## THE SCHOENBRUNN SCROLL

May 2020

Schoenbrunn Community Moravian Church

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



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REMINDER: Submit June Newsletter

information before May 24th

#### 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

#### **May Newsletter**

Greetings Schoenbrunn Family,

Author Kakuzo Okakura said, "The art of life lies in a constant readjustment to our surroundings." All of us have adjusted far more over these past few months than we ever thought we could. Psychology research has found it can take anywhere from 3 weeks to a couple of months for us to develop a new habit. How many of you have become accustomed to new habits in your life?

This is the part of the newsletter where I would love to give you a concrete list of when we can return to worship and what other activities we can participate in the life of the church. Unfortunately, there is still too much up in the air for me to do so. What I can tell you is that the Joint Board has cancelled all in-person worship and activities through May  $17^{\rm th}$  so far .

First and foremost, we want to put the safety of our church members first and we want to adhere to the recommendations made by local, state, and federal officials. Second of all, we are going to prioritize returning to worship before events and other ministries.

When we do return to worship, we can expect some major changes to how we worship for the foreseeable future. The joint board is already working hard to put some policies in place for when we can return to worship. These details will be shared with the entire congregation when completed.

The important thing is, that we will get the opportunity to worship together again and it will be a beautiful day. Keep praying for the day where we can return to worshipping in-person! I never thought I would have to say this, but I am eager for a day when I can lead a worship service and the human beings outnumber the stuffed animals:).

Psalm 57:7 said, "My heart is confident in you, O God; my heart is confident. No wonder I can sing your praises!" May we all keep our confidence in God's goodness in the midst of this storm. Good days are always on the horizon!

Pastor Ben

#### Prayers of the Faithful from April

"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: 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, Hennis Nursing Home, 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: Joe Northrop, Linda Bonnell, Robb Buzzeo.

Homebound: Lynne Capretta (Northwoods).

Prayer Chain: Please call Dalene Swinderman 330-447-5556 or email pastor Ben at pastor@scmchurch.org if you

#### "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** Kathy Cummings – 05/04 Charlotte Menapace - 05/04

Linda Bennington-05/07

Brock Stafford - 05/07 Danielle Rossi- 05/16

Brandon Kastor – 05/19

Erica Dalton-05/25

Angie Miller -05/27

Kajai Murray-5/30

#### **Anniversaries**

Tm & Linda Northrop- 05/10 Steve & Jackie Pasquinelli-05/10 Joe & Cheryl Bihari- 05/18 Ben & Emily Lippert- 05/20

**ELDER REPORT:** NEXT MEETING: May 18th via Zoom following Joint Board

**Elders Meeting Summary:** The board met via Zoom on Monday April 20th . Positive feedback was given for our recorded worship services and we will continue to look for creative ways to keep our kids involved. 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 that was supposed to happen in May will be postponed until the fall. If we are able to continue worship on Sunday May 24th, we are still planning on our re-scheduled confirmation day of May 31st. There may be an opportunity to coordinate with the Presbyterian Church in town for an afternoon Good Friday service next year. This could be very helpful for those who do not like to drive at night. The mission team will meet in May to discuss if they need to postpone their trip to Tricklebee Café in Milwaukee, WI.

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

CEC Meeting Summary: (held on March 30th via Zoom Video Conference) At the March 30th meeting we discussed ways to stay connected while social distancing measures are in place due to COVID-19. Carolyn will send out weekly emails to parents with elementary school-aged children, with printable activities normally found in the children's bulletin. Emily recommended the Eastern District Friday night Zoom gatherings lead by the Eastern District Moravian Youth & Young Adult Ministries as a way for older youth to connect with friends throughout the district. Marie Couts, Eastern District Director of Christian Education, will be leading a series of Zoom meetings for Sunday School teachers.

