



2024

EMMAUS MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Special Envelope for September

Emmaus Moravian Christian Education Fund-This fund supplies money for the purchase of curriculum and other educational materials for Sunday School and for various CE and youth activities within our church.



2024 Watchword:

Rejoice always. 1 Thessalonians 5:16

Emmaus Moravian Church's Mission Statement:

Living in Fellowship, Growing in Christ!

The Moravian Motto:

In essentials unity; In non-essentials liberty; and in all things love!

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, September 1st ~ Worship 9:30 ~ Celebration of Baptism

Sunday, September 8th ~ Sunday School Rally Day 9:00 in fellowship hall;
Fall Worship Schedule Begins ~ Worship 10:30 ~ Installation of teachers

Sunday, September 15th ~ Sunday School 9:00; Fellowship Days 10:00; Worship 10:30

Wednesday, September 18th ~ Wednesday Nite Lite 7:00 in the chapel

Sunday, September 22nd ~ Sunday School 9:00; Worship 10:30 ~ Reception of New Members

Sunday, September 29th ~ Sunday School 9:00; Worship 10:30

Sunday, October 6th ~ Sunday School 9:00; Worship 10:30 ~ Worldwide Communion
Blessing of the Animals 2:00 in the pavilion

All services are available live via zoom and later in the day on Facebook.

Go to www.zoom.us, Click on "Join a meeting" Enter meeting ID: 442 948 9211

In Our Congregation

*On August 4th, we welcomed Vivian Kay Walsh into our church family through baptism.
We welcome Vivian and her parents, Jeremy and Kristen!*

*On August 16th, Lois E. Naberstumpf entered the nearer presence of her Lord and Savior.
Please keep her children, Roy & Patti, Les & Linda and Diana & Joe Cornti and her
entire family in your prayers. Services for Lois will be at Emmaus Moravian Church on
Monday, September 16th. The calling hour will be from 11:30-12:00, with the memorial
beginning at 12:00. A luncheon will follow the burial at Northwood Cemetery.*

Dear Church Members,

*Thank you for helping me celebrate my 100th birthday—95 of which were spent coming and
participating in the Emmaus Moravian Church. There are many of you who are near and
dear to me. Thank you once again. Bless all of you.*

In faith, hope and love, Dorris Hennemuth Schaffer

Please remember those in need of our prayers ~

Nan Stevens, Steve Long, Gail Galasso (aunt of Kurt Haus),
Jerry Knauss, Nancy Thomas, Paula Stoeckel, Carol Campbell,
Pat Rath, James Silvius (son of Jean Brendlinger),
Mary (mother of Diane Joseph), Rev. Diane Joseph,
Art Corbett (Jeanne Harakal's brother in law),
Connie Renner (daughter- in- law of Howard & Judy),
our homebound, assisted living & nursing home residents

Please uphold these church members and friends in your prayers.

Contact the office whenever a visit is needed or to inform us about any
family situation. We will only post names on our prayer list if we
have permission from the person in need of prayer, or their family.



A Message from Pastor Brian

LABOR DAYS

“Grace is not opposed to effort, it is opposed to earning.”

~Dallas Willard

I mentioned a book I found while on retreat. “The City is My Monastery: A Contemporary Rule of Life” by Richard Carter. Carter is a priest serving St. Martin-in-the-Fields and the Nazareth Community in London. If you wonder what a “Rule of Life” is, think Benedictine Orders or the Moravian Covenant for Christian Living (MCCL). Both are outlines for being and building Christian community. Whereas Benedictines focus on listening for (and to) God through prayer, work, study, hospitality, and renewal; it is fair to say the MCCL places special importance on there being evidence of our faith in how we share everyday life. The biblical concept is witness: “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has filled your lives, and you will be my witnesses...” Acts 1:8. The MCCL encourages commitment to the witness of:

- 1) the Christian life;
- 2) a Living Church;
- 3) Ecumenism (learning from and rejoicing with other Christians);
- 4) the witness of Christian Homes; and
- 5) Christian Citizens

The MCCL affirms that these together are what it looks like to care for our witness in the world and they are how we witness to our faith.

