

BETHANIA MORAVIAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Morning Worship – 11:00 A. M. – March 11, 2018

*By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing;
it is the gift of God.* *Ephesians 2:8*

STRIKING of the HOUR

PRELUDE *Till He Comes* Franklin Ashdown

LENTEN CANDLE READING Rosemary Mock

CALL TO WORSHIP *May We Thirst Your Love to Know* Thomas Pollock

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

*LITURGY **Grace** Page 31

CHILDREN/YOUTH MESSAGE **Pillowcase** Rev. Merritt

THE READING of GOD'S WORD

John 3: 14-21 (Page 924)

PRESENTATION of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Offertory *Take Up Your Cross* Thomas Keesecker

*Doxology – (Hymn 817) *Praise God...* T. Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

HYMN 328 *What Wondrous Love Is This*

SERMON **This Is My Story!** Rev. Merritt

HYMN 714 *Blessed Assurance*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Lift High the Cross* Paul Manz

Sunday	March 11	March 18
Nursery	Andrea Wood & Rosemary Mock	Rachel Wilson & Renee Martin
Greeters	Judy & Sam Tuttle	Faye Bricca

The Lenten Wreath: Now we are in the season of Lent, a somber season, which grows darker as the weeks pass. On the first Sunday of Lent, all 6 purple candles are burning, as well as the white Christ candle in the center. Each Sunday, one more candle is snuffed out, until on Good Friday, only the Christ Candle remains lit. After the reading of the crucifixion, this candle is snuffed out, symbolizing Jesus death. On Easter Sunday, the Christ candle will be relit, representing His resurrection.

The next Day of Prayer service will be Wednesday, March 14th at Fairview Moravian Church. The Band Prelude is at 10:30am followed by the worship service at 11:00am.

The Unity Women's Desk invites you to celebrate the success of their first capital campaign by joining them at an Open House at the Unity Women's Desk Office on Sunday, March 18th. The Open House will be from 2-3:30pm with a Band Prelude at 3:30pm and a Lovefeast at 4:00pm at Home Moravian Church. Guest speaker will be Angelene Swart.

We will decorate the older graves at God's Acre on Saturday, March 31st at 9:00am. Please bring any flowers or greenery that you may have along with your gloves and clippers. The flowers will be taken off the graves on Tuesday, April 3rd at 10:00am.

Per Sherman: We are now adding videos of each Sunday' sermon to the church web site, bethaniamoravianchurch.org. The sermon videos can be found under the "Worship Services" tab. You can now check the sermon even when you are on vacation! The video is usually posted by late evening of each Sunday. Please keep in mind, we still offer a DVD recording of the complete worship service. Anyone interested in receiving this DVD, please let the office, Pastor David, Matt Craddock or Sherman Pope know and we will mail you a copy.

OPPORTUNITIES for the WEEK

THUR 8 7:00pm Trustees Mtg.
SUN 11 9:15am Coffee & Fellowship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
5-7pm Kid's Club
MON 12 9:00am Quilters
TUES 13 7:00pm Cubs & Boy Scouts
WED 14 11:00am Fairview Moravian (Day of Prayer service)
6:15pm Handbells
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal
SAT 17 10:00am WF Mtg. Circle 2
1-6pm Fellowship Hall in use
SUN 18 9:15am Coffee & Fellowship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
5-7pm Youth Club