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The Mission of College Hill Moravian Church is to learn, share, live Christ's love!

October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29		1	2	3	4
APPLESAUCE	5:30 PM	10:30 AM Book	10:00 AM Tai Chi	NO CHOIR	Pastor Chris'	8:00 AM
ORDERS &	Narcotics	Club	11:00 AM Tai Chi	REHEARSAL	Sabbath	Applesauce
PAYMENTS DUE	Anonymous	5:30 PM Debtors	"	6:15 PM Bell	10:00 AM Tai Chi	Production
10:00 AM		Anonymous	6:30 PM Elders	Choir rehearsal	11:00 AM	11:00 AM
Worship			meeting		Applesauce prep	Blessing of the
11:00 AM						Animals
Fellowship Hour						
2:30 PM						
Labyrinth Walk						
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
BIRTHDAY	10:00 AM	5:30 PM Debtors	10:00 AM Budget	3:00 PM MU	PASTOR CHRIS AV	VAY
SUNDAY	Embroiderers	Anonymous	meeting	Seminary Cohort	10:00 AM Tai Chi	9:00 AM Coffee
10:00 AM	Guild		10:00 AM Tai Chi	4:00 PM Choir		& Conversation
Worship	5:30 PM		11:00 AM Tai Chi	rehearsal		
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11:00 AM Fellowship Hour	Anonymous		4:30 PM St.	6:15 PM Bell Choir rehearsal		
·	6:30 PM Darts		Luke's Healing	Chon renearsar		
12:00 PM PA Jazz			Arts			
Society Concert SETUP			7:00 PM Trustees			
			meeting			
2:00 PM PA Jazz 12	13	14	15	16	17	18
PASTOR CHRIS AV				4:00 PM Choir	Pastor Chris'	BETHLEHEM
10:00 AM Sunday	5:30 PM	5:30 PM Debtors	10:00 AM Tai Chi	rehearsal	Sabbath	RUNNING
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worship)	Anonymous		ll l	Choir rehearsal	CRAFT FAIR	FALL CRAFT
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Worship					10.00 AIVI Tai Cili	
11:00 AM						10:30 AM Taoism
Fellowship Hour						Study Group
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
BETHLEHEM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM Debtors	10:00 AM Tai Chi	4:00 PM Choir	Pastor Chris'	
RUNNING FESTIVAL	Narcotics Anonymous	Anonymous	11:00 AM Tai Chi	rehearsal	Sabbath	
TESTIVAL				6:15 PM Bell	10:00 AM Tai Chi	
CONGREGATION	6:00 PM Welcoming		7:00 PM Joint	Choir rehearsal		
AL ANNIVERSARY	committee		Board meeting			
LOVEFEAST	meeting					
10:00 AM						
Worship						
11:00 AM						
Fellowship Hour						
26	27	28		30	31	Nov 1
10:00 AM Sunday		10:30 AM Book	10:00 AM Tai Chi	9:00 AM	Pastor Chris'	9:00 AM Fall
School (during	BUILDER SUBMISSIONS	Club	11:00 AM Tai Chi	Newsletter	Sabbath	Cleanup Day
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10:00 AM	OFFICE	Anonymous		4:00 PM Choir		
Worship	5:30 PM	1		rehearsal		
11:00 AM	Narcotics			6:15 PM Bell		
Fellowship Hour	Anonymous			Choir rehearsal		
2:30 PM	6:30 PM Darts					
Labyrinth Walk	6:30 PM CEC					
	meeting					
2	3	Notes				
BIRTHDAY	10:00 AM					
SUNDAY	Embroiderers					
10:00 AM	Guild					
Worship	5:30 PM					
11:00 AM	Narcotics					
Fellowship Hour	Anonymous					
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The Builder

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How Are You?

You know how it is when you're out and about running errands? And you bump into a good acquaintance? And you smile and say, "Hey?" And they smile back and say, "How are you?" And you reflexively respond with, "I'm good; how about you?" And they nod and say, "I'm good, too?" And then, perhaps, you chit chat for a moment before you excuse yourself because the ice cream in your cart is melting?