Join us for a study of the Moravian Covenant for Christian Living using the Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood’s book, “Jesus Still Lead On: An Exploration of the Ground of the Unity and The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living” beginning with the InService Adult Class on Sunday, Sep. 15th at 9 a.m. and continuing through November 24th. The class will meet in the Moravian Room.

A Christian Rule of Life (as an agreement or charter) makes sense. Our Czech ancestors, in establishing the 1457 community of Kunvald, adopted the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew, Chapters 5 - 7) to give shape and substance to living as followers of Jesus. The point being - then, as now - to fight the tendency to value Christian belief over the fruit of a life lived in Christ. I once saw a church sign that read, “A Christian Heart is Good. A Christian Liver is Better.” A 4th Century knee-slapper goes:

“A monk came to Abba Theodore and began to converse with him about things which they had never put into practice. So, the old man said, ‘You have not yet found a ship nor put your cargo aboard it and before you have sailed, you have already arrived at the city. Do the work first; then you will have the speed you are making now.’” Before sharing a “Contemporary Rule,” Carter lists hopeful (and hoped-for) outcomes.

The “whys” that are the basis of “what” and “how.” I find it likely that you and I share many of their longings: to live more prayerfully, slower, more gently with others and with self, generously and hospitably, to live with an attentiveness to God, creation, and neighbor... Their life together formed by time with God and one another: in Silence, Service, Scripture, Sacrament, Sharing, Sabbath, and by Staying With.

As Emmaus Moravian Church, what do you feel is the basis of our life together? What are your hoped-for (and hopeful outcomes)? And how can we work with you on some of these this fall?

Your Co-Laborer in Christ,
Pastor Brian



Join us on Sunday, September 8th at 9:00 in fellowship hall for our Sunday School Rally Day!

A light breakfast will be served.

You will get to meet your teachers and visit your classroom. Classes are available for ages 2 thru adult!

We are excited to start the new Sunday School year!



Adult InService Classes

Join us for a study of the "Moravian Covenant for Christian Living" using the Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood's book, "Jesus Still Lead On: An Exploration of the Ground of the Unity and The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living" beginning with the InService Adult Class on Sunday, September 15th from 9:00-10:00. The class will continue through November 24th.

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Available from the Interprovincial Board of Communication

"**Losing Light, Walking by Faith but Wanting to See,**" is a book written by the Rev. Brian Dixon. In the book, Pastor Brian invites readers on a similar journey through shadow and light. With a seeker's questions and a pastor's heart, he encourages us to "come and see" the fullness of life with God even if (and when) our vision is clouded or the way is unclear. The collection is divided into 6 sections of approximately 20 pages each, with the stories, poems and prayers in each section reflecting a slightly different theme related to light. ~ excerpt from Moravian Magazine , issue 4, 2022. The book, along with the previous book written by Pastor Brian, "**Keeping Time, Dances to the Beat of a Different Drummer,**" costs \$10.00 each.

"**These Days, A Season of Life, Death and Resurrection**" is a newly published book by a son of the congregation, Rev. Kerry D. Krauss. The description reads: "I never set out to write a book. As Covid forced lockdowns, isolations, and quarantines, I simply wanted to offer something comforting, dare I say pastoral, in a season of deep sighs and much unknowing. In the mad scramble of March 2020, we grabbed for anything. I sought to offer my congregation something to hold on to while we waited. Admittedly, I did not know what I was doing, but it felt right to sit in the evening and express myself. Even this far removed, I hope to offer something comforting, something pastoral. These Days are significantly different from Those Days. The seasons have changed many times over. Our need for depth, comfort insight, and inspiration have not. Kerry's book costs \$18.00.

