



**(To the congregation)**

You have heard the promises made by your brothers and sisters in Christ. Do you accept and affirm them in their calling, promise to uphold them with your prayers, your encouragement and your readiness to help as you are called?

**We do.**

In the name of Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church, I declare you to be duly installed into the offices to which you have been chosen. Be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

**(Please be seated)**

In a spirit of Christian unity, let us pray: Almighty God, for the opportunity to be used by you in the life of the church, for the joy of obedient service, and for the privilege of using your splendid gifts to us,

**We dedicate ourselves to you.**

For all the blessings of this life, for the fellowship and ministry of your Body, the Church, and for your personal presence among us to guide and bless,

**We offer our thanks, dear Lord.**

For the deliberations and decisions of our Boards and Committees, that they may express your will; for the leaders and members who serve in your name; and for all who will be touched as a result of our ministries,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Be gracious to us, for to you alone are due all glory, honor, and praise.

**Amen.****Hymn****T. 733**

*Be present with your servants, Lord;  
we look to you with one accord;  
refresh and strengthen us anew,  
and bless what in your name we do.*

**Scriptures:** **Isaiah 58:1-9a**  
**1 Corinthians 2:1-12**  
**Matthew 5:13-20**

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**Children's Moment**

*During the singing, children are invited up for the Children's Moment.*

**Hymn****"I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"****H. 723, vs 1**

*I am Jesus' little lamb; ever glad at heart I am;  
for my Shepherd gently guides me, knows my need and  
well provides me,  
loves me ev'ry day the same, even calls me by my name.*

**Hymn****"O God of Light, May Our Light Shine"****T. 590**

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from Songs of Grace*

*O God of light, may our light shine  
in ways that serve and honor you.  
May we be loving, just and kind,  
proclaiming Christ in all we do.*

*God, where your people are oppressed  
and where they cry out in despair,  
make us your light – to heal, to bless –  
a witness, Lord, that you are there.*

*Christ, when your way is pushed aside  
by those who trust in wealth and might,  
make us your lamps that we may guide  
a searching world to your love's light.*

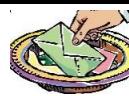
*O Spirit, in this world of doubt,  
we often sin and drift away.  
When our own faith is flickering out,  
shine on our path and light our way.*

**Message:****"Fitting in...or Standing out"****Prayer****\* Hymn****"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"****H. 688****\* Benediction****Postlude****"A Tune for the Trumpet"****Bach****Chimes**

*\* Please stand if you are able.*

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**Please note:** If you have a cell phone, please turn it off during the worship service. If you would like to recycle your bulletin, place it in the box near the ushers' table at the back of the sanctuary.



The Offering Plate is located on the stand as you enter the sanctuary.  
Scan the QR code for online giving.



Our **thanks** to all who helped with the service by sharing their talent for the Lord and God's people today.

### Prayground Sunday February 15, during 10:00 a.m. worship:

Children of all ages are encouraged to join us in the sanctuary.

After the Children's Moment we will move to the Prayground for a quiet activity. Then we will present our creation as part of our offering.



### Change Can Make A Difference Offering

Next Sunday, Feb. 15, we will collect our quarterly "Change Can Make A Difference Offering". The offering will go to the **Michael and Ceci Tesh family to help with the building of a new school.**

### Unity Prayer Day Offering 2026

On March 1, an offering will be collected during the worship service to support the

**Moravian Unity Heritage Foundation.** This offering will support preservation projects of historical buildings and other structures belonging to the Moravian Church around the Unity.



From the beginning, our Moravian forefathers erected buildings for worship and settlements and mission stations, in which Moravians dwelled and developed the Moravian way of life. The structures, many dating back to the 18<sup>th</sup> century, were tangible signs of the Moravian Church witness to the world. The Moravian building culture and Moravian architecture are part of the heritage of our faith.

This offering will assist in financially supporting the preservation of these historical structures.

### Church Council Results



#### Board of Elders

Steve Rondinella	2021-2026 ~ 2nd term
330.827.4513	
Scott Minor, V-Chair	2024-2026 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.432.7036	
Ruth Anne Dingwell	2026-2027 ~ 2 yrs. (B. Moser - term)
330.663.6784	
Leslie Seats	2022-2027 ~ 2nd term
937.479.4028	
Cheryl Stephens, Secretary	2025-2027 ~ 1st term
330.987.3933	
Pam Duncan, CEC Rep.	2023-2028 ~ 2 <sup>nd</sup> term
330.340.7476	
John Stubbins	2023-2028 ~ 2 <sup>nd</sup> term
330.987.0144	
Courtney Wallace	2026-2028 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
952.807.8342	

