

# THE EBENEZER MESSENGER — July 2019

Monthly newsletter of the Ebenezer Moravian Church  
N8095 High Road — Watertown, WI 53094  
920-206-0222 - Church



Growing up, my family did not take many vacations. My mother preferred life in her own bed and house. However, on the few occasions we did go on vacation, we headed to Ocean City, MD. We did not spend much time in the ocean, preferring to wander the boardwalk and eat at the various food stands along the way. We had some saltwater taffy and felt the ocean breeze. The sound of the waves and the smell of the ocean are memories that are quite strong.

Water is a life-force all on its own. It literally covers most of the world and nothing can survive without it. Everything, literally every living things needs water. Water nourishes and refreshes, revives and cleans, fills our spirits and washes away our sins. Have you ever floated in water? Can you remember just laying back, ears covered and closing your eyes to see that the world is disappears? There is no more centering space than floating in water. Yes, I know people have capitalized on this and even created float rooms to just spend time in silence. That is what water does, it silences the world.

It silences the world of pain, refreshing our spirits

It silences the world of hurt, cleansing our wounds

It silences the world of worry, drowning out the voices

It silences the world of fear, bringing peace

It silences the world of shame, washing away all sins

It silences the world of doubt, reviving the soul

Water gives life, which is why God uses it so often. Think of all the scriptures around water, it is endless. From baptisms to parting seas, from floods to storms to utter calm...water has saved us, revived us and will nourish us. All thanks to God who uses water to experience God.



## GREETERS, LAY READERS & FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

If you are interested in being a greeter or lay reader, or hosting Fellowship Hour after the church service, please sign up.

The Elder on duty each month will pass around the clipboards before worship begins and will collect them at the end of announcements.

The Book Club book for the month is Kristin Hannah's  
"Night Road."



*No more practices.  
We are off for the summer.*



If you are an 'on-line buyer' and purchase from AmazonSmile.com, Ebenezer is now part of their Charity Support Program.

What this means for you, is that for every purchase you make on AmazonSmile.com, Ebenezer will receive a portion of your order as a donation to the church. It's as simple as that. All you need to do is make sure you are using AmazonSmile.com and not Amazon.com. On your initial purchase you will need to select Ebenezer Moravian Church as the recipient of your donation. We will automatically receive quarterly payments.

If you have any questions on how this works, feel free to contact Dawn.

**PRAYER MINISTRY**



*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."* Philippians 4:6. If you would like to add a prayer request, please contact one of the Elders. For prayer

requests to be included in the weekly bulletin, please contact Pastor Katie (pastor.kvdl@gmail.com) BEFORE Wednesday of each week.



- 4 - Karissa Bender
- 6 - Nathan Baum
- 6 - Bohdi Degrandt
- 7 - William Petig
- 8 - Jenna Beerbohm
- 9 - Timothy Pattengale
- 11 - Annabella Caratachea
- 11 - Linda Rabbach
- 11 - Tracy Saxby
- 12 - Piper Finley
- 14 - MaryLou Kopp
- 16 - Monica Meyer
- 20 - John Vesper
- 20 - Annaleyna Van der Linden
- 21 - Jackson Hamann
- 25 - John Cahill
- 25 - Carolyn (Sue) Kopp
- 30 - Rhiannon Prust
- 30 - Stephanie Schultz



- 4 - Alan & Rosie Berger
- 11 - Don & Karol Wesemann
- 17 - Dennis & Linda Rabbach

## REACHING OUT...

This is a list of members that may not be able to attend church regularly. Please feel free to contact them via mail. If you wish to have your contact information or someone close to you added, please contact Shelly Degrandt at (920)988-6281 or at [degrandts@gmail.com](mailto:degrandts@gmail.com).

### **Leroy Gronert, Sr.**

Dycora Nursing Home  
Apt. 201  
430 Wilcox St.  
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

### **Douglas Rabbach**

Park Ridge (Zinzendorf)  
1148 Bayberry Drive  
Watertown, WI 53098

### **Joyce Kopp**

317 Lauren Lane  
Watertown, WI 53094

### **Carol Schultz**

Park Terrace  
1047 Hill Street, Room 2528  
Watertown, WI 53098

### **Todd Hamann #627678**

Thompson Correctional Center  
434 State Farm Road  
Deerfield, WI 53531-9562

## VBS FOR A DAY!

On Saturday August 3rd, Ebenezer will have a ONE FULL DAY VBS!

