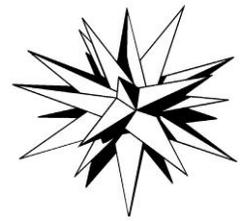


EAST HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>*Don't forget! Daylight Savings Ends Nov 5! Turn your clocks back one hour</p> 			<p>1</p> <p>5:30 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:00 pm Chancel Choir 5:30 pm Youth Choir 7:00 pm Boy Scouts 7:15 pm Senior Choir</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:30 pm Youth Group Corn Maze Trip</p>
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The Star

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“Now Thank We All Our God?”

The primary goal of the Christian life is to serve as a disciple of Christ. Those who are sincere about partnering with Christ in proclaiming and promoting the Kingdom of God do so by following the two great commandments (Love God; love your neighbor) and by ordering their life in such a way that their faith in God and relationship with Christ is self-evident. Does your life bear witness to your faith in Christ “so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you?” (2 Thessalonians. 2:12)

Both gratitude and generosity are essential traits for those who seek to follow Christ. They are expressions of our faith and trust in God. The apostle Paul addressed this in a letter to the congregation at Corinth. My commentary follows in *italics*.

“The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.”

- *Like anything else in life, the impact of faith on one's life is determined by the level of personal commitment.*

“Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance ...”

- *Everything comes from God. The dedication of our time, money, and abilities should be motivated by gratitude and a desire to make the world a better place rather than a sense of reluctant duty.*

“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.”

- *Christians not only expresses gratitude to God, but become a cause for thanksgiving and gratitude through their generosity and service.*

“Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you.”

- ***Our action or lack thereof, speaks more eloquently than any confession of faith.***

“Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!”

The “indescribable gift” is the chance to partner with God in the transformation and salvation of the world. God invites believers to unite in this task. You can bear witness to your faith in Christ “so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you” by joining us for on our **Commitment Sunday, November 5 at 10:30 am (one service only)** and resolving to:

- Attend worship regularly throughout the year;
- Receive Holy Communion at least once a year;
- Contribute financially to the ministry of the congregation;
- Make every effort to be involved in one area of the church's ministry. (From Bylaws of EHMC)

Derek French

Preschool News

Mary Kay Brezinsky



The leaves are changing, the weather is turning colder, and every November, just before Thanksgiving, a group of Pilgrims and Indians dressed in their native attire gather together and share a feast at our Preschool. Each class prepares some of the foods themselves, learning to measure, pour, bake, and cook until it is time to sit together and enjoy a wonderful feast. The Three-Year- Old classes have a traditional Thanksgiving Breakfast and the Fours have a Thanksgiving Lunch. Our Two-Year Old program also shares a special snack and talks about what they are thankful for. All the children make special placemats that they take home as a Thanksgiving keepsake to be used for years to come! Our preschool feast is a very special occasion for all. In the days leading up the feast, the children learn about the first Thanksgiving. They also learn to thank God for the many blessings in their own lives including family, friends, home, school, church, and other things they might be thankful for. Thanksgiving gives us a wonderful opportunity to teach little children about what it means to be thankful, and it is in this process we are reminded as well.

As a school family, we hold a food drive for the Northeast Ministry. Our students bring in food that will be donated to people who are less fortunate. We have a special song we sing to learn about giving and the children decorate a special class box they use for the donations.

I would also like to thank everyone who participated in the Preschool Fall Fundraisers. Your support is very much appreciated.

We still have just a couple of spaces left in our 2, 3, and 4- year old programs. **Remember--**we now have **EXTENDED HOURS, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm** to help with your preschool needs. We welcome all to our school at any time of the year. If interested, please call the preschool office at 610-868-6242.

Thank You



for your Kindness

Tom and Nancy Walz would like to thank Pastor Derek and the East Hills Congregation for all of their prayers, flowers, telephone calls, and get well cards during their recent health problems.

Thank you Church Family for the lovely flowers and for all of your prayers.
Marian Minyard

Thank you from Debbie & Marlin Bozes (family of Chris Gaugler & Bonnie Bartholomew) for the delicious soup from the Freezer Ministry. Marlin had surgery and Debbie has some health issues so they greatly appreciated the food and this ministry of East Hills.

