



# The Star

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## “LENT”

Given our hedonistic culture it's no surprise Mardi Gras, that pre-eminent celebration of personal indulgence, has found broad acceptance while the season of Lent has not. Themes of penitence, preparation, and reconciliation do not resonate with our society's consumerist or narcissistic proclivities.

Pop culture and marketers urge us to gratify our desire for pleasure and convenience whatever the cost and tell us that we each deserve such things. Lent suggests we forgo certain pleasures for the sake of spiritual discipline in order to grow in our faith. Culture celebrates the ego-self and places each person at the center of his or her own virtual world with every perceived need and whim being catered to. Christ calls us to self-sacrifice, saying: “Whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.” (Matthew 10:38-39)

The conflict between the values of secular society and those commanded by Christ make Lent the most profoundly counter-cultural season of the church year. Followers of Christ can expect no support from the culture around them as they try to deepen their relationship with God or grow spiritually. For this reason, it is important that the church help its members keep a holy Lent. One way your church supports your growth as a disciple of Christ is by scheduling dinners and programs each Wednesday in Lent.

**Ash Wednesday Worship (imposition of ashes if desired)**

**Sanctuary, March 5 at 7:00 PM**

**Wednesday Lenten Dinners & Programming  
(To be held in Fellowship Hall)**

**March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, 9**

**Dinner at 6:00 PM followed by prayers and song at 6:50 PM**

**Half hour programs for adults and children on Christian discipleship 7:00 to 7:30 PM**

Children will be learning the good news about Jesus as they add one reminder bead each week to a bracelet in a program entitled, “The Good News Beads.”

The adult program is entitled “Jesus Still Lead On” and is a study of Christian discipleship based on the Moravian Covenant for Christian Living and The Foundation of Our Faith by The Rev. Kevin Frack of the Moravian Church in America, Southern Province.

**Holy Week Reading Services**

**April 14-16, at 7:00 PM**

**Maundy Thursday Holy Communion**

**April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service**

**April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

*Derek French*



## Preschool News

Mary Kay Brezinsky

It has been a crazy, cold and snowy February for the Preschool. Our friend the Ground Hog saw his shadow and it has been cold and snowy ever since. We are all looking forward to spring. Hopefully, the end of March will bring us the official start of spring and some warmer weather. We also will all be wearing green for the celebration of St. Patrick's Day. The magic of leprechauns hiding gold around the church, messing up the classrooms, the fun of a lot of green art projects and green snacks adds merriment to our classroom, and in the process, we learn a little bit about St. Patrick. We also celebrate the birthday of one of our favorite authors, Dr. Seuss. It is March Madness in preschool this month!

We continue to welcome families who visit our school to observe our programs as they search for a preschool for their child. We enjoy meeting new friends and look forward to them joining the East Hills Moravian Preschool Family. If you know of anyone looking for a place to attend preschool to Learn\*Play\*Explore, please have them give us a call 610-868-6242.

## Christian Fellowship News & Opportunities

### Women's Fellowship

**March Meetings:** The evening group will meet on **March 4** at 7:00 pm at the home of Marcia Mielnik with Sue Kriebs as our study leader. Please call Marcia at 610-866-5366 if you plan to attend. The morning group will meet on **March 5** at 9:30 am in the church kitchen with Caroline Radchuk as hostess. Please call Caroline at 610-868-9515 if you plan to attend. Both groups will study Lesson 5: Moravian Identity – "Chosen but not Exclusive". All women are invited to join us to enjoy a time of fellowship!

### Adult Sunday School Class

Beginning **March 9** at 9:45 am, Peter Diehl, Ted Gilbert, and Kat Lehman will be hosting a Lenten Adult Sunday School Class in Fellowship Hall around the book, Enough: Discovering Joy in Simplicity and Generosity, written by The Rev. Adam Hamilton, Sr. Pastor of the largest and fastest growing United Methodist Church in the country. The Rev. Hamilton has several other well-known books and was named as one of the "Ten People to Watch in America's Spiritual Landscape" by Religion & Ethics Newsweekly. You can read more about him here: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adam\\_Hamilton\\_\(pastor\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adam_Hamilton_(pastor)). Are you content with what you have? Do money concerns trouble you? Want a different model or want to understand how to simplify your life? Come join us through a Lenten journey to discover simplicity and generosity. If you would like to purchase a book at a cost of \$8.99 to follow along, they are available at Amazon: <http://www.amazon.com/Enough-Discovering-through-Simplicity-Generosity/dp/1426702337>.

