

# First Moravian Church

319 N. Walnut Street, Dover, Ohio 44622

September 17, 2023

10:00 A.M.

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**Watchword for the Week: In Unison** *The Moravian Daily Texts*  
**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his**  
**benefits.** Psalm 103:2

\* *Call to Worship* **“To Your Temple, Lord, I Come”**  
*H. 553, vs. 1 & 2*

**Scripture Text: Exodus 30:22-29**

**Biblical Tree of the Week – Olive Tree**

\* *Hymn* **“Immortal, Invisible”** *H. 457, vs. 1 & 3*

*Anthem* **“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”** *Hayes-Gaspard*  
*Ruth Anne Dingwell, G. R. Gibbs*

**Welcome and News from the Woodlot**

**Prayers for the Children of God**

*Anthem* **“The Lord Is My Shepherd”** *Gallina*  
*Chancel Choir*

**Scripture Lessons: Romans 11:17-24** **Page 168**  
**1 Peter 2:16-25** **Page 252**

**Children’s Moment:**

\* **Liturgy of Stewardship** **Pages 154-156**

**The Message:** **“Christ On the Tree”**

**Pastoral Prayer**

\* *Hymn* **“How Good the Name of Jesus Sounds”** *H. 487*

\* *Choral Benediction* **“Family of Faith”**

*Peterson*

**Majestically**

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Congregation It's been good to be to - geth - er, it's been

good to wor - ship as a fam - 'ly of faith. Though it's

plain for all to see, we're as diff - 'rent as can be, yet we're

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one in love, we're one in our care, we're

dim. molto rit.

one in our fam - 'ly of faith.

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**Please note:** If you have a cell phone, please turn it off during the worship service.



The Offering Basket is labeled and located on the table on the right as you enter the sanctuary.

**Greeters:** Dylan and Leslie Seats

**Nursery:** Karol Jones and Susan Paden

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

**Elder Connection:** **Steve Rondinella, 330.827.4513** is available for conversation, prayers, information and more, **after the 10:00 service** in the living room. An Elder will be available each week.

### Flowers

The flowers are in memory of Janet McCauley, given by Bev and Joe Antonelli and family.

**Chancel Flowers** are needed for **October 8**. If you desire to provide flowers for this day, please contact Karen Baker in the church office, 330-364-8831, before Sept. 28. Thank you.

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

Bev and Joe Antonelli are sponsoring our One Call Now this week.

### Stewardship Moment

It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.  
*Mother Teresa – nun, missionary*

### Attendance from Last Sunday

Worship ~ 10 AM 112

### Prayers for the People

We extend our sympathy and prayers to **Phyllis Miller and family** on the death of her nephew, Richard Hutchison, who passed away on Sept. 9. A private graveside service will be held at a later date.

**Amberwood:** Laura Colvin; **Hennis** (Dover): Bonnie Auman;  
**Park Village** (Dover): Joyce Brewer, Bill Cozart, Donna Geib, Mary Prince, Milly Sudduth, Joyce Watkins.

### Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support

Sept. 17 Pamela Schmitzer  
Sept. 18 Maddax Crilow; Anniv: Bob & Tammi Everett  
Sept. 19 Carol Booth; Anniv: Olin & Tammie Gordon,  
Ryan & Hannah Seim  
Sept. 21 Jeannie Michel  
Sept. 22 Ellen Rhinehart  
Sept. 23 Nancy Smith

## *The Dover Moravian Messenger*

Sunday	8:00 AM	Sunrise Sunday School ó Living Room
	9:00 AM	Sunday School ó C. S. Rooms
	10:00 AM	Worship ó Sanctuary

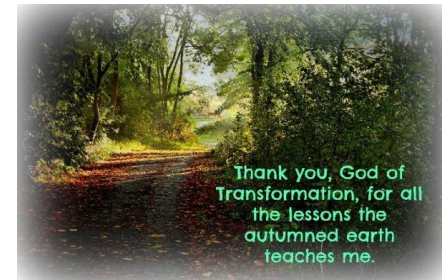
### **1-2:00 PM**

### **Autumn Prayer Walk @ Dover Park**

Meet at **Dover City Park** for our second prayer walk of 2023.

Our spring walk to the Fourth Street Cemetery was focused on the past and present of our community.

This time we will focus on God's ever-transforming creation. Come and spend an hour in nature, in fellowship, and in prayer.



