

Schoeneck Moravian Church



Sunday Worship

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
In-Person & 10:30 Online
Sunday School 9:15 AM

Summer Schedule Begins

Sunday, June 15, 2025
9:30 AM Service
In-Person & 9:30 Online
9:45 AM Summerfest
for Children

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The Joyful Noise Newsletter June 2025

World Bicycle Relief...Buffalo Bike

I used to bike everywhere. As my vision went I had to give up driving, but as long as I wasn't a danger to self and others I pedaled all around my home city. Ok, I maybe kept riding past the point I should have. No, it wasn't another trip to the E.R. to get patched up after a crash that finally got through, a jogger caught and passed me from behind and I realized my safe speed was pretty much walking pace, might as well just walk.

My point here is, I know the freedom and productivity advantage a bike brings over walking when a car isn't an option. That's what made me sit up and go "hmmm..." when a video about World Bicycle Relief and their Buffalo Bike came across my Youtube feed.

Using a bike for increased productivity in rural African villages is nothing new of course, but WBR wondered if a different approach to the bike itself might help. After talking to many, many actual users about their bikes, they came up with the need to overcome some key challenges: flat tires, ability to modify with basic welding equipment, and eliminating the need for specialty tools to do basic repairs. They took these challenges to bike companies used to developing technologies to win races like the Tour de France, and ended up with the Buffalo Bike...heavy duty spokes and puncture resistant tires, a frame you could attach stuff to with a basic welder used by many rural handy people, and fasteners that all took regular wrenches and screwdrivers. Oh, and all for \$165 assembled and delivered.

That's another key to WBR's efforts, assembly is done locally, providing jobs and experience within the network they've set up, and a mechanic is trained to do service within a given area.

Bikes are given to medical professionals, drastically increasing the number of people they can visit in a day. Bikes are given to students, meaning they don't have to stop their education because of distance. The nearest secondary school is 10 miles away. That's a one hour ride instead of a 3 hour walk.

Inspiring, but why is this your newsletter piece this month (I hear you asking)? This year's Mission & Evangelism offering envelope will go to support World Bicycle Relief, which provide bicycles to the developing world. I love talking bikes. What's the goal? I'm thinking aspirationally that we could raise enough to provide 10 bikes, \$1650...I would love to find out I underestimated that amount.

One other thing, the Coalition for Appropriate transport (CAT) bike co-op in Bethlehem is building us a close approximation of a Buffalo Bike as a demonstrator. It wouldn't be right to use WBR's brand, so we need to name our bike. Let me know your thoughts, extra consideration if you can work "Yak" into the name.

Pastor Ian



2025 WATCHWORD TEXT FOR THE SCHOENECK CONGREGATION

Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be
troubled, and do not let them be afraid." John 14:27

Worship the Lord with Us!

Sunday, June 1—Seventh Sunday of Easter—8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Worship Services.

Ascension Sunday commemorates Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven, considered a pivotal event in Christian theology. Historically, Ascension was celebrated on the Thursday 40 days after Easter. However, a shift in the U.S. has led to its celebration on the seventh Sunday of Easter.

Graduate Recognition Sunday; we will acknowledge a Graduates of the Class of 2025!

"Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!"

~Psalm 97:12 2025 Watchword

Sunday, June 8—Day of Pentecost—8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Services.

At Pentecost, three main events occurred: the believers heard a sound like a mighty rushing wind, they saw flames of fire resting on them, and they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages. These events marked the beginning of the church's mission and the empowerment of the apostles to preach the gospel.

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"For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God."

~Romans 8:14 2025 Watchword

Sunday, June 15—Trinity Sunday—9:30 AM Worship Service.

First Sunday of Summer Schedule & Father's Day.

Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost, a special day of worship and celebration focused on the Christian doctrine of the Trinity, the belief in God as one being existing in three persons: Father, Son (Jesus Christ), and Holy Spirit. It's a time to reflect on the mystery and majesty of the Triune God.

9:45 AM Summerfest

"Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Jesus Christ."

~Romans 5:1 2025 Watchword

Sunday, June 22—Second Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service.

We will celebrate the Moravian Lovefeast during worship in honor of all married persons. Of course, everyone is invited to worship on this occasion.

"For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations."

~Psalm 22:28 2025 Watchword

Sunday, June 29—Third Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service.

