

# First Moravian Church

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9:30 A.M.

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## “On the Road to the Cross: The Easter Experience”

**Prelude** Partita on “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” Burkhardt  
I. Maestoso  
V. Toccata

### Welcome and Our Flock News

**Call to Worship: In Unison** *The Moravian Daily Texts*  
Jesus said, “You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.” Mark 14:62

**Hymn** “Prepare the Royal Highway”

### Liturgy for Palm Sunday

 : Music Cantered  
Kathy Bergstrom, Joe Compton & Courtney Wallace

Leader: Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, all the earth!  
The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all people together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**Cong: Rejoice greatly, shout for joy! See, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and brings salvation.**



L: We praise you, the Lord God of Israel! You came to the help of your people and have set them free.

**C: You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, a descendant of your servant David.**

L: You promised through your holy prophets long ago that you would save us from our enemies, from the power of all those who hate us.

**C: You have shown the mercy promised to our ancestors and have remembered your holy covenant.**

L: With a solemn oath to our ancestor Abraham, you promised to rescue us from our enemies and allow us to serve you without fear,

**C: So that we might be holy and righteous before you all the days of our life.**

L: By your tender mercy you cause the bright dawn of salvation to rise on us,

**C: To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

L: The voice of the messenger echoes from the desert, calling us to prepare the way of the Lord and to make a straight path on which he may come. Let us confess our sins, so that our crooked ways will be made straight and the rough ways smooth.

**Our sovereign Redeemer, we join the people of Jerusalem offering our own shouts of praise and celebration at your coming. Although we welcome you today with the multitude on Palm Sunday, we confess we have also stood with the condemning crowd on Good Friday. Our thoughts, words, and deeds have cried, "Crucify!" We turn to you for help and forgiveness, gracious Savior; not because we deserve it, but because you are forgiving. Save us from our sinful ways, and restore us to a life of loyalty to you. Amen.**

L: Through John the Baptizer, we hear the Lord's promise: Turn away from your sins, and God will forgive your sins.



Eternal God, Ruler of all ages, graciously you come to us in order that we might come to you, through the merit of Jesus Christ, strengthened by the Holy Spirit.

**C: Help us and all your children to respond to the call of your gospel with faith, love, and hope.**

L: God of faith, you created humanity to serve and praise you; and even when we rebelled against you, you promised to send a Savior to redeem us from our sins:

**C: Strengthen our faith in your saving work through Christ. As you chose the people of Israel to hear the promise of redemption through the prophets, may people today believe in your good will for all that you have made.**

L: God of love, you fulfilled your promise of a redeemer in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ:

**C: Grant us the gifts of the Holy Spirit that we may share your love with the sick and the afflicted, with the poor and the homeless, with the victims of injustice and discrimination, and with all who are experiencing times of trouble.**

L: God of hope, you comfort us through our Savior's promise to return in glory at the end of time:

**C: As we await the coming of the Prince of Peace, let us not despair. We long for you to inspire all the nations and peoples of the world to turn to cooperation and nurture, rather than to hatred and destruction.**

L: God of faith, love, and hope, to you and to you alone we pray:

**C: For you are our God, the only God, forever and ever. Amen.**



**Hosanna Anthem** ~ Cantors: Kathy Bergstrom & Joe Compton

L: Lord, you have kept the promise you made to our ancestors, and have come to the help of your servant people.

**C: You remembered to show mercy to Abraham and Sarah and to all their descendants forever!**

L: We praise you, Lord. You are enthroned in glory, yet you came and continue to come for all who will receive you. We praise you, for you are good, and your mercy endures forever.

**C: To you be glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 50:4-9  
Philippians 2:5-11**

**Hymn "O Lord, Who Through This Holy Week"**

**Prayers for the Whole Community**

**Anthem** "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" *Krug*  
*Bell Quartet*

**"On the Road to the Cross with Jesus"**

**Scripture Lesson: Mark 11:1-11**

**Solo** "The Palms" *Faure*  
*Richard Jones, Baritone*  
*Recorded 2001*

**Prayer**

**The Message: "The Firetruck Parade – Welcome Back"**

**Children's Moment**

**Benediction**

**Postlude** "Ride On, King Jesus" *Helvey*  
*Chancel Choir*  
*Recorded 2001*

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**Please note:** If you have a cell phone, please turn it off during the worship service. If you would like to recycle your bulletin, place it in the box near the ushers' table at the back of the sanctuary.

