

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

August 5, 2018
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

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: *Change My Heart, O God* E. Espinosa
Duet: Ruth Burcaw, Randy Nofle

HEARING GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

Liturgy: “Jesus’ Blessings and Promises”

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then, the Lord began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”
I am blessed when I realize I cannot solve all dilemmas. For when I am less, there is more of God.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.”
I am blessed when I feel I’ve lost what is most dear to me. Only then can I be embraced by the One most dear to me.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.”
I am blessed when I’m content with just who I am – no more, no less. That’s the moment I find myself appreciating everything that cannot be bought.

Hymn: *O For a Heart to Praise My God* Text: Charles Wesley
Tune: CONSOLATION

1. O for a heart to praise my God, a heart from sin set free,
a heart that always feels thy blood so freely shed for me.
2. A heart resigned, submissive, meek, my great Redeemer's throne,
where only Christ is heard to speak, where Jesus reigns alone.

Time With Children: Rev. Barry Foster
*Children (preschool through 5th grade) are invited to attend Children’s Worship
with Shirley Yoder.*

***Hymn:** *I Will Trust In God* Songbook 51

***Text for the Day:** II Corinthians 4:6-10 New Testament, Page 177

The Message for Today:
“Willing to be Pulled, Rolled, Stretched, and Molded” Rev. Barry Foster

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Worship by Giving:

Offertory Song: *Since the World Began* M. Powell & T. Morgan
Duet: Ruth Burcaw, Randy Nofle

*** 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: *Spirit of the Living God* Hymn 96

Ministry Opportunities

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

***Hymn:** *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* Hymn 646

***Benediction**

Postlude: *Sun of My Soul* arr. C. Kohlmann

**(Please stand, if able)*

The beautiful flowers are given anonymously in honor of
Jim and Beth Basta.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”

I am blessed when I reject all things negative, bad, and hurtful, and fill my mind and soul with all that is positive, good, and inspiring.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.”

I am blessed when I forgive and offer others a second chance, because that is what I often need.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”

I am blessed when I have let my mind and heart see and feel about people in the world the way God sees and feels about people in the world. At that moment, I can see God anywhere in the world.

Hymn:

3. A humble, lowly, contrite heart, believing, true, and clean,
which neither life nor death can part from Christ who dwells within.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.”

I am blessed when I commit to non-violent means of finding solutions. Even children find ways to get along – especially those in God’s family.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

I am blessed when I am committed to kindness, love, peace, and forgiveness, even though it may provoke animosity among some. But this kind of persecution will bring ultimate victory, because when I resort to meanness, hatred, and revenge... I never win.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.” **I am blessed when I know, deep in my heart, that loving and accepting one another is the way of Christ, even if people are twisting the truth and discrediting my faith and belief, all the while keeping others from experiencing the good news.**

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

I am blessed when I know that I am in good company. The prophets who followed God’s justice and mercy and the saints who followed Christ’s way of peace and love, did not always have it easy. This kind of living threatens those who believe the strongest should prevail and power should be enforced, but heaven rejoices when the “least of these” have a voice.

Hymn:

4. A heart in every thought renewed and full of love divine,
perfect and right and pure and good, a copy, Lord, of thine.
5. Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart; come quickly from above;
write thy new name upon my heart, thy new, best name of Love.

Reading of God’s Word

Jeremiah 18:1-10

Nancy Lutz-Jackson
Old Testament, Page 706

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

People: Thanks be to God.



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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Helping Hands In Unity August Project

One of the most common reasons for nursing home placement is incontinence. Incontinence also leads to ISOLATION of Seniors. People do not want to leave their home with this problem. So, they do not go to church, doctor visits, and other social opportunities because of the embarrassment and social stigma. Senior Services is desperately in need of adult disposable underwear in sizes Med, Large, and Extra Large. They divide larger packages into smaller amounts to serve more people. The least expensive appears to be at Walmart (Assurance brand). Packages are about \$8, \$15, and \$22 depending on the number in the package.

If you wish to give money to cost share or cannot get to a Walmart, we will gladly take donations and purchase them.

Thanks for thinking of the Seniors who are less fortunate than we are.

Community Concerns

Special August Sunday School Sessions!!

German Theologians Influenced by the Unity of Brethren, Zinzendorf, and the Moravian Community

Sunday, August 5	Friedrich Schleiermacher (1768 – 1834)
Sunday, August 12	Soren Kierkegaard (1813 – 1855)
Sunday, August 19	Karl Barth (1886 – 1968)
Sunday, August 26	Paul Tillich (1886 – 1965)

Meet in the Fellowship Hall 9:45am – 10:45am

Light breakfast food provided

Come and learn about these German Christian Thinkers, who were influenced by the Moravian faith message, and developed theological precepts that continue to shape our understandings of the Faith today!

