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Mission Statement:

Growing Faith, Sharing Hope, Living Love in Christ!

July 5, 2026

“Look in the Mirror”

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost | Red
Romans 7:15-25

8:00 a.m. & 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. Sayward E. G. Lippincott & Rev. Dr. Mandy M. Mastros, LSW
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: Jaime Weik
Sexton: Andy Weik
Treasurer: Barbara McKenney
Financial Secretary: Mary Sweger
Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

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

Prelude: *Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele (Adorn Yourself, O Beloved Soul)*
Johannes Brahms

Welcome, Announcements and Greeting

*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 the Lord our God.

For God's mercy is new every morning.

Let us open our hearts to God's love and saving grace.

Let us lift our voices in praise together!

***Hymn: 557**

Here We Gather to Remember

Shared Joys and Concerns

Prayer: 117

Intercessions in Time of Crisis

Scripture: Romans 7:15-25

I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it. And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't. I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it. I have discovered this principle of life—that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. I love God's law with all my heart. But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord. So you see how it is: In my mind I really want to obey God's law, but because of my sinful nature I am a slave to sin.

***Hymn: 777**

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

Message: *Look in the Mirror*

Rev. Carol P. Dague

The Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Solo: *Come, Come, Come, Christ Jesus Bids*

Still, Still, Still
Austrian Melody

Text may be found in the *Moravian Book of Worship*, #412
Rebecca Swartz, soloist

Offertory Response: 666 (v.2)

Help Us, O Lord, to Learn

**Help us, O Lord, to live the faith which we proclaim,
that all our thoughts and words and deeds
may glorify your name.**

Offertory Prayer

***Confession Preparatory to Holy Communion**

Lord, hear my voice; be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, would mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God's Word I hope.

Beloved, draw near to God, and God will draw near to you. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and God will exalt you.

We will search our hearts and examine our ways and turn again to the Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, our only Mediator with God our Creator, our mighty Savior and our glorious King, we humbly bow before you and confess our manifold transgressions.

We, your disciples, have often in word and deed dishonored the holy name we bear, and have turned aside from that path of holiness and loving service, in which you have called us to follow you. Pardon all our forgetfulness of your great love and our coldness of heart, our frequent conformity to the ways of the world, and our failure to labor for the extension of your kingdom.

Have mercy upon us, according to your loving-kindness. Hide your face from our sins and blot out all our iniquities.

Grant us, through the communion of your Holy Supper, the assurance of our pardon, a greater power of sanctification, a closer union with you, and the joyous expectation of eternal life in the heavenly kingdom. Amen

Thus says the Lord: I, even I, am God and blot out your transgressions for my own sake and will not remember your sins. Go and sin no more.

Service of Holy Communion in Celebration of the Atonement: 196

Postlude: *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen (O World, I Must Leave You)*

Johannes Brahms

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Serving Today:

Pastor: Rev. Carol Dague

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

Co-Sacristan: Becky Turnbull

Head Usher: Russ Weidman

Scripture Readers: (8:00 a.m.) Mary Ginder
(10:30 a.m.) MaryLee Yerger

Worship Leader: Earle Cornelius

Sound Booth Personnel: Kevin Donnelly

Announcements

July 5, 2026

A Time of Renewal for Pastor Sayward - Pastor Sayward's Sabbatical

As a reminder, Pastor Sayward began her sabbatical on July 3rd and will return on September 1st. This time of rest, renewal, and reflection is an important part of sustaining long-term ministry and caring for the spiritual, emotional, and physical well-being of our pastors.

As a congregation, we give thanks for Pastor Sayward's faithful leadership, compassionate care, and dedication to Lititz Moravian Congregation over the past five years. This August, she will also celebrate 20 years of ordained ministry, a milestone worthy of gratitude and celebration.

During Pastor Sayward's sabbatical, Pastor Mandy, with the help of the Assistant Lay Minister, will be available for all pastoral care needs, emergencies, hospital visits, and other ministry concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact the church office if you are in need of pastoral support.

