



"WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER"

October, 2026

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2026 CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD: Isaiah 42:1

I have put my spirit upon my servant; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 10:30 am



October 4 - Regular Worship / Communion

October 11 - Regular Worship / Baptism

October 18 - Regular Worship / Baptism

October 25 - Regular Worship / Baptism / Bible Presentation for 3rd graders

Worship online @ www.sbmoravian.org - a new service is available every Sunday.

Livestream available @ 10:30 or watch at your convenience.

A Few Updates

Dear Congregation,

There are so many blessings for us to be thankful for this fall. Our Sunday School attendance has grown significantly and youth fellowships have grown so much we have split into two groups with two different meals on Wednesdays. Please take note of the upcoming activities and opportunities listed below:

October is Pledge Month

This is the time we ask you to prayerfully consider the financial needs of the congregation and what God is calling you to give to support those needs in 2027. There will be pledge cards in the bulletin every Sunday throughout the month and you can also go to the church website in the 'On-line Forms' and fill out your pledge online. Those pledges are very important for our boards in planning for ministry for the coming year.

Worldwide Communion

We will be celebrating worldwide communion on Sunday, October 4 during worship.

Bible Sunday and Children Singing

On Sunday, October 25, our third graders will be presented with their first Bibles; and all of the children will be singing during worship.

Update from Shiloh

At the annual meeting of the Shiloh Cemetery Association, we received the wonderful news that after some hard work of clearing out part of the cemetery they now have 70 additional plots for sale! If you are interested in purchasing a plot at Shiloh, you can contact Nancy Anschutz - nlanschutz@yahoo.com.

Buffalo Ridge Trail Property and the Door County Land Trust

For decades, the church has had property out on Buffalo Ridge Trail Rd that we have held for our Boy Scout Troop to camp on. There are former scouts in the congregation that can tell you about their adventures camping there over the years. The property has not been used for many years and with recent changes in scout camping policy, it makes it so that our land can no longer be used for that purpose. We reached out to The Door County Land Trust to see if they had interest in the property as it is in a habitat that they are seeking to protect. Throughout this process and discussions, the Land Trust has been able to purchase all the property around our several acres. We are pleased to announce that we will be able to donate the land to them which will complete a large new region that will be protected. We will be finalizing this in March. We are so grateful for this opportunity to contribute to the preservation of the land we all love and cherish.

MEETINGS

Board of Elders’	11/9	6:30 pm
Board of Trustees’	11/16	6:30 pm

Updates (continued)**Our Van Donated to Tricklebee Café**

A few years ago, we decided to sell the church van as it was being under utilized and was no longer serving our needs. The van found a home at Evenson Laundry where it has served them well hauling laundry around the county. We recently became aware that the Tricklebee Café needs a vehicle to pick up the ever-growing quantity of food donations they receive to give out to their community. With Evenson Laundry closing its doors and through a generous donation, we are purchasing our old van back and will be delivering to Tricklebee Café in October when our Discipleship Class goes down to serve. So, if you see the old van in the parking lot it looks a little rustier but it still runs great and it will be doing great work down in Milwaukee. We are so grateful for this opportunity to help this vital ministry.

Pastor Knapp

CALENDAR

- **Adult Choir Rehearsal:** Sundays 9:15 am in the sanctuary
- **Coffee Hus:** Sunday’s @ 9:30 am
- **Sunday School:** 9:30 - 10:15 am
- **Bible Study:** Tuesday mornings @ 8:30
- **Faith Circle:** 2nd Tuesday every month @1:30 pm in the Fellowship Room
- **Wed. Night Youth:** Rams (Gr.1-5) 4:30-5:30; Middle/High School Fellowship 5:30 - 7:00
- **Women’s Bible Study:** Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 pm

MEMORIAL SUNDAY: November 1

All Saints’ Sunday, in the traditional church calendar, provides the opportunity for the worshipping community to remember all persons of faith who have completed their walk in this life and are now in the immediate presence of their Lord.

Sunday, November 1 has been designated as our All Saints’ Memorial Service. You are invited to remember family members, neighbors and friends with gratitude for their witness of faith and impact on our lives. Remembering is a gift from God, which has an appropriate place in worship; the grief we continue to experience from the loss of loved ones also finds appropriate expression in the worship setting. We hope you’ll be present for this service, which brings smiles, tears, and always joy for the blessings we now have because of those who have gone before. If there are people whom you would like to have remembered in the bulletin, please provide the church office with your name, phone number and a list of those you wish to be remembered by October 26.

Join Our Fellowship Team!

Do you enjoy our monthly fellowship dinners? If you do, we could use your help. We are forming a fellowship team to help plan and implement our congregational fellowship activities. These include our tailgate party, chili cookoff, chicken dinners, Advent workshop to name just a few. We already have a couple of very dedicated folks who have been doing this work, but we would like to include more people. If you are interest-

VETERAN'S SUNDAY November 8

On Sunday, November 9 we will pause to honor the veterans of our congregation. If your information hasn't been listed in past bulletins, or if your information has changed since last year, and you wish to be included in this list, please contact the church office by November 1st. We need the name, branch of service, date/year(s) served and rank. Thank you.