Unity Friends

We will not meet in August. The next meeting will be in September at the mountain home of Becky and Maynard Surratt. If you have any questions, see Ed Merritt. Hope to see everyone in the mountains.

Single Sisters

Labor Day Potluck Picnic - Monday, September 3rd at 12:30 pm at Joy Cole's home. The potluck will be salads and desserts; we will not have a meat. Please bring your favorite book or magazine to summarize and share with the group. **RSVP to Joy by Friday, 8/31.**

FALL CELEBRATION Provincial Women's Board

Saturday, September 8, 2018
 2178 Friedberg Church Road
 Winston-Salem, NC 27127

Coffee hour begins 9:00AM and Programs at 9:30 AM Speakers will be the Rev. Judy Knoph and the Rev. Fran Saylor.

There will be a Silent Auction to benefit the 13th Moravian Women's Conference. The wonderful cooks of Friedberg will prepare lunch to be served at noon. \$10.00 per person

The Silent Auction winners will be announced after lunch.

For more details and registration: 336-722-4911 or pwbmcspp@gmail.com

Mark Your Calendar!

Statistics Last Week (07/29/18)

Attendance Sunday Worship	70
Weekly Needs to Meet Our Budget	\$3,305.89
Offering	\$1,157.50

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.

Opportunities

Today, August 5	9:45 a.m. Special Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship
Monday	10:00 a.m. Prayer Partners
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. Christmas trees & crafts 11:00 a.m. Tai Chi 7:00 p.m. Yoder Bible Study
Friday	9:00 a.m. Chicken pie workday
Saturday	10:00 a.m. Band rehearsal
Next Sunday, August 12	9:45 a.m. Special Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship - <i>Holy Communion</i>

Evening Women's Fellowship

Or "**Interested**" in Evening Women's Fellowship.

We had planned to change to Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. starting in August, but because of the Special Sunday Schools in August, we will delay that. Instead, we will meet Monday night, August 27 at 7:00 p.m. Then, we will start our Sunday morning meetings on September 23 at 9:45 a.m.

We realize some women will miss one Sunday school class each month; however, after extensive discussion, we felt this may serve the women better since many have trouble making a weekday evening meeting. I look forward to seeing you for a new year of "Evening" Women's Fellowship. Also, let me know if you wish to participate so I can get a study book to each member.

Linn Parsons

Volunteers for August 12, 2018

Liturgist:	Ed Merritt
Usher Team:	Don Harkness
Greeters:	Ellen Sosack, Carol Tatum
Sound Board:	Chuck Tatum
Time with Children:	Rachel Yancey
Children's Worship:	Ashley Garcia
Mower (8/18)	Wayne Yancey

Pray for our Church Family:

Alex Black, Sharon Dailey, Evan Huss, Cam Lane, Terry Sink, Richard Spong

Remembering Members who find it difficult to attend:

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

Pray for our Family and Friends:

Lisa Allgood (cousin of Berry Sink)
 Annie Anderson (mother of Sandra Madison)
 Linda Bean (sister of Anita Hughes and Carol Tatum)
 Debbie Bishop (friend of Kay Vance)
 Allen Bradshaw (son of Jerrie Bradshaw)
 Averi Burke (niece of Teresa Perry)
 Larry Cook (friend of Will Smith)
 Jennie Cornatzer (sister of Nancy Jackson)
 Pam Cregger (sister of Teresa Perry)
 Brent Dentiste (son of Lynn Williamson)
 Frank Diehl (friend of congregation)
 Darrell Dickerson (friend of Judy Duke)
 Margo Ehlers (neighbor of Judy Duke)
 Polly Fishel (aunt of Lynn Williamson)
 Jackie Harrell (member of Single Sisters)
 Nadine Haydon (relative of Kim Felton)
 Tami Kipple (cousin of Beth Basta)
 Franny Knouse (Barbara Knouse's daughter-in-law)
 Nola Knouse (friend of congregation)
 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)
 Carol McElveen (friend of the congregation)
 Angela Mishoe (sister of Christa Geyer)
 Jackson Mishoe (nephew of Scott and Christa Geyer)
 Carroll Morrell (mother of Bob Morrell)
 Steve Parks (son of Bill Parks)
 Mary Pearce (aunt of Henry Pearce)
 Louise Poindexter (mother of Janet Sowers)
 Martha Riddle (friend of Jayne Parks)
 ("Ky") Kyron Russell (son of Ruth and Chris Burcaw)
 Katie Schreiber (granddaughter of Joy Cole)
 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)
 Karl Wester (friend of Jay and Linn Parsons)
 Nancy Yerigan (cousin of Kay Vance)

Serving in Missions:

Ed Dehnert and Barb Weide (Bethel, Alaska)