



“The Walking Wounded Healers Journey”

Injuries and surgeries occur. Rehabilitation comes. Healing is the gift of God.

Some of you are aware that 4 years ago I had a total knee replacement (TKR) surgery. I was blessed with a great surgeon, a super physical therapist and a wonder-wife (My Christine) who brought help, hope, encouragement and healing. After that process in which I did remarkably well, many individuals contacted me as they too faced TKR. The rehab, the exercises, the bike, the lifting, the stretching and the walking are arduous, and challenging and health-producing.

We have walked by faith here for more than 70 years. We walk on. We have faced some tough times, some transitions, numerous changes in the last 2 years, 7 years, 10 years and longer. Together, we seek a healthy spirit as our spiritual Leader, our Lord and Savior walks ahead of us, shepherding us on the path. All along the Way.

Healed and healthier, while still aware of our woundedness in this earthly life, we walk on. We also seek healing for others in our kindness, our partnership, our empathy, compassion and service. This is a great jaunt! Christ – the Great Physician - has been there/done that and then some. He felt the pain of the world’s sin/separation, and found healing hope and offers to walk in health with us.

(Isaiah 53:3-5) “A man of suffering^[a] and acquainted with infirmity...

⁴ Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases... afflicted...

He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities;

Upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and

By his bruises we are healed.”

Made whole, we walk in faith. We journey on in this Lenten season.

We walk together as a faith community at Palmer. Take every option to exercise your trust and move forward. Just look at the opportunities and **Join us as we journey with Jesus through Lent.**

Sundays: 8:45 and 10:30 am – A Series in March: Big Promises, Bold Prayers.

Wednesdays: 6:30 pm, March 4 – April 1: The Walk: 5 Essential Practices of the Christ-following Life.

LentMadness™: Learn of and be inspired by the Impactful Lives of Believers. Supporting of Moravian Open Door (MOD) with our BeTheChurch Team: Every little bit helps (in our coffee cans) this ministry to the NY City Homeless in partnership with the Moravian church.

Putting one faith-seeking foot in front of the other and pressing on,

darrell



**OH, OH I heard it through the grapevine.....
Backpack Pals Raisin Collection! Again, you say?**



Yes, we will be sending our fourth collection since January 3rd, 2020 of 180 6-pack boxes of raisins to the Middle School on March 27th. Once there, our raisins and other foods are bagged for distribution to 180 students attending one of our six elementary schools.

There are no boxes remaining from the February collection, so we really do need 180 boxes!

Thank you for your contributions thus far. Because of the outstanding generosity of this congregation, I am sure we will meet our goal for March for this very worthwhile program.

Please see me if you would like to learn more about or volunteer for the Backpack Pals of the Easton Area School District

Thank you!

Audrey Blickensderfer (aka The Raisin Lady) and the Be The Church Committee



Young At Heart's Senior Fellowship Group

"Recycling is For the Birds"

Join us as we travel to an event at Moravian Hall Square in Nazareth on Tuesday, March 17 . Local craftsman Jack Jones will share how he creates beautiful, one of a kind birdhouses out of repurposed materials.

Following the program, we will enjoy lunch in the MHS cafe and have opportunity to browse the vendors at one of their winter community Market Days.

Meet at church at 9:30 am to car pool since parking can be difficult. To sign up and for questions please contact Bonda Pfenning at 610-905-4985 or Ruth

**Get Your Jersey Mike's Subs and
Free chip and drink cards with a \$3.00
donation!**

Palmer Moravian receives the full \$3.00 donation for each card purchased. Order forms are on the table in the Gathering Area or contact Pat Defreitas to order. Call or text 908-510-1080 or email Pat at tigers2213@gmail.com



Cards must be used in the Easton location -no expiration date!



DO YOU LOVE CHOCOLATE?

Chocolate Works of Lehigh Valley Fundraiser

Come and enjoy making a chocolate flower garden. All supplies are included. You will paint 2 flower lollipops and 1 cross lollipop to plant in your garden.

April 4, 2020 in Fellowship Hall

10 am-12 pm

Cost is \$15.00 per participating person. Children 12 and under must have parental supervision.

Must register by Sunday, March 15, 2020!

Any questions, please contact Pat DeFreitas.

Call or text 908-510-1080 or email tigers2213@gmail.com

Name of Participant _____

Name of Parent (if child is participant)

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Number of participant(s) x \$15 (each) = _____

total enclosed _____



Dear Palmer Moravian Church Families,

Would you like to help us raise funds for our new playscape?

This year, the Steering Wheel committee has been committed to raising money for the Palmer Playscape Fund so we can buy new playground equipment for the school/church. The current play set is 26 years old and is starting to show its wear. So far this year we have done several successful fundraisers like the mums from Palmer Nursery and Chocolates on Broadway to name a couple. We have allocated some of that money into our Playscape Fund. Our Palmer Playscape Fund currently has \$2583.12 However, we are still a long way from our goal of \$15,000!

