## Schoeneck Moravian Church



## Sunday Worship

#### **Summer Schedule**

9:30 AM Service In-Person & 9:30 Online 9:45 AM Summerfest for Children

Pastor: Rev. Ian Edwards

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> Music Director Ryan Morrow

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# The Joyful Noise Newsletter July 2025

## "No really, listen..."

You may have just flashed back to a child or grandchild trying to get something out of you ...a rationalization of how a cookie before dinner or that special toy is really the best idea imaginable. For me it's actually something I've said to Eileen a time or two, how I tried to make her think the Transit Museum should be top of list for tourists in New York City, or that going to the restaurant run by an old football player is a great option on our upcoming tour of universities with Declan. I'll let you guess how well it works trying to get someone to "no really, listen..."

I've been thinking of this in terms of our upcoming presence at Nazareth Day on July 19, and our return to indoor community dinners on July 30 and August 27. It is so tempting to want to pitch our amazing church and how we're such good gospel Jesus people, to tell, to share, to promote and make a good impression...to get people to "no really, listen..."

Of course there is nothing wrong with telling and sharing...it's one of the things Jesus called us to that is empowered by the spirit...but what about the possibility set before us at Nazareth Day? Oh sure it's a chance to promote what we're good at, being church, but it's also a chance to listen and understand.

I'm also pondering this regarding our return to indoor service for the community dinner. We do such a great job of putting meals into peoples' hands with our parking lot service, it's easy to slip into thinking about what we'll be losing. A few people have told me the origin story of coming together in a shared ministry, having an opportunity to meet and share a table with people from the community, to listen to what they have to say about themselves.

I'm reminded of a clip I once heard from motivational author Dale Carnegie. I've never really been into his work, but this one stuck with me: You can win more friends and influence more people in two months of being interested in them than you will in two years of trying to make them interested in you. Sometimes motivational gurus make me roll my eyes, but I like the ideas expressed there, and I invite us to embrace and embody this idea of being interested, and "no really, listening" to the folks we encounter at our upcoming community happenings.

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, July 6—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost.** We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion to commemorate the martyrdom of John Hus, the father of our Moravian faith, burned at the stake for his beliefs on July 6, 1415. Worship with us as we renew our faith together through the Lord's Supper.

"So let us not grow weary in doing what is right."

~Galatians 6:9 2025 Watchword

**Sunday, July 13—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost.** Worship at Whitefield House. Nazareth Moravian Church will be hosting the 9:30 AM Outdoor Worship Service at Whitefield House. We will have the opportunity to worship with our friends at Nazareth Moravian Church. Bring a blanket or a comfortable lawn chair with you. There will be no Summerfest this week. In the event of rain, the 9:30 AM service will be held at Nazareth Moravian Church.

"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths." ~Psalm 25:4 2025 Watchword

Sunday, July 20—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost.

"Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? ~Genesis 18:14 2025 Watchword

Sunday, July 27—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost.

"Lord, teach us to pray." ~Luke 11:1 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



Live-Stream Now On YouTube — Due to *yet another change* in Facebook's live-streaming policies and our efforts to improve the quality of our live-stream, we will now be streaming our Sunday morning worship services only to YouTube. We believe this is the best way to live-stream our worship services going forward. We will still post a link to the YouTube video stream in our Facebook group. You can subscribe to our YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/@SchoeneckMoravianChurch.

## **Future Worship Services**

Sunday, August 3, 2025—Eighth Sunday after Pentecost.

Sunday, August 10, 2025—Ninth Sunday after Pentecost.

Moravian Pentecost Holy Communion with a Celebration after Worship Service.

Sunday, August 17, 2025—Tenth Sunday after Pentecost.

Sunday, August 24, 2025—Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost. Blessing of the Backpacks

Sunday, August 31, 2025—Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. Last Sunday of Summer Schedule.

# **Worship Helpers This Month**



## **SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

## **FLOWERS - \$10.00**

7/6 TBD 7/13 TBD 7/20 Shirley W. Smith 7/27 TBD

## **BULLETINS - \$10.00**

7/6 TBD 7/13 TBD 7/20 Shirley W. Smith 7/27 TBD



## **JULY TRUSTEE**

**Dwayne Moyer** 

**JULY ELDERS** 

**Elaine Bittner** 

## JULY RECYCLING SPONSORS

Shirley W. Smith

JULY SAFE HARBOR

**TBD** 

## **LOVEFEAST**

**JULY** 

**AUGUST** 

**No Lovefeast Scheduled** 

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Date	Time	Ushers	Greeters	Scripture Readers	Nursery
July 6, 2025 John Hus Festival	9:30 AM	JoAnn Heckman & John Beitel	Lois Zibulnik	John Beitel	TBD
July 13, 2025 Outdoor Service Whitefield House	9:30 AM		Outdoor	Service	
July 20, 2025	9:30 AM	Roger & Laurie Woolley	Tammy Mehlig	Frank Searock	TBD
July 27, 2025	9:30 AM	Glenn & Carolyn Hertzog	Mike & Lisa Koehler	Laurie Woolley	TBD



## SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025 9:30 AM WHITEFIELD HOUSE

214 E. Center St., Nazareth

Bring a blanket or a comfortable lawn chair with you.

