

# Schoeneck Moravian Church



## Sunday Worship

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
In-Person  
10:30 Livestream

9:15 AM Sunday School  
All Ages

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# The Joyful Noise Newsletter June 2026

It's time for the June mission envelope, and we're once again taking donations for World Bicycle Relief's Buffalo Bikes program.

There are times when I love being proved wrong. I'm talking about those times when new information came in and you couldn't help but reframe things... especially if it's because I underestimated peoples' generosity, even if it was a well-calculated estimate. To quote last year's June pastor's piece about donations for World Bicycle Relief:

"I'm thinking aspirationally that we could raise enough to provide 10 bikes, \$1650...I would love to find out I underestimated that amount."

You may recall that the generosity of the congregation topped out at enough for 20 bikes, \$3700. The Mission & Evangelism Committee put our heads together, did some pondering, and of course some praying, and decided we'd set our goal this year for 15 bikes...opens up calculator to affirm arithmetic... \$2475. We're not low-balling to artificially create a "well we'll show him" effect, we understand the financial picture can be different for people year-to-year, of course I'd love to be proved an underestimator again.

As a reminder, World Bicycle Relief is an international charity that provides transportation in rural villages, primarily in Africa. To facilitate this, their engineering partners came up with the Buffalo Bike, a super rugged bike that prioritizes durability over performance. Puncture resistant tires, heavy chain and spokes, and a frame made of steel great for welding on modifications. The bikes are assembled in shops close to the end users, and each region sees locals trained as mechanics. This means in addition to the opportunity given by the bikes themselves, there is an economic and skills boost from the program.

We'll be sharing stories of the impact of Buffalo Bikes throughout June, and collecting through the mission envelope until June 28. I've checked with the organization that handles our on-line donations, and as long as the special note in your donation mentions bikes project, or mission envelope...or anything that makes it clear it's for the mission of the month, Brenda will know to include it in the collection.

To get your hearts and minds pedaling forward...what's the image that comes to mind when I say "girl's bike", or "ladies bike"? When the diamond frame, or safety bike came out in 1885, this new and liberating technology was of course "not for women". You can't ride a bike with those full skirts, ha we've got you. Someone came up with the drop, or step-through frame, and the bicycle became a tool of empowerment. World Bicycle Relief continues this tradition with their *pedal to empower* movement, providing one answer to the patriarchal question: how is a girl going to do that? On a bike, that's how.

Best way to get more information about WBR and Buffalo Bikes, go to Youtube and search, the videos are great. I'll be highlighting some of our favorites throughout June.

Pastor Ian

### **2026 WATCHWORD TEXT FOR THE SCHOENECK CONGREGATION**

*"For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty."*

2 Peter 1:16

# Worship the Lord with Us!

## June 2026 Worship Services

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**—Second Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, June 14, 2026**—Third Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, June 21, 2026**— Fourth Sunday after Pentecost & Father's Day  
**9:30 AM First Sunday of Summer Schedule**

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



June 21 through September 6, 2026

One service at 9:30 AM

Livestream at 9:30 AM

Summerfest for Children during Worship

## Future Worship Services

**Sunday, July 6, 2026**—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, July 12, 2026**—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, July 19, 2026**—Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, July 26, 2026**—Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Youth and the Church

This month's Elders Pondering is about the youth in our Church and the church worldwide. I think we are blessed at Schoeneck with the youth we have. What is considered a youth? Well at Schoeneck, we classify them as Jr. and Sr. Youths. Jr. being the ages of 3rd to 6th grade and Sr. Youth 7th through 12th grade.

The Jr. Youth which is led by Lanie Yaswinski and Courtney Schnyderite have an excellent program where the children have done many projects behind the scenes such as feeding the homeless at Safe Harbor to making chocolate covered pretzels to hand out to Fathers on Father's Day.

The Older or Sr. Youth led by Allene and Mike Rampulla are the 7th grade through 12th grade young adults. This group also does multiple projects throughout the year. To highlight some, they are known for their annual drive to collect items for residents and decorate the Christmas tree for Moravian Open Door in New York City, Feed the homeless at Safe Harbor in Easton. One of the Items that the Sr. Youth are famous for is the annual Youth Sunday service where these young adults "Hijack" our traditional service and put their spin on it.