With that in mind, the Steering Wheel committee has decided to host a Hopathon this spring! ALL of the proceeds from this event will go directly into the Palmer Playscape Fund! The Hopathon will be on March 28, 2020 from 10am to noon. The Day School children will have the opportunity to get pledges for each lap that is hopped or a flat rate pledge. We will also have games, arts and crafts and a bake sale.

Ways you can help would be to sponsor a child per lap or flat pledge donation, or stop in that morning and purchase a baked good.

Please look in the Gathering Area for a pledge sheet or see Gail Fragassi for more information. We are very excited at the prospect that we will have a new playscape for the children in the future.

Sincerely,

Gail Fragassi

Register Now

Summer and Fall Registrations continue at Palmer Moravian Day School....

Register Now for children 18 months through School Age Child care or Nursery School

Toddler Class- 18 months through 3 years

Preschool Class- 3-5 years, full day and part time

Nursery School program- 3-5 years, 9-12 with extended lunch bunch from 12-1

School Age- Kindergarten through 5th grade for children attending Palmer School

If you or someone you know are interested in summer or fall registration information, please call Gail at (610) 253-2510 or email gail@palmermoravian.org

EASTER FLOWERS



This year we are offering lilies, tulips, and daffodils in honor or in memory of your loved ones.

Payment should be included with your order and checks should be made out to:

PALMER MORAVIAN CHURCH.

Orders must be placed by Sunday March 29th.

Lilies _____ @ \$9.00 each

Tulips _____ @ \$9.00 each

Daffodils _____ @ \$9.00 each

Total \$ enclosed: _____

Please Print:

Presented by _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Please check one of the following options below to help us with ordering:

_____ I do want to take the plant(s) home after the last Easter Morning Service

OR

_____ I do not want to take a plant. Your donation will be made to our church general fund.

(Your personal dedication will still be included in the bulletin)

MORAVIAN OPEN DOOR HEALTHY BREAKFAST PROGRAM

How much do you spend on a cup of coffee?



As Moravians we try to "give something during the season of Lent rather than "give something up".

So this Lenten season, Moravian Open Door is asking congregations to help them raise funds for their Healthy Breakfast Program. This began in 2012 with a campaign to renovate their kitchen and start serving breakfast to their clients. But the funds only lasted till 2016 and today this important service to clients does not have any sustainable income.

The Breakfast Program assures that ever resident living at Moravian Open Door has the opportunity to have one nutritious meal a day at no cost to them. The cost for one breakfast is about \$2.95. Your Be the Church Committee invites you to join us and other Moravian Churches to take on the cause of helping others have a nutritious meal in our only inner city ministry in New York City, serving homeless adults.

Look for the large coffee cans marked BREAKFAST PROGRAM in the Gathering Area as you enter the sanctuary and by the coffee pots. Thank you for your donations thru the entire Lenten Season (from Ash Wednesday till Easter).

- 1
Michael Andreoli
Janet Hoffert
Lisa Hanzl
- 2
David M. Gary
Robb Schoener
- 3
Brandon Wines
- 4
Brittany Bakshi
Joan Gadwell
Jean Pyatt
- Brenda Vreeland
Harrison Przasnyski
- 5
Kathryn Frey
- 6
Aasha Rajani
- 7
Leslie Guffy
Jean Zimmerman
Barbara Soloe
Gregory Brodhead
Jacalyn Frey
- 8
Richard Miller, III
Linda Majer Davis
Ryan Pfenning
- 9
Maureen Picot
Heather Maczko
Lilia P. Thomas
- 10
Elijah Gaston
Linda Fisher
- 11
Kyle Hershey
Ian Kenney
- 12
Melissa Greg
Alexander Tobing
Julie Onesti
- 13
Kyle Kocher
Lindsay Brown
- 14
Judy Simcik
Maria Thomas



- 15
Sara Kimble
- 16
Hudson Martin
- 17
Kristofer Bisci
Carly Happel
- 18
David Schwarz
Robert A. Davies
Lyndsey Amato
Andrea Eilenberger
- 19
Pamela Houser
- 20
James Schwab
- 21
Wayne Miller
- 22
Mandy David
Heather Watt
- 23
Trevor Howell
- 24
Quinn Andreoli
Daniel Frey
- 25
Harper Gaston
Kevin Snyder
- 26
Madeline Moore
- 29
Brittany Fisher
Jack Trent
- 30
Susan Stackhouse

MISSION OF THE MONTH UPDATE

In January we collected \$559.00 for Paul’s House, a ministry of VALOR, serving Veterans in a wide variety of ways.

Our Mission of the Month for March is the 2020 Unity Offering. This year it is designated for the Moravian Church in Rwanda to erect a church building as a national headquarter in the capital city of Kigali, as required by government regulations.



!! Save the Dates for our Spring Rummage Sale !!

Thursday April 30—5:00—8:00 pm

Friday May 1st 5:00—8:00 p.m.

Saturday May 2 Bag Sale 9:00 a.m.—12 noon

We are starting to look for volunteers to set up, clean up and work the sale. This is a very worthwhile church fundraiser so look for sign up charts soon.



