THE SCHOENBRUNN SCROLL

December 2022- January 2023

Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church

"Christ called, Christ centered, Christ sent ... Loving all."



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December

Elder of the Month: Jean-Anne Baker Trustee of the Month: Doug Miller

January

Elder of the Month: Steve Pasquinelli Trustee of the Month: Kathy Cummings

REMINDER: Submit February-March news-

letter info by January 22nd

2022 Congregation Watchword - Exodus 33:19

"And the Lord said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the Lord, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion."

Greetings Schoenbrunn Family,

This year we are celebrating 75 years of ministry at Schoenbrunn. The join board decided that the best way to celebrate a Moravian anniversary is with lots of food of course! On Saturday, January 7th at 6 p.m. we will be having a free dinner for families of the congregations at Dutch Valley. The dinner is compliments of the church and organizations as a way to thank you for being a part of our church family! Anyone who feels called to contribute to their meal can put a check in the offering with "Anniversary Dinner" on the memo line. However, it certainly is not a requirement! The only requirement is to enjoy some good fellowship and food!

Before our anniversary dinner celebration, we have many activities in the life of the church to prepare our hearts for the Advent and Christmas seasons. November 27th we have our shared Advent Communion service at Sharon Moravian. December 4th we have our lovefeast service at Schoenbrunn village at 2 p.m. The Melt (7th grade and up) Christmas party will be in the fellowship hall following the service on the 4th. December 18th we will have our CEC Christmas program in worship. Of course, on December 24th we will have Christmas Eve worship at 7 p.m. and on Christmas Day we will have an abbreviated Christmas worship service. January 8th we will celebrate our anniversary in worship. Church Council will be on Sunday, January 15th. We hope you can join us!

With Christmas advertising and decorating happening earlier and earlier each year it can be hard to get our hearts in the Christmas spirit as early as we would like to. It may be wise to meditate on Isaiah 9:6 at the beginning of Advent, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, [2] Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." It is a wonderful reminder of why we have so much to celebrate this Christmas season!

Blessings,

Pastor Ben

Prayers of the Faithful from October-November

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone." 1 Timothy 2.1

For all families and churches of Tuscarawas County (Sunday); for the ministries of our Eastern District and Northern Province (Monday); for the shared work of the worldwide Moravian Unity (Tuesday); for all who risk their lives for the gospel (Wednesday); for refugees and victims of terror around the world (Thursday) and for those who work to provide shelter, healing, and peace (Friday); for all those impacted by Hurricane Harvey & for all our mission trip teams assisting people in need (Saturday).

Military & Families: Adam Porter, Bret Penik, Kyle Springer, Nathan Zinser, Anna Sandoval, Carter Baker.

Healing, Comfort, and Peace: Missy Martin, Dixie Lewis, Tyler Kastor, Tommy Baker, Mike Wright, Tyler Cox, Callie Reynolds, Eric Fondriest, Miracle Knight, Fred Sullivan, Bob Lippert, The Dalton Family, Joe Dalcoma, Jaxon Douglas, Phebe Stull, Ron Martin, Ron Regula, Paula and Kathy, Tyler Kastor, Robert Carrier, Veronica Knisley, Steve Pasquinelli, Raven and Sparrow's Dog, Reese Neff, Braelyn Hunt, Eric Fondriest, Evelyn Bennett, Cheryl Feutz, Barb McCauley, Corey Smith, Tarhollow Campers and staff, Lisa Durant, Janet West, Lynn "Charlie" Reichmann, Tammie Reynolds, Jackie Pasquinelli, Dot Trachsel, Tim Reynolds, Roy and Becky Williams, Miles Yoder, Tammy Bennett, Jim Ferrone, Tammy Eichel-Smith, Melanie Hahn, Michelle Stevens, Corey Beitzel, Keith Temple, Michael, Joanna Geandru, Dave Poole, Dominic Wright, Cory Gorbey, Stacey Kastor, Gale Slater, Paige Martin, Ryan Kastor, Aimee Pasquinelli, COVID-19 Victims.

Families Bereaved: Sharon Roberts, Colorado Springs, Virginia University, George Knauss, Aaron Funk, Sheriff Dale Williams, Steve Fox, Sharon Yoder, Ken Hall, Donna Swaldo, Scott Levengood, Donald Braun, Timothy Leehan, Dot Trachsel, Bev Pelou, Janice McClintock, Bob Lichty, Kevin Atkinson, Clara Gorby, Rita Kellar, Denver Mullins, Garel Fay

"We are Christ Called" We Grow Together in Faith

Ruth Circle— First Monday (unless otherwise noted) at 6:00 PM at Bob Evans in New Philadelphia. All women and men are welcome. The next meeting will be the Women's Board Christmas Dinner in the fellowship hall on **December 5th at 6 p.m**.

In Good Company— (women's Bible Study) The Bible study meets on the second Saturday of the month @ 9:30 at Paula Drumm's house. All women are welcome. Check-in with Paula to see when the next gathering will be.



