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

March 8, 2026
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Lent

*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: *Wir glauben all an einen Gott*

Johannes Pachelbel

Welcome, Greeting and Announcements

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 worship God!

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Come, let us worship our Shepherd!

We are the sheep of God's pasture, and we follow where God leads us.

Come, let us open our hearts!

We receive God's love poured into our hearts through the Spirit.

Come, let us worship God, the rock of our salvation!

Let us worship God, whose mercy guides and sustains us on the path of new life!

***Hymn: 469**

Come, Let Us Sing the Songs of Songs

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, from the beginning of time, you have called your children into communion with you. Yet we confess that like all the rest, we have turned to our own way and refused your love and grace. Restore us to the joy of knowing you and of recognizing your reign among us, through Jesus Christ, bringer of your good news. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: God is gracious and merciful. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Hymn: 447

90th Birthday for Clarence Martin on March 11th

*With your presence, Lord, our Head and Savior,
bless him now, we humbly pray;
our dear heavenly Father's love and favor
be his comfort every day.*

*May God's Spirit now in each proceeding
favor him with his most gracious leading;*

*thus shall he be truly blessed
both in labor and in rest.*

Shared Joys and Concerns and Prayer

Scripture: John 4:1-42

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, "Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John" (although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized), he left Judea and started back to Galilee. But he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." Just then his disciples came. They were astonished

that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

(10:30 a.m.) **Children's Chat Hymn: 726** *Jesus Loves Me! This I Know*

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

Girl Scout Sunday Recognition Allyson Miller

(8:00 a.m.) ***Hymn: 622** *You're Our Strength and Motivation*

(10:30 a.m.) ***Hymn: 616** *The Springs of Salvation*

Message: Had To Pastor Sayward Lippincott

The Offering of Tithes and Gifts and 2nd Mile Offering

This week's Second Mile Offering is for Camp Scholarship.

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

(10:30 a.m.) **Offertory Anthem:** *At the River* Adapted by Aaron Copland
Arr., R. Wilding-White

*Shall we gather by the river, where bright angel's feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God.
Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, beautiful river,
Gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.
Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease.
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather by the river....*

***Offertory Response:** 817 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

***Offertory Prayer**

***Hymn:** 625 *I Love to Tell the Story*

Benediction

Postlude: *Prelude and Fugue in F Major* J. S. Bach

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Serving Today:

Sacristan: (8:00 a.m.) Don Stoner (10:30 a.m.) Bob Turgyan

Head Usher: Darrin Donmoyer

Scripture Reader: (8:00 a.m.) Teddy Flory
(10:30 a.m.) Christy VonStetten

Worship Leader: (8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.) Rachel Best

Sound Booth Personnel: Chris Rickson

Nursery: Cindy Walter and Karen Keffer

In Person or
Zoom!!

Won't You Be My Neighbor?

A Lenten Journey with Mr. Rogers

R.S.V.P.
Sheet in
Star Room
or register by
QR code



This Lent, join us for a thoughtful and hope-filled Wednesday evening series—biblically inspired, warmly shared in love, and rooted in community.

Families and children are welcome to be part of the evening. After a brief opening discussion together, children will head off with our Children's Ministry Coordinator for a quiet, theme-related craft, while adults continue the conversation around the weekly lesson.

Through Scripture, meaningful discussion, and clips from Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, we'll explore what it means to live as faithful neighbors—practicing love and care in a world that deeply needs it.

In Person or
Zoom!!

Wednesdays in Lent
through March 25th

- Desserts & Drinks at 6:15 p.m. in Social Hall

(Discussion to begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.)

- Come for community and conversation

Wherever you are on your journey,
you are warmly welcome here.

“Love is at the root of everything.”

– Fred Rogers



A Journey of Preparation: Lent

All Holy Week services
will be livestreamed on our
website with the
exception of Sunrise Service

Palm Sunday
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Week Worship Services
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Communion
7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service
2:15 p.m.

Great Sabbath Lovefeast
Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Easter Morning
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service - Sanctuary and walk to God's Acre
8:00 a.m. Easter Morning Communion - Chapel in Brothers House
10:30 a.m. Easter Morning Worship



Announcements

March 8, 2026

ATTENTION

Members of
The Last Supper
Drama will be having
practice today after
2nd worship
(around 11:45am)
in Eschbach Parlor.

Girl Scout Cookie Sales
TODAY in The Star Room
after each worship!

\$6.00 / box



Birthday Celebration is today!



Everyone is invited to join us TODAY
as we celebrate our March birthdays!

Following the second service, we'll gather in Fellowship Hall
to enjoy fellowship, share in a joyful birthday song,
and celebrate together with refreshments and drinks.

Come join the fun — and feel free to bring a friend along to
celebrate with us!



Easter Lilies



As we look ahead to Easter, you are invited to honor or remember a loved one by placing an Easter lily in the church on Easter Sunday. These flowers help beautify our worship space while offering a meaningful way to give thanks and remembrance.

If you would like to participate, please return this form to the Church Office or place it in the Sunday offering plate no later than March 30. The cost is \$20 per lily. Kindly include your payment when submitting the order form. Make checks payable to Lititz Moravian Flower Fund with "Easter Lilies" noted in the memo line.

Lilies may be picked up following the 10:30 a.m. Easter service on Sunday, April 5.

Thank you for sharing in this meaningful tradition as we celebrate the hope of Easter together.



