

# Bethania Moravian Gazette

For the Week of October 18, 2020

Watchword for the Week of October 18

*Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Psalm 96:2*

Sunday, October 18, 10:30 AM, Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live

(Please read our guidelines under *Worship in the Sanctuary*.)

- Worship liturgies are available through email, on our website ([www.bethaniamoravianchurch.org](http://www.bethaniamoravianchurch.org)), and in the vestibule on Sunday mornings.
- Collection Drop-off for the Domestic Violence Shelter (before/after worship) at the portico.

**Chicken Pie Making and Sale** - please see the table below under *Church Calendar* (page 4). The next sale is October 24th and you may buy more than 2 pies!!!

Sunday, October 25, 10:30 AM, Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live

- Collection Drop-off for the Domestic Violence Shelter (before/after worship)

## Other News of the Church....

### **Youth Groups**

The Youth Groups of Bethania will begin meeting this Sunday, October 18. The Junior Youth Group (formerly known as Kids Club) and Middle High Youth Group will meet from 3-5 PM in the Picnic Shelter. The Senior High Youth Group will meet from 6-7 PM at Tom and Idalia Canter's house. Everyone needs to make sure they bring and wear their masks.

### **Notifications to Church Calendar**

We are moving onward as our committees and groups make plans to resume studies or work projects. If you are a leader of a group, please be sure to contact the church office to schedule your committee or work group meeting. And you may now schedule special events, by calling the church office and asking for a 'Request Form.' Better yet, you may retrieve one from the wall-mounted box outside the office door. Once you fill out and return your form, it will be submitted to the Elders for approval on the fourth week of that month. To avoid any double-usage of a room or space, please contact Cindy in the church office, 336.922.1284.

### **A Message from Pastor Judy and Music Director/Student Intern Scott:**

We look forward to services in the Sanctuary on upcoming Sundays and worshipping with one another both in-person and on Facebook Live. We will be at or outside the portico doors briefly before the service and immediately following the postlude. More than likely we will not be available inside the building due to additional preparations before the service.

If you need to pass along information to us before the service, please leave a written note with Burke, Idalia, or an usher. You may also text or email us prior to Sunday. Blank paper may be found on the lectern in the Fellowship Hall or in the vestibule. May God bless us everyone!

Christ's peace to you, Pastor Judy and Scott

## **A Note from the Music Director/Student Intern...**

As our services move back inside the sanctuary, I wanted to take the time to let the congregation know of the plan for singing. For the first few weeks inside the sanctuary, hymns and special music will be sung by 1 or 2 people. These singers will wear masks, and they will be in the balcony at least 20 feet away from the congregation. They will use microphones to help their voices carry over the organ.

After several weeks inside the sanctuary, two small groups of singers from the Adult Choir will provide music for the hymns and special music during the services. These groups will include no more than 4 singers. They will wear masks, they will be physically distanced from each other in the balcony, and they will be at least 20 feet away from the congregation. The only music that will incorporate the full small group of 4 singers will be the "interlude" or "special music" portion during the service. The hymns will be sung by no more than 2 people at a time.

Hopefully, we will be able to sing together as a congregation soon. However, for the time being, I hope that these measures will help bring music to our worship in a meaningful and safe way.

## **Mission and Outreach...**

### **Bethania Opportunity:**

**The Unity Women's Desk** is collecting items for the **Domestic Violence Shelter**. The shelter is a 26-bed facility for victims and their children who need a safe place to stay. *It has been operating at capacity during 2020. Average stay: 55 nights.* The end of the collection drive is October 25, 2020 (the Interprovincial Moravian Day of Awareness of Violence against Women).

**We are participating in this drive here at Bethania...** donations for the shelter can be placed in the Blessings Box in the lower parking lot. They will also be accepted before and after worship on October 11, October 18, and October 25.

#### **Items needed:**

Underwear garments, pajamas, and socks (all sizes)  
Shampoo/conditioner; soap/body wash; deodorant  
Toothbrush; hairbrush; toothpaste; Feminine hygiene products

## **Worship in the Sanctuary**

Please be aware of the following guidelines.

- Our worship will begin at 10:30 AM (first few weeks)
- Worship will continue to be offered on Facebook Live, as well.
- **Masks are required inside the church building.**

- **Physical distancing will be in place within the sanctuary.**
- Ushers may ask you to enter the Sanctuary using a different door or route.
- Since we are a church family who loves and trusts one another, we ask that each of you consider the following guidelines before attending worship in the sanctuary.
  - **If you can answer “yes” to any question, please stay home and attend worship virtually that Sunday.**
    - Do you have any of the following symptoms **now**:
      - Fever (100.4 or higher)
      - new loss of taste or smell
      - ***new or worsening*** cough OR ***new or worsening*** runny nose/congestion
      - shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
      - persistent pain or pressure in the chest
      - diarrhea/nausea/vomiting
      - Chills or muscle aches (not related to exercise or overuse)
      - Unusual or atypical ability to awaken
    - Have you had close contact (less than 6 feet for 15 minutes or more) with a person known to be infected with COVID-19, or received a COVID-19 test result in the past 14 days?
- Hand sanitizer will be available.
- Ushers and others will provide direction on movement through the building.
- No hymnals will be used. Worship liturgies will be available through email, print, or download.

### **Facebook Live Access...**

**Don't forget that anyone can access our Facebook Live services each Sunday.** All you need to do is go to this link on the Internet: [facebook.com/BethaniaMoravianChurch](https://facebook.com/BethaniaMoravianChurch) . You will receive a message to log-in. Ignore those directions and scroll down until you see a live video.

### **Women's Fellowship**

Our next sale date will be on October 24th from 9 AM to 12 Noon. You may buy more than 2 pies on the 24th. **Chicken pies are \$12.00 a pie.** If you plan to purchase with a check, please make the check payable to *Bethania Moravian Women's Fellowship*.

## Church Calendar

October	Junior Youth Group	3-5 PM, October 18, Picnic Shelter
	Middle High Youth	3-5 PM, October 18, Picnic Shelter
	Senior High	6-7 PM, October 18, Canter's house
	Quilters	9 AM, October 19
	<u>WF - Circle #1</u>	10 AM, October 20, Fellowship Hall
	<a href="#">Chicken Pie Sale</a>	9 AM-12:00 PM, October 24 You may purchase more than 2 pies!
	Quilters	9 AM, October 26
	Chicken Pie Second Making	8:30 AM, October 27 8:30 AM, October 28
November	<a href="#">Chicken Pie Sale</a>	9:00 AM-12:00 PM, November 7