We also have a few of the blue hymnals in stock. These are helpful if you worship via zoom. The cost of a new hymnal is \$18.00.

All these books are available in the church office.

If you are looking for more publications from the Moravian Church, you can visit www.moravian.org. Click on the "Book Store" tab.



New Hospitality Committee



Many times in our church we have receptions and celebrations. We love having times of fellowship, but help is always needed to set up, serve and clean up. If serving in this way interests you, please reach out to the office to add your name to our new hospitality committee. When help is needed, committee members will be contacted and asked if they can serve on a specific date. This is a great way to meet new people and to help our church continue to share times of fellowship!

Communing God's Children: Early Communion Workshop

On Thursday, October 17th from 7-8:30 p.m., Pastor Brian, with support from the Elders and Christian Education Committee, would like to offer an Early Communion Workshop for families and their children who may be expressing interest in receiving Communion. Sharing communion with children prior to Confirmation is in line with congregational bylaws as well as provincial church order. It has just not been our practice. We have reviewed and plan to make use of a resource created by Bishop Paul Graf the Rev. Dr. Matthew Knapp. The program cornerstones are: an Understanding and Desire to take Communion; making a Profession of Faith; Family Involvement; and Recognition by the Church. The Program itself involves 3 learning/activity stations: creating a Communion Collage; an overview of the Passover Meal, and a walk-through of Holy Communion. If this is something that you feel your children may be interested in and ready for, please reach out to Pastor Brian!

DO THIS IN
remembrance
 OF ME. 1 CORINTHIANS 11:24

Ways to Serve

Due to different circumstances, many of our boards and committees have openings. If you have ever wondered about serving on a board or committee, please reach out to the office or Pastor Brian for more information. Also needed are Offering Counters. The offering is counted either on a Sunday after church or on a Monday morning with a predetermined group of people.

Offering Counters- you will be placed on a schedule (head counter Chuck Shackelford)

Board of Elders- immediate openings (vice chair Griffin Harold)

Board of Trustees- possible openings in February (president Michael Mauer)

Christian Education Committee- immediate openings (chairperson Melissa Heckman)

Sacristan Corp – immediate openings (head sacristan Sue Adams)

How do you see yourself serving your church?

This fall our Nominations Committee will be tasked with finding replacements for members leaving the boards and committees.

To streamline their efforts, call the office and volunteer!



Book Club

Book club is ready for fall, Christmas and the new year! Please join us the second Monday of the month at 7pm in the Comenius Room. Zoom is available, contact the office or Judy Williamson. The Comenius Room is air conditioned if weather is hot and humid. If weather is snowy or icy, zoom only; check with Judy Williamson.

September 9th "Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing: A Memoir"

by Matthew Perry

October 14th "Midnight Library" by Matt Haig

November 11th "The First Ladies" by Marie Benedict

December 9th "Dear Santa" by Debbie Macomber



Fall Rummage Sale

We will have our fall rummage sale on **Saturday, September 28th** in Fellowship Hall from 8 am to 12 pm.

If you would like to donate your treasures, you can drop them off during these times:

Wed., Sept. 25, 12 - 6;

Thurs. Sept. 26, 12 - 6,

Fri., Sept. 27, 12 - 5 PM



The following items will NOT be accepted: televisions, computers or screens, electronic devices, stuffed furniture, mattresses, dressers, bed sets, clothing and shoes. No bulky items larger than an end table.

Please join us in preparing for our rummage sale! Tuesday, September 24 from 9-1 PM, will be our first workday for volunteers. We have some items that are stored in the rummage room and need to be moved into Fellowship Hall and sorted before new items arrive. We always have a great time working together!

Contact Meda Henry if you can help! 610-730-4716. Thank You!