There will be no Summerfest this week.

In the event of rain, the 9:30 AM service will be held at Nazareth Morayian Church

## **ELDERS PERSPECTIVE**

At some point in our lives, I imagine we question if we are at the right place or at the correct time. I know we are supposed to trust God for the direction of our lives but haven't you questioned His direction? I know I have. I look back and wonder why God allowed me to make such dumb mistakes or provide comments at the most inopportune moments. Perhaps He wanted us to conduct ourselves in this way as a means of teaching us a lesson, being at a particular place for a specific reason.

During my recent hospital stay to successfully repair my severely damaged mitral valve, I was required to walk as the means to begin my recovery process. On a particular morning, I was feeling 'down' as I looked forward to leaving the hospital but knew it would not be that day. As I walked with the nurse, I saw a few hospital rooms on the floor with the designation 'DNR' (Do Not Resuscitate). This caused me to reflect on my own situation as I was diagnosed with the damaged mitral valve but exhibited no symptoms. How blessed was I to be diagnosed with a repairable condition, compared to those persons and their decisions to not use extra means to keep them alive! Although I was somewhat tentative about the surgery, my trust in Jesus as my Lord and Savior made me realize moving the original surgery date to an earlier date was the best choice since testing did not reveal the total severity of my condition until the doctor viewed the heart and valve during surgery. I truly believe that things happen for a reason and happen for the best. In my case, God decided that I needed to be in surgery on May 21 as I believe He has plans for me.

As stated in Proverbs 3:5, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding", we need to place our trust in our God as He knows what is best for us. Be prepared to listen to what God wants for your life, even when His 'voice' may be mixed together with our daily distractions. "Listen carefully to what I say; let my words ring in your ears." Job 13:17.

Jim Makovetz

Vice-chair, Schoeneck Board of Elders

## **Joint Board Members**

#### **Board of Elders**

Pastor Ian Edwards, Chair Iim Makovetz, Vice Chair Melody Stocker, Secretary Elaine Bittner Laura Cook Brian Dishong Louis Murante

Mike Rampulla Pamela Stampf

Ann-Louise Taylor

#### **Board of Trustees**

Sue Dreydoppel, President Bob Sweitzer, Vice President Lori Deutsch, Secretary

Pastor Ian Edwards, ex-officio

Marisa Graver

Andrew Majczan

Dwayne Moyer

Kim Samsel

Roger Woolley One Vacancy

## Board of Elders

### June Board of Elders meeting:

- 1. Summerfest begins June 15<sup>th</sup>. Looking for Shepherds to help at 9:45.
- 2. Pastor Ian will be on vacation July 6 July 12.
- 3. Vacation Bible School is July 14 July 18. Looking for volunteers.

## **Board of Trustees**

## June Board of Trustees meeting:

- 1. Appointed Bob Sweitzer as the new Cemetery Coordinator.
- 2. Approved an Emergency Action Plan for the congregation.
- 3. Accepted Frank Searock's resignation from the Trustees, will be looking for a replacement to fill the vacancy.
- 4. Decided not to meet in July

#### **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.

**Essentials Café** is a Moravian ministry in West Bethlehem, a pay-what-you-can café where anyone is invited to enjoy a meal, whether they can pay a little or a lot or nothing. They depend on contributions and volunteers to support this vital effort.





**Loaves and Fishes** is the Nazareth area organization which sponsors the Summer Lunch Program, providing a free lunch to children and senior citizens (but really, to anyone who asks for one) five days a week. Schoeneck will be assisting with making the

sandwiches and handing out the lunches for a week in August. The organization also provides free dinners during the rest of the year.



Gratitude & blessings!

I want to thank all of my Church family for all your prayers, cards, texts & blessings that have been bestowed upon me from everyone! I am still recuperating from pneumonia which started after surgery. I hope & pray to be able to return to church soon. You all have no idea what a blessing and support you have been to me.

Thessalonians 5:18 " Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Love, Cookie

## Rummage Sale

The recent Schoeneck Rummage Sale was a huge success, thanks to the hard work of so many of our members. We took in \$4309 and talked with members of the community inviting them to Bible School and Sunday services. As we hear year after year, people look forward to coming to our sale because it is so well organized, fairly priced and has clean items in good working order. One lady thanked us several times and said that as prices get higher and higher it becomes more difficult for her and others to buy new. She appreciates us and looks forward to attending each year. Knowing we can help like that makes it all worthwhile. Thank you again for everyone who pitched in, both during the week and on the day of the sale. I am thankful for you all.