### Adult Fellowship Wine Tasting Party

Sue and Rich Kriebs look forward to hosting the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Wine Tasting Party on **Saturday, March 15**, starting at 7 pm. A full menu of foods and desserts to complement each wine will be prepared and served by the Wingroves, Kriebs, and Mielniks. Glasses for tasting, and other beverages, are also provided. Several local wineries are being considered, but a final selection has not yet been made. For those who have previously enjoyed this event, we hope to see you again. For those who have not, please join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, food, and drink. Contact Sue or Rich (610-867-5971, or [skriebs@gmail.com](mailto:skriebs@gmail.com)) for info or to reserve. Cost is \$17 per person, and payment is due by **Sunday, March 9**. **Please reserve early to help us plan the details, and also because space is limited.**

### **A Can A Week**

Mission & Outreach's goal is to make this program as much of an East Hills tradition as our Joyful Noise collection has become over the years. Both are equally important ministries, both celebrate our outreach as a congregation, and if everyone participates, both make a significant effect in feeding those in need in our community, without major financial impact on personal finances. You can help by spending a dollar or two each week out of your family food budget to provide such basics as canned soups, veggies, fruit, peanut butter, cereal, mac & cheese, and rice. Please try to keep **A Can A Week** in mind every time you shop for family groceries.

### **Share Care Auction-East Hills Basket**

Remember to return your heart(s)/item(s) by **Sunday, March 2**, to help prepare our East Hills basket for the ShareCare Basked Auction. The Charity Auction and Lunch will take place at East Hills on **Sunday, April 6**, from 1-4 pm. Please call ShareCare at 610-867-2177 for information and/or tickets.

### **Young Adult Ministry**

YAM sends care packages to college-age youth attending school, in the military, or in the job force twice a year. If you are a young adult or know of a young adult (your child), please give his/her mailing address to Lucy Thompson (610-691-2708 or [slmicro@ptd.net](mailto:slmicro@ptd.net)) or Bobby Shimer (610-868-0179 or [barbara.shimer@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.shimer@gmail.com)) to be added to our list and receive a package from us this spring. Many of the young adults are thrilled to receive our packages and enjoy the food and fun contained inside. Also needed are bakers to supply two dozen individually wrapped baked items, individually wrapped candy, or small fun activities (age does not matter) for these youth. We are also collecting monetary donations to cover mailing costs. The deadline for contributions is **Sunday, March 30**. If you wish to donate or have questions, you may contact Lucy Thompson or Bobby Shimer at the contact information provided above. Thanks for caring!

### **EHMC Dart Baseball League**

Practice starts at 6:45 pm; games begin at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to play or watch. For more info, contact Wayne Gruver at [ufospacehunter@yahoo.com](mailto:ufospacehunter@yahoo.com).

**Mar 3**-All Star Game (location TBA); 10-Fritz Wesleyan (H); 17-Holy Trinity Lutheran (H); 24-First UCC (H), 31-Bethany UCC (H).

**Apr 7**-Christ Lutheran (H).

### **Iron Pigs Family Outing**

Join us **Friday, June 27**, for the Adult Fellowship Iron Pigs outing. This is a night game with fireworks! Tickets are \$10 each and need to be paid for at the time of order. This is a family outing and children are welcome. Contact Nancy Costa for tickets at 610-868-7042.

### **Why Knots**

For the Northern Province Synod we are planning on knitting 10 prayer shawls. Beginning in March our meetings will be held on the **fourth Wednesday** of each month. All knitters are invited to join us. Please contact Ginny Yanzsa at 610-704-2591 or 610-691-6990 or [vyanzsa@ptd.net](mailto:vyanzsa@ptd.net).

### **Moravian Travelers**

2014 trip list brochure is now available on the Narthex shelf. For info or reservations call Stan Maculesky at 610-866-1352.

6/5 – Ehrhardt's Waterfront Banquet Center at Lake Wallenpaupack/"Patsy Cline Tribute"-\$79.00.

6/26 – Rainbow Dinner Theatre/"Always A Bridesmaid"-\$79.00.

7/13 – Woodloch Pines Resort/"All Things Italian"-\$79.00. Includes their "famous" smorgasbord.

8/26 - Rainbow Dinner Theatre/"Drinking Habits"-\$79.00.

9/10 – American Music Theatre/"Music Of The Night" - \$95.00. Lunch at Shady Maple.

9/16 – Sight & Sound Theatre/"Moses" - \$99.00. Lunch at Shady Maple.