That happened to me earlier today. It wasn't until I had gone through the checkout line and packed the groceries into the car that it struck me: *Why did I say, "I'm good?"* I wasn't, really.

I had a headache from having spent several days alternating between anger and despair as I followed breaking news stories about hate speech and free speech and amplified speech and silenced speech, all in the wake of the wrongful killing of a man I'd never heard of before September 10. That man was now being venerated in a way I couldn't understand, and the national conversation had turned toxic, if it hadn't already been contaminated.

No, in spirit, I was not good. Driving home, I mentally worked out a new response. And sure enough, when I pulled up in front of the house and began unloading the melting ice cream and other comfort carbs, neighbors greeted me from several directions. When they asked, "Hey! How are you," I changed it up. I said, "I'm despondent about the state of our world, but other than that, I'm fine."

Rather than coming back with chit chat, my neighbors responded similarly, and we ended up having an even more authentic conversation than I suspected we would. We agreed that comfort food was helpful for a moment, but then we'd have to get back to doing the work of being Love and Light in the world. It was just a given.

We are experiencing all kinds of trouble, but we aren't crushed.

We are confused, but we aren't depressed.

We are harassed, but we aren't abandoned.

We are knocked down, but we aren't knocked out.

2 Corinthians 4: 8-9 (CEB)

Be faithful. Stay strong. Eat snacks if it helps.

Enduringly,

Pastor Chris

WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Gathering Every Sunday at 10:00 AM

Showcasing the interconnectedness of Christians throughout the globe, **World Communion** will be celebrated on **October 5**. In an era when division seems so obvious, come to be reminded of the unity we have because of Jesus Christ.

And on **October 19**, we will reflect on our congregation's 138 years of ministry on Laurel Street and celebrate the Church Anniversary with a Lovefeast.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APPLESAUCE-MAKING FUNDRAISER

Saturday, October 4, 9 AM – 4 PM

Come early—stay late—a half-day—a few hours? We welcome everyone with whatever time allows for your schedule. Coffee, donuts, and lunch are provided. For more information, call Gayle Brinker at 484-892-0781.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Saturday, October 4, 11:00 AM Church Parking Lot Rain or Shine

For the very first time, College Hill will offer a joyful, outdoor, animal blessing opportunity. On October 4, bring your leashed or crated animal companions to be blessed beginning at 11:00 AM and continuing for as long as needed for Pastor Chris to visit individually with all pets and their people.

At the request of the Joint Board, Jacquie Jamison is arranging this delightful event. Animal blessing services have grown in popularity in recent years and are often conducted on or near October 4 to coincide with the Feast Day of St. Francis, remembered for his tenderness toward all of God's creatures. Bringing our

pets for a blessing is a way we can acknowledge and celebrate our Creator and all of creation!

2025 FALL CRAFT/ VENDOR SHOW

College Hill will be holding our Fall Craft Show on **Saturday**, **October 18**, **2025 from 9:00 AM–2:00 PM.** We will be offering indoor and outdoor spots for crafters. We will also be serving food and having a bake sale.

HOW CAN YOU HELP???

Interested in being a crafter? Applications are on the **Craft Show Table** (against the wall under the window) in Fellowship Hall or can be emailed to you.

We are looking for volunteers for Friday, October 17 to help prepare and set up, as well as Saturday, October 18 to help in the kitchen, monitor the bake sale, and be a floater to assist the crafters throughout the day.

We are also looking for homemade baked goods to be sold at the bake sale table.

If interested in volunteering or making a baked good, please add your name to the corresponding signup sheet on the **Craft Show Table** in Fellowship Hall.

All proceeds from the show will go toward the general operating fund.

If you have any questions, please contact Amy DeLong at 610-704-0014 or amdelong3@gmail.com.

LABYRINTH WALKS FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

College Hill Moravian Church and the Lehigh Valley Labyrinth Project invite you to join us for a series of labyrinth walk at the church,72 West Laurel Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Walks will take place on the following Sundays:

October 26, November 23 and a pre–New Year's walk on December 28.