#### Board of Trustees

Bev Antonelli	2024-2026 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.340.2522	
Jean Richardson	2026 ~ 1 yr. (B. Crilow – term)
330.204.5664	
Dan Yeager	2021-2026 ~ 2nd term
330.364.6951	
Jodi Hillyer	2025-2027 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.340.4785	
Becky Mastin, President	2025-2027 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.204.9520	
Dave Yoder, V-President	2025-2027 ~ 1st term
724.272.4822	
Brenda Gordon	2026-2028 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.340.4204	
Sue Henriksen, CEC Rep.	2026-2028 ~ 1 <sup>st</sup> term
330.447.6952	
Greg Miller, Secretary	2023-2028 ~ 2 <sup>nd</sup> term
330.340.3861	

**Christian Education Rep.** ~ Stacy Stubbins

**Sperling-Zimmerman Rep.** ~ Sam Paden

## Flowers

The flowers are given today in honor of all the Door Dash Girls who so kindly and thoughtfully prepare delicious meals and deliver with joy and love, given by Sue Canfield.

## One Call Now ~ 330-364-8831

Sandy and Gary Martin are sponsoring our One Call Now this week.

## One Call Now

Dover First uses the “One Call Now” phone system as one way to communicate with members and friends.

If you would like to sign up to receive these automated phone messages, please contact Sue Henriksen at [sue.henriksen@yahoo.com](mailto:sue.henriksen@yahoo.com) or 330-447-6952.

**You may choose to sign up for any or all of these:**

- **Messages for the entire congregation** (occasional important updates such as worship updates or church closure due to weather)
- **Wednesday updates** (weekly update with upcoming events and info for the following week)
- **The Moravian Daily Texts** (our daily Moravian devotional first printed in 1731)
- **Prayer Chain Calls** (as needed to share the concerns of members and friends)

## Attendance from Last Sunday

Sunday School 37 Worship ~ 10 AM 110

## Stewardship Moment

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

6 1 Peter 4:10

## Prayers for the People

**Amberwood:** Laura Colvin; **Hennis** (Dover): Bonnie Auman; **Northwood:** Etta Grimm; **Park Village** (Dover): Joyce Brewer, Bill Cozart, Suzanne Rinderknecht; (New Phila.): Richard & Zoe Ann Kelley, Ron & Bette Kohl.

## Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support

Feb. 9 Justin Perkowski  
Feb. 10 Alexis Raus, Tyler Shuss  
Feb. 13 Amy Korns  
Feb. 15 Anniv: John & Stephanie Levengood

## The Dover Moravian Messenger

Sunday		Counting ó Living Room
Monday	9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Staff Meeting ó Church Office Zoom Bible Study
<b>Buckeye Adult Classes: M &amp; W – ESOL 6-9:00 PM – Basement</b>		
	7:00 PM	CEC Meeting ó Living Room
Tuesday	9-Noon 6:00 PM	Door Dash Prep & Delivery ó Kit. & S. Hall Trustees Meeting ó Social Hall
Wednesday	10:30 AM 6-7:00 PM	Praying in Color @ Shirley Thompsons Men's Bible Study ó Living Room NO Chancel Choir ó Feb. 11, 18 & 25
Thursday	6-7:30 PM	The Chosen ó Living Room
Friday	11:30-1:00 PM Noon	The Replacements @ Grindergóls Bible Study ó Living Room
Saturday		<b>Happy Valentine's Day!</b>
Sunday, Feb. 15	8:45 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Sunrise Sunday School ó Social Hall Sunday School ó C.S. Rooms Worship ó Sanctuary Soup-er Sunday – Social Hall

## Soup-er Sunday

The Christian Education Committee invites you to a “**soup-er**” fun afternoon **Sunday, February 15**.



**Bring** a crock pot of soup (or chili, side dish, or dessert) to church with you and take it to the Social Hall before worship. **Bring** your favorite game too!

After worship we will enjoy lunch, have a chili cookoff, play games and even work on a service project – tying fleece blankets to donate to a local organization.



**Invite your friends and family to join you for worship, fellowship, and service!**



## Sole Purpose Pancake Breakfast

The Pancake Breakfast in March has been cancelled.

## Our Worship Opportunities



*Come Worship with Us  
Sundays at 10:00 A.M.*

**Feb. 8** ~ Worship & Installation of Elders, Trustees, C.E. Committee and Sperling-Zimmerman Representative

**Feb. 15** ~ Worship, Prayground & Change Can Make a Difference Offering for Michael and Ceci Tesh family to help with the building of a new school



**Ash Wednesday Worship ~ 6:30 p.m.  
Feb. 18 ~ Worship in the Sanctuary**

**Feb. 22** ~ Worship & Holy Communion



*Bring your family and friends each week!*

### **ALL JOINT BOARD MEMBERS (Elders & Trustees)**



Please clear your mailboxes, located outside the church office, on a weekly basis. Thank you.