Katie Elliott

To my Schoeneck Church family,

I want to express my deepest appreciation for all the thoughts, prayers and cards of well wishes for my successful open-heart surgery in May. This surgery repaired my severely damaged mitral valve, causing the enlargement of the left ventricle since blood was being retained in the heart and not being completely pumped forward into the body. Following surgery is a 12-week period of rest to recover so I can return to normal activities. I, as well as Brenda, will need additional thoughts and prayers during this time for God to provide me with patience so I don't try to do too much. I look forward to seeing all of you in the near future.

Blessings of peace and joy, Jim Makovetz

Sisters and Brothers,

The members of the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen/ Summer Lunch Program thank you for your generous donation of \$2,315 towards the Summer Lunch Program and Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen.

Jeffrey D. Gehris, Secretary/Treasurer Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen/Summer Lunch Program A heartfelt, belated thank you to all for the many cards, prayers and well wishes conveyed to me when I had my shoulder replacement. Your prayers and concern mean so much and help with healing physically and mentally. I am truly blessed with my caring Schoeneck church family!

Thank you! Pam Stampf

On behalf of the Beil family, I'd like to thank everyone at church who helped with my mom's memorial service and luncheon. Special thanks to Pastors Ian and Mark, Cindi, Ryan, Marianne and Bob, Sharon, Gloria, Katie, and Mel.

You helped make our celebration of Mom's life a special event, and we are very grateful.

In Christian love, Corey & Jill Summer has begun and I hope that you all are enjoying your school break!

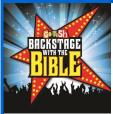
Summerfest is in progress and the CEM thanks all those that have offered to be leaders and shepherds to continue teaching God's word to His children throughout the summer.



The Father's Day coffee had better attendance this year! There were 9 Fathers present and 3 women. They all enjoyed the breakfast sandwiches and French toast slices. And a few fathers even assisted with pulling the breakfast together on time. Thank you, Fathers!

CEM will not hold a meeting in July as we prepare to finalize all the prep work for VBS on July 14th - 18th. We are always in need of helpers, especially the youth who have completed 6th grade and are up to be the crew leaders, even if you are only available for a few days. Please come help and enjoy Go Fish Guys!

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.

#### **Honoring Our Youth**

**Congratulations to Anthony Stampf** for earning the position of saxophone section leader and being chosen as a soloist for the upcoming Nazareth Marching Band season!



Congratulations to the Schoeneck youth involved in the Nazareth Area High School musical production of "Seussical" on winning five Freddy awards, including Outstanding Overall Production. Schoeneck members of the Theatre Troupe are Jillian Schnyderite, Drew Dishong, Quincy Johnson, and Delaney Schoeneberger. The Freddys were presented on Thursday, May 22.

**Thank you** to the Jr Youth who were busy in the kitchen on Sunday, June 8 making chocolate pretzel gift bags for Schoeneck dads for Father's day on Sunday the 15th.

Schoeneck Moravian Church Future Community Dinners



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



Community Dinner Wednesday, July 30

## **Pulled Pork**

Dine In Only! 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!

## From Mission & Evangelism Ministry:

## Mission & Evangelism at Nazareth Days!

We're excited to announce that our Mission and Evangelism Team will be representing our church at Nazareth Days! Nazareth Borough Park, Saturday, July 19th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Come out and help us spread the word about our wonderful church to the community! This is a great opportunity to share the love of Christ, connect with our neighbors, and show the heart of who we are.

Our booth will feature: Giveaways A Prayer Box – for anyone in need of prayer Handouts about our church and ministries

Sign-up sheets are available now on the bulletin board outside the church office. Whether you can volunteer for an hour or stay the whole day, your help will make a difference in shining God's light!

"Let your light shine before others..." – Matthew 5:16

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The church office will be closed Friday, July 4th



Men's Bible Study meet on Wednesday at 7:00 PM.



Roadside Cleanup
JULY 12, 2025
9:00 AM - Meet in Church Parking Lot
Any questions contact John Beitel

## MORAVIAN DAILY TEXTS 2026 PRE-ORDER FORMS AND PRICES WILL BE HERE SOON!



Schoeneck Moravian Health Ministry next blood pressure screening will be Sunday, July 20, 2025

## Help us name our YAK!



## Join us for Snack and Yak!

Fellowship Hall after the 9:30 service for snacks/baked goods, beverages and wonderful fellowship:

July 6th August 10th August 31st

Sign up to bring snacks/baked goods.

The Summer Lunch Program began on **Tuesday, June 9 to Friday, August 22, 2025.** The program is for children and youth of the Nazareth Area School. Lunch will be available between noon and 1:00 PM—Monday thorough Friday during the weeks of the program. Lunch will NOT be available on July 4th.

