

Unity Moravian Church of Lewisville



Watchword Text for the Year

*“To all who received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of God.”*
John 1:12

March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Lent
Girl Scout Sunday

Unity Moravian Church of Lewisville

*Please see an usher if you need equipment
for the hearing impaired or a large print hymnal.*

THE CONGREGATION GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

Welcome and Call to Worship

(Please register your attendance by signing the pew pad)

Prelude: *Built on a Rock* Unity Bells L. Lindeman, arr. R. Frey

HEARING GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

Liturgy: “Love Your Neighbor as Yourself”
(Sitting)

The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,
faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

**Lord, grant us the fruits of the Spirit that our lives may fully reflect your life
and way.**

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of love.

**We would follow you Lord, but first: This persistent woman who pleads for
her daughter, shall we not send her away?**

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of joy.

**We would follow you Lord, but first: Are you going to choose me above these
others when your kingdom comes?**

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or
defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor.

You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not
profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD. (Leviticus 19: 15 – 16)

Hymn: *Lord, we come to ask your blessing* Text: Fred Pratt Green
Tune: GALILEE

1. Lord, we come to ask your blessing
On the love that makes us one;
Here, as Christians, to acknowledge
You are Lord, and you alone.

Pray for our Church Family:

Alex Black, Evan Huss, Cam Lane, Sandra Madison, Richard Spong

Remembering Members who find it difficult to attend:

Jennifer Beard, Dot Faircloth, Kay Huneycutt, Betty Phillips, Dee Young

Pray for our Family and Friends:

Lisa Allgood (cousin of Berry Sink)
Linda Bean (sister of Anita Hughes and Carol Tatum)
Allen Bradshaw (son of Jerrie Bradshaw)
Averi Burke (niece of Teresa Perry)
Helen Byrd (mother of Becky Surratt)
Larry Cook (friend of Will Smith)
Jennie Cornatzer (sister of Nancy Jackson)
Pam Cregger (sister of Teresa Perry)
Frank Diehl (friend of congregation)
Frank Foster (friend of Faye and Charles Johnson)
Polly Fishel (aunt of Lynn Williamson)
Betty Garrison (sister of Mary Conover)
Nadine Haydon (relative of Kim Felton)
Tami Kipple (cousin of Beth Basta)
Mary Lamar (cousin of Henry Pearce)
David Langill (friend of Henry and Jean Pearce)
Bonnie Lawrence (daughter of Dee Lawrence)
Maude Martin (mother of Joyce Carden)
David Mengel (son of Ellen Sosack)
Steve Parks (son of Bill Parks)
Louise Poindexter (mother of Janet Sowers)
Martha Riddle (friend of Jayne Parks)
Katie Schreiber (granddaughter of Joy Cole)
Phoebe Smith (friend of Maynard and Becky Surratt)
Wilson Sparks (brother-in-law of Edith Ammons and Dick Sheek)
Patricia Vance Starbuck (sister-in-law of Kay Vance)
Clark Steed (brother-in-law of Teresa and Art Perry)
Sadie Taylor (sister of Maynard Surratt)
Ertle and Norma Todd (family members of Kim Felton)
Billie Wenzel (cousin of Beth Basta)
Jon Vickers (friend of Lynn Williamson)

Serving in Missions:

Ed Dehnert and Barb Weide (Bethel, Alaska)

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

Ministry Opportunities

***Hymn:** *Friends, Welcome One Another*

Songbook 59

***Benediction**

***Choral Response**

Postlude: *Postlude in G*

J. Zundel

**(Please stand if able)*

We are honored to have the Girl Scouts who meet here at Unity with us
in our service. They would like for you to join them for light
refreshments in the narthex following worship today.

Prayer Concerns

Anyone who has prayer requests or concerns to be shared during
worship or to be placed in the bulletin, please complete one of the pink
forms in the narthex and give to an usher.




What's Happening at Unity Moravian Church

Welcome! May God's blessings be yours and the fruits of regular worship bring peace and joy in your heart. We are grateful that you have chosen to share in our worship experience today. Our church is a family committed to the promise of God that Jesus Christ is Lord of life, and that His love unites us in spirit and truth. We are glad you are with us today and we invite you into our fellowship. For more information, speak with our pastor.





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Band Director	Dennis Fort dennisfort@hotmail.com
Nursery	Brittany Alexander Amy McKay

Opportunities	
Today, March 11	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship - Girl Scouts' Sunday
Monday	7:00 p.m. Church Board Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Christmas trees/crafts 11:00 a.m. Tai Chi 6:30 p.m. Intergenerational Bells 7:30 p.m. Unity Bells
Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Lenten series 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 p.m. Yoder Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee
Next Sunday, March 18	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship

Girl Scout Sunday

 We appreciate the Girl Scout Troops who meet here at Unity, and we are honored to have them join us in our worship service. They would like for you to join them for light refreshments in the narthex following worship today.

Sunnyside Offering
 Please be mindful that today is our **Peanut Butter Fund** collection to benefit Sunnyside Ministry. For your convenience, we have placed envelopes in the bulletins. Remember to **make your check payable to Unity Moravian Church** and memo **Sunnyside Ministry**.

