THE SCHOENBRUNN SCROLL

May 2020

Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church

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

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REMINDER: Submit July Newsletter information before June 21st

2020 Congregational Watchword – "He destines us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will." Ephesians 1:5

June Newsletter

Greetings Schoenbrunn Family,

After a period of prayerful discernment and planning our joint board continues to look at when we can return to in-person worship. We were hoping to return to worship at the end of May, but we feel that would not be prudent with cases of COVID-19 still on the rise in county and many businesses and locations in our state just starting to re-open. We are going to discuss again in early June the prospect of re-opening, starting with **Sunday June 14th**, as the first Sunday we will consider returning to in-person worship. We want to see how these openings across our state and nation impact the spread of the virus. We ask that you continue to uplift our discernment process in prayer.

We know these past few months have been stressful for all of us and it has been hard not to see our Church family in-person during this time period. We will see the return of some church events this month! We will have Food on the Fly returning Wednesday June 10th and we will have curb-side pick-up for our Strawberry Festival on Saturday June 13th. Our rummage sale has been postponed at least until the fall. I know many of you will be excited to support these church events!

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Congregational Letter Continued

We want to share with you some guidelines that will be imperative to follow for when we return to in-person worship. If these guidelines cannot be adhered to or health recommendations change, we may be forced to suspend in-person worship once again. We feel by utilizing a strict cleaning regiment and maintaining proper social distancing we can safely return to worship. We realize there are many changes, but these are sacrifices we will all need to make in this new COVID-19 world.

1. All worship attenders are required to wear a mask from the time you enter the church facilities to when you

leave. We will have some available for those who do not have one, but we encourage you to bring your own. Since, wearing a mask protects those around us, this is something we must do out of love for our church family and neighbors. If you do not feel comfortable wearing a mask, please join us for worship via our livestream or recording.

- 2. We will worship predominately in the fellowship hall and occasionally outside when the weather permits. Social distancing protocols will remain intact during worship. There is no hugging or touching. Maintain 6 feet of distance between you and others at all times. We will have a seating usher to help you and your family find a spot. We will need to maximize spacing, so please don't be offended if you are asked to sit somewhere other than your normal spot. We will also ask you and your family to RSVP to worship services so we can adequately space out chairs. No more than 50 people will be allowed in the building.
- 3. There will be no hymnals, Bibles, or bulletins made available to the congregation. We will ask you to follow along with the order of worship being projected on the screen. You may also use your phones as a resource. No offering plate will be passed. We will have a plate in back made available for those of you that prefer inperson giving.
- 4. At this time there will be no congregational singing, because unfortunately singing in a public setting is a highrisk way to contract the virus. We will still have music and many different creative ways for us to listen to God's word through song. Here is a video from Dr. Nola Knouse, Director of the Moravian Music Foundation, explaining the dangers of singing in further detail. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNzGkflAkZQ&t=108s</u>

Congregational Letter Continued

- 5. Children's Chat will be done with children remaining seated with their families. Parents we ask that you assist your children in following the social distancing protocols. If you feel your child would struggle to understand social distancing protocols, we would encourage you to join us for worship from the comfort of your own home. We understand how challenging this can be for kids!
- 6. Pastor Ben will dismiss families individually and spaced out at the end of church to avoid congested departure and to maintain proper social distancing. Please do not linger after the service. Our cleaning crew will need to deep clean after worship.

7. We will have one restroom open for worship. We encourage you to only use it for emergencies.

8. If you begin to feel symptoms of any kind during this time, regardless of severity, please stay home until you are well enough to return; don't risk it! We would even encourage you to take your temperature Sunday morning before joining us for worship.

We realize that many of you may be vulnerable to COVID-19 and will not feel comfortable returning to worship for quite some time. That is perfectly fine! This is not a test of your faith and we will not be disappointed if you are not worshipping with us. We will be livestreaming our services on Facebook and you will be able to see recorded services on our website. You are a valued member of our church, even if you can only be spiritually present for worship at this time.

I know some of these changes will be difficult for us to adjust to. Yet, we must always remember these changes are temporary and God's presence is permanent. 1 Corinthians 15:58 said, "Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to me or the joint board.

Blessings, Pastor Ben SCMC Joint Board

Prayers of the Faithful from May

"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, Charles Dalton IV.

