

# First Moravian Church

319 N. Walnut Street, Dover, Ohio 44622

April 26, 2026

10:00 A.M.

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Licensed Pastor	Marie Coutts (330-401-1212 cell)
Greeter	Chevelle Swartz
Nursery	Seth & Jennifer Corder
Worship Leader	Courtney Wallace
Usher	Dylan Seats
Director of Music	G. Randall Gibbs
Today's Organist	Mary Lou Keener
Director of Faith Formation	Carolyn Menapace
Custodian	Sam Paden
Administrative Assistant	Karen Baker Office: 330-364-8831
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## Call to Worship: *Chimes*

Watchword for the Week: **In Unison** *The Moravian Daily Texts*  
Jesus said, "I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture."

John 10:9

**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* "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" *Gounod*

\* *Hymn* "Jesus, Still Lead On" *H. 799*

\* **General Liturgy 1 with Shorter Church Litany** **Page 1**

## Prayers of the People

**Scripture Lessons:** **Psalm 23** **Page 553**  
**John 10:1-10** **Page 107**

**Children's Moment** *Courtney Wallace*

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

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

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

## Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

### \* *Offertory Response – Hymn 817*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

### \* *Offertory Prayer*

*Hymn* "If You But Trust in God to Guide You" *H. 712*

**Message:** "Followed, Carried, or Dragged"  
Shana Angel

### *Prayer*

\* *Hymn* "He Leadeth Me" *H. 787*

### \* *Benediction*

*Postlude* "Celebration" *Price*

### *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.

We **welcome and thank Shana Angel** for bringing the message today. Shana is the Area Director of Faith Formation for the Ohio and Toronto Region, and a member of Fry's Valley Moravian Church.

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

	The Offering Plate is located on the stand as you enter the sanctuary. Scan the QR code for online giving.	
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Please join us in the social hall following worship for the **Mission Team Fundraiser:**  
**Spaghetti Dinner, Quilt Silent Auction & Pie Auction.**

**Flowers**

The flowers are in loving memory of Richard and Glo Jones, given by Scott and Karol Jones and family.

**One Call Now ~ 330-364-8831**

Becky and Steve Mastin are sponsoring our One Call Now this week.

**One Call Now Sponsors** are needed. This ministry helps you stay connected to the congregational needs, church events, and the informational flow for our church family. **If you currently receive these messages, please consider sponsoring a week. The cost is \$15 per week.** For a list of dates available, please contact Karen Baker in the church office, **330-364-8831, to sign up for one week or multiple weeks.**

**Attendance from Last Sunday**

Sunday School 25    Worship ~ 10 AM 82

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

**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; **One Call Prayer Concerns:** Lori Smith. One Call Prayer Concern names will remain on the Prayer List for two weeks. If prayers are needed for a longer period of time, please call the church office.

**Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support**

- Apr. 27    Jessica Graef
- Apr. 29    Julie Pfeiffer; Anniv: Jud & Dawna Compton
- Apr. 30    Mary Spies, Hannah Levensgood
- May 2      Jim Seaman
- May 3      *Roger Spies - Happy 91<sup>st</sup> Birthday!*  
Marla Gasser, Alexis McCarthy



**The Dover Moravian Messenger**

Today            10:00 AM            Worship ó Sanctuary

**Following Worship Mission Trip Fundraiser in the Social Hall:  
Spaghetti Dinner, Pie Auction & Silent Quilt Auction**

Monday            5:00 PM            Counting ó Living Room

**Buckeye Adult Classes: M & W – ESOL 6-9 PM – Basement**

Tuesday            10:00 AM            NO Zoom Bible Study

Wednesday

**Wed., April 29, 9:00 AM Church Grounds Spring Clean-Up  
Volunteers Needed...**

If anyone would like to assist with sprucing up the church grounds, we will be doing some clean up (**weeding, trimming, transplanting, and mulching**) on **Wednesday, April 29, at 9 a.m.** Any questions, please contact Julie Williams at 330.933.9707 or Sam Paden at 330.987.1769.

