb? And when the Lamb is identified, are you willing to follow the Lamb, that is, to seek a personal experience? We hear of two who joined with John to allow themselves to fully follow the Lamb.

Do you wait for someone to point out the Lamb to you? Simon Peter was not a follower of John. His spiritual sibling Andrew revealed the Lamb to him.

Give thanks for the "Johns" and "Andrews" in your life. Together, let's help reveal the Lamb to a world with a spiritual hunger for the Lamb. Powerful experiences, actively seeking, and connections are all ways the Lamb was revealed then, and is still being revealed today.

*Kurt Liebenow, pastor, Watertown Moravian Church,  
Watertown, Wisconsin*

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