

What Lies Ahead?

by The Rev. Dennis G. Rohn

A new year is almost like getting a second chance. It gives us an opportunity to dream, to plan and to hope. We sometimes enter the new year with expectations of what's going to happen. The only problem with expectations is they can lead to disappointment. We have something in mind and when it doesn't happen we get frustrated, disappointed and sometimes even angry. Expectations are different than hope. Hope is not an expectation, it's expectancy and there's a difference. An expectation frequently has a particular outcome in mind, but expectancy doesn't. Expectancy is knowing something is going to happen, but not the particulars. It leaves the door open for surprise.

As we celebrate the passing of one year and welcome another, may we move in hope. I pray that we continue to seek the leading of the Holy Spirit and claim the presence of Christ in our midst.

Epiphany Holy Communion Sunday, January 4, 2026



Bring your family and friends and start a new tradition by partaking in **Epiphany Holy Communion** on **January 4**, at our **10:00 a.m. worship service**. The Rev. Dennis G. Rohn will be serving communion along with Elder Scott Minor. We hope to see you on the 4th.

Tradition says that it was on January 6, that the Wise Men came to Bethlehem, following the star which led them to Him "who is born King of the Jews." [Customs & Practices of the Moravian Church]

Make a commitment this year to attend church on a regular basis. We would love to see you in person on Sunday, January 4, and each Sunday thereafter. For those who are homebound and would like to receive communion, please contact the church office, 330-364-8831, and your name will be placed on the schedule.

Congregation Annual Meeting

The annual **Church Council** meeting is slated for **January 25**, after the 10:00 A.M. worship service. We will be looking at the reports, answering questions, electing leadership for the Joint Board positions, Representatives, and approving our 2026 budget.

Our annual meeting is a time to learn, communicate and understand more about the life and ministry of our congregation. We look forward to having you attend and participate in this helpful and valuable time together.



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January-February, 2026

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2026 Congregational Watchword:

Our Mission Statement:
*L - Lead all people to Jesus Christ.
O - Obey God's Commands.
V - Value and nurture spiritual growth.
E - Encourage Christian service.*

Our Motto:
*In Essentials: Unity;
In Non-Essentials: Liberty;
In All Things: Love.*

*Jesus makes my heart rejoice.
I'm His sheep and know His voice.
He's a shepherd, kind and gracious;
And His pastures are delicious.
Constant love to me He shows;
Yea, my very name He knows.*

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VISION 2026:

The Church Council will give direction for Vision 2026 and beyond by:

- Electing three (3 yr. term) Elders to the Board of Elders
- Electing one (2 yr. term) Elder to the Board of Elders
- Electing three (3 yr. term) Trustees to the Board of Trustees
- Electing a member to the Christian Education Committee
- Electing a representative to the Sperling-Zimmerman Home Committee
- Receiving reports from all ministries
- Approving the ministry budget for 2026



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 1: The Heart of Prayer

Led by the Rev. Dr. Jennika Eckhaus and Pastor Theresa Fisher

Date: January 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Explore the foundations and expressions of prayer. Learn simple, practical ways to deepen your spiritual life—whether you're new to prayer or seeking renewal.

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

For questions email amy@mcnp.org

Faith Formation ~ Christian Education

by Carolyn Menapace, Director of Faith Formation



Faith Formation

NEW EVERY MORNING

“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end, they are new every morning.”
Lamentations 3:22,23

How about a NEW devotion for the NEW year? The tradition of the printed Moravian Daily Texts dates back almost 200 years, but still in 2026 it offers a daily message from God that's NEW every morning.

If you ordered a copy for 2026, check out “How to Use the Daily Texts” in the front of your book. If you'd like to order a copy now, I am happy to help you. You can sign up for a daily “One Call Now” phone call if you prefer to listen. Follow the “Moravian Daily Texts” Facebook page where they are posted every morning. Or look them up on moravian.org where you can also sign up to have them emailed to you each day.

These wonderful daily devotions enjoyed by people around the world (and not just Moravians) come with something extra: a Bible reading plan – something from the Psalms, the Old Testament, and the New Testament each day. If you follow it, you will read all the Psalms in one year and the rest of the Bible in two years. 2026 is the beginning of a NEW two-year cycle, so it's a great time to join in!

A few more devotions I recommend . . .

