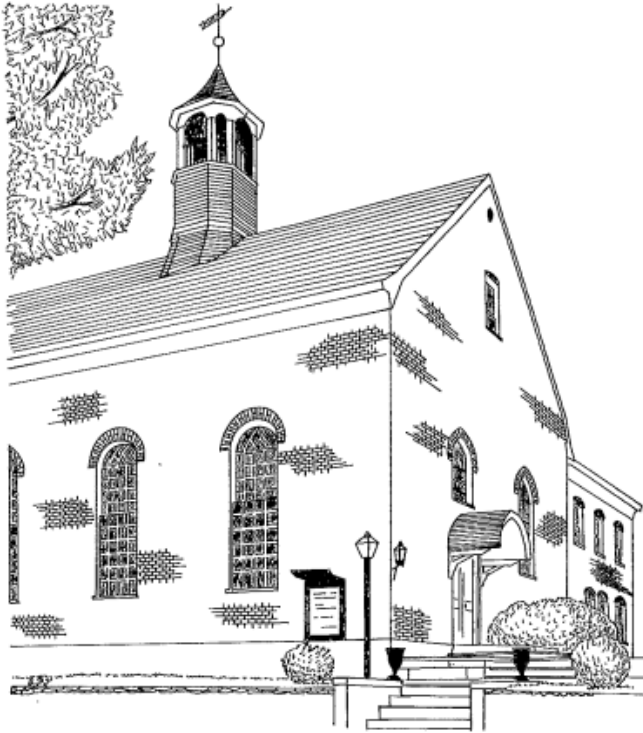


Bethania Moravian Church



June Feast - The Church Anniversary

SUNDAY, JUNE 14TH , 2026 - 11:00 AM

Bethania Congregational Watchword for 2026: *"Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me."*

- John 10: 14

Watchword for the Week: *"The Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."*

- Psalm 100: 5

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

The Anniversary Liturgy

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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 dear 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

Prayer

Offertory

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!

Scripture

Psalm 100, Pg. 520
Romans 5: 1-8, Pg. 980
Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8, Pg. 843
Reader: *Br. Alex Coulson*

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Tune: Lobe Den Herren (61 A)

Praise to the Lord, the almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning;
Shelt'ring you under his wings, O, so gently sustaining.
Have you not seen all you have needed has been
Met by his gracious ordaining.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend you.

Praise to the Lord! O, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

Meditation The Right Reverend Dr. Nola Knouse

Bless, O Lord, we pray
Tune: Covenant (185 A)

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.

Blessing *Be present at our table, Lord
Be here and everywhere adored.
From thine all-bounteous hand our food
May we receive with gratitude. Amen.*

Benediction

Postlude



Welcome to Bethania Moravian Church!

We are so glad you are in worship with us today! Please check out our announcements and events 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

Tally Bovender, Susan Coss, Guenther Davis, Janet Davis and family, Bob Delp, the family of Abby Edwards, Darrel Flippin, Scott Hankins, David Hunter, Rosemary Mock, E.J. Oehman, Evelyn Shouse, Janet Styers, Rhonda Wood.

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

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

Our Church Staff

Ministers – The Sisters and Brothers of Bethania Moravian Church

Pastor – The Reverend Linda Seippel

Director of Music – Br. Joshua D. Whitt

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Announcements and Events

A warm welcome to the Rt. Rev. Dr. Nola Knouse who joins us in worship this morning!

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by our dear Pastor Linda in celebration and thanksgiving to God on the occasion of the congregation's 267th anniversary!

A potluck follows worship today! Come! Eat! ALL are welcome!

Women's Fellowship Circle 1 will meet on Tuesday, June 16th at 10:00 AM.

The Provincial Women's Board Luncheon will be on Thursday, June 18th at 12:00 PM.

The Bethania Moravian Classic Car Cruise-In is back! Friday, June 19th at 5:00 PM.

The next community meal will be on Saturday, June 20th at 10:30 AM. Lasagna and fixings are planned. Volunteers, please be at the church by 9:30 AM.

The Sacrament of the Holy Communion in celebration of the church anniversary will be Sunday, June 21st during the 11:00 worship hour.

Women's Fellowship Circles 2 and 3 will meet on Sunday, June 21st at 2:30 PM.

Winston Salem Dash Baseball Game - Friday, July 24th at 6:30 - please fill out the attached piece of paper so that we can reserve your tickets.

The Widowed Friends Support Group will meet on Wednesday, July 1st at 2:00 PM.

The Breakfast Club will meet on Thursday, July 2nd at 9:00 AM at Mama Zoe's! ALL are welcome!

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Nola Knouse



The Rt. Rev. Dr. Nola Reed Knouse is a native of Winston-Salem and a lifelong member of Home Moravian Church. After studying music and mathematics at Wake Forest University and the Eastman School of Music, she taught at Salem College, Oregon State University, Wake Forest University, and privately. She began work at the Moravian Music Foundation in 1992 and served as Director from 1994 until retirement in 2022. She was music editor of the 1995 Moravian Book of Worship and edited/authored *The Music of the Moravian Church in America*, published by Eastman Studies in Musicology. She earned the Certificate in Moravian Studies at Moravian Theological Seminary, was ordained a deacon in 2009, and consecrated a presbyter in 2015. She has served on various provincial committees and is on the Board of Trustees of Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministries and the Tar River Land Conservancy. She remains active as a flutist, composer, and Moravian band leader. Since August of 2024 she has served as Pastor of Congregational Care and Visitation at Calvary Moravian Church. At the most recent Synod of the Moravian Church, Southern Province, she was elected a Bishop of the Unity, and a consecration service will be scheduled in the future. She is married to Paul F. Knouse, Jr., and they have a rescue collie, Sunny.

Special Music

Prelude

“Excerpt from “Moravian Medley for Organ”

Sr. Rebecca Kleintop Owens

Br. Alex Coulson, *Organ*

Anthems During the Lovefeast

“Fantasy on Bechler”

Arr. Br. Joshua D. Whitt

*Dedicated to the glory of God in honor and joyful thanksgiving
for the Bethania Congregation on the occasion of their 267th
anniversary*

Br. Alex Coulson, *Organ*

The Bethania Handbells

The Bethania Band

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Arr. Jay Rouse

The Bethania Choir

Charles Parker, *Violin*

Offertory

“I Believe in One God”

James D. Kimball

Alex Coulson, *Organ*

Postlude

“Toccata from the 5th Organ Symphony”

Widor, arr. Lani Smith

Br. Alex Coulson, *Organ*