

First Moravian Church

319 N. Walnut Street, Dover, Ohio 44622

October 11, 2026

10:00 A.M.

Pastor	Jay Petrella
Greeter	Bev Antonelli
Nursery	Available if needed by a parent & child
Scripture Reader	Pamela Duncan
Usher	Doyle Martin
Director of Music	G. Randall Gibbs
Director of Faith Formation	Carolyn Menapace
Custodian	Sam Paden
Administrative Assistant	Karen Baker
Web Site	www.doverfirstmoravianchurch.org

Call to Worship: *Chimes*

Watchword for the Week: In Unison *The Moravian Daily Texts*

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things. Isaiah 25:1

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 "Weil die Worte Wahrheit sind" Károly Köpe

* **Hymn** "Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice" **H. 662**

* **Liturgy ~ Grace** **Page 31**

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

Hymn "Little Children, Welcome" **H. 679, vs. 1**

*Little children, welcome! Earth is yours to live in;
arms of love protect you, little children, welcome!*

Prayers of the People

"My Jesus, I Love Thee" Forrest
G. R. Gibbs, Rebecca Kutcher, piano

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Isaiah 25:1-9 **Page 723**

Epistle Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9 **Page 211**

Anthem "All Things Work Together for Good" Carter
Chancel Choir

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14 **Page 24**

Message:

"What to Wear?"

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

* **Offertory Response – Hymn 648, vs. 2**

*As you, Lord, have lived for others, so may we for others live;
freely have your gifts been granted; freely may your servants
give.*

*Yours the gold and yours the silver, yours the wealth of land
and sea;*

we but stewards of your bounty held in solemn trust will be.

Offertory Prayer

* **Hymn** "Stand Up, and Bless the Lord" **H. 531**

* **Benediction**

Postlude "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" arr.

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.



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 ~ Next Sunday, October 18, during 10:00 a.m. worship:

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

After the Children's Moment they are invited to the Prayground to participate in a quiet activity related to the day's message.



Flowers

The flowers are in memory and in honor of our family,
given by Jud and Dawna Compton.

One Call Now ~ 330-364-8831

Jean and Don Richardson are sponsoring
our One Call Now this week.

Attendance from Last Sunday

Sunday School 18

Worship ~ 10 AM 88

Prayers for the People

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

Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support

Oct. 11	Sue Stephens
Oct. 13	Lainey Begue
Oct. 16	Sam Krantz, Jen Wilson, Carol Schaar Anniv: Michael & Kristin Becker
Oct. 17	Brooke McGlumphy
Oct. 18	Melanie Espenschied, Lin Sidel, John Walter Anniv: Seth & Jennifer Corder

The Dover Moravian Messenger

Today	10:00 AM	Worship ĩ Sanctuary
	11:30 AM	Counting ĩ Living Room
	11:45 AM	Prayer Walk @ Johnson Woods

Fall Prayer Walk

This fall we will drive, eat, and walk!
Come spend a Sunday afternoon with
your church friends and family as we
explore God's autumn artistry at the
**Johnson Woods State Nature Preserve
in Marshallville, Ohio.**



Today, October 11, we will caravan from the church
after worship. Stop for **lunch at Dravenstott's Restaurant
in Orrville,** then continue to Johnson Woods. The walk
will be on a 1.4-mile wheelchair-accessible boardwalk.

Monday	10:30 AM	Action Now ĩ Kitchen & Social Hall
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Buckeye Adult Classes: T & Th – ESOL 6-9 PM – Basement

Tuesday	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	Zoom Bible Study Trustees Meeting ĩ Social Hall
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Wednesday	10:00 AM 6:30 PM	Praying in Color @ Shirley Thompson's Chancel Choir ĩ Choir Loft
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Thursday	6-7:30 PM	The Chosen ĩ Room 215
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Saturday	8:00 AM 9-11 AM	Breakfast Book Club @ Missions Café Men's Breakfast @ Sacred Heart Church
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Sunday	9-9:45 AM 10:00 AM	Sunday School ĩ C. S. Rooms Worship ĩ Sanctuary
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Our Worship Opportunities



Love. Grow. Serve.

Worship at 10:00 A.M. Each Sunday

Oct. 18 ~ Worship

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Saturday, Oct. 24 - Manna Dinner Church
with the Rev. Byrnes Craig bringing the
message at Sharon Moravian Church.
Plan to attend.