For Kids: The Hands-On Bible “Weekly Bible Reading Plan” for families. Look it up online or I can print you a copy. This one will guide you through 52 important scripture passages in a year. For the youngest children, look up the corresponding verses in a children's story Bible, or read the scripture first and then tell them the story.

For Teens: d365. Download the app or go to d365.org. This one has a weekly theme and a song to listen to as you pause, listen, think, pray & go. Great if you only have 5-10 minutes. (I can confirm this one is excellent for adults, too!)

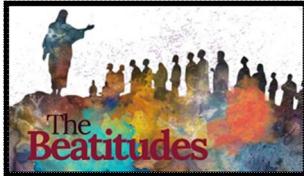
For Parents: Unbridled Prayers. Download the app and let it guide you in prayer for your child(ren) and family. Choose from early childhood, elementary, or preteen.

For Adults: If you liked the “ABC’s of Christmas” check out “A Is for Alabaster: 52 Reflections on the Stories of Scripture.” Anna Carter Florence brings people and stories from the Bible to NEW life with one entry for each week of the year.

I can't wait to hear what NEW devotions you try in the NEW year!

In faith, love, and hope,
Carolyn

Zoom Bible Study



We will begin 2026 with a study on the Beatitudes from Matthew 5:3-12. Join Carolyn Menapace, **Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.** beginning **January 6 and continuing through February 10.**

Note: There will be no Zoom on Tuesday, January 20.

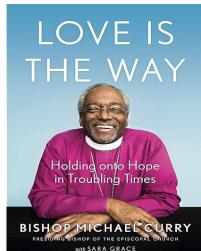
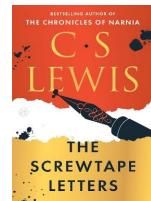
Contact Carolyn for help getting set up on Zoom, or for a practice Zoom session so you can get comfortable with the technology.

Breakfast Book Club

January: The Screwtape Letters (C.S. Lewis)

Saturday, January 17, at 8:00 a.m. at Missions Café.

An imaginative series of letters on the importance of taking a deliberate role in Christian faith by portraying a typical human life, with all its temptations and failings, seen from devils' viewpoints.



February: Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times (Bishop Michael Curry)

Saturday, February 21, at 8:00 a.m. at Missions Café.

Walk the path of love with one of the warmest, most beloved spiritual leaders of our time, and learn how to put faith into action. This book will lead readers to discover the gifts they need in order to live the way of love: deep reservoirs of hope and resilience, simple wisdom, the discipline of nonviolence, and unshakable regard for human dignity.

The Chosen

It's time for season four! **Thursday evenings**, January 8 through February 26, we will watch an episode of *The Chosen* each week.

Join us in the **first floor living room** 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>



MORAVIAN Bowling BASH

Sunday, January 18, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm, join other Tuscarawas County Moravians and friends for our annual bowling bash at Wabash Lanes!

\$10.00 per bowler includes shoe rental, unlimited games, and snacks. Bring your friends and family!



Prayer Heart Lovefeast

On **Sunday, February 1**, we will celebrate a **"Prayer Heart" Lovefeast**.

Our youth will be serving a lovefeast during worship and you will be invited to take a "Prayer Heart" with the name of a young member of the congregation. Keep this heart and pray for them all month long.

Soup-er Sunday

Are you sad that football season is ending? Come cheer yourself up with some church family fun! Are you glad you don't have to watch any more games for a while? Come celebrate with us!



Either way, the Christian Education Committee invites you to a "soup-er" fun afternoon. Bring a crock pot of soup (or chili, side dish, or dessert) to church with you on **Sunday, February 15**.

After worship we will gather in the Social Hall for lunch. You can enter or be a judge in a chili cookoff, play some cards or other games, learn to play the Boomwhackers and more! The afternoon will include a service project – tying fleece blankets to donate to a local organization.



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

Vacation Bible School

Mark your 2026 calendar with these important VBS dates:



January 11: VBS Team Meeting after worship.

Bring your ideas – all are welcome!

February 22: Decoration construction after worship

March 22: Decoration construction after worship

April 26: Decoration construction after worship

June 8-12: Vacation Bible School 2026!