Communion Celebration

On Sunday, October 1, Pastor French, Sue Diehl, and several members of the East Hills choir traveled to Moravian Hall Square to celebrate World Communion Sunday with the residents there. This has become a tradition for both groups and is enjoyed by all. Thank you to all involved!

Remember: Daylight Savings Time ends on November 5; turn your clocks back!



Christian Fellowship News & Opportunities

Youth Group Trip

On **Saturday, November 4**, the Senior High Youth Group (Grades 9-12) will go to Mazeilla Corn Maze. **Meet at the church at 5:30 pm.** Cost is \$12 per person. Come having eaten dinner and/or bring money to purchase snacks on site. **RSVP by November 1** to Scott or Amy Gross, [610-217-6008](tel:610-217-6008), bartlet4pres@yahoo.com

Consecration Sunday

Sunday, November 5 is Consecration Sunday – a day of celebration, renewal and recommitment to Christ and the work of Christ's church here at EHMC. **We urge you to plan now to attend Sunday morning worship at 10:30 am.** On **November 5**, each of us will have the opportunity to make our commitment as an act of worship in the church sanctuary. **Please note that while Sunday School will meet at the normal time of 9:30 am, THERE IS NO 8:30 AM WORSHIP on November 5.** We feel it is important for us all to gather as a whole congregation from time to time to renew the bonds of fellowship which strengthen our shared ministry at East Hills. **Remember: Daylight Savings Time ends on November 5; turn your clocks back so you don't miss this important time of worship and fellowship in the life of our church.**

Knitwear/Bake Sale

On **Consecration Sunday, November 5, after our one worship service at 10:30 am**, our EHMC Moravian Women and Why Knot members will host a Knitwear and Bake Sale in Fellowship Hall. Handmade items will include infant and toddler wear as well as outerwear for children and adults, and delicious home baked goods will be available for sale. Plan to do some Christmas shopping and purchase desserts to enjoy right away or to freeze for Thanksgiving dinner! All proceeds from both sales benefit EHMC.

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship groups will meet in November as follows:

- The evening group will meet on **November 7 at 7:00 pm** at the home of Joanne VanBilliard. If attending, please call Joanne (610-868-8934) or Janet (610-691-1984).
- The morning group will meet on **November 8 at 10:00 am** in the church kitchen with Yvonne Gerlach as hostess. If attending, please call Yvonne (610-216-1910 or 610-868-0483) or Janet (610-691-1984).

EHMC Putz

Putz construction begins **Sunday, November 12 at 2:30 pm**, and church members and their families are invited to help with the building as many hands make light work. Construction will run through November 15 or until finished. Training on how to show the putz will be available on **Sunday November 26**; sign-up sheets for hosting/showing the putz will be posted in **Fellowship Hall** on the bulletin board. Please prayerfully consider this important holiday ministry. For more information or any questions, contact Nancy Costa at 610-442-6056.

Slide Track Go Cart Racing

Join the LV Moravian Youth Network on **Tuesday November 14, from 7:00-9:15 pm at S & S Speedway, 7062 Rt. 209 (Formerly 2727 Hamilton East for GPS), Stroudsburg, PA; 570-420-5500. Meet at East Hills at 5:45 pm.** Open to Grades 8-12 and their friends; \$10 per person (includes food). To sign up or for more information contact Bob Wingrove at 610-867-0537 or 610-730-3929.

Men's Fellowship: The Men's Fellowship Group will meet on **Wednesday November 15 at 7:00 pm**, in lieu of Men's Bible Study. Please bring any ideas for future fellowship opportunities, and small snacks are always welcome. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Adult Fellowship Trip

On **Saturday, November 18**, Adult Fellowship will travel to the Penn and Mütter Museums in Philadelphia. The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology (Penn Museum) is part of the University of Pennsylvania (www.penn.museum) and houses one of the world's greatest collections of ancient artifacts from around the world. The Mütter Museum (muttermuseum.org) has a unique collection of specimens and objects that reflect the human history of anatomy and medicine. The collection ranges from seventh century BCE to 2014 and contains a collection of medical oddities, anatomical and pathological specimens (one of which is Einstein's brain), wax models, and antique medical equipment. The cost of the trip is **\$63 for adults (\$60 for seniors)** and includes a transportation pass, entrance fees into both museums, tour guide fees, and a catered lunch at the Penn Museum. Dinner will be at the Liberty Bar & Grill, a gastro pub; dinner costs are **NOT** included in the reservation fee.