The Third Sunday after Pentecost, is a time for reflection and celebration within the liturgical calendar of many Christian denominations.

"If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit."

~Galatians 5:25 2025 Watchword



June 15 through August 31, 2025

One service at 9:30 AM

Livestream at 9:30 AM

9:45 AM Summerfest for Children during Worship

Future Worship Services

Sunday, July 6, 2025—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service.
John Hus Holy Communion.

Sunday, July 13, 2025—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service
Whitefield House—Outdoor Worship Service hosted by Nazareth Moravian Church

Sunday, July 20, 2025—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service.

Sunday, July 27, 2025—Seventh after Pentecost—9:30 AM Worship Service.

Worship Helpers This Month

SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE



FLOWERS - \$10.00

6/1 TBD
6/8 Lorena Roberts
6/15 Elaine Bittner
6/22 TBD
6/29 TBD

BULLETINS - \$10.00

6/1 Melody Stocker
6/8 Lorena Roberts
6/15 TBD
6/22 TBD
6/29 Dolores Klipple



JUNE TRUSTEE

Shared

JUNE ELDERS

8:00 AM Melody Stocker
10:30 AM (9:30 AM) Elaine Bittner

JUNE RECYCLING SPONSORS

Dolores Klipple

JUNE SAFE HARBOR

Youth Group

LOVEFEAST

JUNE

Married People Lovefeast

Sponsors: TBD

Baker: Ryan Morrow

JULY

No Lovefeast Scheduled

Date	Time	Ushers	Greeters	Scripture Readers	Nursery
SUNDAY, JUNE 1 ASCENSION SUNDAY 7 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM	Joanne Smith & Melody Stocker Delaney & Troy Schoeneberger	Tim & Barb Messinger JoAnn Heckman	Cindy McAllister Frank Searock	Andrew & Andrea Majczan
SUNDAY, JUNE 8 DAY OF PENTECOST	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM	Mary Schweitzer & Franklin Homme Gloria Floyd & Marissa Graver	Ralph & Jane Barthold JoAnn Heckman	Sue Dreydoppel Donna Francisco	Lorena Roberts & Catherine Hahn
SUNDAY, JUNE 15 TRINITY SUNDAY FATHER'S DAY	9:30 AM	Roger & Laurie Woolley	Louis Murante	Frank Searock	Andy & Brenda Loiacano
SUNDAY, JUNE 22 2 ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	9:30 AM	Shirley Warner Smith	Lorin Miller	Katie Elliott	Sue Anascavage & Sharon Schuler
SUNDAY, JUNE 29 3 RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST	9:30 AM	Tammy Mehlig & Ann Dalton	Karl & Cathee Butz	Laurie Woolley	Mim Stoudt & Gayle Searock

ELDERS PERSPECTIVE

"For you always have the poor with you . . ." Matthew 26:11

A Sunday afternoon in mid March; will spring ever come I wondered as I stepped from a friend's car in front of the imposing church with its blood red doors. In front of us a car was parked at the curb. I barely noticed, but my friend did. "Look at the mess in that car," she uttered, a little too loudly. I glanced back. A man was hunched in the driver's seat, and my friend was right; the entire car's interior was filled. I saw mainly newspapers before I turned away in embarrassment.

Inside the church in the fellowship hall, we were seated, waiting for the "free" concert to begin. The performing artist was guitarist Craig Thatcher. What was the chance he would sing "Streets of London", a favorite of mine among his repertoire. I glanced around the room, and directly across from me in the front row was the man from the messy car. He was disheveled, unkept, a look of sadness on his face. I could not take my eyes off of him. The hall began to fill up; most seats were taken—except for three in the front row. The man sat alone. The room was filled; more chairs were brought in, but still, the man sat alone.

The concert ended with "Streets of London". Although I have heard this song many times, that night I was hearing the words for the first time—phrases like "Have you seen the old man in a closed-down market, kicking up the paper with his worn out shoes . . ." And the chorus, "So how can you tell me you're lonely and say for you that the sun don't shine? Let me take you by the hand and lead you through the streets of . . ." The concert was over and the man was gone. No one seemed to know who he was. Had they even noticed him? I was sad, and I was angry. Are the poor and lonely invisible people? Why didn't anyone sit next to him? Worse than that, why didn't I!