Mark Your 2026 Calendar

A few important dates to remember in 2026:

- ◊ **Spring Rally: April 10-12 in Indiana** (Currently in 6th grade to age 21)
- ◊ **Tar Hollow** (completed 7th grade – age 21): **July 19-25**
- ◊ **Camp Bethany** (completed 2nd – 6th grade): **August 3-7**
- ◊ **Fall Retreat: TBD** (Fall of 2026 ~ in 6th grade to age 21)



Our Mission, Outreach, and Fellowship



Sugar Cake Baking ~ Tuesday in February, March & April

February 17	March 17	April 21
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Price \$7.00 each

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





Soup and Sandwich Luncheons: No luncheons will be held in January or February.

The Spring Luncheons will be held Friday, March 6, and April 10, 2026.

SOUP'S ON!



On **Sunday, February 1**, following the morning worship service, you will once again have the opportunity to **pick up your pre-ordered quarts of homemade soup** prepared by the Moravian Women. Soup choices are **cheesy broccoli, vegetable beef, chicken noodle, and stuffed pepper.**

Preorders will be taken January 11, 18 & 25. The cost will be **\$8.00 per quart.**

Proceeds from the soup sale will be used to support the ongoing funding of projects within our congregation, community and the world. Nothing tastes better than a warm bowl of soup on a cold wintry day!

With the monies raised from the above projects, the **Moravian Women** are able to continue their mission of reaching out to others at home and around the world. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to another wonderful year of serving the Lord together in ministry.



Save the Date

Sole Purpose Pancake Breakfast

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 7, 2026

Cost: \$5.00



Menu includes: pancakes, sausage, beverages

You will have the option of carry-out or eat in the social hall.

Additional information will be in the Sunday bulletins.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Pfeiffer, 330-340-6494.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Puzzle Library in the Lobby



Colder weather and longer hours inside means...**more time for puzzles!!**

Stop by the church's Puzzle Library, located in the lobby, to the left of the Social Hall doors, and pick out your next puzzle.

If you live in the New Philadelphia or Dover area and would like one dropped off to you because you are home bound, sick, or the weather is just too wintery for you, call Susan Paden at 330-364-7101.

The Replacements

Friday, February 13

11:30—1:00 p.m.

Grinders in Dover



For those who have had a hip, shoulder, knee or some other replacement, please join us for lunch.

Thank You's / This & That



Shout Out ~ Thank You's

These shout outs are just a few of the people who keep the church running smoothly.

Special thanks...

...to the **Joint Board** for their diligent work this past year.

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...to the **Christian Education Committee** for all the programs and events for all ages.

...to our **Part-time Pastor, The Rev. Dennis G. Rohn**, for leading our congregation this past year. Thanks, Denny, for all the extra duties you took on throughout the year! May you once again enjoy your retirement.

...to our **Sheep Dogs** for keeping the building and outside areas safe for everyone throughout the year.

...to **Jud Compton** our Advertising Specialist for posting messages on both sides of the big white sign and the corner sign in all kinds of weather. Thanks, Jud, for a great job!

...to **Lee Elliott** our Journalist for writing the lead articles in our bi-monthly newsletter occasionally. Lee does a fine job. She also writes for *the Bargain Hunter*.

...to the **Chancel Choir** for sharing their musical talent each Sunday morning. They spend hours practicing so every note is just right.

...to the **Reeves Bell Choir** for sharing their musical talent. They also spend many hours rehearsing, especially during the Advent season.

...to **Courtney Wallace, Julia Kandel, and Pamela Schmitzer** for providing solo work throughout the year.

...to **Becky Kutcher and Ruth Anne Dingwell** for being our pianists on four-hand and six-hand special music with **G. Randall Gibbs**, our Director of Music for 50 years.

...to **Mary Lou Keener** for filling in as our organist when needed.

...to **Michael Russell** for ringing the bell each Sunday morning to call members and friends to our worship service.

...to **Parker Boughner and Stacy Stubbins** for live streaming the worship services. If anyone is interested, we are looking for a few more volunteers so we could divide up the months.

...to the **Sacristans** for preparing the sanctuary each week for worship.

...to the **Dieners** for serving the lovefeasts throughout the year and for distributing the candles on Christmas Eve.

...to **Shirley Thompson** our Greeter Coordinator. Thank you, Shirley for securing greeters each week.

...to **Dawna Compton** our Scripture Reader Coordinator. Thanks, Dawna, for organizing our readers each month.

...to **those who lead small group studies or teach Sunday School**.

...to the **Men's Fellowship** for their good work with the Ecumenical Men's Breakfast each month and for helping with the Sole Purpose Breakfast each year.