Our **thanks** to **all the musicians** for sharing their talent for the Lord and God's people today.

**Need to change a diaper?** The **Changing Station** is located in the Social Hall. The Nursery room is unavailable.

## An Opportunity to Serve



Dear Friends,

We are in search of people willing to help Matt Spies and **join our new Worship Tech Team**. If you would like to help with this program, call the church office, 330-364-8831, or text Matt directly at [mspies1117@gmail.com](mailto:mspies1117@gmail.com) Join Matt. Training will be provided and it will give you a chance to help serve the Lord you love and the flock that cares for you. *Pastor John*

## Flowers

The flowers are in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Ralph E. Oerter, Mr. & Mrs. L. H. Oerter, Miss Alice M. Oerter, Mrs. Ruth Gross, and Mitchell Stephens, given by Mr. & Mrs. James F. Graef and family.

## One Call Now ~ 330-364-8831

Rick and Jeannie Michel are sponsoring our One Call Now this week.

## Stewardship Moment

“The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.  
The second-best time is now.” *Chinese Proverb*

## Prayers for the People

**Amberwood Manor:** Laura Colvin; **Country Club Retmt. Center:** Larry Colvin; **Hennis Care** (Bolivar): Glo Jones; **Hennis Care** (Dover): Dawn Miller; **New Dawn:** Mary Lou Lahmers; **Oak Pointe** (Baltic): Pete Littleton; **Park Village:** Earl Johnson.

**An Update on Winnie Michel:** After a brief hospital stay, **Winnie Michel** has transitioned from assisted living to skilled nursing care. She enjoys getting cards and still likes talking on the telephone!

## Birthday and Anniversary Daily Prayer Support

Mar. 28 Jaclyn Erickson  
Mar. 30 Zachary Wright  
Mar. 31 Pastor John Wallace  
Apr. 1 Donna Geib  
Apr. 2 Spencer Stanley  
Apr. 3 Laura Mobley

## The Dover Moravian Messenger

Monday 9-Noon M & W Buckeye ASPIRE Classes ó Basement  
9:00 AM Staff Meeting ó Pastorø Office  
**12:30 PM Holy Week Readings – via Website**  
5:00 PM Counting ó Living Room  
**6:30 PM Holy Week Readings – In-Person – Sanct.**

Tuesday 9-Noon T & Th Buckeye ESOL Classes ó Basement  
10:00 AM Bible Study ó via Zoom  
**12:30 PM Holy Week Readings – via Website**  
6-8:30 PM T & Th Buckeye ESOL Classes ó Basement  
**6:30 PM Holy Week Readings – In-Person – Sanct.**

Wednesday **12:30 PM Holy Week Readings – via Website**  
**6:30 PM Holy Week Readings – In-Person – Sanct.**  
6:30 PM Menø Small Group ó Living Room

## Thurs., Apr. 1 Deadline to Pre-order Quarts of Soup for April 9 Luncheon

**12:30 PM Maundy Thursday Holy Communion – Sanct.**  
**6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Holy Communion – Sanct.**

Friday *Good Friday ~ Church Office Closed*  
**12:30 PM Holy Week Readings – via Website**  
**6:30 PM Holy Week Readings – In-Person – Sanct.**

Sunday **7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service @ Sch. Village**  
**10:00 AM Worship @ Dover First – In-Person – Sanct.**

Monday *Easter Monday ~ Church Office Closed*

## Mark Your Calendars...



The **Seekers Adult Class** will meet in-person on **April 11, at 8:15 a.m. in the church basement.**

The **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet **Sunday, April 11, at 1:00 p.m. in the church living room.**