We look forward to welcoming Pastor Sayward back in September, refreshed and renewed for the ministry ahead.

We are happy to announce that
Jaime Weik
has accepted the position as
Office Manager for our
congregation.

Faith In Action: Ways to Serve at LMC

Lititz Moravian will be changing our church member database in the upcoming months.

As we begin transitioning to a new church database, we are working to ensure our contact information is accurate and up to date. Starting next week and over the coming weeks, *you may receive a phone call OR an email from our church member intern,* who will be helping us verify household information such as addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, and family details.

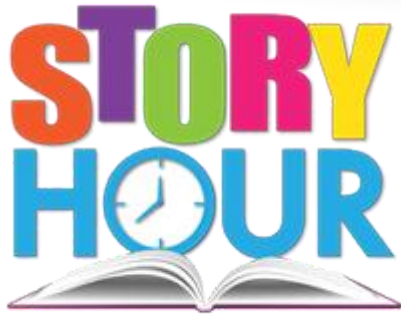
We appreciate your willingness to take a few minutes to speak with them when they call OR return an email when received.

(The email will originate from: 1churchupdate@lititzmoravian.org)

Keeping our records current helps us stay connected as a church family and ensures that you receive important ministry updates, event information, and pastoral communications.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we make this important transition!

Be Part of What's Happening at LMC!



Preschool Story Hour is set to resume in the fall from 9:30-10:30am on the third Friday of each month from September through May.

We will meet from 9:30 – 10:30 am on the following dates:

September 18

December 18

March 19

October 16

January 15

April 16

November 20

February 19

May 21

Story Hour will be held in the Book Nook, which is located on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. Children age three to five are invited to come for an hour of stories, songs, movement, crafts, and a snack. Our primary mission is to plant seeds of Christian faith and values in young children through shared literature. Each month has a theme with a Christian message which we discuss in an age-appropriate way.

Children need not be members of Lititz Moravian to attend. Parents or grandparents are asked to remain and participate with the children. The program is free. Registration is limited, so please register your child early by completing the form below.

If you have any questions, please call Shannon Richard (717) 314-9375.

Preschool Story Hour Registration

Child's Name _____

Age/birthdate _____

Food allergies _____

Child's Address _____

Adult's Name _____

Phone # _____

Email Address _____

Drop off or mail to Lititz Moravian Church: 8 Church Square, Lititz, PA 17543

Vespers In The Park

**Join us for Vespers in the Park
for Christmas in July!**

Mark your calendars for
Sunday, July 26 at 7:00 PM
at Lititz Springs Park
for an evening of Christmas joy
in the summer season.

Sing along with favorite Christmas carols
accompanied by
the Lititz Moravian Trombone Choir,
enjoy cookies and chocolate milk,
and visit with Mrs. Claus while
writing letters to the North Pole.

A festive evening for all ages —
we hope you will join us!



Learn, Lead, Serve: Summer Courses for Lay Leaders

Have you thought about taking an online course this summer? Two engaging 6-week classes begin in July and are designed with congregational ministry in mind. Led by pastors, these courses are open to anyone looking to grow in faith, leadership, and learning.

Each district will provide \$300 toward the cost of a course, making the remaining student fee only \$40. If you're interested in registering for one or more classes, please email your district executive board president (listed below) before signing up.

Adaptive Leadership for Ministry

Taught by the Rev. Dr. Mandy Mastros

Dates: Mondays, July 13 – August 17 • **Time:** 7–8:30pm • **Via Zoom**

What are the basic leadership skills needed for parish ministry? This class focuses on pastoral authority, congregational systems, conflict, communication, change, and boundaries.