...to **Tom Armstrong** for organizing the Ecumenical Men's Breakfast and for making out the rotation schedule each year where they will meet for breakfast.

...to the **Moravian Women** for their mission work with their monthly luncheons and sugar cake baking.

...to **those who made food deliveries** from the Friday luncheons; and to those who deliver sugar cakes.

...to the **Moravian Door Dash Girls** for their kind thoughtfulness preparing and delivering meals to our more mature members and friends. Thanks also to any guys who helped in delivering meals.

...to **Beth Rondinella** for checking our AED machine each month making sure things are up-to-date and in working order, and for securing Nursery volunteers.

...to **Dave Trudorf** for taking photos for special occasions and other photos throughout the year.

...to our **Landscapers** for keeping the church grounds looking so manicured throughout the year.

...to **Sue Ellen Hoffman and Susan Corder** our proofreaders throughout the year. Proofreading is not an easy task, but they get the job done.

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...to **Marcia Harding and Susan Paden** for doing the **Social Hall bulletin boards**. Our members and friends enjoy seeing these seasonal bulletin boards. Thank you so much, Marcia and Susan, for sharing your talent.

...to **Larry & Becky Kutcher** for assembling the Moravian Stars we sell year-round.

...to **Julie Pfeiffer** and the **Sole Purpose Team** for the good work they do providing shoe vouchers for school children in need of a new pair of shoes and for raising funds for the shoe vouchers through their yearly Sole Purpose Breakfast, and to all those who support the Sole Purpose Team with monetary donations.

...to the **Prayer Shawl Ministry** for providing handmade knitted or crocheted Prayer Shawls to those with special occasions or those in need. The shawls are beautiful and really warm.

...to **those who volunteered to pray** on Saturday, December 20, by signing up for a 15-minute or 30-minute prayer segment for the **2025 Unity Prayer Watch**. Moravian congregations around the world take part in this annual Prayer Watch. Each day of the year is covered by one or more congregations throughout the Unity. We shared our assigned day with Fry's Valley, Gnadenhutten, Uhrichsville, and Church of the Redeemer. Prayer volunteers included:



Bev Antonelli, Becky Mastin, Linda Bayer, Melanie Espenschied, Nancy & Randy Gibbs, Jud & Dawna Compton, Steve Rondinella, Dave Yoder, Marcia Harding, Karol Jones, Susan Paden, Jean Richardson, Cheryl Stephens, Julie Williams, Lin Sidel, John Stubbins, Sue Henriksen, Lorriagan Booth, Linda Hayman, and Karen Baker.

Special thanks to those who signed up for more than one 15-minute prayer segment.
May God bless each of you.

...to **everyone who helped with the Hanging of the Greens**. **Many hands truly made light work** when it came to decorating the church for Christmas this year! Thank you to everyone who helped:

Janet Zimmerman, April & Dave Yoder, Chevelle Swartz, Jerica Shuss, Michael Russell, Jean & Don Richardson, Susan & Sam Paden, Abby Paden, Jane Newland, Becky Mastin, Sandy & Gary Martin, Nancy Gibbs, Melanie Espenschied, Susan & Terry Corder, and Seth Corder.

...to **all the folks who helped decorate Christmas Candles** on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, for Christmas Eve.

With your diligent work and the candles left over from last year, we now have beautifully dressed beeswax candles for our Christmas Eve services. A sincere **Thank You** to all the folks who helped:
Jane Newland, Bev Antonelli, Chevelle Swartz, Dave Goodard, Adelia Hobart, April & Dave Yoder, Becky Mastin, Beth & Steve Rondinella, Scott & Karol Jones, Susan Paden, and Susan Corder.

...to **our Nursery Volunteers**...Each Sunday our little ones are cared for in the Nursery by volunteers during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. We thank them for sharing their talent with our future leaders of the congregation. Those volunteering during 2025 include: **Bev Antonelli, Josh & Tessa Compton, Jud & Dawna Compton, Brian & Mel Cronebach, Brenda Gordon, Lori & Brian Kutcher, Becky Mastin, Janie & Greg Miller, Susan Paden, Erin & Justin Perkowski, Beth & Steve Rondinella, Dylan & Leslie Seats, Elizabeth Snider, Cheryl Stephens, Stacy Stubbins, and Julie Williams.**

...to the **Church Staff** for all the little extras they do throughout the year to keep things running smoothly. There are times they go above and beyond to get the job completed.