Birthdays

Jean-Anne Baker– 12/02 Becky Canfield– 12/09 Sharon Belknap– 12/10

Aubree Swaldo– 12/11

Terry Bonnell– 12/13 Rylan Swaldo– 12/14

Debbie Baker– 12/24

Janet Jenkins- 12/24

Letticia Wright- 12/29

Kaylee Hansen-01/09

Linda Karcher – 01/17

Justin Miller – 01/18

Veronica Knisley– 01/28

Cheryl Bihari – 01/30

Anniversaries

James and Veronica Knisley—12/15 Jim and Linda Karcher—12/28 Chuck and Erica Dalton—12/31 **ELDER REPORT:** Next Meeting: Monday, December 19th @ 7 p.m. on Zoom.

Elders Meeting Summary: The Elders met in November and December. They shared prayer concerns, building use requests, worship. They helped plan our 75th anniversaryand Christmas Eve worship. They decided that we will have a lovefeast when we celebrate our anniversary on January 8th. They approved CEC's updated youth guidelines.

<u>CEC REPORT:</u> Next Meeting: We will meet via email in December. January meeting date TBD.

Sunday School: Join us Sundays at 9:15 a.m.! Adults can choose from a Bible/video study in Fellowship Hall with Paula Drumm and Ross Swaldo or Videos that Teach with Becky Canfield in the Sunday school room next to the pastor's office. 7th-12th grade students are welcome to be a part of Videos that Teach too. And younger kids are invited to join Angie Miller, Emily Lippert, and Katy Rabes across the hall. Reminder: no classes on December 25th or January 1st. We'll be on "Christmas Vacation!" Family Fun: Thanks to everyone who attended and helped with our Halloween Party – it was lots of fun! Next up is the Christmas Program. This year our Pre-K to 6th grade Sunday school class will be working on something special

· TRUSTEE REPORT: Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 14th after Joint Board

participate, please contact Emily Lippert.

during class and presenting it during worship on Sunday, December 18th. If you're not in that class but would like to

Trustees Meeting Summary: The board met in November and December. They did a parsonage walk-through in November. The fall festival was successful and Food on the Fly remains strong. They want to make the congregation aware of what we owe for assessments. They approved using \$400 from the fundraising fund to pay for the anniversary dinner. They are planning on adding an additional handicap parking spot to the front parking lot.

JOINT BOARD REPORT: Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 14th @ 6:30 p.m.

Joint Board Meeting Summary: The board met on September, 19th. They discussed plans between boards. They decided that for our anniversary celebration that the church should go out for dinner or have a meal catered, so the women's board does not have to work that night. Doug Miller will research catering vs. going out. Plans are still being discussed about potential directory or t-shirt options. A town hall was scheduled on Sept. 25th to inform the congregation about anniversary planning, the assessments, upcoming events, and to seek feedback with regard to changes in security protocols. The board also made plans for the day of service.

Treasurer's Report For March 2022

Contributions -

YTD - \$ 75,567.94

Expenses -

YTD - \$ 89,520.63

Budget \$ 96,285.62

Your continued offerings are greatly appreciated. Common Ministries for the Province and Eastern District and Major Medical are still \$6,000 short for the year. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Keep up the good work Schoenbrunn!

Advent Workshop





"We are Christ Centered"

"Your Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:1-5 NRSV).



Sunday, December 4th —Second Sunday of Advent

"Repent for the kingdom of heaven has come near ."- Matthew 3:2 Isaiah 11:1-10, Psalm 72, Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12

Sunday, December 11th – Third Sunday of Advent

"Be strong, do not fear, your God will come, he will come with vengeance, with divine retribution he will come to save you." – Isaiah 35:4

Hebrews 12:2

Isaiah 11:1-10, Psalm 72, Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12

Sunday, December 18th-Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved."- Psalm 80:19 Isaiah 7:10-16, Psalm 80:1-7, 10-14, Romans 1:1-7, Matthew 1:18-25

Saturday, December 24th- Christmas Eve Candlelight Lovefeast Worship ***

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." - Luke 2:14 Isaiah 9:2-7, Psalm 96, Luke 2:1-14

Sunday, December 25th- Christmas Day

"For the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ."- John 1:17 Isaiah 52:7-10, Psalm 98, Hebrews 1:1-4, John 1:1-14

Sunday, January 1st- Watchword Service

Isaiah 63:7-9, Psalm 148, Hebrews 2:10-18, Matthew 2:13-23

Sunday, January 8th-Epiphany and Annivesary Lovefeast***

Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 29, Acts 10:34-43, Matthew 3:13-17

Sunday, January 15th – Second Sunday of Epiphany***Church Council

"Isaiah 49:1-7, Psalm 40:1-11, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42

Sunday, January 22nd - Third Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 4-9, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23

Sunday, January 29th - Third Sunday of Epiphany

Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12



Youth Sundays

Our next youth Sunday is to be determined. We are hoping to do some sledding on the hill when the snow arrives.

Where Doors and Hearts are Open to All

Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church Worship 10:30 AM

Greeters

Keep an eye out for our when our sign-up sheet can return!