In these times of uncertainty, it is beneficial to gather in community to be together for prayer and meditation. While walking the labyrinth is a very personal journey, it is a comfort to gather in community.

All are welcome. Peace to all as we gather. If you have any questions, please call Linda Toggart, Spiritual Director, at 610-217-1971.

FALL CLEANUP DAY

The Trustees ask that you come out on Saturday, November 1 from 9 AM-noon for our Fall Church Cleanup Day. There are many chores that need to be undertaken. Helping to tidy, clean, and polish our church is important, enabling members and visitors to experience God in a welcoming environment. Our custodian takes care of the week-toweek cleaning and each year we ask for your help to attend to bigger cleanup tasks. We will be working inside and outside by weeding, trimming, washing, polishing, dusting, etc. Please come out even if you are only available for a few hours that day—we would appreciate your help. There are many rooms that have not had a good cleaning in several years.

COLLEGE HILL NEWS 쉅

THANK YOU FROM GWYN

Heartfelt thanks for all the texts, cards, emails, meals, transportation, and - most of all - prayers I received during my most recent fall. You proved, once again, what a wonderful, supportive family College Hill is. I hope to be back at the keyboard soon, but, in the meantime, I need to express deepest gratitude to Jane MacDonald for once again sharing her time and talents so generously with the congregation during my absence. You are all such a blessing!

Gwyn Michel

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Coffee and Conversation will meet in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October 11 from 9 AM - 10:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Toggart at 610-217-1971 by phone or text.

FALL 2025 SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School will be held twice a month during our 10 AM Worship service. The children will start in the Sanctuary and then be dismissed to the Sunday School room where they will enjoy a Sunday School lesson, crafts, music, and treats. The schedule for Fall 2025 is as follows:

October 12 & 26, November 9 & 23, and December 14 & 28.

We hope that you will mark your calendars and bring your children, grandchildren, and their friends to share in the fun.

If you are interested in helping with Sunday School, please contact Alan Bosch.

BOOK CLUB MEETINGS

The Tuesday Book Group continues to meet on the last Tuesday of each month at 10:30 AM in Room 4.

October 28 Passing Storm November 25 River Sing Me Home

All are invited to join our informal gathering. Contact Sue Youtz for further updates.

610-751-0654/syoutz@ptd.net

FELLOWSHIP TIME HOSTS NEEDED!

We are in need of hosts for our afterworship fellowship time. Hosting involves making coffee and providing snacks for our weekly fellowship time, and cleaning up afterwards. Coffee, cold beverage mix, and gluten-free snacks are provided (if you wish) by the church. A sign-up page is available on the food table for your

convenience. Please sign up for a date that is convenient for you. Feel free to pair up with someone and share the gift of hospitality. The Welcoming Committee members are happy to answer any questions. Thank you verv much.

> Lorna Rossnagle 610-248-9392 Rosemary Kleintop 610-730-5361

GROCERY GIFT CARD PROGRAM -IMPORTANT REMINDER!

As you all know, we sell grocery gift cards for both Giant and Weis supermarkets. For each card that we sell, the Church earns .5% of the sale price. What you may not know is that this program is the one fundraiser that continues year-round in the life of our Church. We strive to have on hand an ample supply of cards for both stores. We are all aware of the budget deficit that we are currently facing. Why not help to offset that deficit by purchasing gift cards for your weekly grocery shopping. If you have any questions, or would like to purchase cards, please see either Caroline Pietkiewicz or Diane Abeles on Sunday. Happy shopping!

MUSIC NOTES

CALLING ALL SINGERS! CALLING ALL RINGERS!

Both our Choir and Handbell Choir members will return soon—the bells have already begun rehearsing, while the choir will resume once Gwyn is cleared to play the piano.

When they begin, choir rehearsals will be held in the Choir Room (Room 6) from 4:00 PM-5:30 PM on Thursday afternoons. If you're interested in singing, please contact Gwvn Michel at gwynmichel@aol.com—or simply show up!