These are just a few of our many volunteers. **We appreciate all our church volunteers and thank them** for being willing volunteers throughout the year. Your time commitment is deeply appreciated. Thank you so much!

A Special Thank You to **Marie Couts** for sharing her time and talents with us by replacing, decorating and adding new candles to our Advent Wreath.



A Note of Thanks!

The Reeves Bell Choir wishes to thank the Tango and Gatti Company for the loan of their trailer for the Advent Vespers service at St. Joseph's Church. It was indeed a blessing.

Dear Friends,

"Many hands make light work." How often we heard these words repeated at the Reeves Home on Sun., Oct. 12, the Moravian Day of Service!

Thanks to hard-working volunteers from your congregation these words proved true, and now several jobs that would have taken us many hours to complete are done and crossed off our "to-do" list!

With grateful hearts we are sending this sincere **Thank You** for the support of your congregation and the generous help of your parishioners: Becky Mastin, Julie Williams, Dave Trustdorf, Jean Richardson, John Wallace, Courtney Wallace, Greg & Janie Miller, and Leslie, Anja & Emma Seats.

Most Sincerely,

Susan Corder, Sam Pearch and

the Staff & Board Members of the Reeves Home & Museum

Special Thanks to the Volunteers who helped **Sam** clean up the flower beds and church grounds on Monday, October 27.

Volunteers included: Julie Williams, Becky Mastin, Bev Antonelli, Terry Burrell, and Gary & Sandy Martin.

Thank you so much for all your extra help – Well done!



Dover First Moravian Church,

We want to sincerely **thank you** for your generous donation and welcoming Alicia with such kindness. Alicia truly enjoyed having the opportunity to share the message with you all.

Your support, encouragement, and prayers for Tyler mean so much to our family.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Alicia & Tyler Cox



Dover Family Tree News

Our Deepest Sympathy

Our sympathy and prayers are extended...



...to the **Charlene Zollar family**. Charlene, age 91, passed away on Sunday, Nov. 23.

She was a sister to Mary Dessecker and Kenny Walter, all former members of this church. Private graveside services were held in Dover Burial Park.



...to the **Joshua Barr family**. Josh, age 49, and a member of our church, passed away on Saturday, November 15, 2025. Cremation has taken place under the entrusted care of Linn-Hert-Geib Funeral Home and Crematory. No services are planned at this time.



...to **Karen and Tom Armstrong and family** on the death of Karen's sister, Jill Wallace, who passed away on October 19, in Valencia, PA. A celebration of Jill's life will be scheduled at a later date.



...to **Phyllis Miller and family** on the death of her sister-in-law, Sondra Grove, of Strasburg, on October 27.

Birth Announcement



Congratulations...

...to **Ben and Krysti Wallace** on the birth of a son, **Gideon Herbert Wallace**, born on Monday, December 1, 2025, in Bethlehem, PA. **Gideon** has a big brother, Milo, who will be age 3, in February 2026. Marilyn Bielke is the proud great-grandmother; former pastor John and Cheryl Wallace are the proud grandparents. Courtney Wallace is the proud aunt, and Dan Wallace is the proud uncle.



College Addresses

Do you like to get mail? Let our college students know that you are thinking of them by sending a card throughout the year to stay in touch. Here are a few addresses that we have received so far this fall. As more addresses are received in the church office, we will pass them along to you.

Camryn McGlumphy
124 E Union Street, Apt. 303
Athens, OH 45701

Thomas Peveto
Edinboro University
405 Scotland Rd., Highlands 6, Rm. 6400
Edinboro, PA 16444

Daniel H. Pfeiffer
1694 N High St., Apt. B
Columbus, OH 43201

Rachel Pfeiffer
Room 0388 Smith-Steeb Hall
80 W 11th Ave.
Columbus, OH 43201

Ryan Yoder
1189 Beall Avenue
Wooster, OH 44691



New Addresses

Friendly Reminder: Please keep the church office informed of new addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses.

A reminder: If you misplace your Sunday bulletin or bi-monthly newsletter, just go to the church website Doverfirstmoravianchurch.org. There is a link on the Home page; just select what you would like to read.