Mark your calendars and watch the bulletin for more information about this amazing, fun-filled one-day event!

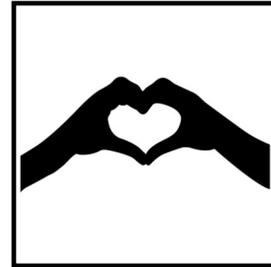


**Come to VBS!**

## Join us @ the Plus 50 Retreat @ Mt. Morris for Everyone in the Over 50 Crowd August 15-18, 2019

“Love, Love, Love”

What does the Bible say about Love?



Fellowship, Faith, Food & Fun  
as we enjoy God's creation!

Registration begins @ 4pm on Thursday followed by dinner at 5:30 pm. We end with worship and brunch on Sunday. Cost per person is \$190 which includes all meals and 3 nights lodging in Black Oak Lodge.

Reserve your spot now with a \$75 deposit by July 1st.

Feel free to contact our registrar: Myrna Peil at 920-333-0447.

Our program director is Rev. Wanda Veldman at [rev.wveldman@gmail.com](mailto:rev.wveldman@gmail.com) or 715-213-7447. Musician Jason Pues will again be with us.

Pastor Katie Van der Linden  
(610) 442-3790

**IF NOT AVAILABLE  
CONTACT**

Tom Naatz, Vice-Elder Chair  
(920) 699-3118



**NOISY OFFERING UPDATES**  
July to September — Mount Morris



July to September, 2018 — \$131.20 to Shared Community Mission  
October to December, 2018 — \$160.17 went to Watertown Humane Society  
January to March, 2019 — \$132.27 went to Helping Hands Fund (Ebenezer)  
April to June, 2019 — \$165.70 went to Jefferson Senior Nutrition

*If you have any suggestions for future rotations, please share your idea with one of the Elders.*

# OFFICE HOURS



Tuesday 10am to 2 pm  
Thursday 10am to 2 pm

*Please contact Pastor Katie to make arrangements for other times.*



## AND



## ATTENDANCE

May 19 — 48: \$1,206



May 26 — 35: \$1,106



June 2 — 45: \$2,173.66



June 9 — 38: \$1,486



June 16 — 41: \$1,566



To meet our 2019 budget, weekly offerings need to be approximately \$2,000. Thank you for your consideration.

Anne Davies-Walsh, Trustee

**ACTIVITY GROUP "A"**

Leaders Bob (920-342-4304) &  
 Tammy (920-342-3849) Meyer  
 AND

JoAnn Draheim - (920) 285-8978 OR  
 (920) 285-9983

**November 2019 -- January 2020**

Karissa Bender - (920) 342-3347

Kaylin Bender - (920) 285-6984

Shari Bender - (920) 285-6984

Pat Counsell - (920) 261-2730

Kris Kerr - (920) 261-1523

MaryLou Kopp - (920) 261-2096

Scott & Christine Kopp - (920) 253-1919

Bob & Tammy Meyer - (920) 342-3849

Arlene Molly - (920) 699-2133

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Allison Rein - (920) 206-1411

Emmaleigh Rein - (920) 206-1411

Eric & Tracey Rein - (920) 206-1411

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Ken & Linda Strauss - (920) 262-0094

Aaron & Katie Van der Linden - (610) 442-3790

Joe & Anne Walsh - (920) 699-2884

Donald & Karol Wesemann - (920) 261-7388

Trudi Wesemann - (920) 342-4133

**ACTIVITY GROUP "B" — Co-Leaders**

Dennis & Linda Rabbach (920-699-3781)

AND

Tom & Virginia Naatz (920-699-3118)

**May - July 2019**

James & Amanda Baneck - (920) 285-6248

Nathan & Angela Baum - (920) 988-2230

Chris Bender - (920) 342-4218

John & Nancy Braatz - (920) 261-4333

Carol Britts - (920) 261-9493

Seth Brown & Teaya - (920) 220-0166

Bohdi Degrandt - (920) 342-5277 OR  
 (920) 988-6281 (Shelly)

Joe & Shelly Degrandt - (920) 699-2178

Jillian Degrandt - (920) 342-1289

Jon Gehler - (920) 342-2945

Amanda Harris - (920) 248-9304

Gerald & Paula Harris - (262) 617-6579 (Paula)  
 (920) 723-8587 (Gerald)