Handbell rehearsals are held in the Bell Room (Room 10) Thursday evenings from 6:15 PM to 7:30 PM. If you are interested in joining the handbell choir, please contact Krysti Wallace at k.nappi1221@gmail.com.

Overwhelming thanks to all those who helped renovate the Choir Room this summer - from the dedicated folks who spent hours emptying the room, to the painters, caulkers, carpetextractors, and those who helped lay the new flooring, to the dedicated crew who moved everything back into place. The room looks beautiful!!! And, best of all, we will no longer be inhaling mold during choir rehearsal—a very good thing. Thank you, Thank You, THANK YOU, ALL!!!

HELP SUPPORT THESE MINISTRIES

WEST BETHLEHEM **EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY**

THANK YOU for your donations to the West Bethlehem Emergency Food Pantry. Current needs are:

- Breakfast items (cereal/oatmeal/pancake mix/granola bars)
- Coffee/tea/powdered drink mixes
- Potatoes (instant/canned)
- Canned fruit
- Canned corn
- Mac-n-cheese boxes
- Jelly
- Personal care items
- Toilet paper/paper towels

The Pantry also has a table for items that are past the "expired" or "best by" date. Please place your donations on the COT table or in the grocery cart in Fellowship Hall. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated and will be delivered to the Pantry monthly. THANK YOU!



We are currently collecting Halloween candy for William Penn's in-school Halloween parties. There is a

basket on the COT table in Fellowship Hall for your donations. Thank you!

Let's Bring Christmas to William Penn!

Summer is over and before we know it Christmas will be here. We are continuing to collect supplies for William Penn students and teachers. Visit the COT table in Fellowship Hall for a list of needed items (or see below). All donations can be placed in the bins on and under the table. Everything will be blessed and packed up at our annual Advent Workshop and delivered to the school. Let's make it a meaningful Christmas for our community school!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATION REQUESTS FOR 2025 – 2026

- *Brand-specific requested for quality and durability:
- *Crayola crayons
- *Crayola colored pencils
- *Crayola markers broad and fine-tip
- *Elmer glue sticks
- *Expo black dry-erase markers

Narrow pencil boxes or pouches
Dry-erase erasers
Pencil-top erasers
Construction paper
Small whiteboards
1" & 1.5" hard binders
Adult-size scissors
Headphones with wires (NO EARBUDS)
Backpacks
Individually wrapped snacks
(Goldfish, pretzels, popcorn, etc.)

Tissues Hand sanitizer Clorox wipes

FOR RECESS

Kickballs Soccer balls Adult-size basketballs Sidewalk chalk

Essentials Café Wooden Nickel Fundraiser:

A jar of wooden nickels sits next to the cash register at the Essentials Café. These nickels may be used by patrons who need help paying for their meal—a nickel that has been gifted to pay for a breakfast or lunch. Our cards sell for \$12 and each one will purchase one nickel for the jar. These gift cards show that you have donated an Essentials Café meal "in honor of" the

recipient. This is an ongoing project, and cards will be available for purchase in Fellowship Hall after church services. Our sincere thanks to everyone for helping to feed our neighbors!

Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library needs children's books, especially board books. Donations can be placed in the baskets in the Narthex and in Fellowship Hall.

If you are interested in helping to shelve or restock books, please contact any member of the Community Outreach Team.

STARS OF BETHLEHEM HOLIDAY CONCERT

Fundraiser for The Freezer Ministry and Garden Gatherers The Historic Chapel of Central Moravian Church/Hotel Bethlehem December 16, 2025 Tickets \$100

Concert #1 3:00 – 4:00 PM, Reception from 4:30 - 5:30 PM •BASD Northeast Singers – Young voices celebrate the season; Denise Parker, Director •Kristen Morgenstern – Award-

 Kristen Morgenstern – Awardwinning Lehigh Valley talent

•Bethlehem Trombone Choir – Amazing seasonal sounds

Concert #2 7:00 – 8:00 PM, Reception from 5:50 - 6:30 PM •Mosaic Youth Chorus – Youth with a gift to perform; Joy Hirokawa, Director

•The Valley Collective – Beautiful voices from around the Valley; Tom Remaley, Director

•Bethlehem Trombone Choir – Amazing seasonal sounds

Receptions will be held in the Mural Room and Veranda at Hotel Bethlehem – Hors d'oeuvres and beverages; music by Dolcetto

To purchase tickets, call 610 867-0537 starting October 1; your \$100 ticket includes concert and reception. Limited to 150 per concert.

