THE SCHOENBRUNN SCROLL

March 2019

Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church

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

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Elder of the Month: Letticia Wright	
Youth Assistant: TBD	
CEC Member of the Month: Angie Miller	
Trustee of the Month: Doug Miller	

REMINDER: Submit April Newsletter

information before March 24th

2019 Congregational Watchword –

"I made the earth, and created humankind upon it; It was my hands that stretched out the heaven, and I commanded all their host." Isaiah 45:12

February was a month where with the weather God showed us who was in charge! We saw heavy snowfalls, rain, wind, and our household was without power for two days. It felt like winter came in four weeks this year.

How do you handle the constant change of seasons in your life? The old cliché is the only constant in life is change. I am a faithful person, but I love my routine. God often has to take me kicking and screaming to embrace the changes in my life. Having two days without power was inconvenient, but Emily and I are now thinking about having one "power out" night a week, where we enjoy life without devices. It will be nice to enjoy with the heat on!

I find I have to remind myself that God has made wonderful changes for the better throughout my life. Wonderful gifts I could not have possibly planned for myself. 2 Peter 3:9 said, "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

Lent is a season of planned liturgical change in our walk with God. Ash Wednesday this year is on March 5th and we will celebrate with an ecumenical service in collaboration with Emmanuel Lutheran, First Presbyterian, Otterbein United Methodist, Trinity Episcopalian .This service of unity will be at Otterbein United Methodist at 6:30. This service is a great reminder that we are all children of the same God.

What will you be changing this Lenten season? How will you utilize those changes to grow closer with God? May we all use this Lenten season as an opportunity to grow closer to Christ, for the wonderful sacrifice he made behalf on each one of us. Amen

Pastor Ben

Prayers of the Faithful from February



"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, Evan Toyberg.

Healing, Comfort and Peace: Jessica Fletcher, Vickie Eichel, Jim Eichel, Riane Rine, Bob McPeek, Ava Winner's niece, Jessica Fletcher, Lynn Capretta, Valerie Eberhardt, Ken Lewis, Shirley Thompson, Jeff Edwards, Lori Sutton, , Sanette Fleming, Amy Behrend, Rosemary Kleintop, Amelia Hershberger, Mark Meek, Larry Burns, Cathy Smith, Heidi Baker, David Norman, Jennifer Totz, Jane Martin, Denise Ralston, Dave Andreatta, Katelyn Kinsey, Sarah Blakeley, Emily Settle, Eleanor Settle, Joe Northrop.

Families Bereaved: Alvin Cappel Brock Bennington, Patricia Poole, Neva Rees.

Homebound: Lynne Capretta (Northwoods).

Prayer Chain: Please call Dalene Swinderman 330-447-5556 or email pastor Ben at pastor@scmchurch.org if you would like the prayer chain to join you in prayer for yourself or someone close to you.

Knee-Mail: If you would like to receive, via email, the prayer requests that are being attended to by our church's prayer chain, please send an email to Linda Bennington at bale5@roadrunner.com.

"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 will be March 4th**

Women's Fellowship Breakfast— March16th at 9:00 AM at The Mill in New Philadelphia. Come and Bring a Friend!

In Good Company—The Bible study is meeting on March 9th. They normally meet on the Second Saturday of the month.





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

Alicia Miller & Joe Bihari- 03/01 Dave Jenkins 03/02 Madison Wright- 03/04 Randy Weston- 03/07 Jacob Cannon-03/12 Tristin Wright- 03/14 Colton Korns- 03/21 Nathan Baker-03/22 Tom Baker- 03/23 **Anniversaries** Don and Shirley Greenwood 03/13 Jackie and Scott Porter- 03/30 **ELDER REPORT:** NEXT MEETING: Monday March 18th@ 7:00p.m.

Elders Meeting Summary: The Elders met via email due to the power outage. We discussed worship feedback, community feedback, and prayer concerns. Pastor Ben is seeking pulpit supply for when he attends Spring Rally on April 10th. The Elders approved Angie Miller's vacation day on March 24th. They approved a second mile offering for Kent State CCO ministries . They also approved a special joyful noise offering for Bears and Cares on Sunday March 3rd.