Holiday Craft and Vendor Show

The holidays are fast approaching and the annual Holiday Craft and Vendor Show will be on **Saturday, November 9th from 9 am to 2 pm.**

We still have spaces available so if you have an artistic talent or looking to sell your favorite products, please request a registration form. We are also looking for volunteers for the event. We could use help in the kitchen, as a greeter, as a runner for vendors or for manning the raffle table. This is a great opportunity for students to fulfill volunteer hours! If you are interested in being a part of our Holiday show then please e-mail EMCcraftshow@gmail.com or call Amanda or Paula Stoeckel. Registration forms are available in the church office.

Craft Show Team

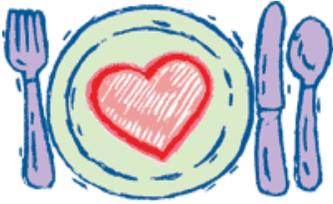
EMCcraftshow@gmail.com

Amanda Stoeckel (484-553-6735)

Paula Stoeckel (610-360-7228)



2nd Helping



COMMUNITY DINNER

On Friday, September 20th, EMC will be hosting its 6th Community Dinner. Over the past few months, we have seen this ministry grow. The August dinner served over 80 people! The attendees were a mixture of church members and friends and community people who were very appreciative of the food & fellowship. Please know that you, as a church member, are

always invited. Yes, we want to reach out to our community, but we need church members in attendance to be in fellowship with our community. We need to show our community that Emmaus Moravian is a place of love and acceptance. While the meal is free, donations are always appreciated. We have been able to almost sustain ourselves with donations received.

Please join us for our next dinner on Friday, Sept. 20th.

Guests may arrive any time between 6:00 and 7:30pm.

The menu for September is casseroles!

We will always have vegetarian and gluten free options, desserts, and drink options including sugar free.

We could use help setting up (the night before and the day of) and serving and clean up. Donations of desserts are always appreciated as well.

Please contact Melissa in the church office for questions.

Blessing Boxes

We are in need of donations! Our shelves are empty! Our Blessing Boxes continue to be used by many people and we are always grateful to have back up supplies! If you would like to give a monetary donation, we ask that you donate to the Community Assistance Fund. This fund allows us to help church and community members with grocery cards, utility bills, rent assistance, and blessing box purchases. Thank you for your continued support, we are very grateful!

Food items needed: peanut butter, jelly, canned soup, spaghetti, tomato sauce, canned or individual fruit servings, canned veggies, snacks, crackers and cereal bars.

These are only suggestions, we accept any shelf stable food!

Non food items most needed: shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, laundry pods or detergent, tissues, paper towels

~ Thanks from Linda Rohrbach & Carol George, the fillers of the boxes



Trex Recycling Program



Our church is participating in the NexTrex recycling program. This is the company that makes decking and outdoor furniture. Our goal is collect 1,000 pounds of plastic recycling in one year!

At this time, we have a lot of plastic to sort through. We will not be collecting any more plastic until we are caught up sorting the plastic we have! Anything that we recycle can also be dropped off in the lobby of Giant or Weis and it goes to the same distributor.

We will gather on Thursday, September 26th from 10-12 to sort the recycling to prepare it for drop off. We will meet on the 3rd floor.

Youth Group

Summer was a great start to our monthly Youth Group! Thanks to everyone who made it to these in June, July and August. Starting with September 26, Youth Group will move to Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. The idea is the same: a low-key time to relax, relate, and recharge for youth Grades 6 - 12.

We will meet in the Family Living Area on the first floor. Save these dates, too: Thursdays, Oct. 24th, Nov. 21st, and Dec. 19th. Hope to see you there! ~ Pastor Brian



Church Retreat at Camp Hope

Our church has rented out Camp Hope from Friday, November 1st- Sunday November 3rd. You can also choose to attend on Saturday only. Camp is a 1 hour drive from Emmaus. Through generous donations and fund-raising efforts, our Camp Hope Scholarship Fund would like to pay for YOU to go to camp that weekend. Nominal charges for food need to be paid by the attendees. The cabins at Camp Hope are heated, they include 2 toilets, 2 showers and 2 sinks in every cabin. The cabins sleep a maximum of 12 people. Our hope is to have 2 families bunk together in a cabin.