Healing, Comfort and Peace: Cheryl Wallace, Brenda Bayer, Toby, Earl and Linda Miler, Charles Gibbs, Central Michigan Residents, John Shaw, Teresa Brown, Eric, Brenda Bayer, Cliff Nickerson, Chick & Elinor Baily, Fred Duprow, Jennifer Totzezk, CRV-19 Victims, CRV-19 First Responders, Jennifer, Troy Coventry, Carol Fantine, Jeanne Holland– Vincer, Tim Northrop, Chuck Leonard, , Eric Renner, John Czerepak, Phillip Keller, Amanda Lippert, George Kail, Rebecca Toyberg Nolan, Joyce Swaldo, Jim Shamel Sr., Jean, Becky Williams, Abby Sprowl, Dave Metzger, Brenda Ramey, Janet West, Lori, Vaughn Stull, June Butler, Joan Borne, Jeff Edwards, Willie Gardner, Stephanie, Sanette Fleming, Todd Steele, Jim Menapace, Karen, Bonnie Meese, Stacey Kastor, Ellenton, Ava Faucett, Bob McCoy, Linda Free, Eleanor Settle, Don Settle, Emily Settle, Brad Miller, David Norman, Denise Ralston, Dave Andreatta, Hannah Kloesz, Denny Drumm, Sarah Blakeley,

Families Bereaved: Naomi Martin, Tiffani Canfield.

Homebound: Lynne Capretta (Northwoods).

"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. This month's meeting is cancelled

Women's Fellowship Breakfast— at The Mill in New Philadelphia. Come and Bring a Friend! This month's meeting is cancelled.

In Good Company— (women's Bible Study) The Bible study is meeting on the second Saturday of the month @ 9:30 on Zoom for the time being. All women are welcome. We will be starting a new book in January "Setting a Table in the Kingdom of God" by John D. Rights. This month they will meet via Zoom.



Birthday/Anniversary Cake Sign-up



Sign up is at the bottom of the stairs in the narthex. Cakes are \$42.00. Specify type preferred or that you plan to provide your own.

Birthdays

Jackie Pasquinelli– 06/02 Cheryl Kadri– 06/18 Tammy Eichel– 06/22 Martha Dalcoma– 06/24 Janet West– 06/26 Rick Swaldo– 06/29 **Anniversaries** Tom & Jean-Anne Baker– 06/07 Dave & Janet Jenkins– 06/14 Ron & Missy Martin– 06/29 ELDER REPORT: NEXT MEETING: Monday June 15th @ 7p.m.

Elders Meeting Summary: The board met via Zoom on Monday May 18th. Positive feedback was given for our recorded worship services and people seemed to be enjoying Holy Communion via Zoom. They uplifted prayers in our congregation for our first responders, for all those that have temporarily lost their jobs, and for all of us as we struggle with the stress and anxiety of the times. The Concert That Cares will not take place in 2020, due to the latest CDC recommendations. Confirmation Day will tentatively be moved to August 16th, if it works for all the kids. New methods of doing Holy Communion when we return to worship was discussed. Small group will begin the opportunity to reconvene at the church this summer if they choose. The mission trip to Tricklee Café has been postponed until 2021.

<u>CEC REPORT:</u> Next Meeting: Monday April 27@ 7 pm via Zoom (April Meeting)

CEC Meeting Summary: ((held on April 27th via Zoom Video Conference) We continued to discuss ways to stay connected while social distancing measures are in place due to COVID-19. Carolyn will keep sending out weekly emails to parents with elementary school-aged children, with printable activities normally found in the children's bulletin. She will also organize a Zoom meeting for kids in that age range, to get together and play a game or two online. A decision on whether and how to hold Vacation Bible School was postponed until the next meeting. Marie Couts, Eastern District Director of Christian Education, will be offering some ideas on virtual Vacation Bible School and Sunday School.

Sunday School: In recess for now, but we look forward to gathering together soon!

June Mission of the Month// Joyful Noise

offerings will be dedicated to Dress-a-child.



TRUSTEE REPORT: NEXT MEETING: Wednesday June 10th @ 6:30

Trustees Meeting Summary: The

board met on May 13th via Zoom. They made COVID-19 health recommendations to the joint board for a return to in-person worship. They also recommend a return of Food on the Fly in June and curbside pick-up for the Strawberry to the joint board, which was approved. The rummage sale was postponed until the fall.

JOINT BOARD REPORT: NEXT MEETING: Monday May 18th 7 p.m.

Joint Board Meeting Summary: The Joint Board met on Monday May 18th to make plans for returning to inperson. We discussed a layout for coming back to worship. Fellowship hall and outside were discussed as two primary worship sites. People would sit by family at an appropriate social distance wearing masks. Other changes will be shared in our newsletter as a congregational letter. June 14th is the first Sunday we will consider a return. Plans for the strawberry festival and Food on the Fly were made.

WOMEN'S BOARD REPORT: NEXT MEETING:

Treasurer's Report for Jan-March 2020:

Contributions - \$ 5,920.89	
YTD -	\$28,417.57
Expenses -	\$ 5,408.37
YTD -	\$25,982.77
Budget	\$93,775.62

Your continued offerings are greatly appreciated. We also received a payroll protection plan grant to help during this time with our payroll expenses. Keep up the good work Schoenbrunn! Jackie

Attendance Info:

April Average Worship n/a Sunday School n/a

Masks for All

If you have sewing skills and a machine, our communities need your help! The UBC Central Elders want to encourage individuals and small groups to make CDC-compliant face masks for everyday people who have to venture into public.