<u>CEC REPORT</u>: Next Meeting: Tuesday March 5th **CEC Meeting Summary**: At the February 5th meeting we assigned duties for the year and CEC members of the month. We discussed ideas presented at the "Grow Your Church Younger" workshop at Dover. We discussed ways to help transition children from the nursery to worship, and ways to recognize our youth as vital members of our congregation. It was decided not to hold a combined Sunday School class in March, and to consider a Haystack Dinner as a fundraiser, or possibly just as a fellowship opportunity. Two more beanbag chairs will be purchased for the "Videos that Teach" Sunday School room. CEC will assist with the upcoming Lenten Mid-Week study by creating a sign-up sheet for supper.

Sunday School:

This fall we are using the NEW "Living Branches" program for one adult class (in Fellowship Hall) and our kids class. Our Videos that Teach class will resume in its newly redecorated room. Bible Study in the church office will be studying Paul's letters. All classes begin Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM. Nursery is available but not staffed during the Sunday School hour, please see Carolyn Menapace if nursery staff would be helpful to your family.

The January/ February Joyful Noise offerings will be

dedicated to the Youth Convocation.



TRUSTEE REPORT: NEXT MEETING: Wed. March 13th @ 7 :30 p.m

Trustees Meeting Summary: The trustees met on Wednesday February 13th. Jackie Pasquinelli's treasurer's

Reportwas approved. They discussed feedback from the chili cook off, a recent estimate for the parsonage flooring, planned the spring card party, started researching new copiers for when our contract expires, plans for the parsonage committee, and other items were discussed. **Scrip Report:** Scrip orders are collected on the SECOND Sunday or order online anytime. Scrip order profit was \$100.22

Electronic Giving: Contact our financial secretary, Paula Drumm, for more information or download an application from our website (scmchurch.org) and mail it to the

church.

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

Joint Board Meeting Summary: We met on Tuesday January 29th. New board positions for the year were selected. Rick Swaldo was appointed the vice-chair of the board and Alicia Miller was appointed secretary. A vote was cast for the open Eastern District Board position. Church council was discussed and plans were made to send out congregational surveys with regards to the gift from the Denzer trust. A town was added in February to discuss survey results and the board would like to do a one day retreat in March or April.

WOMEN'S BOARD REPORT: NEXT MEETING: Monday March 4th @ Bob Evans

The Women's Board had a very eventful December. Cooking and serving Christmas meal to the Tusc. County Stamp Club on Dec. 5, and the Tusc. County Coin Club on Dec. 10, and providing breakfast for the RYC youth retreat on Dec. 15. The Women's Christmas dinner was held Dec. 19, hosted by Millie Weston at her farm,26 ladies had a very enjoyable evening. We would like to thank Millie Weston for hosting the Women's dinner, and everyone who helped with dishwashing and clean up atall these events, we couldn't do it without you. We have sold 38 stars this season.

Financial Info (as of)	
January 2019	
Contributions - \$7177.45	
Expenses - \$8546.76	
Budget - \$94307.00	
YTD Income - \$7177.45	
YTD Expenses – 8546.76	

Attendance Info:

January Average Worship (43)

January Sunday School Average (20)

2 Volunteers needed for the parsonage committee. Contact trustee Barry Hunn if interested. Thank you!



"We are Christ Centered"

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



Sunday March 3rd- Transfiguration Sunday

"And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus alone" – Matthew 17:8 Exodus 34:29-35, Psalm 99, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36 Sunday March 10th – Fifth Sunday in Lent*** Holy Communion "No one who believes in Christ will be put to shame." - Romans 10:11 Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

Sunday March 17th – Second Sunday in Lent

"The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?" - Psalm 27:1 Genesis 15:1-12, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35

Sunday March 24– Third Sunday in Lent

"Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near." - Isaiah 55:6 Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

Sunday March 31st- Fourth Sunday in Lent

"If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new." - 2 Corinthians

5:17

Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:11b-32

Stay tuned to our Facebook page for our next Youth event!