You are probably asking yourself why I am pointing these things out to you because you already know the great work they do. Well let me give you my take on it.

Most people sit back and say the youth are the future of our Church. You are correct in that assumption, but I want you to ponder on this. I say the youth are our Church now!!!!

The Young Members of our church are doing the Lords' work the way they know how. It may not be traditional, but it is heartfelt. As older adults, we may not agree with the way they do things, but I believe the key point is that they are "Doing" Things. All Churches today are struggling to have youth involvement. Times are changing where Church may not be the priority. Congregations are not as full as they used to be. So why not get their input. If a youth wants to serve on a committee or even a board and they meet the criteria why stifle their enthusiasm by saying no to them because they are too young. Truth is we are set in our ways, and we as older adults may be missing part of the picture that they may see. Therefore, I say it's time to listen to the wisdom of our youth and work together keep not only Schoeneck but whole Moravian Church strong.

I'm going to leave you with one of my Favorite Bible Verses to think about.

Matthew 19:14 Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

~ Mike Rampulla, Elder

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Board of Elders

May Board of Elders meeting:

- 1) Mother's Day Tea 5/10
- 2) Community dinners continue to be well attended
- 3) Addressing technical difficulties with sound system and allocating resources
- 4) Seeking members to assist with preparation and parking for upcoming community dinners

Board of Trustees

May Board of Trustees meeting:

- 1) Best practices for entering the building during business hours. Please use the main entrance and let Stephanie know you are entering or leaving the building. This is being asked for security purposes.
- 2) Sanctuary roof repairs have been scheduled. These repairs are being made to a leaking area over the sanctuary.
- 3) The RVAT team met and prioritized projects.
- 4) Room 7 is scheduled to be painted in the month of May.
- 5) Notify Stephanie when planning building use and room set up. This will help to avoid scheduling conflicts.
- 6) The main garage is being cleaned up. Any "personal" items being stored there will need to be removed.

# CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 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 located on bulletin board outside the office.

In Whose Name is this Tribute (**Please print**): \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Please check whether –

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|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Father (living)               | <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Godfather  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Father (deceased)            | <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Godfather |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Father-In-Law (living)        | <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Husband    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Father-In-Law (deceased)     | <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Husband   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Grandfather (living)          | <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Brother    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Grandfather (deceased)       | <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Brother   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Great-Grandfather (living)    | <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of Uncle      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of Great-Grandfather (deceased) | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 7** to the church office.

### Megan Holland

Congratulations on graduating from The University of Central Florida with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Administration.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to obtain a job in Pharmaceutical Sales.

### Nathan Cook

Congratulations on graduating cum laude from LaSalle University with a B.S. in Business Administration and dual major in Marketing and Management

He was in the business scholars co-op program and seeks employment in his area of study.

### Jillian Schnyderite

Congratulations on graduating from Nazareth Area High School.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to attend The University of Pittsburgh, Frederick Honors College to major in Digital Media and Communications, with a minor in Music Performance.

## Congratulations!



We will continue to cheer you on, pray for you, and rejoice over you.

### Olivia Graver

Congratulations on graduating from Northampton High School with Honors.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to attend DeSales University to study Criminal Justice & Forensic Psychology.

### Joseph DeFlores

Congratulations on graduating from West Chester University with a Masters Degree in Athletic Training. Joseph has already passed his Board Certification Exam.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to begin your career.

### Delaney Schoeneberger

Congratulations on graduating from Nazareth Area High School.

You are in our prayers as you prepare to attend Millersville University in the Fall to pursue a degree in Meteorology. She plans to run on the collegiate Cross Country and Track teams.

### Melissa Hertzog-Johnson

Congratulations on graduating from Moravian University with a Doctor of Ministry.

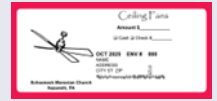
# FROM THE TRUSTEES

## Special Envelopes for June:

The orange special envelopes will go to provide assistance to the **Helping Hand Fund**. These funds are used to help Schoeneck members or community members that are in need of a little extra financial help. The funds are later distributed at the discretion of the Pastor.