2025

Part-time Pastor: Dennis G. Rohn 610.216.7467
Email: pastor@doverfirstmoravianchurch.org or drohn1945@gmail.com

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**Joint Board Meetings for 2026 will be determined after church council on January 25.  
Meetings are held in the social hall usually at 6:00 P.M.**

**2025 Joint Board Members (Elders & Trustees)**

**Joint Board Chair: Rebecca Mastin**

**Elders ~ Meetings for 2026 will be determined after the January 25, Church Council meeting.  
When Joint Board meets, then Elders meet after Joint Board at 7 P.M.**

**By-Laws of the First Moravian Church of Dover:** The duties of the Elders include overseeing the spiritual care and oversight of the congregation and its membership. Elders strive to secure faithful compliance with the enactments of the Unity, Provincial and District Synods, with "The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living," the section on discipline in the Book of Order, and the established rules of the congregation. The members of the Board of Elders decide all applications for admission to membership and decide all cases of dismissal.

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Brian Cronebach              | 2020-2025 ~ 2nd term                       | 330.340.5549 |
| Pamela Duncan, CEC Rep.      | 2023-2025 ~ 1st term                       | 330.340.7476 |
| John Stubbins                | 2023-2025 ~ 1st term                       | 330.987.0144 |
| Scott Minor                  | 2024-2026 ~ 1st term                       | 330.432.7036 |
| Steve Rondinella, Vice-chair | 2021-2026 ~ 2nd term                       | 330.827.4513 |
| Bethanie Moser               | 2025-2027 ~ 1st term ~ Resigned 11/30/2025 |              |
| Leslie Seats                 | 2022-2027 ~ 2nd term                       | 937.479.4028 |
| Cheryl Stephens, Secretary   | 2025-2027 ~ 1st term                       | 330.987.3933 |

**Trustees ~ Meetings for 2026 will be determined after the January 25, Church Council meeting.  
When Joint Board meets, then Trustees meet after Joint Board at 7 P.M.**

**The duties of the Board of Trustees** include overseeing the planning, development and maintenance of church properties. The trustees plan the budget of annual expenses associated with supporting the work of the congregation. The trustees review the monthly expenses against the budget and insure payment of the pastor's salary, staff salaries, and provincial obligations. Requests for funds and purchases from the staff, congregational ministries, and external groups are reviewed. Reports from the Treasurer and Financial Secretary are monitored monthly to gage progress towards meeting all obligations.

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| Karol Jones, Sec. & CEC Rep. | 2020-2025 ~ 2nd term    | 330.343.8236 |
| Gary Martin                  | 11/2023-2025 ~ 1st term | 330.204.1926 |
| Greg Miller                  | 2023-2025 ~ 1st term    | 330.340.3861 |
| Bev Antonelli                | 2024-2026 ~ 1st term    | 330.340.2522 |
| Brenda Crilow                | 7/2023-2026 ~ 2nd term  | 330.243.6682 |
| Dan Yeager                   | 2021-2026 ~ 2nd term    | 330.364.6951 |
| Jodi Hillyer                 | 2025-2027 ~ 1st term    | 330.340.4785 |
| Rebecca Mastin, President    | 2025-2027 ~ 1st term    | 330.204.9520 |
| David Yoder, Vice-President  | 2025-2027 ~ 1st term    | 724.272.4822 |

**Financial Secretary/Treasurer**

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|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Julie Williams, Fiscal Officer | 330.933.9707 |
| Jenny Shoup, Cooper Accounting | 330.440.7434 |

**Church Office & One Call Now:**

330-364-8831

**Worship Services:**

Year-round ~ 10:00 a.m.

**Sunday School:**

Sept.-May ~ 9:00 a.m.

**Interim Part-time Licensed Lay**

**Pastor:**

Marie Couts

**Administrative Assistant:**

Karen Baker

**Director of Music:**

G. Randall Gibbs

**Director of Faith Formation:**

Carolyn Menapace

**Custodian:**

Sam Paden

**Web-Site:** [www.doverfirstmoranianchurch.org](http://www.doverfirstmoranianchurch.org)



*Coming Up:*



**January 4 ~ Epiphany Holy Communion**

**January 25 ~ Church Council**

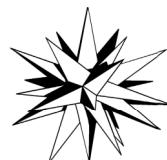
*Save the Date*

**Saturday, March 7 ~ Sole Purpose Pancake Breakfast**

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More information is in this newsletter...

...additional details will be in future Sunday bulletins.



Change Service Requested

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