11/5 – American Music Theatre/"Christmas Show" - \$95.00. Lunch at Shady Maple.

# Flowers for Easter

## ORDER FORM

We are offering lilies, daffodils, and tulips for purchase to place in the Sanctuary for Easter.

They may be taken home after the last service Easter morning.

Please order by completing this form and returning it with payment to:  
Anna Koehler in person or mail to: 2124 Abington Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

**Order deadline is Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014**



Lilies \$10.00



Tulips \$8.00



Daffodils \$8.00

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

**PRESENTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

This is how it will appear in the bulletin.

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the line you wish to have included in the bulletin:**

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip

In Loving Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip

For Blessings Received \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip

**Please make checks payable to East Hills Moravian Church or EHMC.**



## All Things Moravian

### **Prayer Shawls for Northern Province Synod**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of the United Brethren's Church on Staten Island hopes to provide one prayer shawl for each delegate for Provincial Synod in **June 2014**. A total of 250 shawls are needed and we have commitments for close to 100. If anyone is interested in helping with this endeavor, please contact Kate Reynolds at [ksrcreate@embarqmail.com](mailto:ksrcreate@embarqmail.com).

### **Travel To Our Historical Moravian Roots**

Central Travelers and the Moravian Archives present a trip to Moravian roots in the Czech Republic and Germany **June 30 to July 11, 2014**. Contact Craig Mosebach at 610-625-4576 or [cmosebach@rcn.com](mailto:cmosebach@rcn.com) for more information.

### **Mission Opportunity**

The Staten Island Moravians are looking for a mission team to assist with their annual clothing distribution which will take place the third or fourth week in **August 2014**. Volunteers serve Thursday through Saturday setting up and distributing clothing. Mission teams are welcome to come a day or two early or stay a day or two after the distribution to enjoy sight-seeing in New York. Housing and meals provided. Contact Pastor Lynnette Delbridge, 718-442-5215 or [pastor@castletonhill.org](mailto:pastor@castletonhill.org).

### **Hope Conference/Renewal Center Summer Jobs 2014**

Positions open for support staff at Camp Hope:

- Term dates: June 16- August 16, 2014 (9 weeks)
- Live with other staff members in air-conditioned cabins
- All meals provided
- At least 18 years old, preferably in college
- Lifeguard & food service certifications are reimbursed
- Weekly salaried positions in food service, lifeguard, maintenance, custodial
- NO EXPERIENCE needed. Will train.

Applications are being accepted now with job placement by April 30, 2014

Contact Camp Office for application materials:

Administrator: Stephen Sobczak/Office: Susan Dreydoppel

15 Ridgeway Ave., PO Box 165, Hope, NJ 07844 908-459-4435/fax 908-459-5571

Web site: [www.camphope.org](http://www.camphope.org) email: [hopecenter@camphope.org](mailto:hopecenter@camphope.org).

### **Snow Tubing Update**

**Friday March 7**, at Blue Mountain w/Edgeboro Moravian from 6-9 pm; come when you can and bring your friends! Cost: \$20 + waiver by 2/26. (Must be 36" tall.) To come and watch is \$2.00. Hot dogs, soda, water, and desserts provided. Bring other munchies to share. Contact Blake Messman @ 610-954-5173 or [messmanblake@gmail.com](mailto:messmanblake@gmail.com).

### **Moravian Cursillo**

Registrations for the **2015** Moravian Cursillo weekends are now being accepted. The men's weekend is **April 16-19, 2015** and the women's weekend is **April 23-26, 2015**. For more information about Cursillo and a registration form, contact Tom F. Mosser, 1208 W. North St., Bethlehem, PA 18018 at 610-691-6259 or [tfmosser@aol.com](mailto:tfmosser@aol.com). The registration deadline is **November 1, 2014**, and registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

### **Mission Opportunity**

If you are interested in bringing a mission team to Great Kills Moravian Church, Staten Island for continued recovery from Hurricane Sandy, please contact us. We have openings in June, the early weeks of July, and the later weeks in August. Contact Maggie Wellert at 718-317-7788 or Donna Montanti at 718-356-4128.

### **A Place at the Table**

**Sunday, March 2** at 2:00 pm at Palmer Moravian Church, 2901 John Street, Easton, you are invited to learn more about local hunger issues and what can be done to help. View a free showing of a 90-minute powerful documentary on hunger in America followed by a panel discussion and Q&A session led by Nancy Walters of the Peanut Butter Project. For more information contact Nancy at [nancywalters@rcn.com](mailto:nancywalters@rcn.com).