Late April, in our church parking lot with cars lined up for the community dinner, I saw the solitary man from the concert, sitting in his "filled up" car. I greeted him and told him that I had seen him at the concert at the church (with the blood red doors). He smiled. I did not tell him that my heart broke that he was sitting alone, and that the next time I would sit with him.

"Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.'" Matthew 25:45

Ann-Louise Taylor, Elder

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Board of Elders

May Board of Elders meeting:

- ✓ **ONE service only on Sunday 5/25 at 10:30.** Join us following this service by walking to God's Acre for observance of Memorial Day.
- ✓ Exploring options to provide congregational members with rides to appointments, etc.
- ✓ June mission envelope - World Bicycle Relief for Africa. Watch for details.
- ✓ Searching for a substitute Sacristan to assist in setting up for Communion when needed. See any Elder if you're interested.

Board of Trustees

May Board of Trustees meeting:

- ✓ Learned about World Bicycle Relief.
- ✓ Discussed refurbishing the old bathrooms by the stairs to the sanctuary.
- ✓ Are looking into a mobile payment app for our youth ministries.
- ✓ Are proceeding with recommendations from our insurance carrier.

From the Trustees:

Special Envelopes:

The pink envelope for June, July and August will fund **refurbishing the old bathrooms** at the foot of the stairs into the sanctuary. The Trustees have some ideas which include removing the dividers and putting a lock on the doors, possibly some new fixtures, looking into adding hot water to those sinks, and new flooring. The project budget will depend in part on how much money comes in from this envelope.

A special envelope is for the **Community Dinners**, which are available at no charge. Last year, six monthly dinners plus a special Thanksgiving meal provided over 1900 free meals. This ministry to the community is funded solely through contributions from congregation members and small gifts from some recipients. Please be generous.

The Mission Project envelope recipient is **World Bicycle Relief**, which provides bicycles to the developing world. More information on this project can be found on page 1 of this newsletter. Can we raise \$1650 to Purchase ten Buffalo Bikes?



Note from the Treasurer:

The new window coverings for the diener's kitchen and music hallway and Sunday School rooms 9 and 10 have been installed. Many thanks to everyone who supported this effort. The final financial report from this project is:

Thank you

Memorial funds used	\$2180.00
From Vernon Messinger and Jeff Samsel	
Donations from special envelopes	\$2148.00
Paid from Deferred Maintenance Fund	\$ 269.41
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Total Cost	\$4597.41



Schoeneck Moravian Health Ministry
next blood pressure screening will be Sunday, June 15, 2025



Ladies, Women's Fellowship
will be June 11, 2025 at 11:00 AM
in Fellowship Hall.

Schoeneck Moravian Church Future Community Dinners

Save These
DATES

June 25
July 30 - Dine In Only
August 27 - Dine In Only
September 24

Community Dinner
Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Meatloaf

Mobile pick-up! 4:00-5:30 PM
(or while supplies last)

Looking for those yummy homemade desserts!

Looking for helpers!
Please contact Sharon Schuler or Gloria Floyd!



Important Rummage Sale Information

It's that time of year again and your help is needed. Please mark your calendar for any times you can come out to church and help.

June 1 after the 10:30 worship service - set up

June 1 through June 4 –Drop off items

Sunday - June 1 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Monday through Wednesday - June 2-4 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM

June 1 through June 5 - Unpacking and putting out items

Sunday - June 1 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Monday through Wednesday - June 2-4 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Thursday - June 5 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM



June 6 Bake sale items can be dropped off from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

June 7 - Help needed during rummage sale 7:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Help needed after rummage sale to pack up and tear down 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM
(LOTS OF HELP IS NEEDED AFTER THE SALE)

Here are a few things to remember:

The earlier in the week you bring your items, the better for those of us who are putting them out.

We will stop accepting goods at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, June 4.

2. **Please make sure your items are clean and in good working order.** We get many repeat customers who come to our sale because we have the "good stuff". **A good rule of thumb is to only bring in what you would buy.**

3. **Please call the church office to see if your large items will be accepted.**

4. **We do not accept: HARD COVER BOOKS** computers, keyboards or monitors, televisions, VCR's, VCR tapes, cribs or crib mattresses, car seats or boosters, high chairs, dehumidifiers or humidifiers.

ONLY PAPERBACK BOOKS WILL BE ACCEPTED

We appreciate your help and ask for your prayers during the week prior and on the day of the rummage sale.

