

CHRIST'S COMMUNITY MORAVIAN CHURCH

March/April 2018



Christ  
is  
Risen!

# NEWS FROM THE BOARD

## CHRIST'S COMMUNITY MISSION

### CORE VALUES

Discipleship

Come as you are!

Family

Community Outreach

Children / Youth

### CCC VISION

We see Christ's Community Moravian Church as a caring and accepting church, equipping people to serve, reaching out to the community, and sharing God's love as we invite people into the family of God.

### Purpose:

We will start a focus group around our congregational vision.

### Worship:

We will reevaluate and develop our worship volunteer list, including incorporating children as appropriate.

### Community:

We will develop a plan for Elders to make connections with new visitors and guests, in addition to ways the pastor already connects.

### Mission and Service:

We will host a congregational potluck to invite ideas for outreach and growth.

### Leadership:

We will establish and staff a youth program.

### Stewardship:

We will explore grant opportunities for funding a youth director position.

### Spiritual Formation:

We will organize a young adults fellowship group.

## 2018 Congregational Watchword:

"For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face."

1 Corinthians 13:12

Board Meeting Minutes can be found in the box labeled

"Board Meeting Minutes"

located near the church mailboxes.

| General Fund/Operating Account |            |             |             |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Month                          | Beg. Bal.  | Receipts    | Disburse-   | Balance    |
| January                        | \$1,143.02 | \$8,629.41  | \$7,832.51  | \$1,939.92 |
| February                       | \$1,939.92 | \$7,398.03  | \$9,151.69  | \$186.26   |
| YTD                            | \$1,143.02 | \$16,027.44 | \$16,984.20 | \$186.26   |

## February/March 2018 Worship Attendance

| Date        | Kids | Staff | Adults | Total |
|-------------|------|-------|--------|-------|
| February 18 | 3    | 2     | 25     | 30    |
| February 25 | 1    | 3     | 16     | 20    |
| March 4     | 5    | 3     | 30     | 38    |
| March 11    | 0    | 2     | 26     | 28    |

Currently behind \$2,513.34 on District and Provincial Quotas. All other obligations paid.

# INSIDE CCC

## Sunday Worship Information

### March 18

Worship / Sunday School / Snak & Yak / KidPack Packing

### March 25

Palm Sunday Worship / Snak & Yak

### March 29

Maundy Thursday Worship (7:00 pm)

### April 1

7:00 am: Easter Sunrise Worship Service

7:45 am: Easter Potluck Breakfast

8:30 am: Easter Egg Hunt

9:00 am: Easter Worship Service

### April 8

Worship with Holy Communion/ Joyful Noise Offering / Sunday School / Snak & Yak / Simpson Sandwiches

## Happy Birthday to...

March 15 Kelly O'Rourke  
 March 17 Maureen Carlson  
 March 19 Joni Cragoe  
 March 19 Brady Hawks  
 March 19 Finley Robinson (6)  
 March 24 Milo Straumann (1)  
 March 25 Jenn Straumann  
 March 26 Butch Jarvis  
 March 26 Barb Kalland  
 April 2 Courage Ziah (13)  
 April 3 Kelly Swanson  
 April 4 Richard Ketterling  
 April 14 Gabe Ohrt

## Happy Anniversary to...

April 12 Gene & Karene Heupel

Join us for our **LAST Lenten Worship & Bible Study, 6:30pm – 7:30pm**

Mar 21st- He chose us to change the world through Him

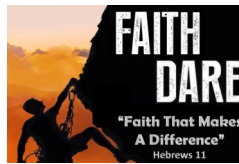


## The Final 3: A Lenten Challenge that Leads to the Joy of Easter

March 18th - Daring to Commit

March 25th - Daring to be Obedient

April 1st - The Ultimate Faith Dare (An Easter Challenge)



## Volunteer Schedule

|                               | March 18      | March 25          | April 1          | April 8          |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>PowerPoint:</b> (8:45 am)  | Nick L.       | Al C.             | Jim H.           | Norm B.          |
| <b>Ushers / Greeters (2):</b> | Kay G./Deb H. | Barb K./Brenda E. | Ross H./Deb H.   | Barb K./Linda T. |
| <b>Snak &amp; Yak:</b>        | Kris K.       | Linda T.          | Easter Breakfast | Brenda E.        |
| <b>Praise Singers:</b>        | Terre S.      | Karen O.          | Terre S.         | Karen O.         |

The volunteer schedule is also posted on the bulletin board above the drinking fountain.

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

For the month of **March** CROSS food shelf needs: Jello/pudding, Hamburger Helper

For the month of **April** CROSS food shelf needs: Hand Soap

*See the kiosk for information about CCC's donations to CROSS in 2017 and prior years.*

### **Mission Trip to Pearland, TX June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

On Aug 25, 2017, Hurricane Harvey, Category 4, was the largest storm to hit the US in over a decade. Houston, TX and surrounding areas received more than 50 inches of rain over several days resulting in catastrophic flooding. Since mid-November, Samaritan's Purse volunteer teams have been working on restoration and new construction projects in the region, including Pearland.

CCC is planning to send a team of 6 volunteers to Pearland June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The tools and construction guidance are provided by Samaritan's Purse. Ted Lande has an uncle that is opening his home to us for our accommodations. We will need to provide our own transportation.