Yolanda Yahn - (920) 253-6617

Sue Kopp - (920) 699-3504

Darrick Krueger

Dalton Krueger - (920) 220-9626

Darrin & Trudy Krueger - (920) 220-9626

Tom & Ginny Naatz - home - (920) 699-3118

Tim & Julie Pattengale - (920) 988-6130

Dennis & Linda Rabbach - (920) 699-3781

Douglas Rabbach

Barbara Rich - (920) 421-3133

Jozelle Roberts - (920) 248-9304

Andy Roberts - (920) 285-4723

Marion Schwartz

Theresa & John Vesper - (920) 941-0152

Charles & Judy Wesemann - (920) 261-6880

Emma Wegner - (920) 285-1370

**ACTIVITY GROUP "C" — Co-Leaders**

Linda (920-253-8137) & Gregg Lippens

(920-253-8136) HOME: (920-261-2061)

AND

Doug (920-285-1045) & Kris (920-285-1048)

Schefft

**August - October 2019**

Scott & Jill Beerbohm - (920) 988-4714

Janet Butzine - (920) 390-2264

Chris Cahill - (920) 699-2867

Craig & Melissa Cahill - (920) 699-2867

Robert Hahn - (920) 261-5849

Bob & Dianne Hamann - (920) 261-6685

Todd Hamann

Travis & Emily Hamann - (920) 262-8257

Joyce Kopp - (920) 261-7972

Greg & Linda Lippens - (920) 261-2061

Kari & Matt Maass - (920) 253-7297

Francis & Kathie Orval - (414) 416-0225

Reinhold Petig - (920) 261-6892

William Petig - (920) 261-2486

Doug & Kris Schefft - (920) 285-1048

Clifford & Dianne Schuett - (920) 261-9120

Carole Schumacher - (920) 261-2005

Diane Tuhy - (920) 253-1481

Megan Weihert - (920) 253-8139

Bob & Dawn Westenberg - (920) 261-7068

Glennis Zastrow - (920) 261-3731

**LAST UPDATE: January 2019**

## Support our Schools (SOS)!

Shared Community Missions annually collects school supplies for students who may not be able to afford supplies on their own.

The distribution nights this year are scheduled for August 19 and 20th at St. Henry's School downtown. In order to be successful, we need to collect lots of supplies! The list of supplies is below and will come in quite handy when you go shopping! Please bring items to church and place them in the bin and we will make sure they get to the distribution.

Also, mark those dates on your calendars as they need plenty of help as each family is helped through the process by a volunteer. Volunteers arrive at 4 for orientation and stay till 7/8 to help clean up for the evening. It is a great opportunity to meet people in our community and make sure all kids have the supplies they need.

### Support Our Schools (SOS) Supply List 2019

- Backpacks
- Scientific Calculators
- Washable Markers (8 set)
- Markers (8 set)
- School Glue Bottles
- Glue Sticks
- Pencil Boxes
- Large Erasers
- Pencils
- Colored Pencil Sets
- Dry Erase Markers
- Highlighters
- Red Pens
- Black or Blue Pens
- Mechanical Pencils
- Book Covers
- Composition Notebooks
- Sketch Pads
- Index Cards
- Plastic Folders - plain or designs
- Folders with clips in the center
- Folders - standard, 2 pocket
- Spiral Notebook (college or wide)
- Loose Leaf Filler Paper (college or wide)
- 1" 3 Ring Binders
- Dividers for notebooks/binders
- Kleenex
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Ear Buds



## BOARD MEMBERS

### ELDERS: 2019-2020

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**Kris Kerr**

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## PRAYER CHAIN

If you have any prayer requests or want to be included on the Ebenezer Prayer Chain, please contact Pastor Katie Van der Linden at (610) 442-3790 OR pastor.kvdl@gmail.com. The most important thing to remember is to have permission of the person or family before you request it be included on the Prayer Chain. Also, please be sure to just give facts and don't add any rumors or assumptions. Please use any information you get just for the prayer request.



Please help keep our website updated with current pictures of church activities, ministries, church grounds and church facilities. We are also looking for new group pictures of the church boards and committees.

Send pictures as jpg files to Dawn Westenberg at dawn22658@gmail.com. We desperately need to update the photographs currently on our website.