Your Name: _____

First Plant:
In HONOR or in MEMORY of: _____
(circle one)

Second Plant:
In HONOR or in MEMORY of: _____
(circle one)

Third Plant:
In HONOR or in MEMORY of: _____
(circle one)

Number of plants: _____ x \$20.00 / each = \$ _____

Please indicate if you are enclosing cash or check number: _____

CANDLEMAKERS

Christmas has come and gone, and our candle supply has burned bright! Now it's time to gather, recycle, and prepare to shine again!



Heritage Dining Room
Thursdays through May 7th - 6:30 p.m.
Saturdays through May 2nd - 9:00 a.m.
(exception: No candlemaking during Holy Week)

Spring Clean-Up and Mulch Day

Saturday, March 21st

(Rain Date: Saturday, March 28th)

Help us *dig in, pitch in, and mulch-ibly* the beauty around Church Square as we prepare for Easter! Many hands make light (and fun!) work - invite family, friends, Scouts and neighbors to serve alongside you.



Come ready to get a little dirty for a beautiful cause - and bring another pair of hands with you!

Calling All Gardeners!

The Cemetery Board is inviting individuals or groups who would enjoy planting and caring for selected flower beds on our church grounds. This is a wonderful way to share your gifts, nurture beauty, and help keep our church property welcoming for all.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Dave Cochran at dlcochran65@gmail.com or reach out to the church office at office@lititzmoravian.org. Thank you for helping to beautify our church home and grounds!



You're invited to experience a meaningful evening of
reflection and storytelling
by being a part of The Last Supper.

BE PART OF THE LAST SUPPER



Join us for a live dramatization of The Last Supper,
inspired by Leonardo da Vinci's painting.

Hear the disciples share how their lives were changed by Jesus—
and how that story continues to speak to us today.

Whether this is your church home or your first visit,
all are welcome to gather with us.

This free presentation is open to friends, neighbors, and families—
come and experience it together.

Saturday, March 28th
7:00 pm located in Fellowship Hall

finding your way

young adult retreat 2026

camp hope | march 27-29

Join us for a weekend retreat at Camp Hope as we worship, connect, explore and wonder together. Led by Moravian Pastor Jennika Eckhaus, Director of Moravian Church Relations at the Moravian School of Theology this retreat will be full of love, joy, and fellowship as we gather together in the beautiful New Jersey forests around Little Silver Lake.

Program cost is \$145 for the weekend, but we do not want cost to be a barrier for participation. Scholarships are available, please contact Jennika for financial assistance via email at eckhausj@moravian.edu

For young adults aged 18-30. Visit camphope.org or scan the QR code to register.





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

Session 3: Prayers for Worship

Led by the Rev. Dr. Riddick Weber **Date: March 16, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Note date change!**

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

For questions email amy@mcnp.org



**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**

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;
Staff Sgt. Austin Heacock

Prayers of Healing for:

Barry Erb
Jeff Bamberger
Pastor Dean Jurgen
Meda Hostetter
Erelene Deist
Joan Keenen
Marilyn Diener
Susan Yeagley
Roger Groce
Melissa Hostetter
Carol Dague
Cindy Herr

Pastoral Visitation:

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

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Completed Month of January 2026

	2025	2026
Tithes & Offerings	\$60,517	\$50,380
General Fund Other Income	\$11,648	\$10,829
General Fund Expenses	\$76,862	\$73,083
Net Income	\$(4,698)	\$(11,874)

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, March 8, 2026

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship with Second Mile Offering
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages - NO SEEKERS CLASS
11:45 a.m. Birthday Celebration - Fellowship Hall
11:45 a.m. Last Supper Drama (Practice) - Eschbach Parlor

Monday, March 9, 2026

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Community Band Meeting - HDR
6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders Meeting
7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

9:00 a.m. Quilting - Nursery
6:00 p.m. Joint Board Meeting - HDR
6:30 p.m. Archives Committee - Eschbach Parlor
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. Lenten Desserts & Discussion - Social Hall
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous - Fellowship Hall
7:45 p.m. Senior Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Thursday, March 12, 2026

6:30 p.m. Vigil Candle Prep - Craft & Putz Rooms
7:00 p.m. CIS - Outlook Library
7:00 p.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee (Zoom)

Friday, March 13, 2026

9:00 a.m. Beginner Yoga - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Gift Shop Open

Saturday, March 14, 2026

9:00 a.m. Vigil Candle Prep - Craft & Putz Rooms
9:00 a.m. Yoga & Journaling Class - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Gift Shop Open

Sunday, March 15, 2026

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Worship with Handbell Choir
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

Where Do You Get That Living Water?

The story takes place at the communal well where women gather each day to get water for their families. It is in the heat of the day and too hot for anyone to come for water, but one woman comes. She is a Samaritan, who probably feels more comfortable coming at noon when other women aren't there. The Samaritans have a long, difficult history with the Jews and are not welcomed as members of the community. She and Jesus begin a conversation, which would have been frowned on. It was not proper for a man to have a conversation with a woman without others being present.

Jesus: Give me a drink.

The Woman: Why are you asking me for a drink? You're a Jew, and I am a Samaritan.

Jesus: If you knew who I was, you would have asked me for living water.

The Woman: Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us this well?

Jesus: Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink from the water that I give will never be thirsty again. The water that I give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.

The Woman: I see you are a prophet, and I know that the Messiah is coming.

Jesus: I am he, the Messiah, the one who is talking to you.

The Woman: Sir, give me your life-giving water.

Just then the disciples come and are astonished that Jesus is speaking with a woman.

The woman leaves her water jar and goes back to the city and tells the people what has happened to her. Many Samaritans come to believe in Jesus that day.

Kay Ward, bishop, retired pastor, Watertown, Wisconsin

The Moravian Church

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026