## Our Worship Opportunities



*Welcome Back to In-Person Worship!*

### *Holy Week Schedule*

**March 29-31 ~ Monday – Wednesday**

*Readings ~ 12:30 p.m. via Website  
6:30 p.m. In-Person*



*Maundy Thursday Holy Communion*

*12:30 p.m. In-Person  
6:30 p.m. In-Person*



*Good Friday ~ Holy Week Readings*

*12:30 p.m. via Website  
6:30 p.m. In-Person*

*April 4 ~ Easter*

**Sunrise Service @ Schoenbrunn Village  
Time: 7:00 A.M.**



**Worship @ Dover First ~ Time: 10:00 A.M.**

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*Bring Your Family and Friends!*

## Our Christian Education Opportunities



### **Graduation 2021**

by Susan Paden

Graduation will be here before we know it! Below is the list of known, possible graduates for this year, according to church records. If you know of a student that isn't on the list, please call the church office (330-364-8831). Celebration information will be mailed by the first of April.

#### **High School Graduates:**

Ashley Brown, Zachary Hoop, Alyson McCarthy, Rachel Paden

#### **College Graduates\*:**

Connor Everett, Alexandra Hale, Noah Randazzo,  
Emma Stanley, Alexander Swartzentruber, Zachary Wilson

\* If someone is listed who will not be graduating at this time, please call the church.



### **Online Sunday School**

by Janie Miller

**LÒÒK**  
**What's Coming!**

**Ohio Moravian Cooperative  
Online Faith Formation Program**

**Growing in God's Love  
Grades K-5 and Grades 6-12**

Dover First, Fry's Valley, Gnadenhutten, Schoenbrunn, Sharon and Uhrichsville are joining together to provide a **seven-week program** centered on "Parables Jesus Taught" for grades K-5 and "Justice" for grades 6-12.

**These "zoom" programs will be held each Sunday, 4-5 p.m. beginning April 11 and concluding May 23.**

**Everyone must be registered in order to participate.**

Please register through your church's coordinator:

**Dover First** – Janie Miller: 330-243-5174 ([teachatt@gmail.com](mailto:teachatt@gmail.com))

## Our Mission and Outreach Opportunities

### Community Soup & Sandwich Luncheons

by Susan Corder and Marcia Harding



The next Community Soup & Sandwich Luncheon will be on **Friday, April 9**, from 11-1:00 p.m. The luncheon will be **Carry-out ONLY** and **deliveries will be available to businesses with a minimum order of \$15 or more.**

The **menu** will be **soups, sandwiches and desserts.** **Quarts of soup must be pre-ordered on or before this Thursday, April 1.** There is **no** dine-in until further notice. Proceeds from our luncheon help the Moravian Women contribute to missionary efforts at home and around the world. We appreciate all your support in making our luncheons a success. If you can help work, please contact **Marcia Harding, 330-343-2104**, or **Susan Corder, 330-204-0931.**

Plan to help work, support the luncheon, and let your friends know they can still get carry-out!

### *Sugar Cake Baking*

**Tuesday & Wednesday**

**April 20 & 21**

**May 18 & 19**

**Price \$5.00 each**



Free delivery is available with the purchase of four (4) or more cakes, if ordered prior to Tuesday's baking.

Help the Moravian Women increase their sales to continue their mission of reaching out to others in need at home and around the world. Place a Sugar Cake order by calling **Susan Paden, 330-364-7101**, and to offer your help with mixing and baking, call **Shirley Thompson, 330-343-3972.**

### **"Change Can Make a Difference"**



**Sunday, May 16**, we will be collecting our

**"Change Can Make a Difference" offering to help support a new Moravian natural garden site on the grounds of historic Schoenbrunn Village.** They would like to raise \$15,000 for this substantial natural garden on our historical site which will celebrate her 250<sup>th</sup> year, in 2022. These natural plants will help in providing color, fragrance, habitat and beauty for years to come.

*Pastor John*

Start saving your change and dollar bills!

### A Birthday Card Shower



### **Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday!**

**Samuel and Charlotte Hollingsworth** recently moved back to Dover, Ohio, after living in the Dayton area for more than 30 years of ministry and service. They were raised and met 50-plus years ago in the beautiful rolling hills of the Tuscarawas Valley. On **April 12, Sam will celebrate his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.** Please send a card and/or letter to help him celebrate by sharing your memories and appreciation. It will be a great blessing!