Palm Sunday Lovefeast

March 25th 7:00pm 

Thank You! Thank You!
 Beth and I would like to sincerely and gratefully thank all those people who recently presented us (totally unexpectedly) with gift cards! And, we certainly appreciate all the food gifts, especially the heart-healthy; low or 0 sodium, low or 0 cholesterol/fat, whole-wheat products, and sugar-free items!
 Many, many thanks,
The Bastas

Graveyard Cleanup Day
 A Graveyard Cleanup Day is scheduled for **March 24 @ 10:00am**. We will be tidying up, edging, and trimming in addition to cleaning headstones. Cleaner for the marble headstones will be provided but brushes will be helpful. Because of the cleaner that we will be using, we ask that you not use any other cleaners on the headstones, as it may not be compatible.
Cam Lane

Aging Well Conference
The 2nd Annual Aging Well Conference will be here soon! Register now! The conference will include workshops on aging, memoir writing, healthcare system navigation, healthy living, tai chi, the impact of the opioid epidemic, and self-help for caregivers. The afternoon program will feature the **Cherry Street Ensemble**. This conference is open for folks of all ages and also non-Moravians.
DATE: April 7, 9am to 2pm
PLACE: Clemmons Moravian Church
COST: Only \$15 which includes lunch
 Register online at Moravian.Online/AgingWell.
 Printed registration forms are available in the narthex or the church office.



Easter Flowers
 If you would like to purchase flowers to **decorate our sanctuary for Easter**, please complete the insert and place it in the offering plate with your payment. Be certain to **complete your dedication**. **Deadline** for placing an order is **Tuesday, March 20**.

LENTEN SERIES
STUDY OF FIVE INFLUENTIAL CHRISTIAN THEOLOGIANS
BEGINNING FEBRUARY 21ST
Five Wednesdays in Lent 6:30pm – 7:30pm
 If you would like, you may bring your supper with you. The study will begin promptly at 6:30pm and will end promptly at 7:30pm to allow choir members to be on time for choir rehearsal.
 Wed. March 14 Martin Luther – Theologian for the Reformation
 Wed. March 21 Friedrich Schleiermacher – Modern Theologian and Interpreter of Moravian “Essentials”
Who are the thinkers who originated Christian thought and doctrine? How have they influenced our faith through the centuries? Come, let's find out!

Holy Week Services

7pm	Palm Sunday Lovefeast	March 25	Reading pages 5 – 22
7pm	Monday (No Reading)		
7pm	Tuesday	March 27	Reading pages 23 – 49
7pm	Wednesday	March 28	Reading pages 58 – 73
7pm	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	March 29	Reading pages 50 – 58 and pages 74 – 83
7pm	Good Friday	March 30	Reading pages 84 – 108

Chicken Pies
 Chicken pies are available. Pie-for-one is \$3, medium pie is \$6 and the large pie is \$10. Please pay Lynne Huss or put payment for the pies in her mailbox. There are envelopes available at the mailboxes to use for paying.
 Chicken pie workdays are scheduled for: **April 6 and May 11**
 Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for these workdays!

Foods of the Month
Sunnyside Ministries: Donations
Samaritan Ministries: Hotel-sized toiletries
LCAP: Toothpaste, disposable razors

Statistics Last Week (03/04/18)

Attendance Sunday Worship	87
Weekly Needs to Meet Our Budget	\$3,305.89
Offering	\$4,967.50

Volunteers for March 18 2018

Liturgist:	Allen Yoder
Usher Team:	Tim Felton
Greeters:	Nancy Cranfill, Brenda Pugh
Sound Board:	Bob Morrell
Time with Children:	Nancy Jackson
Children's Worship:	Nancy Wonsavage
Mower (3/24):	Ed Merritt

2. God of love, unless you bless us
How can we each other bless?
Only as you live within us
Is there depth of happiness.

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of peace.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These people who are against us, shall we not draw our swords?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of patience.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These annoying children asking questions, shall we not send them home to their parents?

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself.

You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD. (Leviticus 19:17-18)

Hymn: 3. Through the mercy of forgiveness
You have set our spirits free;
Grant us, Lord, divine direction
In the years that are to be.

4. May our loving be a sharing
Of the gifts we each possess;
May no failure of forbearance
Turn our love to bitterness.

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of faithfulness.

We would follow you Lord, but first: This hungry, unprepared crowd that hounds us, shall we send them away before the markets close?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of gentleness.

We would follow you Lord, but first: This blind man who keeps yelling at us, shall we not tell him to be silent?

Walk in my Spirit and share the fruit of self-control.

We would follow you Lord, but first: These people who offend us and offend you to our face, shall we not pray for fire to rain down on them from heaven?

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Reading of God's Word

Proverbs 3:19-32

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Girl Scouts

Old Testament, Page 575

Anthem: *Love One Another*

N. Sleeth

Time With Children:

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Shirley Yoder

***Hymn:** *Come, Be With Our Friend Jesus*

Songbook 76

***Text for the Day:** Genesis 21:22-34

Old Testament, Page 17

The Message for Today: "Abraham and Abimelech"

Rev. Barry Foster

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Worship by Giving:

Offertory: *Amazing Grace* with *Ash Grove*

arr. M. Ham

* Offertory Response - Doxology

Hymn 817

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye Heav'nly hosts;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Prayer

Concerns and Joys for the Community, Nation and World

Prayer of Intercession

Prayer Response: *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* (stanzas 1 & 4) Hymn 739

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