ITINERARY:

- Meet at the church at **8:15 am** and travel by car to the Colmar train station.
- Take the train into Philadelphia to the Penn Museum for a tour, a catered lunch, and time to browse.
- Take public transportation to the Mutter Museum for a tour.
- Walk a few blocks to the Liberty Bar & Grill for dinner.
- Take public transportation back to the train station, return to Colmar Station via train, and then head home by car.
- Arrival back at the church should be approximately **9:15 pm**.

Reservations and payment are due by Sunday, November 5. Contact Eileen Mera (610-868-9121) or Phyllis and John Kulp (phylliskulp@hotmail.com or 610-737-7166) for more information or reservations.

Cash Card Program

Exciting News – We now have Wegmans cards! The Cash Card program is a way to benefit East Hills Moravian Church in your everyday living. Purchases made through this program return a percentage to the church. Cards for Giant Food Stores, Valley Farm Market, and Wegmans are on hand for immediate purchase. Return on these cards is a fixed 5%.

We also have an inventory of cards on hand for immediate purchase. These cards are available on a first-come/first-serve basis and include: AC Moore, Applebee's, Barnes & Noble, Boscov's, Cabela's, Cracker Barrel, Exxon/Mobil, Gap, Old Navy, Banana Rep, Home Depot, Jo-Ann Fabrics, Kohl's, Lowe's, Macy's, Michael's, Olive Garden, Outback, Carrabba's/Bonefish, Pizza Hut, Red Robin, Sheetz, Shell, & TGI Fridays. Cards from over 750 other retailers are also available. These cards are typically ordered each Sunday evening for pick-up on the following Sunday morning. Return on these cards varies from 1% to 17%, depending on the retailer. To see what cards are available, go to www.shopwithscrip.com and click on the tab "Retailers". Scroll through the list to find the retailers and denominations that you desire. Please make sure you are looking at "physical cards" when planning your order. Pick-up an order form from Sue Larson, complete it, and give it back to her along with your payment. Alternatively, please see her for a list of participating retailers and available denominations of cards. Sue will be in the church office immediately following worship for those wanting to purchase cards that are on hand or to place an order. Contact Sue Larson at 610-737-0012 or GSMom225@aol.com.

Hanging Of The Greens

Please plan to join us on **Sunday, November 26, at 2:00 pm** to begin preparing the church for the Advent/Christmas season. Hanging of the greens, candle trimming, children's crafts, a pot luck dinner, and the first putz viewing will all be part of our preparations. Hope to see you all there!

Star Newsletter

The deadline for all information for the **December/January issue of the Star will be November 10. Please keep in mind this is a combined issue.** Help us distribute information in a timely manner by meeting this deadline and keeping information as brief as possible due to space limitations and costs. Thank you!

Advent Youth Group Activity

On **Sunday, November 26**, the Senior High Youth Group will kick off the advent season with the hanging of the greens at **2:00 pm** to decorate the church for Christmas. This will be followed with a Christmas movie night (possible double feature) beginning at **5:30 pm**. This event is free. RSVP to Scott/Amy Gross, 610-217-6008, bartlet4pres@yahoo.com.



Family Fun Night At East Hills

All Bethlehem Area Moravian Families are welcome to come together for a Christmas Movie in East Hills Moravian Church's Family Center on **Sunday, December 3 at 4pm**. We will watch "A Muppet's Christmas Carol." Movie treats will be supplied. Bring your own blankets.

Calling All Women

You are invited to join us for our annual EPMC Women's Advent Celebration, complete with a potluck supper on **Tuesday, December 5 at 6:00 pm** in Fellowship Hall. Bring a family member or friend and sign up now to reserve your seat(s). In addition to sharing our favorite potluck items with one another, we will also be entertained by the lovely harp music of Bonnie Stoltz, and we just might sing along when she plays some of our favorite Christmas carols! Call Susan Kriebs @ 610-867-5971 or Marcia Mielnik @ 610-866-5366 to sign up (Please help us present a varied menu and alert us in advance of your intended food contribution.) You are welcome to bring a monetary donation which will be forwarded to the Moravian Board of World Mission and designated for hurricane relief.