Make checks payable to East Hills Moravian Church (footnote *FMGG Concert*) Mail to 1830 Butztown Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017

Learn more about The Freezer Ministry and Garden Gatherers at www.freezerministry.org / robert.wingrove@rcn.com.



MISSION MINUTE: A SUMMER OF EXCHANGE CAMPING

This summer, the BWM supported 40 exchange campers and leaders as they traveled from six Unity Provinces to attend camps

six Unity Provinces to attend camps and experience the global Moravian Unity in a tangible way.

At Mt. Morris in Wisconsin, participants came from Germany, Jamaica, Pennsylvania, and Florida; Youth Convo in Miami welcomed groups from Antigua, Trinidad, Jamaica, St. Thomas, and Barbados; and campers from Labrador attended Van Es in Alberta. The exchanges brought fresh energy as youth shared songs, traditions, and stories—discovering that even small differences sparked curiosity and connection.

For many campers, the program offered first-time travel experiences. Labrador leader McKinley Winters shared how one youth marveled at the Edmonton airport: "You should have seen her facial expression—priceless!" These moments, Winters reflected, help youth imagine futures that include studying or traveling beyond their home villages. Local campers also found their worlds expanding through new friendships. One Wisconsin camper, inspired by a bond with a German peer, is now planning to study abroad.

This program isn't just about sending campers somewhere new; it's about planting seeds of connection that bear fruit in our church for years to come...and it doesn't happen by

accident! The BWM coordinates travel, fosters partnerships across provinces, and provides financial support that enables international participation. Thank you for your support of the BWM and Moravian exchange camping!

COMPASS

Moravian Theological Seminary and Lancaster Theological Seminary have announced the launch of COMPASS: Preparing Leaders for Ministry and Service. Like Crossroads, its predecessor, COMPASS is intended for those feeling a call to become licensed lay pastors and for anyone who wants to enrich a part of their ministry by becoming better equipped in that area. The program is designed so that you can complete it in its entirety for certification or simply pick and choose one or more courses that will benefit you and your ministry setting. For information on upcoming courses, visit https://learn.moravian.edu/browse/co mpass.

To encourage individuals and congregations to utilize this new program, the Eastern District Executive Board is making scholarship funds available for qualifying enrollments through December 31, 2025. For more information on scholarship opportunities, email melissa@mcnp.org.

THERE WAS NO ROOM AT THE INN...

Since 1987, MORAVIAN OPEN DOOR (MOD) has provided a temporary home for homeless adults in Manhattan, NYC.

This ministry provides safe and affordable transitional housing for 40 homeless adults. MOD provides a healthful breakfast and supportive social services to rebuild our residents' lives. MOD helps them to obtain jobs and benefits, with the goal of finding permanent affordable housing and learning the life skills to maintain it.

Residents at Moravian Open Door pay a small monthly fee for their room and services (often much of their limited income); this covers only about 50% of the operating costs for the facility and its full-time staff of three.

Moravian Open Door receives no government funds. Donations from individuals, congregations, and other private sources must cover the rest of operating expenses.

Your gift can help the vital ministry of MOD, the only transitional housing ministry of the Northern Province of the Moravian Church. Please consider a generous financial gift to MOD.

Moravian Open Door 347 E. 18th Street New York, NY 10003

Gifts may also be made on the MOD website www.moravianhouse.org, or online via the Moravian Ministries Foundation in America Giving Portal https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/. On the MMFA Portal, scroll to the section GIVE NOW to a Specific organization or Ministry where Moravian Open Door has a tab. MMFA will absorb any fees for the donation.

