

Rural Hall Moravian Church

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May 11, 2008



Our Statement of Purpose: To be committed to Jesus Christ as Lord and to witness to His teachings through worship, education, sharing, caring, and serving the people inside and outside the Church to help them find a mature and abundant life.

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Children's Church: Molly Lorentz, Carrie Phelps
Sunday School Greeter: Bob Bruce
Worship Greeter: Bonnie Ashburn
Grounds Keeper: Randy Thomas
Nursery Workers: Anna Coward, Candice White
Sound Operator: Sue Disher
Ushers: Logan Brendle, Jim Helsabeck, Richard Key, Randy Thomas

JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary are given by Marianne Fay to the Glory of God in memory of her mother, Hazel Lancaster and in honor of all the women who have helped nurture children .

THE ROSEBUD at the front of the sanctuary honors the birth of Taylor Elizabeth McCoy on April 23, daughter of Dean & Kim Hiatt McCoy. Congratulations to Dean & Kim as well as proud grandparents: E.B. Hiatt and Gail Hiatt, and great grandmother, Verona Hiatt.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Robert Figuracion (today); Heather Smith (Monday); Juanita Carmichael, Stacy Ogburn (Tuesday); Chris Tally (Thursday)

THANK YOU FROM SR. HIGH YOUTH: Thank you to everyone who donated items, helped set up and clean up, shopped at the yard sale and brought items for the bake sale. It was another huge success with over \$2,200 raised and we all had a wonderful time!!! The Lord continues to bless our youth with a loving church family and a very supportive community. Once again thanks for all YOU do!

HOSPITALIZATIONS/SURGERIES/OUTPATIENT: Sarah McCoy continues to recover at home; Keith Perryman is having problems with dizziness; Jake Baldwin (Bunny Phipps co-worker's husband) is undergoing physical therapy; Beth Chapman (Myra Perryman's coworker) recovering surgery;

WELCOME to our service of worship on this wonderful Lord's day! Today is Mother's Day - a time for us to give thanks to God for our mothers and all the women of faith who have touched our lives with His love. Today is also Pentecost Sunday - a time for us to remember the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the followers of Jesus long ago and to celebrate the continual outpouring of the Spirit upon all whose hearts and lives are committed to the Lord in our day. May we all receive a special blessing from the Spirit today as we share in the sacrament of Holy Communion.

IF YOU'RE VISITING WITH US TODAY, we extend a special welcome to you. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate later in our service. We hope the worship and fellowship of our family is a blessing to you and you'll return to worship with us again.

HOLY COMMUNION: For those who may not be familiar with communion in the Moravian Church, we practice open communion. All who are professing Christians and understand the meaning of this holy meal are welcome to receive these symbols of Jesus' body and blood given for our sins. All who desire to receive Holy Communion are asked to stand, if able, two rows at a time. To receive the bread (wafer), extend your right hand with palm up. For the cup, the pastor and acolyte will extend the tray so that you may take one of the cups. Please wait until the entire congregation has been served each element so that all may partake together.

We are a loving and growing church family that enjoys being together, but once the prelude begins, let us begin to quiet our voices and center our thoughts on God.

BAND PRELUDE: *Various Chorales* 10:30 AM

HANDBELL PRELUDE: *My Favorite Things* Wagner
It Is Well With My Soul Bliss
How Great Thou Art Helman
I Sing the Mighty Power of God McChesney

WELCOME - ANNOUNCEMENTS - JOYS & CONCERNS - PRAYER

***RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP**

The Right Hand of Fellowship symbolizes our oneness in Christ as we come to worship. As we shake hands with people around us, we pass the peace of Christ to all who are worshipping today.

* Please Stand If You Are Able

***PENTECOST & SPIRITUAL RENEWAL LITURGY** p. 95-98

SCRIPTURE:

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 p. 1785
John 20:19-23 p. 1686

SONG: *Mother's Honored Today* Youth Choir

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Prayer
Offertory: *Ave Maria* Schubert
*Doxology # 817

SERMON: Especially Engraved with Your Name

ANTHEM: *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* Friedell

HOLY COMMUNION p. 222

Following the hymn of Dedication and Renewal, we will close with the conclusion of the Pentecost and Spiritual Renewal Liturgy on pages 98-99.