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*Oct. 25 ~ Worship and we will collect our
Change Can Make A Difference Offering*

Bring your family and friends!



Change Can Make A Difference Offering



Save your change and dollar bills and
bring it with you to church on **Oct. 25.**
Our quarterly collection will go to **Ray of Hope**
this time. Thank you.

*You're invited to join the Ohio Moravian
Congregations in partnership with Manna
and Pastor Byrnes Craig
at*



Dinner Church

Worship together around the table as we
enjoy pizza from Park Street! All are
welcome, and activities will be available for kids,
for more information, please visit
mannabethlehem.com/newphilly

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Sharon Moravian Church

Saturday, October 24 ~ 5 PM

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We are happy to accommodate
any dietary needs – to RSVP
or share dietary restrictions,
scan this QR code or call:
740-254-4374



Free-will donations to support
Manna will be accepted
with gratitude.



Our Mission, Outreach & Fellowship Opportunities

Ecumenical Men's Fellowship Breakfast

When: Saturday, October 17

Time: 9-11:00 a.m.

Where: Sacred Heart Church - NP



All men are invited...

Enjoy a delicious breakfast with your friends!

Faith, Food, and Fellowship!

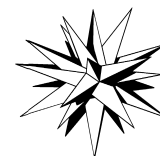
We hope to see you on the 17th.

Advent begins November 29...

Christmas is just around the corner...

Get your shopping done early by purchasing Moravian Advent & Christmas Stars...

Great Gifts throughout the Year!



The white plastic electric **Advent stars** are available in two sizes (**21-inch ~ \$30**; and **12-inch ~ \$25**) in the church office.



The 12-inch star is designed to be used as a tree topper or hanging star. These stars make great gifts year-round: birthdays, weddings, showers, etc. Complete instructions for assembly are included.

Our Christian Education Opportunities

The Chosen

Thursday evenings through November 19, we will watch an episode of *The Chosen*: season 5 each week.

Join us in Room 215 from **6:00-7:30 p.m.** to watch an episode and read the scripture that inspired it. All ages are welcome!

All episodes are free to watch online if you miss a week or would like to enjoy them at home: <https://watch.thechosen.tv>



Sugar Cake Baking

Tuesday, October 20

Price \$7.00 each



Free delivery is available with the purchase of four (4) or more cakes, if ordered prior to Tuesday's baking.

Help the Moravian Women increase their sales, and by doing that, they can continue their mission of reaching out to others in need at home and around the world. Place an order early by calling **Susan Paden**.

Breakfast Book Club!

Our faith-based book club will meet **Sat., Oct. 17**, at **Missions Café** at **8:00 a.m.**

A Year of Biblical Womanhood (Rachel Heid Evans)

This book chronicles the author's year-long experiment of living strictly according to the Bible's instructions for women, blending humor, insight, and spiritual reflection.

Trunk or Treat

St. John's UCC has invited us to their community Trunk-or-Treat! **Monday, October 19, 6-7:30 p.m.**

Decorate your trunk or hatchback and bring some candy to pass out. You can set up at 5:00 p.m. or later in St. John's UCC parking lot (409 N. Wooster Ave.).

Your decorations can be as simple or elaborate as you like. Bible stories, fall themes, Halloween decorations (just not too scary!). Any theme you choose is fine.

Need inspiration? Search Google or Pinterest for "Trunk or Treat" for an endless supply of ideas!



Come watch the Dover Lions Club Halloween Parade!



Wed., Oct. 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair and grab a spot along 4th St. We will enjoy popcorn and caramel apples while we wait for the **parade to step off at 6:45 p.m.** Both parking lots will be available for parking.

Fall Retreat: November 6-8

All youths in Grade 6 through age 21 are invited to this fall, faith-filled weekend retreat.

November 6-8 at Camp Lutherhaven in Albion, IN.

Registrations are due **November 1.**

Additional information at

<https://msymc.weebly.com/fall-retreat.html>

A Note of Thanks!



Just a note to say Thank You to everyone who prayed and sent get-well wishes following my recent knee replacement surgery. And to the Chancel Choir members who delivered hot delicious meals so Paul wouldn't have to cook. What a blessing! God bless you all.

Sue Ellen Hoffman