East Hills Moravian Church Book Club

All are welcome to join the book club on **Monday, January 15 at 7 pm** to discuss The Book that Matters Most by Ann Hood. About the book: an enthralling novel about love, loss, secrets, friendship, and the healing power of literature. Although a date has not been chosen for **March**, the book club will discuss Colson Whitehead's Pulitzer Prize winning, The Underground Railroad, a magnificent tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South. Contact Amy Frantz Gross, bartlet4pres@yahoo.com with any questions.



Harvest Dinner

Please plan to join the Bethlehem Area Moravian and Partner Churches Freezer Ministry on **Saturday, November 11, from 5-7:00 pm with OPEN SEATING** at East Hills Moravian Church for our Harvest Dinner which benefits the co-operative Freezer Ministry program. This year's menu will include: Turkey, Ham, Pennsylvania Dutch Potato Bread Stuffing, Vegetable Style Rice Pilaf, Sweet Potato Pie, Green Beans/Sweet Corn, Cranberry Relish, Salad, Rolls, Iced Tea/Coffee/Hot Tea, and a Dessert Bar.

Cost: Adults-\$12/Children (6-12)-\$5/Children (under 5)-Free. Please purchase tickets in advance by contacting: Bob Wingrove @ 610-867-0537 or East Hills Church office @ 610-868-6481. If you cannot attend the dinner, but would like to donate, please make checks payable to East Hills Moravian Church (or EPMC) with "Freezer Ministry" in the Memo line.



EPMC Moravian Dinner Night

View the Christmas Putz, listen to music, and dine at our delicious buffet on **Tuesday, December 12**. Putz showings are at 4:30 and 7:00 pm (before or after dinner). Seating is limited to 70 at each showing so please reserve a specific show time for the putz. Buffet will be served from 5-7:00 pm with continuous seating along with music for your listening pleasure. Menu: Roast Beef, Chicken Marsala, Lemon Pasta Primavera, Deluxe Salad & Rolls, Rustic Mashed Potatoes, Quinoa & Wild Rice Pilaf, Roasted Corn w/Sun-Dried Tomatoes, Green Beans w/Feta Cheese & Roasted Peppers, Iced tea, Coffee, & Hot Teas, and Moravian Sugar Cake. Contact Bob Wingrove @ 610-867-0537 or the church office @ 610-868-6481 for tickets. Cost: Adults-\$15; Silver Sponsor-\$25; Gold Sponsor-\$50; Children (6-12 yrs.)-\$7; and 5 yrs. & under-free. Proceeds go to the Bethlehem Emergency Shelter Project Fund so **please make checks payable to Bethlehem Emergency Shelter**.

November Worship Schedule

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 5 – TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK

November 5

Consecration Sunday

ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 10:30 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM

Sacristans-Bob Hauck/Eileen Ackerman

Elder-Ellen DeStasio

Liturgist-Wendy Lutz

Ushers-Greg Costa/Jim Eckerd

Counters- Jim Epler/Jim Eberly

Flower Visitor-Jeff Adams

Flowers-Heft

November 12

Holy Communion – Christ the Chief Elder

TWO SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 10:30 AM/SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM

Sacristans-Jim & Lucia Knerr

Elder-(8:30) Meg Norman (10:30) Laura Kemmerer

Liturgist-(8:30) Peter Norman (10:30) David Sommers

Ushers-(8:30) Jim Knerr/Jean Bennett (10:30) Steve & Lucy Thompson

Counters- Jim Epler/Jim Eberly

Flower Visitor-Jean Bennett

Flowers-Lukievics/Snitker

November 19

TWO SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 10:30 AM/SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM

Sacristans-Jim & Anna Koehler

Elder-(8:30) Amy Gross (10:30) Jeff Adams

Liturgist-(8:30) Jill Pitman (10:30) Lucy Thompson

Ushers-(8:30) Joe & Frieda Soska (10:30) Sandy Gribbin/Charmayne Stauffer

Counters- Jim Epler/Lois Oudheusden

Flower Visitor-Sue Hahn

Flowers-Kuhns

November 26

TWO SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 10:30 AM/SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 AM