For questions contact Katie Elliott or the church office.



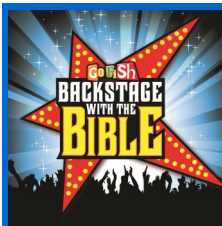
Christian Ed Ministry wants to extend a special *Thank You* to Elders **Melody Stocker** and **Lou Murante** for helping with setting up for the Mother's Day Tea. There were about 20 Mothers who attended our celebration for them and enjoyed their special treats. We also want to thank the **High School Class** and **Mike Rampulla** for keeping the children busy in the nursery and encouraging them to complete a Mother's Day picture to present to their Mother in between their snacks.

Our next event will be for **Father's Day**, Sunday, June 15th, in the Fellowship Hall from 8:45 AM to 9:15 AM. All Fathers are welcome to join us for a light breakfast prior to the start of the church service. Sign up sheet will be posted on the Christian Ed bulletin board at the end of the hall by the water fountain before going up the steps to the sanctuary.

Sunday, June 8th will be the last of our regular Sunday School for the summer. **Summerfest will start on Sunday, June 15th.** That is also the start of the summer schedule for one church service at 9:30 AM. Just a reminder for parents to bring your child up to church with you and after the children's message they will be released to the persons leading the Summerfest lesson for that day. If interested in helping with Summerfest please contact Ann-Louise Taylor or JoAnn Heckman. Clearances are required for anyone over 18 years old and are free of charge.

Enjoy your summer!

Pamela Stampf, Sunday School Coordinator



Backstage With the Bible is our curriculum, created to give children a high view of Scripture while clearly presenting the gospel of Jesus Christ. Children will love using their VIP passes and Bibles to gain access to the various backstage areas of your church. They will learn the books of the Bible, the Ten Commandments, and what it means to be saved by grace through faith...and that's just in the first few minutes of singing each day!

**Vacation Bible School
Backstage With the Bible
July 14th to July 18th
from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

We will be learning about "Go Fish Guys" and of course will be needing lots of helpers.

Clearances are required for anyone over the age of 18.

Volunteers needed: teachers, crew leaders, games leaders, craft leaders, kitchen staff, setup helpers and volunteers of any kind.

Morgan A. Holland

Congratulations on graduating from Nazareth Area High School.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to begin your studies at Moravian University, majoring in Pre-Athletic Training and your volleyball career at Moravian as well. We will continue to cheer you on, pray for you, and rejoice over you.

Congratulations!



Rylan D. Mehlig

Congratulations on graduating from Nazareth Area High School.

You are in our prayers as you prepare for your work journey in South Africa.

Know that wherever you go, you are loved and supported by God and Schoeneck Moravian Church.



Women's Bible Study,
will be taking a summer break
and will resume in September.

**Men's Bible Study meeting
on Wednesday at 7:00 PM
with "The Chosen" Video and
Study Guide;
Session 2; Episode 1**



**Mission & Evangelism
will be participating in
Nazareth Days**

Saturday, July 19th, 9:00 AM—4:00 PM

Nazareth Borough Park

**Volunteers needed, there is a signup sheet
posted on the church bulletin board!**

**The Nazareth Area Food Bank
Fighting Hunger, Feeding Hope**

Dear Pastor Edwards,

Thank you for the generous members of Schoeneck Moravian for assisting in our mission to end food insecurity in our community. The donation of \$651 from the February Mission Project assisted us in providing necessary food and grocery store gift cards. Please convey our heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved.

Thank you again
Kellee Oliva, Director



From Mission & Evangelism Ministry:

Update on the roof project for Hope Christian Centre in Kenya

Hope Christian Centre is a small, but growing Moravian congregation in Southern Kenya. It was founded in July, 2017 by the Ray of Hope Moravian Mission in Kenya. Rev Samuel Musyoki is the pastor of this congregation. In 2023 our Mission and Evangelism Committee was made aware of this church's need to expand their church building to meet the needs of their growing congregation. Thanks to your generous support we were able to send \$916, designated for the church roof, to the Board of World Mission (BWM) which sent these funds to Rev. Musyoki. With this funding they were able to start the roof project as they also worked to obtain funds for it's completion. Last month we received an email from Rev Musyoki stating they had received funding from the BWM, had completed the roof, and were now plastering. We praise God that this new and growing congregation under Rev. Musyoki's leadership has an appropriate place to worship and conduct their various activities.