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



May Mission of the Month// Joyful Noise

offerings will be dedicated to the

**Good Neighbor Project** 

TRUSTEE REPORT: NEXT MEETING: May 13th. @ 7 p.m

**Trustees Meeting Summary:** The board met on on April 1st. A light was fixed in the parsonage and a kitchen sink. Each participant in the summer mission trip was awarded a \$50.00 scholarship from the camp scholarship fund. No decisions have been made about the upcoming Strawberry Festival or rummage sale. The next meeting will be dedicated to developing a building use protocol for when

we return to worship

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

Joint Board Meeting Summary: The Joint Board met on Monday April 20th via Zoom to make plans for May worship and activities. The board decided to extend cancelled in –person worship through Sunday May 17th. It is possible we will be able to worship together on Sunday May 24th with significant changes. It will depend on gov. regulations, PEC recommendations, and most importantly prayerful discernment. The board will re-evaluate on Monday May 18th. The board also extended their gratitude to treasurer Jackie Pasquinelli for securing a payroll– protection loan/ grant that should help the church during this hardship.

#### **WOMEN'S BOARD REPORT:** NEXT MEETING:

#### Treasurer's Report for Jan-March 2020:

Contributions - \$19,147.43 Expenses - \$19,290.28

We have paid \$4500.00 towards the Pastor's medical. We will not pay any Provincial or District Assessments until we are back meeting in the church. Please continue to send in your contributions, either by mail or online. As you can see we are just making ends meet.

#### **Attendance Info:**

March Average Worship (55) Sunday School (28)

#### 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 May 3rd-Fourth Sunday of Easter\*\*\* Holy Communion Via Zoom

"I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." John 10:9

Psalm 23rd, John 10:1-10, Acts 2:42-47, 1 Peter 2:19-25

#### Sunday May 10th – Fifth Sunday of Easter

"I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." John 14:6
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16, John 14:1-14, Acts 7:55-60, 1 Peter 2:2-10

#### Sunday May 17th-Sixth Sunday of Easter

"Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name, give to him glorious praise. ." - Psalm 66:1-2 Psalm 66:8-20, John 14:15-21, Acts 17:22-31, 1 Peter 3:13-22

#### Sunday May 24th - Seventh Sunday of Easter

" Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. "- 1 Peter 5:7 Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35, John 17:1-11, Acts 1:6-14, 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

#### Sunday May 31st - Day of Pentecost

"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are a varieties of services, but the same Lord" - 1 Corinthians 12:4-5

Psalm 104:24-34, Acts 2:1-21, 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13, John 20:19-23

#### **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 sign-up sheet for May and June! Ushers

Keep an eye out for our sign-up sheet for May and June! 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

May 3rd— Worship W/ Holy Communion via Zoom

May 13th-Trustees via Zoom

May 18th-Joint Board and Elders via Zoom

May 18th- Elders Meeting Via Zoom

#### **Easter Children's Chat**



# Holy Communion Worship Via Zoom Sunday May 3rd, 10:30 Bring your own Communion elements to Worship

#### How to Join?

- 1. Click on the link at 7 p.m. <a href="https://zoom.us/j/8022223798">https://zoom.us/j/8022223798</a>
- 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**

As you do fall cleaning, remember we have a storage unit to keep treasures until our garage sale. Contact Terry Bonnell for storage needs.

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 – 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 **TBD** 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 330-343-8122. Thanks!



#### 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

- Western District Synod which was scheduled for April will be moved to November due to COViD-19.
- 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.
- Sister Pat Honzer will be retiring from Easton Moravian Church at the end of April. Pat served at Fry's Valley Moravian Church.
- Sr. Sanette and Br. Garritt Fleming pastors of Schoeneck Moravian in Nazareth, PA announced the birth of Esther Hadassah Flemming on April 20th.

#### **Scrip Orders**

I am planning on sending Scrip orders on May 10th. You can put your orders in the scrip box at church, mail them to me, or mail them to the church by May 9th. You can call me at 330-364-0080 if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Doug Miller

## 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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Tim and I would like to thank our loving churh family for the prayers, cards, many messages, and unique ways you reached out to us during this difficult and sad time. Joe loved his church family, you were a big part of his life.

In Christ's Love,

Tim and Linda Northrop

#### **April Pictures**

The Lippert's



E Lippert's The Cannon/ Canfield Family



The Kastor's



The Martin's