## LOAVES & FISHES

Contact Linda Lippens

In partnership with the Watertown Moravian Church, we provide dinner for our community free of charge. The meal is served every Monday evening, except holidays, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Watertown Moravian Church, 510 Cole Street.

### MEAL

- 1: Pork Chops
- 8: Sloppy Joes
- 15: Chicken Legs
- 22: Burgers & Brats
- 29: Pork Loin

### SERVERS

- 1: Ebenezer
- 8: Brian - Boys Sports Group
- 15: Heritage
- 22: OPEN
- 29: Kiwanis

**MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE**



### LOOKING AHEAD.....

Ebenezer will be serving on September 30

Watch for sign-up sheets in the narthex.



**Monday, July 22nd**



Ebenezer Kids will meet on Wednesday July 17th, 6-7:30pm.

We will be outside, weather permitting!

Come and have fun, learn a bible story, make a craft, have a snack and enjoy some creative fun!



Young Adult Bible Study met in June and talked about the parable of the unforgiving slave in Matthew 18:21-35.

Each time we meet, we discover how these characters relate to ourselves and deal with the challenges we all face in forgiveness.

This month, we will be meeting on Tuesday July 9th from 6-7:30 and talking about the Parable of the Sower. This is found in three gospels and we will talk about what they each mean and how it relates to us today.

This is open for all members and friends middle school through college.

SAVE THE DATE !!

READY KIDS FOR SCHOOL DISTRIBUTION

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019 @

JEFFERSON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

8:00am – 10:00am – SET UP

10:00am – 12:30pm – DISTRIBUTION

12:30pm – 1:30pm – PACK SUPPLIES/CLEAN UP

You have generously donated your time in the past to the "Ready Kids for School Distribution Program".

We invite you to join us again this year as we support our students. We will reach out this Summer to confirm your participation.

Contact Trudy Krueger to sign up to help or if you have any questions. She can be reached at 920-220-9626 or 3djtkrueger@charter.net.



Greetings! The theme for Chetek 2019 is "Won't you be my Neighbor?". As a part of the program, we are hoping to let campers know one way they are connected to their "neighbors" in Western District Congregations is through prayer.

We are asking members to select a slot on the sheet, which will be in the church narthex, to offer your prayerful support July 15-19th during the camp week.

It is as simple as signing up, and offering a prayer

during your chosen time for the campers gathered at Chetek. Themes for the prayer should be as you feel led, but prayers for a shared experience of community, and faithful discernment are especially appreciated.

## SANDWICHES IN THE PARK

"What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works." James 2: 14-18

Ebenezer has been given the opportunity to give back to the needy in our local Watertown community. Every Friday in the month of July, our congregation will be partaking in "Summer Sandwiches in the Park". The program aims to provide a nutritious lunch for children and families that may not have the resources needed to provide meals. We will gather at the church Friday mornings around 9:00 and make the lunches. We will then go to Lincoln Park in Watertown to distribute. You can also help in this effort by making donations in the form of food or money. If there are any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at 920-342-8021 or Pastor Katie. Let's show our community what we are capable of.

In Christian Love, Theresa Vesper, Elder & Co-Leader of Sandwiches in the Park



**July 7**

*Douglas & Kristine Schefft*

*Mary Kopp*

*Scott Kopp*

**July 14 & 21**

*Scott & Jill Beerbohm*

*JoAnn Draheim*

*Amanda Harris*

**July 28**

*Donald & Karol Wesemann*

*Bob & Tammy Meyer*

*(Please contact Head Usher Alex Zubrod at 920-261-8289 if you would like to assist in this ministry.)*

**PRE-ORDER 2020 MORAVIAN TEXTS**  
**Order BEFORE August 13th and receive a 10% Discount!**

Item	Regular Price (after 8/13/19)	Pre-order Price (before 8/13/19)
Journal Edition Moravian Daily Text	\$16.00	\$14.40
Hardcover Edition Moravian Daily Text	\$15.00	\$13.50
Large Print Edition Moravian Daily Text	\$13.00	\$11.70
Paperback Edition Moravian Daily Text	\$10.50	\$9.45
Spanish Daily Text	\$10.50	\$9.45
German Daily Text	\$10.50	\$9.45
Large Print German Daily Text	\$11.00	\$9.90
Directory & Statistics (purchased alone)	\$8.50	\$7.65
Directory & Statistics (special price if purchased with any version of Daily Text)	\$5.00	\$5.00

**Please give your order to Dawn PRIOR to 8/13/19. She will be checking with members who placed orders last year.**

**MORAVIAN WOMEN**

The Moravian Women take off for the summer months and will begin meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month in September.

