

Bethania Moravian Church

CELEBRATING



THE ANNIVERSARY
LOVEFEAST

Sunday, June 9th
11:00 A.M.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Sr. Alma Flynn

Watchword for the Week:

“Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!”

-Psalm 130: 2

Reader: Sr. Barbara Peiffer

Prelude

Lift You Hearts in Praise

E. Broughton

The Anniversary Liturgy

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Leaders: Srs. Wilma Harvey, Renee Martin, Stephanie Martin, and Gracie Martin

The Serving of the Lovefeast

On This Our Day of Praise

Tune: Darwall (342 D)

On this our day of praise, this lovefeast, Lord, we hold.
We pilgrims join in song proclaiming faith so bold:
Glory to you, the Lamb who died.
All hail our king, the crucified.

From age to age it sounds, the anthem all supreme.
World unto world proclaims the everlasting theme:
 Glory to you, the Lamb who died.
 All hail our king, the crucified.

In Essentials Let Us Be United

Tune: Covenant (185 A)

In essentials let us be united,
 Joining in God's Sovereign truth,
 That our Father is the Lord Almighty,
 Maker of the heav'ns and earth;
That God sacrificed his Son, Christ Jesus,
Who became for us salvation wonderous;
 That the Holy Spirit lives
 In each heart that does believe.

In the non-essentials of church doctrine
 Let us open-minded be,
Showing kindness, mercy, understanding,
 And respect diversity;
Let us practice tolerance and goodness,
Walk in love and be our Saviors witness;
 For we are God's family
 Even though we different be.

In all things, our Father, Lord and Savior,
 Teaches us the law of love;
Then let love determine our behavior,
 For 'tis God's command to all;
May this motto live in all God's children
 As we strive to follow love's direction;
 May God bless us as we show
 Charity in all we do.

The Moravian Blessing

Come Lord Jesus, our guest to be,
And bless these gifts bestowed by thee.
Blessed our loved ones everywhere,
And keep them in thy loving care. Amen.

Anthems

The Collecting of the Lovefeast

Come, Let Us All with Gladness Raise

Tune: Freuen Wir Uns

Come, let us all with gladness raise
A joyous song of thanks and praise
To God who rules the heav'nly Host,
God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

And in your love may we abide,
Estranged from none by wrath or pride,
Among ourselves at unity
And with all else in charity.

Thus may our lips your praises sound,
Our hearts in steadfast hope abound;
Till you to heaven our steps shall bring
Where saints and angels hail you King.

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Tune: Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore you,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flow'rs before you,
op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

All your works with joy surround you,
earth and heav'n reflect your rays,
stars and angels sing around you,
center of unbroken praise;
field and forest, vale and mountain,
flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain
praising you eternally!

Always giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blessed,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Loving Father, Christ our brother,
let your light upon us shine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals join the mighty chorus,
which the morning stars began;
God's own love is reigning o'er us,
joining people hand in hand.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *To God Be the Glory*
 The Bethania Handbells and Organ

Response:

*To God be the glory great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory great things he hath done!*

Prayer

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:23

Isaiah 60:1

Psalm 122

Psalm 84

Sr. Marti and Br. John Bell
Sr. Becky and Br. Rick Sapp

Hymn *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* #530
 Tune: Lobe Den Herren (61 A)

Meditation The Reverend Victoria Bass

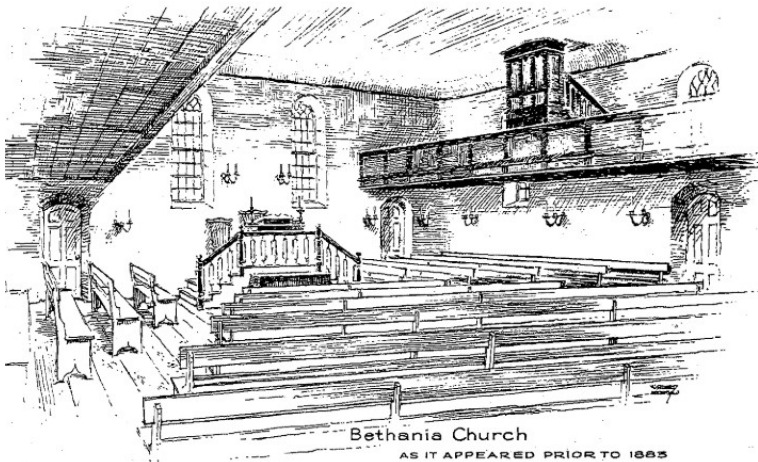
Hymn *He Leadeth Me* #787

Benediction

(The choir will sing the first time through. The congregation will then join for a second time through.)

Bless, O Lord, we pray, your congregation;
 Bless each home and family;
 Bless the youth, the rising generation;
 Blessed may your dear children be;
Bless your servants, grant them help and favor;
 You to glorify be their endeavor.
 Lord, on you we humbly call;
 Let your blessing rest on all.

Postlude *With Trumpets and Horns*
 Arr. E. Broughton



Announcements and Events

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Sr. Jane Jackson.

Sunnyside Ministries is currently collecting cans of fruit, vegetables, soups, meats, crackers, and cereals.

The Elders have asked for volunteers to help usher and ring the church bell on Sunday mornings and for special services. If you feel led to serve in this capacity, there will be a sign-up sheet on the bench in the small room just off of the sanctuary restrooms.

The Elders will be meeting this Tuesday, June 11th at 7:00 in the fellowship hall?

The Trustees will be meeting this Thursday, June 13th at 7:00 in the boardroom.

The Living Estate Sale of Sr. Molly Leinbach will be Friday, June 14th and Saturday, June 15th beginning at 9:00 A.M. on both days. It will be held in the Guild Classroom downstairs.

The Sacrament of the Holy Communion will be celebrated next Sunday during our 11:00 A.M. worship.

The Women's Fellowship Circles 2 and 3 meets next Sunday, June 16th at 2:00 P.M.

The Women's Fellowship Circle 1 meets Tuesday, June 18th at 10:00 A.M.



Welcome to Bethania Moravian Church! We are so glad you are in worship with us today! Please check out our announcements and events calendar to see what is going on in the life of the church. If you would like to receive more information about the Church, please contact the Church office.

Our Prayer Requests for this Sunday

William Brown, Cristi (a friend of Sr. E.J.), Gary Collins, Darrel Flippin, Carol Grant, Robert Grant, Bob Delp, Frank Harvey, Yvonne Hunter, Bill Martin, Rosemary Mock, Rick Sapp, Janet Styers, Sue Underwood.

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayers. Amen.

(To add or remove from this list, please contact the church office.)

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