The ceiling fan project has been completed. However, envelopes for that project had been printed before its completion. Any money collected via the **Ceiling Fans** envelopes will be rolled into the **general roof replacement fund** to avert leaks and the damage that is incurred from them. The Trustees have begun to collect bids for roof areas in need of repair.



The **Mission Project** recipient this year is **World Bicycle Relief**, which provides bicycles to the developing world. More information on this project can be found in the Pastor's message of this newsletter.



Thank you for your continued support of Schoeneck Moravian church and its ministry projects!

## APRIL 2026 ATTENDANCE

	<u>Sunday Worship</u>	<u>In Church</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Sunday Teacher</u>	<u>School Adult</u>	<u>Staff</u>
	<u>6:00 AM</u>	<u>8:00 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>				
<b>5-April</b>		40					
	8:00 AM	63					
	10:30 AM		118				
<b>12-April</b>			76	13	8	11	2
<b>19-April</b>		25	51	10	8	14	2
<b>26-April</b>		24	73	14	8	17	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>152</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Average*</b>		<b>38.00</b>	<b>79.50</b>	<b>12.33</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>* Average was divided by 2</b>							

April 5-Easter Sunday

April 12-ACTS! Performance & only 10:30 AM service

**A Note from the Treasurer:** I would like to thank the memorial funds of Shirley Smith and Gladys Butz for covering part of the cost of the purchase of bibles for the Confirmation Class. ~ Brenda

## Grease is the Word

Congratulations to everyone involved in the Nazareth Area High School sold-out production of **Grease**, on being nominated for nine Freddy Awards, the local program honoring high school musical theater.



Members and friends of Schoeneck who were involved in the production are Jillian Schnyderite as Sandy; Quincy Johnson as Danny; ensemble members Drew Dishong and Gabriella Smith; Costumer Delaney Schoeneberger and Student Music Director Jillian Schnyderite. James Schnyderite was Vocal Music Director. Supporting parents are Courtney Schnyderite, President of the NHS Theatre Association and Frank Johnson, Vice President, joined by parent volunteers Melissa Johnson and Brian Dishong.

Thirty-one schools are participating in this year's awards program. The awards will be announced on Thursday, May 21.

# *Christian Education... for all ages*

Christian Ed held a beautiful Mother's Day Tea on May 10th with about 25 attendees (Mother and child), with lots of pastry, cookies, yogurt, fruit, tea and coffee. Mike and Jillian entertained about 4 children in the nursery. They also were provided with some snacks for breakfast. The Mothers were entertained with guitar music provided by MacKenzie Rampulla and saxophone and piano music by Anthony Stampf. Thank you all for attending and we hope you enjoyed your morning!



**Father's Day Cafe will be held June 21st at 8:30 in the Fellowship Hall.** This is the Sunday start of the summer schedule. Sign-up sheet is posted on the CEM bulletin board. Please sign-up so we can get an estimate of attendees.

**Also, June 21st starts Summerfest for all Sunday School children.** This year the lessons will be "Beatitudes". Children will begin church upstairs with their families and after the children's message they will go down for the lessons in Room #2. Ann-Louise is in the process of looking for volunteers to teach one-week lessons and also shepherds for each week. Please see her if you are interested. Clearances are needed for anyone over 18 years of age but can be obtained with the help of the church office and free of charge.

**Save the date for VBS - July 20 to 24.** The Go Fish Guys are back again this year with "Kicking it Old School". Look for sign-up sheets for volunteers also on the CEM bulletin board. Will need adults and youth that have completed 6th grade. Of course, clearances are required for anyone over 18 years of age and are free to obtain for church use.



Blessing for a lovely summer!  
Pamela Stampf  
Sunday School Coordinator



**Men's Bible Study**  
Thursdays at 7:00 PM.



**Women's Bible study**  
Will be taking a summer break and will resume in September. June 11th will be the last meeting before summer break



Schoeneck Moravian Health Ministry  
Blood Pressure Screening will be  
Sunday, June 21, 2026  
after each Worship Service.