Youth Choir

The youth choir will rehearse on Sunday mornings during Sunday School.
Please mark your calendars for the Sunday the youth will be singing:

Oct. 25: 10:30 worship - All ages will be singing.

3rd Grade Bible Presentation, Sunday, October 25

Each year the church presents Bibles to our 3rd graders to encourage their adventure in a life long study of God's Word. We will present Bibles during worship on October 25. If you have a child in the 3rd grade, please plan on attending.



OCTOBER IS PLEDGE MONTH

PLEDGE FOR 2027

*Working together for the kingdom of God, and in
response to God's Gracious love and for the growth of my faith,
I (we) promise, with God's help, to support my church with the following commitment:*

Name: _____		Phone No: _____				
		I PLAN TO GIVE:				
		☐ CASH				
		☐ BY ENVELOPE				
		☐ ONLINE				
I _____ al Commitment is:		\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
		Weekly	Semi-monthly	Monthly	Quarterly	Annual
Envelope Number: _____		(This commitment may be revised/canceled at any time at my request.)				

We ask that you prayerfully consider what your commitment might be for **2027**. Please drop the above form in the collection plate, the office or in the mail by **October 31st**. You can also go to www.sbmoravian.org and submit an online pledge form from our website. Thank you!



Operation Christmas Child:

In November SBMC will again participate in the Operation Christmas Child project. The shoeboxes will be available Sunday, November 1.

To supplement our supply of shoe boxes, if you have any empty regular size shoe boxes at home, please drop them off at church before November 1. Thanks for your help. More information will be available in November.

Chili Cook-off



We are looking for chili makers! On Sunday, Oct. 18 we are hosting a chili cook off immediately following worship. Your special chili can be a part of this celebration. The categories for chili will be: spicy, vegetarian, chili with beans, chili with macaroni and white chili. Contact the church office if you want to bring your favorite chili. If not, mark your calendar and come join the fun. There will also be chicken tenders for the kids and anyone who is not a chili eater.

Dinner with Friends @ Bay View Lutheran Church

Dinner with Friends is a free monthly community meal program that currently delivers about 120 meals per month, along with carry-outs and dine-ins through Bay View Lutheran Church. They would like to make this a monthly **Ecumenical** event and are asking for your help. The help consists of:

1. Make and place bible verse labels for the carry out containers monthly
2. Get delivery routes set up and divided between drivers
3. Prepare thermal bags for meals by route and driver
4. Drivers to deliver meals
5. Help prepare meals, cut, chop, assemble etc.
6. Wrap silverware
7. Set up/lay out containers in kitchen to be filled
8. Make/prepare meals
9. Make a dessert
10. Fill containers and serve/dish out food
11. Prepare beverages for the dine in people
12. Kitchen and dining room clean up

Meals are on the 2nd Saturday of every month unless there are special circumstances. Food prep is Friday night. Set up kitchen and dining room Saturday morning and cook Saturday afternoon. Drivers start at 3:30 pm. Contact Tanya Fischer @ mifisch@charter.net or Nancy Ruff @ bornruff@gmail.com or call 920-493-0471 (please leave a message).

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in." Matthew 25:35

UPCOMING COMMUNITY DINNER - OCTOBER 10

Free Community Dinner – All are Welcome!

Bay View Lutheran Church sponsors a free community dinner once a month at the church at 340 W. Maple Street. This month's dinner is October 10. They offer dine-in, carry-out and delivery is available.

Call or text 920-256-5704 by October 5 to reserve dinner delivery. Delivery is from 4 to 5 pm. Dine-in and carry-out are from 4:30 to 5:30. This month's dinner is beef stew, rolls and apple cookies.

Introducing the Pinney Guest House



As we move forward with finalizing the purchase of the house at 429 Quincy Street, we are pleased to announce that we will be naming the property The Pinney Guest House!

The Pinney family, Tom, George and Pat Remy, were throughout their lives, passionate and visionary leaders of our congregation. Each of them made significant contributions to the ministry and mission of our church. Since funds we received from Tom's estate are helping us to purchase the house, we felt this was a fitting honor and tribute to three individuals who we miss deeply but who continue to inspire us as they each embodied the core values of our ministry in their own special way.

Make a Pledge

In the coming days we will be reaching out with an invitation to members and friends of the congregation to make a one-year pledge to raise the funds for renovating the house. There will be opportunities to support this project both financially and with the work we will need to do on the house. Our goal will be to raise \$100,000 to ensure we can make the house look like the picture above! We are grateful to have already received a gift of \$5,000 to get started in meeting this goal. Together we can make this happen as we serve the housing needs of our community. A reminder that our goal is to renovate the house and enter it into the Interfaith Housing Coalition program. The Coalition provides transitional housing for people who are experiencing housing insecurities in our community. In the future it could provide transitional housing for our future pastors.