**Rain date: Thursday, April 30 ~ Ch. Grounds Spring Clean-Up**

10:30 AM    Praying in Color @ Shirley Thompsonø  
6:00 PM    Menø Bible Study ó Living Room  
6:30 PM    Chancel Choir ó Choir Loft

Thursday            9:00 AM            Rain Date: Church Grounds Clean-Up

Friday            5-9:00 PM            Set-up & Food Prep for Shower ó S. Hall

Saturday            8-3:00 PM            Paden Bridal Shower ó Social Hall

Sunday            8:00 AM            Sunrise Sunday School ó L. Room  
9:00 AM    Sunday School ó C.S. Rooms  
10:00 AM    Worship ó Sanctuary  
11:15-12:15 PM    S.S. Teacher Appreciation ó L. Rm.  
1:00 PM    Prayer Shawl Ministry ó Living Room

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

This small group will meet **Sunday, May 3**, in the **church living room** at **1:00 p.m.** We hope to see you on the 3rd. If you have any questions, please contact Edie Santee.

## Our Worship Opportunities

*Worship Each Sunday at  
10:00 A.M.*

*May 3* ~ Marie Coutts will bring the *Message*.  
We will recognize our Sunday School Teachers  
and Nursery Volunteers on this day.



*May 10* ~ *Happy Mother's Day!*  
During Worship the **Sunday School Choir will sing.**

*May 17* ~ There will be a *Prayground* for children during  
worship.

*May 24* ~ *Worship & Pentecost Holy Communion*  
Our **2026 Graduates** will be recognized during  
worship.



*May 31* ~ *Worship* followed by VBS Decorating  
**Bring your family and friends!**

## Our Mission and Outreach Opportunities



### **Annual Chalk Walk**

by Steve Rondinella

**Thursday, May 7**  
(Rain date: Fri., May 8)  
**from 9:15 – 11 a.m.**  
**First Moravian**



Dover Avenue students in 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade (480 students & faculty) will be participating in our church sponsored **Chalk Walk**. They will use their artistic talent to create unique designs on the sidewalks of downtown Dover.

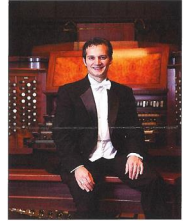
**We are in need of cookies or cookie dough. Also, we need volunteers to help the day of the event; and to bake and bag cookies on May 5 & 6 in the social hall at 9 a.m.** (Please **no nuts or peanut butter in the cookies.**) Please deliver cookies or dough to the church kitchen **on Monday, May 4, starting at 9 a.m.** Any leftover cookies will be frozen and used for social hour after Sunday worship. Leftover cookie dough will be sent to camps for our youth. Thanks to all for helping continue this outreach program.

## *An Afternoon of Music*

*Bradley Hunter Welch*

**Concert Organist**

**May 3, at 3:00 p.m.**



**The Presbyterian Church**, 142 North Fourth Street  
(across from the court square) Coshocton, Ohio.

Don't miss the opportunity to hear a **FREE** concert performed by this amazing artist on our sanctuary Taylor and Boody tracker-action organ.

This free concert is made possible by the Joe R. Engle Recital Fund in conjunction with the Coshocton Dogwood Festival of the Arts. For more information, call the church: 740-622-0486.

## **Ecumenical Men's Breakfast**

**All men are invited** to the **Community Ecumenical Men's Breakfast** on **Saturday, May 16**, from **9-11:00 a.m.** at **St. John's United Church of Christ in Dover**. Don't miss the great food and fellowship! If you have any questions, please contact Tom Armstrong.



## Our Christian Education Opportunities

### **Thank You Teachers and Volunteers!**

Our final day of Sunday school before summer break is **May 17**.

Before we conclude, let's recognize the faithful and loving service of our 2025-26 Sunday school teachers, substitutes, and nursery volunteers.

Join us during worship on Sunday, **May 3**, as we recognize and thank them during worship!



### **Calling All Graduates**

Graduation will be here before we know it and we want to celebrate with all of our members graduating this spring!

Letters requesting graduation details were mailed mid-April. If you haven't heard from us and are graduating (high school, college, or advanced degree), please call the church office (330-364-8831) and let us know. Thank you!