**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
Wednesday, June 10, 2026  
at 6:00 PM, Room 11

## **Community Dinner Wednesday, June 24, 2026**



*Pork & Sauerkraut*  
4:00 - 5:30 PM  
(or while supplies last)  
**Mobile Pick-up Only**  
**Drive-in parking lot**  
**Stay in your car**  
**Meals are absolutely free**

**Save the Date!**  
**The next Community Dinner will be on Wednesday, July 29, 2026 Dine In Only!**



## 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.

**May 31** after the 10:30 worship service - set up

### **May 31 through June 3 – Drop off items**

Sunday – May 31 4:00PM to 8:00PM

Monday through Wednesday - June 1 - 3 8:30AM - 8:00PM

### **May 31 through June 3 – Unpacking and putting items out**

Sunday – May 31 4:00PM to 8:00PM

Monday through Wednesday - June 1 - 3 8:30AM - 8:00PM



**June 5** Bake sale items can be dropped off from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**June 6** - Help needed during rummage sale 7:30AM - 1:00PM

Help needed after rummage sale to pack up and tear down 1:00PM - 3:30PM

Here are a few things to remember:

1. 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 3.**
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:** computers, keyboards or monitors, televisions, VCR's, VCR tapes, cribs or crib mattresses, car seats or boosters, highchairs, dehumidifiers or humidifiers.

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

For questions contact Barb Butz or the church office.



# Worship Helpers This Month

## 2026 SIGN UP SHEETS

The 2026 sign up sheets are posted on the church bulletin board: Scripture Readers, Flower Sponsors, Bulletin Sponsors, Recycling Sponsors, Lovefeast Sponsors & Bakers, and Dieners.



### SPONSORS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

#### FLOWERS - \$10.00

6/7 Sandy & Kevin Love  
6/14 Elaine Bittner  
6/21 Open  
6/28 Open

#### BULLETINS - \$10.00

6/7 Melody Stocker  
6/14 Lorena Roberts  
6/21 Open  
6/28 Open



#### JUNE TRUSTEE

Mike Koehler

#### JUNE ELDER(S)

Shared

#### JUNE RECYCLING SPONSOR(S) \$45

Lorena Roberts

#### JUNE LOVEFEAST \$100

Sponsor(s): Open

Baker: Ryan Morrow

Date	Time	Ushers	Greeters	Scripture Readers	Nursery
Sunday, June 7, 2026 Second Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Kathy Makoul & Joanne Smith Carolyn & Glenn Hertzog	Barb & Tim Messinger Ann Louise Taylor	Ryan Morrow	Andrew & Andrea Majczan
Sunday, June 14, 2026 Third Sunday after Pentecost	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Deb Getz & Mary Schweitzer Sue Fraser	Sue Fraser Lois Zibulnik		Sharon Schuler & Gayle Searock
Sunday, June 21, 2026 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost & Father's Day	9:30 AM	Dennis Guldner	Amy Lirag		Mike & Allene Rampulla
Sunday, June 28, 2026 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	9:30 AM	Brian & Drew Dishong	Shirley Warner Smith		Catherine Hahn & Lorena Roberts

All Supplies Provided

Deadline to Sign-Up is Wednesday, July 5th

## GARDEN ART MAKING PARTY

A Fundraiser for Essentials Café – Bethlehem, PA

Create. Connect. Support Your Community.

Build your own upcycled garden art from glass and ceramic plates and accessories!  
No experience needed.

#### WHY ESSENTIALS CAFÉ?

A pay-what-you-can café providing fresh, homemade meals for all.  
Your participation helps reduce food insecurity in our community.

#### EVENT DETAILS

Wednesday, July 8 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

\* \$35 Per Participant \* 25 Spots Available

\* Donations Go to Essentials Café

\* Refreshments & Lunch Provided

Make Something Beautiful. Make a Difference.

Save the date

Sponsored by Women's Fellowship



# *The Joyful Noise*



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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.*



**2026**

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**Ryan Morrow, Director of Music Ministry**  
**Stephanie Guarry, Administrative Assistant**

### **Our Mission Statement**

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

**Summer Worship Service Schedule**  
9:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary  
& 9:30 AM Livestream will begin June 21,  
through September 6, 2026