Program and activities will be led by The Rt. Rev. Chris Giesler and Tina Giesler.

Name of people attending _____

Phone # and email of main contact person _____

My group will be attending for _____ the entire weekend _____ Saturday only

You will be contacted about cabin assignments. Please tell us your preferred family to stay with:

We will take all requests into consideration!

Are there any dietary restrictions _____

Are there any special needs we should consider _____

Weekend cost per person (snacks on Friday, bkf, lunch, dinner on Saturday, bkf on Sunday): \$25.00

Cost per person for Saturday including breakfast, lunch and dinner \$15.00

Total cost: _____ (under 3 free)



**Please join us for a Board of World Mission
Benefit Singstunde and Retirement Celebration**

for The Rt. Rev. J. Christian Giesler

Saturday, October 5, 2024, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

at Emmaus Moravian Church

You are invited to an evening of song, praise, and Good News to raise funds to provide Moravian Daily Texts Books for our sisters and brothers in the Labrador Mission Province.

Music for the evening will be provided by the Giesler family and friends.

Come ready to sing, listen, pray, and contribute to a project that is changing lives.

Light refreshments and fellowship will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

For more information, please contact Sue Adams at 610-867-1732 or
sue@moravianmission.org



Moravian Disaster Response to Hurricane Beryl in Jamaica and Hurricane Debby in Florida

The Board of World Mission coordinates the North American Moravian response to disasters around the world. We are currently monitoring the impact of Hurricanes Beryl and Debby.

We are in communication with our Moravian siblings in Jamaica following Hurricane Beryl's impact on the island on July 3rd. The Jamaican Provincial President has reported damage to church buildings, homes of church members, and the Moravian college. Damage to crops and livestock has caused food shortages and large sections of Jamaica still lack electrical power. Immediate needs include emergency supplies (generators, tarps, etc.) and food. Longer term needs will include repairing homes and church properties. The BWM has sent \$10,000 in aid and is preparing a second fund transfer.

We are following Hurricane Debby's impact through contact with the Rev. Dr. Dion Christopher, Chair of the Florida/Georgia District Board. He reports that Sarasota has been particularly hard hit. The home of the pastor of the Sarasota Moravian Fellowship, Br. Thomas Williams, was completely flooded with three to five feet of water. He has lost almost everything, including his cars. Members of the congregation are already assisting, but they need the help of the wider Moravian family.

**You can assist us with our disaster response efforts at MoravianMission.org/Give. Please designate your gift to "MDR." Make checks payable to "Board of World Mission" and send to:
Board of World Mission, 1021 Center Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

I am truly grateful for the opportunity to have served as a delegate to the 2024 Eastern District Synod. Having attended previous Synods, I was blessed to renew friendships and connect with our siblings across the District.

Recently, feeling tired during the last 10 miles of a bike ride, I saw the brilliant blue of an Indigo Bunting and felt rejuvenated by the Holy Spirit for my journey. As we gathered at Moravian University in Bethlehem, the brilliance of the Holy Spirit was present in our long Plenary sessions, inspiring us for the business and journey ahead.

Our main speaker, TC Moore, is Pastor of Roots Moravian Congregation in St. Paul, Minnesota and newer to our denomination. He shared comparison between a Museum vs Mission Church, emphasizing aspects of our faith in cultivating a culture of prayer, proximity to suffering people in and around our communities and embracing our spiritual gifts. It made me thankful for our Emmaus Congregation's active Ministries and Community Outreach.

I share the joy of hearing reports from many District ministries that our Congregation supports financially and prayerfully, including the Board of World Mission, shelter and food for the unhoused like Moravian Open Door and Essentials Cafe, Moravian Archives, Senior Living at Morningstar and Moravian Manor, Camp Hope, Moravian Music Foundations, and Moravian Historical Society.