***BENEDICTION:**

POSTLUDE: *A Trumpet Scherzo* Hollins

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK: MAY 11-17, 2008

- Today:** 10:00 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Band Prelude on Church Lawn
11:00 AM Worship & Communion Service
6:30 PM Church Board Meeting - Library
- Monday:** 6:30 PM Knitting / Crocheting Circle - Parlor
- Tuesday:** 6:30 PM Bethel Class - Candle Room
6:30 PM Gemeinschaft - Sr. High Room
- Wednesday:** 11:45 AM Office Angel Needed until 2:30 PM
5:00 PM Youth Choir Practice
6:00 PM Elementary Yth Fellowship - Jr Moravian Rm
7:30 PM Adult Choir Practice
- Thursday:** 5:15 PM CEC Meeting - Library
8:30 PM Softball Game at Beck's Field
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- Saturday:** All Day Parlor & Kitchen Reserved by Cindy Holby
4:30-7 PM Chicken Pie Supper at Fries Memorial Moravian Church (251 N. Hawthorne Rd, W-S), Adults: \$7, Children under 12: \$3
8:00 PM The Salem Community Orchestra presents their Spring Concert "Water, Water, Everywhere!" with special guest tenor solo, Richard Cook at the Hanes Auditorium, Salem Fine Arts Center at Salem College; free admission and refreshments
- Next Sunday - May 18:**
9:30 AM Band Practice
9:30 AM Prayer Warriors - Parlor
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service: The Rev. Bill McElveen
12:30 PM Children's Fellowship (grades 1-5) Bowling Trip, please bring a bag lunch to church
4:00 PM Sr. High Youth will serve food at the Hospice Hospital
4:00 PM Moravian Music Foundation Invites you to "We Are the Lord's!" concert featuring *The Moramus Chorale and Orchestra & The Hosanna Ringers* of Friedland Moravian Church. The concert is free and held at New Philadelphia Moravian Church.
6:00 PM Jr. High Youth Fellowship

VITAL SIGNS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 4

SUN. SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: 91	TITHES AND OFFERINGS: \$5,597.50
2008 Weekly Average: 80	Weekly Budget Needs: \$5,441.40
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 182	GIVING THRU APR 30: \$81,240.85
2008 Weekly Average: 148	Expenses thru Apr 30: \$95,249.58

DID YOU INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH THIS WEEK?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS WORKER SIGN UP SHEETS are located on the VBS bulletin board (hallway behind the sanctuary). Here are a few dates to write in on your calendar to participate in: June 8, 6:30 PM - Craft Night, for anyone who would like to help; June 29, 6:30 PM - Teacher's Meeting.



HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATE INFORMATION IS DUE in the church office by Tuesday, May 27. We need to know the graduates name, the school they are graduating from, any honors received and what their future plans are. You may call the office, leave a note in the secretary's box or send an email. Please do not assume that we know that you or your child are graduating! Graduate recognition will be held on Sunday, June 1.

Do You Have Love To Spare? Cindy Williams is starting a mission project for all the love deprived children in Alaska. She is looking for anybody (regardless of age) with a big heart to have a pen pal long distance loving relationship with a child. If you have love to spare and share, please contact her at 744-0580 so she can put that spiritual gift to work to Glorify God. Thank you in advance for sharing God's Love.

COPIES OF THE CHEROKEE PRAYER that Rev. John Giesler did a few weeks ago, can be found on the table by the water fountain.

HOPE PREGNANCY BENEFIT CONCERT - "AN EVENING OF HOPE" will be held Friday, May 30 at 7:00 PM at First Baptist Church of Stanleyville. Featuring: LuLu Roman, Kirk Talley and The Gospel Voices. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased through Judy Tayloe or Juanita Carmichael.

MORAVIAN HOME SUNDAY, MAY 11 - MOTHER'S DAY SALEMTOWNE OFFERING: Since 1980, the Southern Province Synod designated Mother's Day as "Moravian Home Sunday." Gifts received from this special one time offering are directed to the Resident Financial Assistance Fund and are used for residents in health care or assisted living, who have outlived their financial resources. Please call Richelle Hansen, 714-2196 if you need a brochure.

WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM FROM SUNNYSIDE MINISTRY: The Weatherization Program is designed to assist low income, elderly and handicapped families reduce their electric bill by making their homes more energy efficient. All services are free to those who qualify and eligibility is based on total household income (if someone receives Supplemental Security Income, the applicant is automatically eligible). Weatherization consist of all or some of the following: insulating, air sealing, caulking, installing a vapor barrier, smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors and compact fluorescent bulbs. If you know someone who needs this service, please contact Tommy Cole at Sunnyside Ministry, 724-7558.

PRAYER CONCERNS

HOSPITALIZATIONS/SURGERIES/OUTPATIENT: Bradley Edwards (Bunny Phipps' friend's son) needs a kidney transplant; Eric Fry (Rick Fry's brother); Beth Grose (friend of Myra Perryman) heart and asthma problems; Stephanie Hedrick (2 yr old with down syndrome) recovering from pacemaker heart surgery; Ed Hudnall (Cindy Holby's father); Jackie James (wife of Town Manager Frank James) recovering from surgery; Jamesanna Lee (Tim Trollinger's mother) recovering from surgery; Billy McCone (Tobaccoville councilman) recovering from car accident injuries; Sam McNinch (Blair Duncan's father) radiation treatments; Marena Mikol (John Mikol's mother) doing some better after receiving steroid injection; Daniel L. Smith, Sr. (a friend's father of Carolyn Kiger) -heart problems; Rev. Carl Waidlech (John Mikol's uncle) occupational therapy; Barbara Westmoreland (Michelle Bennett's mother-in-law) recovering from surgery.

MEMBERS WITH LONG-TERM ILLNESSES: Jerry Essic; Rick Fry-fibromyalgia/hemochromotosis; Vickie Jones-diabetes; John Lanier; John Tayloe-faciscapulohumeral muscular dystrophy.

MEMBERS WHO ARE HOMEBOUND OR IN NURSING CENTERS: home: Mildred Fulk, Jackie Wilson; Salemtowne: Johanne Stauber-Room 311.

NON-MEMBERS LONG-TERM ILLNESS: Richard Chelton; Bobby Davis (friend of the Trollingers); Everette Ellington (Kimberly Brendle's grandfather); Jim Grogan (friend of Tim Trollinger); John Harrold; Becky Holloway (friend of Randy Thomas); William Kippe (John Kippe's father); Don Mikol (John Mikol's father); Jeff Pendry; Brienna Peting (a student of Blair Duncan); Martha Smith (friend of Bobby Duncan); Ethel Brown Starbuck (friend of The Ashburns & Juanita Carmichael); Sheila Thacker (friend of Bunny Phipps); Carol Upton (Diane Lanier's sister); Porter Westmoreland (Carolyn Hodge's brother).

MISSIONS: Richard Badgett Family (friends of Blair Duncan)- White River, Africa; Chris Ogburn-studying in Vienna, Austria; Compassionate Heart International; Crisis Control Ministry; George Goff & Wings of Mercy Ministry; Habitat for Humanity; Hope Pregnancy Care Center; King Outreach Ministry; Oaks Indian Mission; Prison Ministry; Prodigals Community; Samaritan Ministries; Sunnyside Ministry

THOSE SERVING IN OUR NATION'S MILITARY: Todd Coates (Kenny Johnson's cousin)-Iraq; Tyler Essic-National Guard; Craig McDonald (friend of Linda Shoaf) Sergeant, National Guard- Ft. Benning, Georgia; Lucas Medlin (A.G. & Juanita Carmichael's grandson-in-law)-Camp Taji, Iraq; Bruce Morton (Rob Holby met at Chicago airport)-Army, Bagdahd, Iraq; Grant Trivette (Matella Drum's nephew)-airborne school, Ft. Benning, Georgia.



What are you good at doing?

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What do you enjoy doing?

What do you enjoy doing?

Can you think of ways that God could use the things listed above to bless someone else by helping them in physical, emotional and spiritual ways.

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