The last 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! This month it will be Sunday March 31stA

Where Doors and Hearts are Open to All Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church Worship 10:30 AM

Greeters

3- Rick and Joyce Swaldo
10- TBD
17- TBD
24- TBD
31-TBD
<u>Ushers</u>
3- Katy Rabes & Allee Baker
10- Emily Lippert
17- TBD
24- TBD
31- TBD

<u>Nursery</u>

3– Letticia &Madison Wright

10- Ross Swaldo & Jacob Cannon

17– Katy Rabes & Allee Baker

24– McKenna Cannon & Chloe Martin

31– Paula Drumm & Ryan Kastor





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

March 6th– Eccumenical Ash Wednesday Service @ Otterbein United Methodist March 11th– Card Party March 12– Cares and Prayers March 23– Park St. Pizza fundraiser pickup @ Schoenbrunn March 31— Covered dish Town Hall/Birthday & Anniversary Sunday April 14th– Palm Sunday April 21st– Easter



"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

Cares and Prayers is a new ministry we started at our



church. We will meet **Tuesday March 12th** from 1:30 p.m- 3:00p.m. in the church office. Come join us for fellowship, snacks, and prayers for our loved ones.

Looking for volunteers 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. It should only take about an hour of your time. Usually the truck is at the pantry and they have the boxes packed and ready to go by 2:30

or 3:00. Please think about this. It is very rewarding to know you have helped someone that cannot do for themselves! Please let me know if you can help. Thank you, Floyd Swinderman



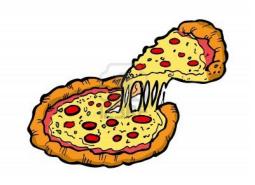
Pastor Ben will be holding **regular drop-in office hours** on Mondays from 1:30-4 pm, and on Thursdays from 9-11:30 am. Appointments can also be made for other times by calling/texting 330– 440-4705 or by emailing pastor@scmchurch.org.





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**



Park Street Pizza Fundraiser

To support Youth Convo

Help us raise money for our Ohio Moravian youth attending Convo! Contact Emily Lippert, or call the church office to place an order for a fresh Park St Pizza, or premade cookie dough balls.

Prices vary from \$10-13 depending on toppings

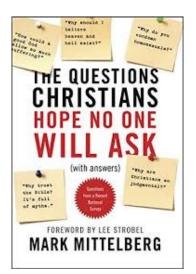
News from Eastern District / Northern Province

- Sister Linda Rapp was elected to the Eastern District executive after a special election to take the place of Ralph Wannamaker, who is now serving on the Provincial Elders Conference
- Esperanza Moravian Church finally has a new church home and parsonage on the south-side of Bethlehem. They bought the property from St. John Winish Church which ended its ministry this summer.
- Brother Mike Eder of of the Chaska Moravian Church in Chaska, MN, has retired, effective January 2019.
- Sign-up for Moravian Youth Convo has begun for 18-26 year olds. This year it will be at the U.S Virgin Islands: St.John and St.Thomas. View http://moravian.online/ ConvoRegistration
- Brother Bruce Shroger from Lake Auburn Moravian (Victoria, MN) was elected to the PEC in a special election.

Lenten Learnings

Join us this Lenten Season season as we gather for soup and snacks at 6:00 p.m and programming from 6:30-7:30 on Wednesdays from March 12th—April 10th . This year during Lent we are looking at questions kids ask about God and during our Wednesday night programming we will dig into some of the more difficult questions adults ask about God. We will be using

Mark Mittelberg's book, *The Questions Christians Hope No One Will Ask*, as a guide. Come join Us!



News from Ohio Moravian Churches

- Dinner on the Run at Uhrichsville Moravian. Thursday, March 7th 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! Preordering is not required, but you may call ahead to ensure availability: 740-922-0886.
- Kid's Night Out is returning to Sharon on Friday March 8th from 6 p.m– 8 p.m.

Spiritual Companioning Small Group– Wednesday April 24th 7-8

***Please note, we will not be meeting in March due to Lent

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!



February Pictures

Chili Cookofff & Pound Auction