FIVE WAYS TO GIVE

The Moravian Ministries Foundation in America has generously agreed to begin paying all processing fees charged for online gifts made through the Moravian Giving Portal. While the Foundation itself has never charged any kind of fee, the backend processor, Blackbaud Merchant Services, charged a processing fee like others who perform this service. Now, this processing fee will no longer be withheld, so our church will get the full balance of gifts given via the Moravian Giving Portal. As a reminder, there are several different ways to provide your offerings:

- 1. Bring your offering to Sunday worship. Gifts can be offered whether you attend via "Parking Lot Worship" or worship in the pews.
- **2.** Mail your offering to the church office at College Hill Moravian Church, 72 W. Laurel Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

- 3. Use your bank's "bill pay" service. A one-time or recurring payment can be made by a bank on your behalf. Banks that offer this service typically cut a check and mail it to the church at no cost to you. Contact your bank for details.
- 4. Make an online payment through the Moravian Giving Portal at https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/
 Go to this link, click on our church's name, and follow the instructions to make a one-time gift or a recurring monthly gift. Donations can be made by members and non-members via direct debit of a bank account or by credit card. All donation processing fees for portal gifts are now paid by the Moravian Ministries Foundation, so your full donation will be received by our church.
- 5. Make an online payment through Realm. Members can direct debit funds monthly from their bank account to the church's bank account.

Realm charges a fee for processing the contribution, so users may wish to add 1% more to their offerings to offset this fee. Check out the Realm page on our church website for a video tutorial and instructions:

http://collegehillmoravian.org/realm/

IN OUR COMMUNITY

SENIORS AND FRIENDS

October 2, 2025, 11:30 AM West Side Moravian Church 402 3rd Ave, Bethlehem

Bethlehem Co-Op Market

The Bethlehem Co-op Market is currently under construction at 250 East Broad Street. When its doors open later this year, it will offer a full-service grocery store to all shoppers. Unlike other stores, it is owned by more than 1,700 member-owners (neighbors in our community), and will focus on locally-sourced food and products.

Bring a friend and a sandwich—beverage and dessert will be provided!

ST. LUKE'S HEALING ARTS

The St. Luke's Healing Arts Program for cancer patients and their caregivers is so excited to have been welcomed by the College Hill Moravian Church.

Studies have shown that whether creating a simple drawing or collage, looking at art or talking about it, the arts can help you:

- * Express thoughts and emotions that can be hard to put into words
- * Lower stress and anxiety
- * Relax and feel calmer and happier
- * Connect with your deeper self, no matter what you are going through
- * Form new connections with others
- * Create something unique that gives you a sense of pleasure and accomplishment

Registration is required; if you would like more information, please see the flyers on the bulletin boards in the office or in Fellowship Hall.

Our next class will be held on Wednesday, October 8, from 5:30 PM-7:00 PM.

KIDS' CLUB COORDINATOR

East Hills Moravian Church is excited to announce the launch of "B.L.A.S.T. – Fourth Friday Fun Nights," a brand new after-school kids' program for children in 1st - 5th grade running January - June 2026. We are seeking a Kids' Club Coordinator to lead our B.L.A.S.T. program.

Note: Members of the East Hills Moravian Church congregation are not eligible for this position, but please share the opening with family or friends who may be interested.

Want to know more? Please email <u>sandy.flannigan@easthillsmc.org</u> by October 14, 2025.

CHURCH OFFICE REMINDERS

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: OCTOBER 27

Please submit articles for the November 2025 edition of *The Builder* by **Monday, October 27, 2025** to church@collegehillmoravian.org. Please submit all Weekly Announcement articles by the Wednesday of that week.

CONTACTING PASTOR CHRIS

Life is unpredictable, and so are office hours. That is why it is best to get in touch before popping in. Pastor Chris is easy to reach, especially if you are willing to **leave a message**. If your need is urgent, please say so!