As a member of the Stewardship Committee, we encouraged Congregations to utilize programs and support from the Moravian Ministries Foundation. As Pastor Brian shared, the Synod called us to a sense of urgency around Public Witness and Social Issues, addressing issues like homelessness in our neighborhoods.

A presentation by the Youth Delegates encouraged us to be aware of their knowledge, gifts and eagerness to be responsible for the future of our 'Mission Church'.

Recalling that Indigo Bunting, I feel energized personally, and for our Congregation and denomination, to answer the Synods theme of 'YOUR Call' in sharing our Spiritual and tangible gifts with Love and Grace bringing the Good News to all.

Truly Blessed,
Carolyn Carter

It's Your Call
2024 Eastern District Synod



Essentials Café

A donation-based Moravian Ministry opened in January, 2024. This deliciously wonderful Essentials Café located at 418 Third Avenue in Bethlehem, is ready to welcome you! Offering breakfast and lunch menus, the restaurant is open 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. daily, Tuesday-Friday. Essentials Café is sustainably balanced by customers who donate the suggested cost of each meal, or more, or less. Customers may also donate time and service in lieu of money. Come dine with us (next door to West Side Moravian Church)!

Essentials Café offers many volunteer opportunities – 70 or so jobs/shifts each week! To learn how you might engage as a volunteer, visit <https://www.essentialscafe.org/> and click on the "Volunteer" tab. You'll find task descriptions and the chance to register and schedule yourself.

Food is essential. Relationships are essential. Help us provide both in the Lehigh Valley! Essentials Café is a recognized Emerging Ministry in the Moravian Church Northern Province.

Bach Choir Trip to Herrnhut by Martha Cox- Popichak

June 11, 2024

As part of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem's 2024 European Tour, the trip included a day's visit from Leipzig to Herrnhut, Germany, to the east near the border with Poland. Herrnhut figures large in the history of Bethlehem Moravians. In 1722, Count Nicholas von Zinzendorf, born in Dresden, acquired his estate at Berthelsdorf. Within a few months, he provided shelter to Unity of the Brethren exiles (followers of the martyr Jan Hus) fleeing religious persecution in Moravia, now the present day Czech Republic. The "Moravians" built a house on the edge of the estate, naming it Herrnhut, which means "the protection of the Lord." Moravian missionary zeal led them to the West Indies and America, including Pennsylvania, founding Bethlehem in 1741.