Sacristans-John & Phyllis Kulp

Elder-(8:30) Robert Sauers (10:30) Lucy Thompson

Liturgist-(8:30) Jay Larson (10:30) Bill Matz

Ushers-(8:30) Jon Burcaw/Bruce Montgomery (10:30) Jim Eckerd/Sam Hicks

Counters- Nancy Costa/Jane Weber

Flower Visitor-Jay Larson

Flowers-Bartholomew-Gaugler/Mera

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

NOVEMBER

- 2 Juliana Keirle
- 3 Barbara Shimer
- 6 Olivia Kuhns, Doris Rice
- 7 Amanda Keirle, Mikela Ortwein
- 8 Mary Ellen Rudolph
- 9 David Bieber
- 11 Linda Adams
- 15 Lucy Thompson, Donald Zeitner
- 16 Jean Bennett, Elizabeth Hayworth
- 18 James Epler, Phillip Gruver, Patricia Kuhns
- 20 Brian Yost, Macy Yost
- 23 Elmer Brogdon, Cynthia Jancsarics, Lois Meixell
- 24 Emily Turton
- 25 Sandra Gribbin, Megan Latham
- 26 Michael Clem, David Sommers
- 27 Stephanie Demko, Robert Hauck, Kathy Sardine
- 29 Mark Gibson, Anna Koehler, Caroline Radchuk
- 30 Katrina Lehman, Thomas Walz



Poinsettias Order Form

We are offering poinsettias for purchase to place in the sanctuary for Christmas Eve for **\$9.00 each**. They may be taken home after the last service Christmas Eve. **Do not place your orders in the collection plate or leave them in the church office. Please complete this form and return it with payment to Anna Koehler in person or mail to: Anna Koehler, 2124 Abington Rd, Bethlehem PA 18018. Order deadline is Saturday, December 9. Please make checks payable to East Hills Moravian Church or EHMC.**

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

In Honor of _____

In Loving Memory of _____

For Blessings Received _____



All Things Moravian And Other Community Events

ShareCare Event

All are invited on **Thursday, November 9 at noon** to the Texas Roadhouse, 4463 Southmont Way, Easton, for lunch and a silent auction to benefit ShareCare Faith In Action. For more information and tickets, call 610-867-2177.

Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner

Saturday, November 11, 4:00–7:00 pm, at College Hill Moravian Church, 72 W. Laurel St., Bethlehem. Call 610-867-8291 for tickets: Adults (12 and over)-\$12.00/Children (5-11)-\$5.00/Children under 5-free. Take-out will be available.

52nd Community Advent Breakfast

Saturday, December 2, at 8:30 am in the Main Dining Room at Moravian Village of Bethlehem, 526 Wood Street. Mayor Bob Donchez will bring greetings and Kassie Hilgert, CEO and President of ArtsQuest will be the speaker. The event will include a full served breakfast and will feature the Bethlehem Moravian Trombone Choir; a traditional beeswax candle lighting and music by the St. John Zion AME Church Choir and the Broughal Southside Singers. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$9 for youth under 16 and **must be purchased in advance at the following Bethlehem locations until November 27:**

- Bethlehem Area Public Library, Main Library • 11 W. Church Street
- Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside Branch • 400 Webster Street
- Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce Center • One East Broad St, Suite 560
- Cathedral Church of the Nativity • 321 Wyandotte Street
- Moravian Book Shop • 428 Main Street
- Moravian Village of Bethlehem • 526 Wood Street (front desk)



BAM Ministries News

Please remember in your prayers East Hills' member, Catherine Moyzan, and Central member Susan Trimble. These educators will be traveling to Nepal for three weeks during October and early November. Aided by a grant from BAM MinCom, they will be supporting the educational ministry of Vani Pradhan and her staff at the International Kindergarten. Their time there and the resources they will share will help students learn the English they need to pass entrance tests for schools in

Nepal. Education has always been an important outreach ministry for Moravians. Feel free to contact Catherine or Susan through their churches and have them share their experiences with your congregation after they return from Nepal.