**REMINDER:** When members are hospitalized or need a special visit, please contact the church office, **330-364-8831**. Thank you.



### **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 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)

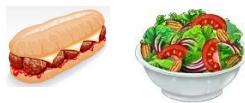
For questions email [amy@mcnp.org](mailto:amy@mcnp.org)



## Our Mission and Outreach Opportunities



### **The Replacements at Grinder's**



**Friday, February 13  
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 P.M.**

If you have had a hip, knee, shoulder, or any kind of a replacement, come join us.



### ***Lasagna Dinner***



**Sharon Moravian Church, 740-922-5507**

**Mon., Feb. 16, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
\$15.00 per meal**

Open to the public: Dine in or take home  
Menu: Lasagna, sides, dessert & beverage

Please call the Sharon Church Office  
if you would like to order meals.



### ***Sugar Cake Baking***

**Tues., Feb. 17 ~ Price \$7.00 each**

Free delivery is available with the purchase of  
four (4) or more cakes, if ordered prior to Tuesday's baking.  
Place an order by calling **Susan Paden, 330-364-7101.**



### ***Men's Community Fellowship Breakfast***

**Saturday, February 21 ~ from 9-11 AM  
Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church  
2200 East High Avenue, New Philadelphia**

This ecumenical breakfast is for all men in the community.

### **T- County Moravian Mission Trip in 2026**



**Do you feel the call to do some  
mission work this summer?**

**Who:** Anyone in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and up can come on these mission trips.

**Dates: July 3-12, 2026**

**Lodging & Meals:** Laurel Ridge Camp & Retreat Conference Center in North Carolina, with most meals being provided by Laurel Ridge.

**Work:** We will work in nearby mountainous terrain communities and at Laurel Ridge.

**Our first meeting is Sun., March 1, at 1:00 p.m. in the First Moravian Church of Dover, Social Hall Corner.**

We will start the planning process. More information will be posted after the team meets.

If interested, contact Sam Paden at 330-987-1769 or [psampaden@roadrunner.com](mailto:psampaden@roadrunner.com) or come to the meeting.

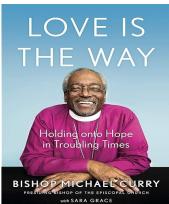
### **Sole Purpose Needs a Leader**



Do you enjoy making a difference in the community? **Sole Purpose** is looking for a new leader. Julie Pfeiffer has moved to Louisville, Kentucky, and is no longer able to lead the group. Any interest in leading Sole Purpose? If so, please contact Steve Rondinella, 330-827-4513; Becky Mastin, 330-204-9520; or Karen at the church office, 330-364-8831.

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## Our Christian Education Opportunities



### **Breakfast Book Club**

**February: Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times** (Bishop Michael Curry)  
**Sat., Feb. 21, at 8:00 a.m. at Missions Café.**

### **Wednesdays in Lent**

Join us in the **Sanctuary** at **6:30 p.m.** for **Ash Wednesday Worship** on **February 18**.

The next five Wednesday evenings we will gather in the **Social Hall** for supper and study.

Feb. 18	6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Worship
Feb. 25	5:15 p.m. Supper / 5:45-6:45 p.m. Study
Mar. 4	5:15 p.m. Supper / 5:45-6:45 p.m. Study
Mar. 11	5:15 p.m. Supper / 5:45-6:45 p.m. Study
Mar. 18	5:15 p.m. Supper / 5:45-6:45 p.m. Study
Mar. 25	5:15 p.m. Supper / 5:45-6:45 p.m. Study

Dan Edwards, a retired Episcopal Bishop and member of the congregation, will lead us as we look at Christ in all four Gospels.

Carolyn Menapace will host a “prayground” for kids during the study time.

**Sign up in the lobby now to help provide a meal. We are requesting donations of soup and bread.**

**Thank you!**

## **MY CHURCH**

Recently, I came across this poem we published in the newsletter in the 90's.



## **MY CHURCH**

*Author Unknown*

*My church is composed of people like me.*

*We make it what it is.*

*I want it to be a church that is a lamp to the path of the Pilgrims, leading them to goodness, truth and beauty.*

*It will be, if I am.*

*It will be friendly, if I am.*

*Its pews will be filled, if I help to fill them.*

*It will do great work, if I work.*

*It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.*

*It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit—if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these.*

*Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my church to be.*