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME BEGINS
SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

EMBRACING THE

FULL HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

How to know, serve, and love the immigrants and refugees in our communities

Saturday, March 28, 2020

9am—3 pm

First Presbyterian Church

3231 Tilghman St. in Allentown

Free event—registration is required.

Learn more at bit.ly/fullhousehold

Christian Education News

Purim Party

We will be having a Purim Party in SS at both services on **Sunday, March 1st**. Purim is a festive Jewish holiday which celebrates the story of the bravery of Queen Esther. We are asking the **children to bring at least 1 box of Kraft Mac and Cheese** to use as a noisemaker during story-telling, which we will then donate to Project Food bank of Easton after, as a traditional Purim Giving tradition.

Messy Worship... "All about Prayer" March 15th at the New Horizon service. Lots of fun activities for all ages!



Easter Festivities!

On Palm Sunday, April 5th, we will have a fun SS event, then start our party at 10 AM with a continental breakfast, crafts, **Easter Egg Hunt** and filling Easter baskets for the children of Third St. Alliance women and children's shelter. There are babies as well as children of all ages, including teens. **We are asking for donations** of the following items which can be dropped off anytime between **3/15 and 3/29**.

Small individually wrapped candies (for our egg hunt), markers, stickers, small food items such as juice boxes or pouches, granola bars, small cereal boxes, jars of baby food or baby cookies, baby rattles or pacifiers.

We would also like 5\$ or 10\$ Walmart gift cards to give to any teens.

If you could donate any of these items and place those in the Easter collection box in the gathering space it would be most appreciated!

Save the Date!

Mission Camp

June 22-26, 9 AM – Noon,

Open to kids finishing 5-12th grade



Vacation Bible School

July 27-31, 6-8:15 PM,

Open to all kids age 3 – grade 6



Brass Players: Shine your horns! You are needed to help announce Christ’s resurrection on Easter morning. If you play a brass instrument—whether beginner or accomplished professional—you are invited to play in the Easter Band. Rehearsal is set for Saturday, April 11, at 10:00 a.m. The Easter Band is open to all brass players, members and non-members alike. If you or a family member is interested in participating in this opportunity, contact Jan Harke.

Your voice is needed! The Sanctuary Singers are welcoming additional voices for Easter. Please consider this opportunity for fun, fellowship and song. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings, March 26 and April 2, at 7:00 p.m. and Sundays, March 29 and April 5, at 9:50 a.m. Plan to attend any or all of the rehearsals as your schedule permits.

If you would like to participate in the choir as we celebrate our congregation’s anniversary on April 19, an additional rehearsal is available on Thursday, April 16 at 7:00 p.m.

See Jan Harke if you have any questions, or would like to participate.

March Music Opportunities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 11:45 am Hilltop Ringers	2	3	4	5 7:00 pm Music Committee	6	7
8 8:45 am Hilltop Ringers 10:30 am Hilltop Ringers	9	10	11	12 4:00 pm Kids’ Choir	13	14
15 11:45 am Hilltop Ringers	16	17	18	19 4:00 pm Kids’ Choir	20	21
22 11:45 am Hilltop Ringers	23	24	25	26 4:00 pm Kids’ Choir 7:00 Sanctuary Singers	27	28
29 9:50 am Sanctuary Singers 10:30 am Kids’ Choir 11:45 am Hilltop Ringers	30	31				



The Fifield family expresses our deep appreciation for the outpouring of love shown to us through get-well cards, birthday cards, phone calls and visits, particularly from Pastor Darrell and Nick Laros. Your kindness has brightened our days and reminded us of how blessed we are.

The Fifield Family
(Bill, Nancy and sons)

Happy and blessed New Year from your brothers and sisters at Esperanza for Bethlehem. 2019 was a very challenging year for us. We've spent nearly a whole year without a ministry location, yet you continue to help and support our outreach to our community. Your support made it so much easier to endure these hard times.

I cannot imagine us without you. Thank you so much for your faithfulness and generosity. You've kept our families very warm and comfortable with your scarves, hats and gloves.

We also would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support and prayers for our family who suffered from the fire in their home. Your clothes, and gift cards will go a long way to making their lives a little more cheerful, warm and comfortable.

Please keep us in your prayers as we continue to do work at our new location. We hope to soon be open for ministry. But before that, we will need to celebrate. As soon as our building is given the ok from the inspector, then we will plan a day of celebration, and we hope that you will attend.

With grateful hearts,
Pastors Tracy and Rhonda Robinson



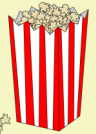
Oliver Luca Frey, son of Anthony and Vanessa Frey was born on December 22, 2019, weighing 7lbs. 15oz. and 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jackie & Mickey Frey.



Congratulations and blessings for Andrew and Mia Ciasulli, who presented their son, Everett Tobing Ciasulli, to the Lord in infant Baptism at the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, February 16th. Everett was born July 11, 2019 in Fountain Hill. Sponsors are Julianna and Jason Young.

MOVIE MATINEE!

Sunday, March 8
Doors open 1:30 pm
Movie at 2:00 pm



Family friendly,
out-of-this world entertainment,
we welcome you!

Please call the church office for more information 610-253-2510

