

# *September SOTP/Canaan News*

Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Many of you have been asking when my last day will be in North Dakota. That day has been set for Sunday, October 19. That particular day will get here soon enough. However, I want to talk about what's going on in the meantime.

Fall programming and activities are coming up and there are many possibilities for you to participate in. For example, our lectionary bible study continues at SOTP, and our video studies are resuming on Tuesday evenings.

At Canaan, Sunday School for children will start up again on Sunday, September 21 at 10am. Also, the Turkey Supper is fast approaching—Sunday, October 12.

The Moravian Women of North Dakota are as busy as usual. Their annual Bake Sale during the Leonard Fall Festival is on Saturday, September 6 at 4:30 at the Leonard Park.

And let's not forget the North Dakota Moravian Mission Society's annual Pie Sale on Sunday, September 7 at 2:00pm following the parade.

As you can see, there are lots of opportunities to participate in the ministries of the church. Things are not ending but continuing on, and I look forward to continue to be in ministry with you!!

*Pastor Eric*

## ***Prayers for the Community & the World***

We remember all who suffer from mental, physical, emotional, or spiritual illness.

We lift up all who are bereaved.

We lift up all who are affected by violence.

We remember all affected by natural disasters.

We remember all our servicemen and servicewomen.



### **Lord, hear our prayer...**

*It is not great sacrifice that you require of us, God, filling your temple with slaughtered animals, or the overflowing rivers of our wealth;*

*It is not labored rituals or burdens of religious practice that you demand of us, God, proving our devotion through the exhaustion of our souls, or the callouses on our knees;*

*No, what you require, what you have asked of us is just this: always to act with justice, always to love mercy, and always to walk humbly with you.*

*What you require is not heavy, but it does ask of us our lives, given in thoughts, words and deeds, of life-bringing fellowship with you, and with this world that you love so much.*

*In Jesus' Name. Amen.*

# **SEPTEMBER LECTIONARY**

## **READINGS**

### **Sunday, September 7**

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1*

*Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33*

### **Sunday, September 14**

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51:1-10*

*1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10*

### **Sunday, September 21**

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113*

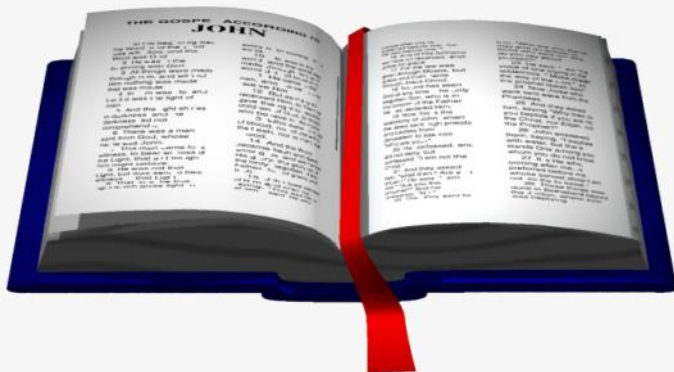
*1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13*

### **Sunday, September 28**

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146*

*1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31*





# **Shepherd of the Prairie**

# **Bulletin Board**

## **2025 CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD**

“No one who conceals transgression will prosper,  
but one who confesses and forsakes them  
will obtain mercy.”—Proverbs 28:13

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The **Moravian Women's Bake Sale** will be on Saturday,  
September 6 at 4:30pm at the Leonard Picnic Shelter.

The **North Dakota Moravian Mission Society Pie Sale**  
will be Sunday, September 7 at 2pm  
at the Leonard Senior Center.

**Lectionary Bible Study** meets  
Monday, September 8, 22, and 29 at 2:00pm.

**Video Study** gathers on Tuesday Evenings,  
September 9, 23, and 30.

The **Men's Lunch** is held every Wednesday at 11:30am  
at Pepper's Sports Café on University Dr. in Fargo.

The **Women's Bible Study** will meet  
Wednesday, September 10 at 2:00pm.

The **Joint Board** will meet Thursday, September 11 at 7pm.

**Pastor Eric will be Out of the Office**  
from Monday, September 15—Saturday, September 20.

The **ND Moravian Women** will meet  
on Wednesday, September 24 at 2:00pm.

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## **SOTP Worship Time**

**Don't forget that worship time will change**

**10:45am to 9:00am**

**beginning Sunday, September 7.**

# **SOTP Online/Telephone Services**

YouTube: Search—*Shepherd of the Prairie Moravian Church*.

You can even subscribe to the channel so that you know when worship is beginning. The link to our channel is below. Click on the “Live” tab for the livestream on Sunday or watch anytime.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcokW5t-44HVVH8XY7ruHbww>

## ***Zoom: Telephone Only***

1-346-248-7799; Meeting ID: 285 137 6394.

*Please note: There may be times when worship is delayed due to technical difficulties. Rest assured that we will try to start as soon as possible. If the issues cause us to be unable to have YouTube or Zoom worship or both. We will do our best to let you know quickly.*

CANAAN'S WORSHIP SERVICE  
IS STREAMED LIVE EVERY SUNDAY  
ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.

SEARCH: CANAAN MORAVIAN CHURCH

## **Cancellation of Worship/Church Events**

There are times when it might be possible that worship service or other church events may be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. If an issue causes a cancellation, an announcement will be sent to all local radio and television stations; emailed; and placed on the church's Facebook page.

**NOTE: EVEN IF IN-PERSON WORSHIP IS CANCELLED,  
ALL SERVICES WILL BE ON ZOOM, YOUTUBE,  
OR FACEBOOK**





**2025 CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD**

**"All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,  
and all your faithful shall bless you."—Psalm 145:10**

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**Dinner with Pastor Eric** will be  
on Wednesday, September 3 at 5:30pm  
at the Davenport Supper Club.

The **Moravian Women's Bake Sale** will be on Saturday,  
September 6 at 4:30pm at the Leonard Picnic Shelter.

The **North Dakota Moravian Mission Society Pie Sale**  
will be Sunday, September 7 at 2pm  
at the Leonard Senior Center.

The **Women's Bible Study** will meet at Shepherd of the  
Prairie on Wednesday, September 10 at 2:00pm.

The **Joint Board** will meet  
Wednesday, September 10 at 7pm.

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**Canaan's worship service**

**Worship time will change  
from 9:00am to 10:45am  
beginning Sunday, September 7.**

# Women's Ministry

*The Women's Bible Study will meet  
at Shepherd of the Prairie  
Wednesday, September 10 at 2:00pm.*

*The Moravian Women will meet  
on Wednesday, September 24 at 2:00pm  
at Shepherd of the Prairie.*

*The Moravian Women will be having their  
annual Bake Sale on Saturday, September 6 at  
4:30pm at Kindred Days.*

# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

**Sunday School at Canaan  
starts Sunday,  
September 21 at 10:00am.**

# **Canaan Moravian Turkey Supper**

**Sunday, October 12**  
**4-7pm**

**Once again, we will be using an online feature for signing up for cooking and helping out on the day of the supper. The link will be available soon.**

**If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Brigit or Pastor Eric.**

**Also, the link for online ticketing will be available soon as well.**