Schoeneck Moravian Church is scheduled the week of **August 11—15**, **2025**. There is a sign-up sheet on church bulletin board.

Lunch will consist of: a sandwich, string cheese, apple sauce or alternative. Bag of snacks, pack of cookies, juice pouch or water, and a spoon and napkin. Lunch pick up will be on West Center Street by the Nazareth Moravian Church driveway.

Loaves & Fishes, once again, is offering this opportunity to the Nazareth Community. Through the generous donations received from Churches, Service Organizations, Businesses, and Individuals, and the generosity of the many volunteers makes this program work.

Dear Friends,

As the camp season approaches rapidly, **Camp Hope** is in need of some people to round out our weekly volunteer staffs. This is an amazing opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of young people attending camp. If you or someone you know is interested in helping, please email Frank Johnson at <a href="mailto:frjohnson1969@gmail.com">frjohnson1969@gmail.com</a>.

More information can be found on the website: <a href="https://www.camphope.org/volunteer">https://www.camphope.org/volunteer</a>

June 29-July 5: Musical Theater Camp – in need of a nurse/EMT

July 6-July 12: Primary Camp - in need of a nurse/EMT

July 13-July 19: Middler Camp – in need of 2 male counselors and either a female counselor or nurse/EMT

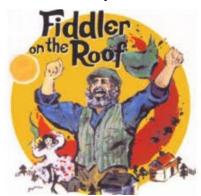
July 20-July 26: Junior High Camp – in need of 2 male counselors

August 3-August 6: Pre-primary Camp – in need of a male counselor

Your help in spreading the word is appreciated greatly so we can provide a safe, nurturing camp experience for all our campers! Please take a moment to forward this to the medical personnel and prospective counselors you know.

Blessings, Missy

> Camp Hope's Musical Theater Camp Proudly Presents



Based on Sholem Aleichem stories by special permission of Arnold Perl Book by Joseph Stein Music by Jerry Bock Lyrics by Sheldon Harnick

Produced on the New York Stage by Harold Prince

Original New York Stage Production Directed and Choreographed by Jerome Robbins

Friday July 4, 2025 Saturday July 5, 2025 7:00 pm 10:00 am

Camp Hope Tickets \$3 Lower Lodge Available at Camp Hope

Fiddler on the Roof JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY
(212) 541-4684 mtishows.com

## **CAMP HOPE 2025**

Ridgeway Ave, Blairstown, NJ 07825 Week-long overnight camps for Grades 1-12

Summer Camp is on its way!!!

## **All Are Welcome!**



Musical Theatre Camp 6/29-7/5 5th –9th Grade

Primary Camp 7/6-7/12 3rd or 4th Grade

Middler Camp 7/13-7/19 5th or 6th Grade

Junior High Camp 7/20-7/26 7th or 8th Grade

Senior High Camp 7/27-8/2 9th-12th Grade



Swim Camp 8/3-8/9 3rd-6th Grade

Pre-Primary Camp 8/3-8/6 1st or 2nd Grade

#### IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!







		31	10:00 AM Volunteers for Community Dinner Prep 4:00 PM Community Dinner-Dine in Only 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	29	28	7th Sunday after Pentecost 27 9:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Summerfest
26	25	24	23 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	7:00 PM Visitation & Care Ministry Meet, Rm 6	21	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 20 9:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Summerfest
Mission & Evangelism participate in Nazareth Days at Nazareth Park	18 VBS 9:00 AM-Noon	VBS 9:00 AM-Noon	16 VBS 9:00 AM-Noon 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study	VBS 9:00 AM-Noon August Newsletter Articles Due 6:00 PM Mission & Evangelism, Zoom	VBS 9:00 AM-Noon	5th Sunday after Pentecost 13 Outdoor Worship Service, hosted by Nazareth Moravian Church No Summerfest VBS Setup Fellowship Hall, Classrooms, Kitchen
VBS Setup Fellowship Hall, Classrooms, Kitchen	VBS Starts setup	10	6:00 PM CEM Meeting, Rm 10 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	8 No Trustees Meeting	7	4th Sunday after Pentecost 6 John Hus Festival/Holy Communion 9:30 AM Worship Service Joyful Noise 9:45 AM Summerfest Snack & Yak after service
5	Office Closed 4	3	7:00 PM Men's Bible Study, Rm 6	1 No Elders Meeting		Hello
SATURDAY	FRIDAY	THURSDAY	WEDNESDAY	TUESDAY	MONDAY	SUNDAY

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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.

July 2025



## Our Mission Statement

"To follow the example of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to love and serve all."

Rev. Ian Edwards, Pastor Ryan Morrow, Director of Music Cindi Kessler, Administrative Assistant 9:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary & 9:30 AM Livestream