Funding for this Mission Trip will come from a combination of fundraising opportunities and designated collections. We are in the planning stages; please watch for upcoming information about how CCC members can support our Pearland Mission Trip. If you are interested in joining the Pearland Mission team or have any questions, please contact Ross Hjermstad or Joni Cragoe.



**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Nights 6:00 – 7:00 pm**

March 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

April 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

May 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>



Our first meeting was BANANAS!

We sang songs and listened to Bible Stories

“Where is Banana Waldo?”

We went exploring to find him

We decorated our own Fashionista Bananas,  
with rolling eyes, pipe cleaner arms and legs  
and glitter, lots of glitter!

## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

While we at CCC believe that war is never good, we acknowledge that there is a need for our country to have a strong military presence. Below is an area where we honor our brave men and women serving in the military, by praying for them and for peace.

- \* Sean & Kristi O'Rourke: Camp LeJeune, Jacksonville, NC. Nephew and niece of Kelly & Karen O'Rourke.
- \* Chris Muskalla: Air Force Pilot-C17 planes. Active duty in Afghanistan. Nephew of Ross & Deb Hjermstad. Prayers for Chris' family: Nina, Caiden (8) and Brandon (5) while Chris is deployed overseas; then, home in Seattle before the deployment rotation begins another cycle.
- \* Nick Muskalla: Coast Guard Petty Officer 1st Class. Active duty in Key West, FL. Nephew of Ross & Deb Hjermstad. Prayers for Nick's family: Julie, Matthew (4) and Logan (1.)
- \* Skylar Ellingson: Navy. Son of Steve & Brenda Ellingson. After his training in Meridian, MS., he will be stationed on the air craft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln in Norfolk, VA.

I recently read *Dog-Team Doctor*, a biography of Joseph Romig, a Moravian missionary doctor in Alaska from 1896 to 1903 and then a leader in Alaskan healthcare for some decades. (It was a little embarrassing to read stories of how my grandfather, who served in Alaska 1898-1906, had difficulty, at least in his early years, living in the rugged Alaskan climate.)

The Moravian Church today has almost forgotten the work that some strong characters did in our mission fields in Alaska and Central America—persons like Joseph Romig, David and Margaret Thaeler and Sam and Grace Marx in medicine in Nicaragua and Honduras, Elizabeth Marx in education in Nicaragua, to name a few. They often provided services that nobody else was providing.

These leaders were generally ecumenical in relation to other Christians. They were more sensitive and thoughtful in relation to the cultures in which they served than caricatures of missionary work often indicate. (For instance, Romig knew that American eating habits made Alaskans *less* healthy.) They were strong-willed persons who were not always liked by everyone. And they were well known and appreciated outside the Moravian Church.

Our Board of World Mission, in addition to ongoing global mission efforts, has discovered new mission areas, such as Peru and Cuba. But the Moravian Church also now sees mission fields that are closer geographically. We have some adventurous Moravian ministries going on among suburbanites in Edmonton, among senior citizens in Lancaster, among established and recent immigrants in Bethlehem, among poorer residents in Milwaukee, among the homeless and near-homeless in Winston-Salem—and no doubt in other places that are not quite as visible or as well publicized.

These ministries and their leadership in some ways display the characteristics of some earlier mission work: an ecumenical spirit, sensitivity to the cultures in which they serve, being visible beyond the Moravian Church, and a willingness to risk and face adversity in their service of Jesus.

*Jesus, the world is so full of needs. We thank you for bold spirits who serve you in unfamiliar places and in varied ways. Help us to support them and, when we can, to join them. Amen.*

Hermann Weinlick

Ecumenical Officer

Moravian Church, Northern Province

# MARCH



| Sun   | Mon | Tue                      | Wed  | Thu                                    | Fri                             | Sat  |
|---|-----|--------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|--|
| 18<br>9:30 am: Worship / Sunday School<br>10:30 am: Snak & Yak<br>10:45 am: KidPack Packing   | 19  | 20                       | 21<br>6:30 pm: Worship<br>7:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal | 22                                     | 23<br>2:00 pm: KidPack Delivery | 24   |
| 25<br>9:30 am: Palm Sunday Worship<br>10:30 am: Snak & Yak  | 26  | 27<br>6:00 pm: KidsZone! | 28<br>7:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal                     | 29<br>7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday Worship | 30                              | 31   |
| <b>April 1</b><br>7:00 am: Easter Sunrise Worship Service<br>7:45 am: Easter Potluck Breakfast<br>8:30 am: Easter Egg Hunt<br>9:00 am: Easter Worship Service | 2   | 3                        | 4<br>7:00 pm: Choir Rehearsal                      | 5                                      | 6                               | 7  |
| 8<br>9:30 am: Worship with Holy Communion and Joyful Noise Offering / Sunday School<br>10:30 am: Snak & Yak<br>10:30 am: Simpson Sandwiches                   | 9   | 10<br>6:00 pm: KidsZone! | 11<br>7:00 pm: Choir Rehearsal                     | 12                                     | 13                              | 14<br>8:00 am: Men's Breakfast @ Lynde's Café, Osseo |