Ushers

Keep an eye out for our when our sign-up sheet can return!

Nursery

Unstaffed—please see a CEC member with any questions



The church office will be sending out reminders to the volunteers who have signed up to help with this ministry.



Would you like to place flowers in the sanctuary in memory of or in honor of someone? Please use the forms which are available at the bottom of the stairs to order flowers or reserve a date to bring your own.

Please direct any questions to Linda Karcher.

Worship Recordings: Homebound or out of town?



You can download and listen to our entire worship service online. Visit our website (scmchurch.org) and click on the links titled: Download our Messages. You can also view our bulletin for Zoom worship services there.

Around our Church and Moravian Community

November 27th– Advent Communion @ Sharon 6 p.m.

December 4th– Lovefeast @ Schoenbrunn Village @ 2p.m

December 4th- Annual Reports are due

December 5th- Women's Board Dinner

December 14th-Joint Board

December 24th- Christmas Eve Worship at 7 p.m.

December 25th- Worship @ 10:30 a.m.

January 1st-Watchword Service

January7th- Anniversary Dinner @ Dutch Valley

January 8th– Anniversary Worship with Lovefeast January 15th– Church Council following worship January 16h– Joint Board Re-Organization @ 6:30

Keep an eye on weekly emails and the Facebook Page for info about upcoming worship services.



Joining Us for Worship Virtually

How to Join?

1. Go to our Facebook page and follow along with our Livestream

*** We are not currently using Zoom for our worship live-stream.

"We are Christ Sent ... Loving All" Our Partners in Ministry

Compass

Sexual Assault Crisis Line is 330-339-1427.

Friends of the Homeless Shelter

Regular volunteer training is available. Call 330-602-6100 for information and to register.

Community Hospice

Hospice welcomes your Gifts and Service: Office Volunteers, Respite Care Volunteers (for families), Delivery Volunteers (supplies) Volunteer Training. Contact Vicki Indorf at 330-343-7605.

SCMC @ Dover/NP Food Pantry

Volunteers are needed to help clients with grocery shopping and loading from 5:30 PM— 8:00 PM (or until all are served).

Moravian Food Delivery for the Dover/NP Food Pantry

SCMC delivers on the first Thursday of the month. Floyd Swinderman is SCMC Coordinator.

Cares and Prayers

Our next meeting is **Tuesday, January 17th** at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All are welcome!

We are Looking for volunteer drivers to help the first Thursday of each month to deliver food to people who are not able to

go to the Dover-Phila Food Pantry from 11-2. It is a very rewarding experience! Please let us know if you can help.

— Floyd and Dalene Swinderman

Thank you, Floyd Swinderman

Pastor Ben is always happy to schedule an appointment for a pastoral visit. These can be inhome, at the office, or at a local coffee shop. These can be set up by calling/texting 330–440-4705 or by email at:



pastor@scmchurch.org.



Church Website –

http://scmchurch.org
Facebook - https://
www.facebook.com/scmcnpoh/
Reminders - Would you like to be
notified of upcoming events via

text? The church has set up the Remind App for text updates (the same app that is used in many schools). To sign up, please text @schoenbru to the number 81010

Our next Food on the Fly will be **December 14th and January 11th.** from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. **The Cost is \$10.** If you are interested in volunteering please contact Floyd Swinderman at 330-343-8122. Thanks!

Evie's Baptism



News from Eastern District / Northern Province

- The Provincial Elders Conference has decided to postpone the Provincial Synod scheduled for the summer of 2022 and will plan to have Synod in 2023.
- Br. Eric Renner, currently serving as pastor of Shepherd of the Prairie Moravian Church in Fargo, North Dakota, has accepted a call to serve part-time as pastor of the Canaan Moravian Church in Davenport, North Dakota. He will remain under call to Shepherd of the Prairie. Eric was installed in July.
- Br. Jeff Bonn, an ordained pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), has accepted an appointment to serve part-time as pastor of the Unionville Moravian Church in Unionville, Michigan. He will be installed on October 30. Jeff will continue to serve part-time as pastor of St. Peter's ELCA church, also in Unionville. Please keep Jeff, his family, and both congregations in your prayers at this time of transition.

News from Ohio Moravian Churches

Dinner on the Run Is on October 6th and November 3rd at Uhrichsville Moravian.

from 4-6:00 PM pick up your dinner - only \$8 for a homemade ham loaf dinner with parsley potatoes, green beans, roll, and dessert! Pre -ordering is not required, but you may call ahead to ensure availability: 740-922-0886.

Church Council
Sunday, January 15th
After Worship
Potluck meal



Scrip Order Forms

Doug Miller wants to pass along that he will still be accepting SCRIPT order forms. You can either drop your forms off in the scrip mailbox at the church or text Doug your orders and mail the check to the church. Orders are due by December 11th and January 8th.

They can either be picked up at the church or arrangements can be made for delivery.



Pictures From Moravian Day of Service









Pictures From CEC Halloween Party