Text or Call Her Mobile Phone 484-894-9077

Phone the Church Office 610-867-8291

Use EMAIL

moravianpastorchris@gmail.com

Find her on Facebook and Messenger

Christine Sobania Johnson

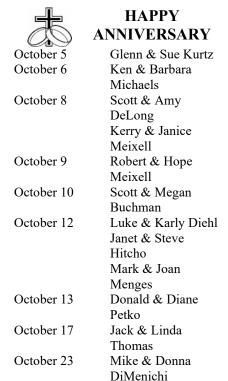
Flexible Office Hours

9 AM – 11 AM Monday – Thursday Pastor Chris keeps Sabbath on **Fridays** (Day off)

PAYMENT REMINDER

If you are submitting a payment for something you have ordered, please specify what the payment is for on the memo line of your check (flowers, Daily Text order, etc.)

If you are paying in cash, please use one of the envelopes next to the lockbox and write it on the envelope. This will help the Counters and the Treasurer make sure the payment goes to the correct place. Thank you!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Carl & Mary Fluck

Liz Sillivan

October 25

October 1

October 1	Liz Sillivali
October 2	Julie Illick
October 3	Janice Meixell
October 4	John Johnston
October 5	Janet Hitcho
October 6	Nalene Hock
	Laura Meixell
	Mark Menges
	Linda Rapp
October 7	Walter Montz
	Jacob DeLong
October 8	Joan Menges
October 15	Alyssa Meder
October 16	Ron Penrose
October 17	Lorna Rossnagle
October 18	Diane Cuvo
October 19	Kathy Neti
October 21	Mateo Cortes
October 23	Joan Duh
October 24	Gina Rivera Luszik
October 25	Kaspian Hlavinka
October 26	David Petko
October 30	Gayle Brinker

PRAYERS

We express concern for dear ones in our church family...

- Kristel Seagreaves
- Debbie Zechman
- David Danneberger
- Ray Duh
- Gwyn Michel
- Terri Harney
- Joan Menges
- Carol Messina
- Nancy Beitel-Vessels
- Bonnie Stoltz
- Jerry Yob
- Will Harstine
- Gloria Reisinger
- Joe Pietkiewicz
- Tom Markley
- Sherwood Kindred
- Kathy Powers
- Shirley Guth
- Jane Gottwald
- Tyler Pietkiewicz
- Larry Notaro
- Morris Vidaurre
- Sherwood Kindred (homebound)
- Warren Achey (homebound)
- Mike Meixell (homebound)

We pray, as requested, for others...

- Mohan & his family (on the heart of Nancy Beitel-Vessels)
- Rev. James Heroux
- Lisa Johnson
- Sharon Bond
- Ben Gehringer (son of Julie Illick)
- Martha Cox Popichak
- Samantha and Emmeileine (granddaughter and great granddaughter of Nancy Beitel-Vessels)
- Shayla (friend of Bria Prosperi)
- Mauricio Vidaurre
- Lee Sobania
- Barry Erb (cousin of Carol Messina)
- Lucy (granddaughter of Terri Harney)

- Regina, Cynthia, Victoria, Isabella, Anthony
- Chris Guth
- Gwen (family friend of Rich Harney)
- Caiden Nappi
- Cristin and Ricky Rivera
- Glenn Kranzley
- Doug Bauder
- Jürgen Nees
- Brandon Stoltz (military)

We pray for people in challenging circumstances...

- Those whose personal relationships are in crisis
- Folks impacted by mental health challenges and addictions
- Peace and security for siblings in Christ and
- nearby neighbors who come under threat: LGBTQ+ persons; immigrants; local Jewish and Muslim sisters and brothers
- Our street neighbors

We pray for people and ministries we support in particular ways...

- Essentials Café—its staff, volunteers, and customers
- Students, staff, and families connected with our neighborhood school, William Penn Elementary
- The ongoing work of racial justice and healing
- The ever-ongoing work of the Moravian Board of World Mission

To receive prayer requests and updates in the most relevant, timely way, consider joining the College Hill Moravian Church Prayer Chain. You may receive notifications by either email or phone. Contact the church office to get connected.