Liturgy and Sacraments

Taught by the Rev. Dr. Marty Kuchma

Dates: Wednesdays, July 15 – August 19 • **Time:** 7–8:30pm • **Via Zoom**

How to preside over rituals of grace! Participants plan, prepare, and practice versions of rites and rituals tailored to their own denominational and cultural contexts, including leading Sunday worship, baptisms, child dedications, weddings/union services, as well as funeral/memorial/homegoing services.

Register for Classes Today!

<https://learn.moravian.edu/browse/compass>

District Executive Board Presidents

- Canadian District – Dave Jones, davejones@mcnp.org
- Eastern District – Melissa Johnson, melissa@mcnp.org
- Western District – Jason Andersen, jason@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. Cdr. Dain Bomberger, US Navy;

Staff Sgt. Austin Heacock

*Michael Hackett & Family serving
overseas for the government*

Pastoral Visitation:

Please contact

Pastor Mandy

to schedule a

*pastoral visit for yourself
or family members.*

Prayers of Healing for:

Meda Hostetter

Erelene Deist

Marilyn Diener

Susan Yeagley

Roger Groce

Melissa Hostetter

Greg Laubach

Marilyn Copenhaver

Charlene Van Brookhoven

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Completed Month of May 2026

	2025	2026
Tithes & Offerings	\$43,423	\$53,273
General Fund Other Income	\$5,309	\$1,367
General Fund Expenses	\$49,016	\$43,968
Net Income	\$(283)	\$10,672

YTD Through the Month of May 2026

	2025	2026
Tithes & Offerings	\$255,439	\$269,939
General Fund Other Income	\$38,164	\$37,773
General Fund Expense	\$316,816	\$296,967
Net Income	\$(23,213)	\$10,745

Walking Together This Week

Sunday, July 5, 2026 - John Hus Communion

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. - Worship in Sanctuary

9:15 a.m. Keeping Holy Time - Eschbach Parlor

Monday, July 6, 2026 -

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. CEC - RAO

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

9:00 a.m. Quilting - Nursery

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

8:30 a.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. ROMEO's Luncheon

7:00 p.m. NA - HDR

Thursday, July 9, 2026

7:00 p.m. CIS - OUtlook Library

7:00 p.m. Yoga - Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 10, 2026

9:00 a.m. Beginner Community Yoga - Fellowship Hall

Saturday, July 11, 2026

Sunday, July 12, 2026 - Second Mile Offering

8:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

9:15 a.m. Keeping Holy Time - Eschbach Parlor

10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. Birthday Celebration

“...I Will Give You Rest”

As an English teacher, I have to admit to my students that language often makes no logical sense. A word can have multiple meanings and pronunciations, and can even be different parts of speech! For students for whom English is a second language, these “rules” can feel especially overwhelming. Even for proficient speakers, the inconsistencies can give us pause.

I’m drawn to the word rest, from this week’s Gospel lesson. As a verb, rest is an action word: it expresses something being done, something needing to be done, or something that will be done. It can happen in the past, present, or future, and—without causing you to cringe too much at the memory of Language Arts class—the action can be simple, continuous, perfect, or progressive. Lots of options for “rest” as a verb!

Yet rest is also a noun, one which can function in many ways in our confusing English language. It can be the subject of a sentence (“Rest is often difficult to find”), the object of a sentence (“I long for rest”), or even part of a prepositional phrase (“She fell into a deep rest after a long day”). In all of these, rest as a noun is something we can receive, something that exists apart from the actions we take.

Learning to rest and learning to receive rest are challenging aspects of discipleship in our life with Christ. We are motivated to go and do, to make disciples, to preach and teach and baptize and proclaim and prophesy . . . but rest is a different kind of call, a different kind of challenge. It is not merely the ceasing of activity or the gift that is freely given to each of us. True rest is a deeply experienced spiritual condition whereby we draw ourselves closer to the Holy Spirit, and She draws nigh unto us. Like climbing into the lap of our Holy Mother for a story, resting in the arms of our Savior is where we find freedom—and peace.

Dana Myers, Moravian pastor, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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