Monday	9:00 AM	Staff Huddle ó PJ& Office
<b>Buckeye Adult Classes: M &amp; W – GED 9-N; T &amp; Th – ESOL 9-N &amp; 6-8:30</b>		
	6:30-7:45 PM	Counting ó Living Room Sharing the Mourning Bench ó Living Room

Tuesday	5-4:00 PM 10:00 AM	Sugar Cake Baking & Sales ó Kit./S. Hall Zoom Bible Study
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Wednesday	10:30 AM 6:30 PM	Praying in Color @ Shirley Thompson& Chancel Choir ó Choir Loft
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Sunday	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:15 AM	Sunrise Sunday School ó Living Room Sunday School ó C.S. Rooms Worship ó Sanctuary MMAS Meeting ó Sanctuary
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## Our Worship Opportunities



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

*Bring your family and friends!*

**Theme: Reforesting Faith**

**Sept. 24 ~ “Christ the Tree of Life”**

**Oct. 1 ~ “Start On Your Knees”**

**Oct. 8 ~ “The Rock Under the Oak Tree”**

## Our Mission, Outreach & Fellowship Opportunities



### *Sugar Cake Baking*

**Tuesday, Sept. 19**

**Price \$6.00 each**



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

**Have you always wanted to help bake Sugar Cakes**, but you aren't a morning person? Well, this is your chance! We could use a few more people to help us with our baking on Tuesdays each month who would be willing to come in around 11 a.m. and stay until 2 p.m. If you are able to help, please contact Lorrigan Booth at 330-340-4702 by calling or texting her. Thanks!

Help the Moravian Women increase their sales to continue their mission of reaching out to others in need at home and around the world. Place an order by calling **Susan Paden, 330-364-7101**. Place your order early!



### **CEC Game Night**

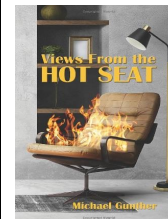
**What's your favorite game?**



Candy Land, Pictionary, Twister, or card games? **Bring your favorite, along with a pizza (or other food) to share** as CEC hosts an **all-church Game Night** on **Saturday, September 30**, from **6-8:00 p.m.** in the **Social Hall**. Between the games, food, and fellowship, it's sure to be a fun evening! (CEC will provide drinks and paper products.)

### **October Book Club**

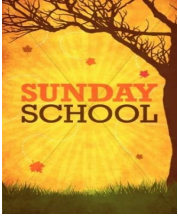
Our second fall selection is **“Views from the Hot Seat”** by Michael Gunther. We'll meet Saturday, October 21, at Missions Café at 8:00 a.m. to talk about the book.



This is the Tuscarawas County Literacy Coalition's 2023 One Book, One Community title, so we join with people from all around the county as we read this book!

## **Our Christian Education Opportunities**

### **A New Season of Christian Education**



Classes for all begin on **September 17, at 9:00 a.m.!** **Sunrise Sunday School returns at 8:00 a.m.** *(all adults and high school students are welcome).* **Teachers are ready to welcome students of all ages to classes at 9 a.m.**

**Nursery:** The nursery will be staffed with two adults during Sunday School, so your youngest family members can enjoy getting to know some of their church family. Thank you, Jennifer Corder and Jennifer Peveto, for joining this ministry!

**Pre-K to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Bethanie Moser, Erin Perkowski, and Stacy Stubbins are teaching this class, beginning with four weeks of “Practicing Joy”. (Room 212)

**3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Tessa Compton, Jerica Shuss, and April Yoder will lead this age group with a new curriculum all about “Growing in Grace & Gratitude”. (Room 214)

**Family Faith Lens:** We’re trying something new this year, to give busy households a chance to pause and talk about faith together. **All 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students and adults** are invited to gather in the Living Room for coffee and casual conversation.

**Seeds of Faith:** Join Pastor John on a deeper dive into our fall theme “Reforesting Faith”. (Upstairs Living Room/Room 215)

**Seekers:** Steve Mastin will lead you in a weekly Bible study. Lifelong learning is a hallmark of Moravian faith and this class is a great fit no matter where you are in your faith journey. (Basement Kitchen)

**Sunrise Sunday School:** Carolyn Menapace will again offer this 8:00 a.m. option for anyone rehearsing or teaching during the regular Sunday School time. This class will also start out with “Reforesting Faith”. (Living Room)

***Grow closer to God in Sunday School!***