Thank you for caring for others in our world.

thank you

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers and cards we received after Linda's fall and Ron's operation. They were much appreciated.

Ron and Linda Minnich

Thank you to John Beitel, Sue Dreydoppel, and Ron Minnich for their help on Saturday, April 26th during the roadside cleanup along Jacobsburg Road and for representing the congregation in the observance of 2025 Earth Day

The next cleanup is scheduled for
Saturday, July 12th, at 9:00 AM (rain date: July 19th)

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous contributions to Moravian Open Door over the last three months.

We have received: February \$ 77.00
March \$141.00
April \$ 96.00

Your generosity keeps the mission and vision of MOD alive. On behalf of our residents, staff, and Board of Directors, we thank you for your contributions, prayers, and support.

Blondel Jones-Grant
President, Board of Directors

Susan Attzs-Mendoza
Executive Director



Join us to celebrate Fathers in the Fellowship Hall prior to the start of the 9:30 AM Worship Service. Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, Godfathers and entire family are welcome!

We are preparing a Special Father's Day Tribute in honor of living Fathers or in memory of those deceased. Tribute forms are located outside the church office on the bulletin board and on the table. Please use one form for each dedication submitted and return to the office by **June 8, 2025**

A TRIBUTE TO FATHER--SCHOENECK MORAVIAN CHURCH

We are preparing a Special Father's Day Bulletin Insert in honor of living Fathers or in memory of those deceased.

PLEASE use one form for each dedication submitted. Extra forms are on the table outside the office.

In Whose Name is this Tribute (**Please print**): _____

Please check whether –

_____ In Honor of Father (living)

_____ In Honor of Godfather

_____ In Memory of Father (deceased)

_____ In Memory of Godfather

_____ In Honor of Father-In-Law (living)

_____ In Honor of Husband

_____ In Memory of Father-In-Law (deceased)

_____ In Memory of Husband

_____ In Honor of Grandfather (living)

_____ In Honor of Brother

_____ In Memory of Grandfather (deceased)

_____ In Memory of Brother

_____ In Honor of Great-Grandfather (living)

_____ In Honor of Uncle

_____ In Memory of Great-Grandfather (deceased)

_____ In Memory of Uncle

PRINT your name here: _____

Please attach a dollar for each dedication as a contribution to this effort.

Please return this completed form with cash or check no later than **June 8** to the church office.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Ascension Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter Joyful Noise Graduate Recognition Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Services 9:15 AM Sunday School, All Ages 2:00 PM GS Troop 893, Rm 6 (Last) Rummage Sale Setup	2 Rummage Setup	3 6:00 PM Elders Meeting, Rm 6 Rummage Setup	4 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study Rummage Setup	5 Rummage Setup	6 Rummage Setup	7 SCHOENECK'S RUMMAGE SALE
Day of Pentecost 8:00 & 10:30 AM Worship Services 9:15 AM Sunday School, All Ages Rummage Breakdown	9 Rummage Breakdown	10 7:00 PM Trustees Meeting, Zoom	11 11:00 AM Women's Fellowship Meet 6:00 PM CEM Rm 10 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	12	13	14 CEM Setup for Father's Day Brunch
Trinity Sunday 8:30 AM Father's Day Brunch 9:30 AM Worship Service – Summer <u>Schedule Begins</u> 9:45 AM Summerfest 2:00 PM GS Troop 81144, R 11 Last	16 July Newsletter 5:30 PM GS Troop 8435 Pavilion or Fellowship Hall	17 6:00 PM Mission & Evangelism, Zoom	18 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	19	20	21 
2 nd Sunday after Pentecost Married People Lovefeast 9:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Summerfest	23	24 7:00 PM Visitation & Caring Ministry, Rm 6	25 4:00 PM Community Dinner, 10:30 AM Volunteer's needed 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	26	27	28
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Schoeneck Moravian Church

Our Lamb has conquered, let us follow him.

In Essentials, Unity; In Nonessentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love.



Our Mission Statement

Rev. Ian Edwards, Pastor
Ryan Morrow, Director of Music
Cindi Kessler, Administrative Assistant

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary
& 10:30 AM Livestream

Summer Worship Service Schedule

9:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary
& 9:30 AM Livestream will begin June 15,
through August 31, 2025