We provide the patterns.

We reimburse you for materials.

You make them, and get them to the people in your community.

For more information contact Castleton Hill Moravian office at 484-619-8846 or office@castletonhill.org

"We are Christ Centered"

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



Sunday June 7th- *** Trinity Sunday- Holy Communion Via Zoom

"O Lord, our Soverign, how majestic is your name in all the earth. " Psalm 8:9 Genesis 1:1-2:4a, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

Sunday June 14th – Second Sunday of Pentecost

"For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

and his faithfulness to all generations. " Psalm 100:5

Exodus 19:2-8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1-8, Matthew 9:35-10:8

Sunday June 21st-Third Sunday of Pentecost/ Father's Day

"Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.."- Matthew 10:39

Jeremiah 20:7-13, Psalm 67:7-10, 16-18, Romans 6:1b-11, Matthew 10:24-39

Sunday June 28th– Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

"Happy are the people who know the festal shout, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.. "- Psalm 89:15 Jeremiah 28:5-9, Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18, Romans 6:12-23, Matthew 10:40-42

Youth Sundays

Games for all the youth after worship 11:45—12:45. Snacks for the kids will be provided. The first Sunday of every month the kids are encouraged to bring in a toy from home and Pastor Ben has to try to teach his children's lesson based on the objects they bring. It's a lot of fun for the children and adults!



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!

<u>Ushers</u>

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.

Around our Church and Moravian Community

June 7th– Holy Communion via/ Zoom June 10th– Food on the Fly June 10th– Trustees June 13th– Strawberry Festival June 15th– Elders

Strawberry Festival –Saturday June 13th

4pm-7pm- Curbside pick-up only

\$5/ (one sandwich, 2 sides, strawberries, and shortcake)



Holy Communion Worship Via Zoom

Sunday June 7th, 10:30

Bring your own Communion elements

to Worship

How to Join?

- 1. Click on the link at 7 p.m. <u>https://zoom.us/</u> j/8022223798
- Call 1-408-638-0968 and type in the meeting id # 802 222 3798 (just like a conference call) and password 3303391940.

"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

We are not able to meet this month, but we ask that



you keep sending cards and letter s to members of the congregation and your loved ones. Let's remain in prayer for one another!

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 very rewarding experience! Please let me know if you can help.

Rummage Sale Reminder– Rummage Sale Postponed Until the Fall

As you do fall cleaning , remember we have a storage unit to keep treasures until our garage sale. Contact Pastor Ben will be holding **regular drop-in office hours** on Mondays from 1:30-4 pm, and on Thursdays from 9-11:30 am. Appointments can also be made for other times by calling/texting 330– 440-4705 or by emailing



pastor@scmchurch.org

An appointment with Pastor Ben

can be done via phone or Zoom during the Covid-19 restrictions



Church Website – http://scmchurch.org Facebook – <u>https://</u> www.facebook.com/s Reminders – Would ye

SOCIAL MEDIA **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 **Wednesday June 10th** from 4:30p.m—6p.m on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. The Cost will be \$8. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Floyd Swinderman at



Help us Raise the Roof Fund!

We already raised over \$3000 towards our \$6000 goal. For every \$100 we raise we get to rip off one of the old shingles and see our beautiful new roof! Thanks for your support!



News from Eastern District / Northern Province

- The Tuscarawas County Mission Trip to Tricklebee Café in Milwaukee, WI has been postponed until 2021.
- Sr. Linda Wisser, a 2020 graduate of Moravian Theological Seminary has accepted a part-time appointment to serve as interim pastor at the East Hills Moravian Church in Bethlehem, PA.
- Eastern District Synod which was scheduled to be held at Moravian College from June 24th– 27th 2020 will be postponed. A rescheduled date has not been made available at this time.
- Br. Frank Crouch, Dean of Moravian Theological Seminary, began a year-long sabbatical on May 8th that will be followed by his retirement. Br. Craig Atwood has been named interim dean of the seminary during this transition time.
- Br. Sam Gray, currently Director of Mission Outreach for the Board of World Mission, has accepted the call to serve as Pastor of the New Philadelphia Moravian Church in Winston-Salem, NC.
- Summer camps at Tarhollow, Camp Bethany, Chetek (WI), Laurel Ridge (NC), and Camp Hope have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 June 14th.** They can either be picked up at the church or arrangements can be made for delivery.



News from Ohio Moravian Churches

 Dinner on the Run Is cancelled this month due to CRV-19. It is 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.

Spiritual Companioning Small Group

Bring your own meal with you we will eat together as a group from 6:30-7 and meet from 7-8. Spiritual Companioning is a small discussion group that meets to deepen their spiritual relationship with God and others. The meal is optional you are welcome to join us at 7 as well! Come join us! Our next meeting will be after the COVID-19 Restrictions are lifted.

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Jacob Cannon showing off his well-balanced college diet for our children's chat

