First Moravian Church

319 N. Walnut Street, Dover, Ohio 44622

June 21, 2026 *10:00 A.M.*

Licensed Pastor	Marie Couts (330-401-1212 cell)
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Nursery	Available if needed by a parent & child
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Call to Worship: ***Chimes***

Watchword for the Week: In Unison *The Moravian Daily Texts*
Jesus said, "Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it." Matthew 10:39

Welcome and Announcements ~ We ask you to **sign and pass the register** in your row. **Visitors:** Please check the box marked "Visitor" and include your complete mailing address.

Prelude *"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"* *arr. Wyrtzen*

**** Hymn*** ***"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word"*** ***H. 558***

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

*** A Litany of Celebration of Our Biblical Heritage**

Leader: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." "…darkness covered the face of the deep, while a mighty wind swept over the face of the waters."

Cong: "Then God said, 'Let there be light;' and there was light. And God saw that the light was Good."

L: For your Spirit who brought light to the world around us and the mind within us so that the word might be recorded,

C: We praise you, God of Light.

L: For sensitive spirits open to your Spirit who reported what they had seen and heard so that we might find and follow,

C: We praise you, God of Faith.

L: For scribes who tediously copied the sacred texts, artists who adorned them, and librarians who preserved them,

C: We praise you, God of History.

L: For scholars who searched for accurate meanings, for translators who struggled to use correct words, that the Scriptures might be a true and lively word,

C: We praise you, God of Wisdom.

L: For publishers and printers and all who enabled the Bible to be always at hand,

C: We praise you, God of Truth.

L: For our heritage of translations – Jerome, Wycliffe, Tyndale, Coverdale, King James, American Standard, Revised Standard, and others that sought to offer a clearer word in due season,

C: We praise you, God of all ages.

L: For the acts of translation achieved in our time to provide a combined witness for this day by a variety of churches and scholars to the timeless relevance of the written word and the word-made-flesh,

C: We praise you, God of Now.

ALL: "It is written, 'one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

**** Hymn*** ***"Holy Lord, Holy Lord"*** ***H. 506***

Scriptures:

Psalm 119:105-112	**Page 630**
2 Timothy 3:10-17	**Page 229**
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	**Page 14**

Hymn ***"O Word of God Incarnate"*** ***H. 505***

Children's Moment & Prayground Carolyn Menapace

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

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

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.

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

**** Offertory Response – Page 154*** ***T: Duke Street***

Join hearts and voices as we lift
our gratitude for ev'ry gift,
and multiply each gift with praise
to God who gives us all our days.

Offertory Prayer

Message: **"The word of God"**

**** Hymn "The Word of God, Which Ne'er Shall Cease" H. 509***

*** Benediction**

Postlude *"Lord of All"* *arr. Fettke*

Courtney Wallace, Kathy Bergstrom, Julia Kandel
Rebekah Cole, Interpreter

Chimes

** Please stand if you are able.*

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Please note: Please silence your cell phone 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.

Worship Attendance from Last Sunday ~ 89

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

Today: Prayground during 10 a.m. worship

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

Flowers

She said, "Yes" 55 years ago. ***"Happy Anniversary"*** to my beautiful wife and forever partner, given by Larry Kutcher.

The **white rosebud** is in honor of a son, **Matteo Ross Bernardo**, born to Sam and Ellie Bernardo on June 2. Beth and Steve Rondinella are the proud grandparents.

One Call Now ~ 330-364-8831

Larry and Becky Kutcher are sponsoring our One Call Now this week.

Prayers for the People

We extend our **sympathy** and **prayers** to…

…**Lee Elliott** on the death of her son, **Timothy Schaefer,** on June 14. Currently, there are no arrangements.

…**the Delbert Ashkettle family.** Del passed away on June 11. The Rev. David Wing officiated at Del's graveside service yesterday in Dover Burial Park.

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

Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support

June 22 Gabriel Corder
June 24 Leland Ervin, Cheryl Stephens
June 26 *Congratulations!*
Steve & Becky Mastin, 50 years
Greg & Janie Miller, 49 years
June 27 Ron Pissocra, Ryan Yoder

Monday	9:00 AM	Counting ï Living Room
Tuesday	8-Noon	Door Dash Prep. & Delivery ï Kit./S.H.
		Buckeye Adult Classes: T & Th – GED 9-Noon; ESOL 6-9 PM – Basement
	6:30 PM	Reeves Bell Rehearsal ï Room 211

Wednesday **Northern Province 45th Synod in Minneapolis, Minnesota**
Wednesday & Saturday, June 24 & 27 ï Travel Days
Thursday & Friday, June 25 & 26 ï 45th Synod
Licensed Pastor Marie Couts
Dover First Delegates – Stacy Stubbins & Courtney Wallace

Thursday	9:00-9:00 PM	Sugar Cake Baking Prep & Cleanup ï Kit.
	5:30 PM	Sugar Cake Baking Class ï Kitchen/S. Hall
	All Day Thurs. & Fri. ï Lobby Handrail & Post Refinishing	
Sunday	10:00 AM	Worship ï Sanctuary

Summer Prayer Walk

This season's prayer walk will be **Sunday, June 28.**

Come spend an afternoon with your church friends and family as we explore God's artistry at the Johnson Woods State Nature Preserve in Marshallville, Ohio.

We will **caravan from the church** after worship **(meet in the lobby at 11:45 a.m.)**, stop for **lunch at Dravenstott's** in Orrville, **then continue to Johnson Woods.**

The walk will be on a 1.4-mile wheelchair-accessible boardwalk.

Our Worship Opportunities

Bring your family and friends each Sunday

Worship at 10:00 A.M.

June 28 ~ Worship – Following worship we will caravan to Dravenstott's in Orrville, where we will have lunch, then to Johnson Woods for our Prayer Walk.

July 5 ~ Worship & John Hus Holy Communion
Everyone welcome

July 12 ~ Worship
3:00 p.m. *Canticle Concert*

July 19 ~ Worship followed by Campers to Tar Hollow.
Following worship there will be a Sunday School Hangout at Dover City Park – Bring a picnic lunch.

July 26 ~ Worship

August 2 ~ Worship – Staff Day at Camp Bethany

Our Christian Education Opportunities

Summer Church Camps

Tar Hollow – July 19-25 ~ For those who have completed 7th grade – Age 21
Program: Built On the Rock

Camp Bethany – August 3-7 ~ Campers who have completed 2nd grade – 6th gr.
Program: Jesus Is a Friend

Details are on the flyers in the lobby or go to:
www.msymc.weebly.com or
https://msymc.weebly.com/bethany.html