### **Spring Organ Concert**

**Sunday, March 16** at 4:00 pm in Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem featuring Rebecca Owens, organist. Suggested donation \$10.00



Thank you so much for the kind words, prayers and cards sent following the death of my mother, Edna Marshall, in January. Our family greatly appreciates these thoughtful expressions of caring.

Blessings,

John and Connie Fuchs

Thank you so much for all of your prayers over the last two years. The dinners, gifts, cards, and words of kindness all meant so much! My last infusion was completed in January. I will continue with tests every three months, but for now, I am cancer free! Thank you so much for being a part of my miracle! I am truly blessed!

Love,

Kim Donatelli

Thank you to the EHMC congregation for all their thoughts, prayers, and cards during my recent fall and surgery. All were greatly appreciated!

Linda Marsh

### **Star Newsletter**

The deadline for all information to be published in the Star is the **TENTH** of every month to enable us to publish the information in a timely manner. Please remember to keep information as brief as possible due to space limitations. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **Sanctuary Flowers**

The following dates are available to sponsor one vase of flowers for worship services: 6/15, 9/28, 10/5, 10/26, and 11/23. Please sign up on the flower chart in the Narthex. Thank you!





## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

**3/4**

Debra Gruver  
Rebecca Jensen  
Craig Zieger

**3/5**

Kevin Moyzan, Sr.

**3/6**

Richard Yanzsa

**3/7**

Raymond Bennett

**3/8**

Phillip Kromer

**3/9**

Kelsey Dunstan  
Konrad Glass

**3/12**

Chere King

**3/13**

Andrew Knerr  
Laurie Latham

**3/14**

Colin Harms

**3/16**

Luana Blattner  
Katherine Peters  
Alan Soska

**3/17**

Maxwell Morgan

**3/18**

Frieda Soska

**3/19**

Sarah Choi

**3/20**

Christopher Cooke  
Julia Ann Del Priore

**3/22**

Bob Greenawald

**3/23**

John Kulp  
Susan Sommers  
Phil Turton  
Kyra Zimmerman

**3/24**

Rebecca Bieber

**3/25**

Greg Adams  
Scott Gross

**3/28**

Sara Pinter

**3/29**

Keri Greenawald

**3/30**

Beth Jensen  
Sean McCoy

## MARCH MINISTRY

### SACRISTANS

**2** Scott Gross/Amy Frantz  
**9** Bob Hauck/  
Eileen Ackerman  
**16** Jim/Lucia Knerr  
**23** Jim/Anna Koehler  
**30** John/Phyllis Kulp

### ELDER ON DUTY (8:30)

**2** Lucy Thompson  
**9** Amy Frantz  
**16** Jon Burcaw  
**23** TBA  
**30** Jon Burcaw

### ELDER ON DUTY (11:00)

**2** Joe Conzola  
**9** Jay Larson  
**16** Ted Gilbert  
**23** Laura Kemmerer  
**30** Carol Grace Hicks

### USHERS (8:30)

**2** Jim/Anna Koehler  
**9** Jon Burcaw/Harry Snyder  
**16** Joe/Frieda Soska  
**23** Jim Knerr/Bob Koehler  
**30** Phil/Donna Kromer

### USHERS (11:00)

**2** Jack/Jean Skillman  
**9** Girl Scouts  
**16** Sandy Gribbin/  
Charmayne Stauffer  
**23** Jim Eckerd/Harry Snyder  
**30** Jeff Adams/Bertie Knisely

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

**2** Mark/Sarah Choi  
**9** Konrad/Eva Glass  
Ray/Jean Bennett  
**16** Girl Scouts/Larson  
Greg/Nancy Costa  
**23** Bob/Mary Stewart  
Jan Schanck  
**30** Neville/Linda Gardner

### COUNTERS

**2** Phyllis Kulp/Jane Burcaw  
**9** Phyllis Kulp/Jane Burcaw  
**16** Mike DelPriore/  
Randy Emmons  
**23** Mike DelPriore/  
Randy Emmons  
**30** Mike DelPriore/  
Lois Oudheusden

### LITURGIST (8:30)

**2** Lisa Mixon  
**9** Joe Csrenko  
**16** Art King  
**23** Jean Bennett  
**30** Eileen Ackerman

### LITURGIST (11:00)

**2** Bill Matz  
**9** Steven Ent  
**16** Jean Skillman  
**23** Debbie Matz  
**30** Jay Larson