Though baptized a Presbyterian, I was confirmed a Moravian, also training and serving as a Minister of Music for Moravian churches in Bethlehem and Emmaus. Needless to say, the opportunity to visit Herrnhut with the Choir was greatly anticipated. The day after our glorious concert for Bachfest at St. Thomaskirche in Leipzig, a large number from the Choir made the 3 1/2 hour trip to Herrnhut. As we approached, we found ourselves on narrow country roads leading to the small town, pop. around 5800. It was a chilly, windy day in a picturesque countryside. The plans for a visit included a walking tour, a visit to the Herrnhuter Star Factory and a Singstunde at the Moravian Church. My bus group started our walk with our tour guide leading us through God's Acre cemetery up a long hill until we reached the grave of Count von Zinzendorf. All the grave stones are flat in keeping with the belief that all are equal in the sight of God. At the top of the hill was a small round tower whose circular stairs we climbed to see the panoramic countryside all around. Our guide also took us to a large metal plaque on the ground with the dates 1933 - 1945. It had about 6 large deliberate fractures meeting in the middle. Engraved around the sides, in German, were words from the Lord's Prayer, "Forgive us our sins As we forgive those Who sin against us Lead us not into temptation." As our guide explained, this was a sober reminder of the dark years of the Third Reich. From the cemetery, we proceeded to the Herrnhuter Star Factory. The star has become famous worldwide as the Moravian star. They are in full display in Bethlehem, especially at Christmas. The star is distinguished by 25 points - 17 4-sided and 8 3-sided. The tradition of making stars dates back over 160 years and began as a geometry lesson for students. Today the factory in Herrnhut is expanding as it makes many thousands a year. Production includes numerous colors and sizes. After seeing some assembly in action, there was time for a little shopping before our final destination. When the choir arrived at the Moravian Church, we were welcomed by pastors Peter and Jill Vögt to the beautiful, recently renovated sanctuary known as the Kirchensaal. The very large worship space is painted all white with seating oriented the long width of the room. There is new lighting including stunning golden chandeliers. With all wood-planked floors, the acoustics were music's friend. The church celebrated its 300th anniversary in 2022. Our visit involved participation in a German-American Singstunde, a time of congregational singing which also included 4 lovely American pieces, carefully chosen by artistic director Christopher Jackson and sung by the Bach Choir. The recently rebuilt organ, part of the anniversary celebration, was played by Tom Goeman, adding a wondrous grandeur, lifting the voices in attendance. As it happened, the church was hosting a World Synod so there were many visitors from far and wide in addition to the local congregants. It was, indeed, a rare and moving experience as Moravians, who love music so well, joined with the Choir to lift their voices with joyful singing of the hymns Lobe Den Herren, Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice, Christian Hearts in Love United, Amazing Grace! and Now Thank We All Our God. The mix of German and English text did not affect the feeling for the music. Following the service, the choir was honored with a reception of coffee and a variety of desserts. There was an opportunity to mingle and chat with the friendly attendees and learn more about Herrnhut's history and that of the Moravian Church.

The Moravians in the choir gathered next to the statue of Zinzendorf to commemorate our visit with a photo. As I reflect on our visit to the place of Bethlehem's roots, I am reminded of one of our Singstunde hymns, "Herz und Herz vereint zusammen," or "Christian Hearts in Love United." Written by Zinzendorf, who wrote around 2000 hymns, it is one of the most beloved and familiar hymns of the Moravian Church. It certainly summed up our meaningful day with our brothers and sisters in faith.

Martha Cox Popichak

Minister of Music, Emmaus Moravian Church

Coordinator of Member Engagement & Outreach Job Opening

We are hiring! Please pass this opportunity onto people who you think would be interested!

Job Description:

Newly created position to provide leadership in youth and adult member engagement, outreach ministries and Christian education to promote spiritual health and growth of the Emmaus Moravian Congregation.

Qualifications:

- High School diploma or equivalent required. Associates/Bachelor degree preferred
- Experience in church ministry programming
- Beliefs and ministry philosophy should be aligned with the Moravian Church

Job Responsibilities:

- Adult and Youth Member and Non-Member Engagement
- Support youth member engagement, spiritual development and the development of youth leaders
- Support adult member engagement, spiritual development and the development of adult leaders
- Promote and be an advocate for Emmaus Moravian's worship services and ministries for members of the community that are not currently church members

Coordination of Outreach Ministries:

- Coordinate regular meet ups with outreach ministry leaders
- Assist ministry leaders with finding volunteers and help address ministry issues/concerns

Christian Education Programming:

- Support the Christian Education Committee with developing Educational programs
- Attend monthly Christian Education Committee meeting (evening meeting)

Requirements in addition to what is listed in the job responsibilities above:

- While membership at EMC is not required, attendance at Sunday worship may be necessary at times
- Provide regular check in and status to Pastor and Elders
- Support meetings and other functions/ ministries outside of normal M-F working hours (8:00AM-5PM) as needed or required
- Proficiency in social media, group chat and apps
- Must present up to date child abuse and criminal background checks

Pay:

- Up to \$15,000 / year. Approx. 12-15 hours per week

To submit resume or ask questions, contact Melissa Heckman at secretary@emmausmoravian.org

