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The Core Values of the Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church – We Value:

- ***“Being a Safe Harbor”*** For the spiritual pilgrims in our community.
- ***“Children and Youth”*** We are committed to congregational life that is open and nurturing to young people.
- ***“Excellence in Worship”*** We expect the gospel of Jesus Christ to be proclaimed through excellence in music ministry, quality of liturgy, preaching and celebration of the sacraments.
- ***“Mission”*** Recognizing our common call to ministry, we strive to live our faith sacrificially in our community and in the world.
- ***“Our Moravian Heritage”*** All of our core values have historical precedent in an ancient tradition of Christian witness.

A nursery for children ages 5 and under is in Room 201 of the Christian Education Building. Preschoolers only please, so that attendants may give each child proper attention.

2026 Watchword – I have put my spirit upon my servant; he will bring forth justice to the nations. Isaiah 42:1

Staff

Rev. Dr. Matthew Knapp, Sr. Senior Pastor
 Karen Bongle Administrative Assistant
 Kim Knapp Choir Director
 Dennis Sphatt Organist



Sturgeon Bay Moravian Church

July 26, 2026



To maintain a worshipful atmosphere, we ask that you turn off all cell phones. Thank you.

Prelude

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Announcements

Moments of Preparation

Call to Worship

***Hymn** – Blessed Jesus, at Your Word MBW 558

***Liturgy** – Celebration MBW 43

Children’s Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn – Look, O Look, the Sight is Glorious MBW 406

Scripture Lessons Matthew 13:31-33, 13:44-52

Sermon “The Little Things”

Hymn – I’ve Got Peace like a River MBW 592

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

(* =The congregation is invited to stand)

Opportunities This Week

Thurs.	07/30	Vespers at Shiloh	6:30 pm
Sun.	08/02	Worship	10:00 am

Cookies on the patio following worship.

Looking Ahead

Sun.	08/09	Worship	10:00 am
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Online Worship at www.sbmoravian.org.

Now livestreaming service 10:00.

In Our Prayers – Please keep the family and friends of Teri VanLieshout in your prayers at the passing of her father.

Thursday Vesper Service at Shiloh

The last service at Shiloh is on July 30 at 6:30 pm.

American Cross Blood Drive: Monday, August 3 – 12:00 to 6:00 pm and on Tuesday, August 4 – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. Peters Lutheran Church, 108 W. Maple St., Sturgeon Bay.
Call 1-800-Red Cross or go to redcrossblood.org to make an appointment.

Lovefeast in August – Please join us on August 9 for a celebration of fellowship and food in church!

Daily Text – It's time to order your Daily Text for 2027 – enclosed is an insert to use or check the website @ www.sbmoravian.org under 'Online Forms' to order & pay. Order deadline is August 13.

Welcome to the North Carolina Youth Mission Team who are visiting from the Friedberg Moravian Church in Winston Salem, NC. Special thanks to Paloma Battle and Judy Macleod, from the mission team, for being our liturgist and scripture reader this morning.

The Rose on the Communion Table, from last week, was given in celebration of the birth on July 13, of Bo Larkin, son of Miranda and Hunter Larkin.

Today, the Rose on the Communion Table is given in celebration of the birth, on July 20, of Cora Leigh Wheat, daughter of Jeremy and Amber Wheat. Cora's paternal grandparents are David and Jody Wheat.

Scripture Lessons

Matthew 13:31-33

³¹ He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³² Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches." ³³ He told them still another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough."

Matthew 13:44-52

⁴⁴ "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

⁴⁵ "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. ⁴⁶ When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ "Once again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish. ⁴⁸ When it was full, the fishermen pulled it up on the shore. Then they sat down and collected the good fish in baskets, but threw the bad away. ⁴⁹ This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

⁵¹ "Have you understood all these things?" Jesus asked.

"Yes," they replied.

⁵² He said to them, "Therefore every teacher of the law who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old."

Our congratulations and best wishes to Marley Gigstead and Jack Grantham who were united in marriage on July 25 by Rev. Knapp.

Sister Bay Moravian Church Concert: August 2 at 4:00 pm, featuring local musical talents for an afternoon of music and community. The church choir and guest musicians will perform a variety of pieces from notable composers as well as student composition debuts. Entry is free. The church address is 10924 Old Stage Rd, Sister Bay, WI.