If you have any questions, please call Linda Rabbach - 699-3781.



**Member Connection Program!**

Coming back to church after some time away is hard. Walking in feeling judged or wondering what others are thinking and what they may say can feel uncomfortable. The Board of Elders is aware how hard it may be to return, so they are working on a new program to re-invite people to church. The purpose of the program is to welcome those who we have not seen and make sure members know they are missed. Far too often, people stop coming to church and nobody notices. There are many reasons to miss church and the worst is when you cannot come and nobody seems to care. After a time away and not feeling missed, it becomes much easier to stay away than to return. We want church to be a place where you matter and are missed. We want all members to know they are important to us. We want to know what is going on in your world and find out ways to better serve one another.

Here is how the program works, Beginning Sunday August 4, during the offertory time, all those in worship will be invited to fill out a "pew pad." This pad asks for your name, contact info and if you need anything from the church or pastor. Each week, the Elder of the Month will record the data and the Elders will keep track of those who have not been able to be in worship. After 6 weeks, the Elders will contact members who were unable to be in church and check on them, make sure they are OK and see if there are ways to serve. After 3 months, the elders will connect again to those who have been unable to be in worship. After 6 months, Pastor Katie will make contact and see if there are ways she can help and support. This program is designed to invite members back to church, check on members, and see if there are ways the church can improve its ability to care and nurture one another. We want to make sure all members feel important. We want to remind members how much they matter to us. We know that we have not been the best at creating a place to return and making sure people who have been unable to attend know they are missed. We are working on fixing that. We look forward to connecting with all members and thank you for your cooperation.

**"IN DEPENDENCE" DAY!**

Always live "in dependence" on God.

Directions: Use the vowel code to complete Psalm 16:8, NIV.

A= E= I= O= U=

k \_ \_ p my \_ y \_ s  
 l w \_ y s \_ n th \_ L \_ RD.  
 W th h \_ m \_ t my  
 r \_ ght h \_ nd,  
 w ll n \_ t b \_ sh \_ k \_ n.  
 Ps \_ lm 16:8, N \_ V

Answer: I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. Psalm 16:8, NIV

## WESTERN DISTRICT CAMPING!

At Mt. Morris, Wautoma WI:

**Chetek** July 14-20 (high school age through 21) — \$290

**Winmor** July 21-27 (middle school) — \$290

**Junior Camp** July 28-August 1 (3rd through 5th grades) — \$200

**4M Camp** August 5-7 (grades 1 and 2) — \$135



- ◆ In order to hold a camper's spot, a \$35 non-refundable fee is due at the time of registration.
- ◆ The prices listed by each camp are the total cost to be paid for each camper. The registration fee will count towards this amount. **FUN FACT:** Each camp is offered at a reduced cost (between \$55-115 per camper!) thanks to a generous subsidy from a donor funded account to help alleviate the cost of camp to families and congregations. Every camper (Moravian or not) automatically benefits from this gift.
- ◆ Ebenezer has a "camp fund" and will pay the balance.



DON'T TAKE A  
VACATION  
FROM CHURCH

# JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 5-6pm Loaves & Fishes Meal Ebenezer SERVES	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 	<b>5</b> BDCleaning Summer Sandwiches in the Park	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 9:00am Worship 10am Fellowship 1:05pm Moravian Day @ the Mallards Game	<b>8</b> 5-6pm Loaves & Fishes Meal	<b>9</b> 6-7:30pm Young Adult Bible Study	<b>10</b> 6pm CEF	<b>11</b> 8:30am Shared Community Mission Group @ Christ UMC 6pm Trustees	<b>12</b> Summer Sandwiches in the Park	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 9:00am Worship 10am Fellowship	<b>15</b> 5-6pm Loaves & Fishes Meal	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6-7:30pm Ebenezer Kids	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> BDCleaning Summer Sandwiches in the Park	<b>20</b>
<b>CAMP CHETEK — July 14 to 20 @ Mount Morris</b>						
<b>21</b> 9:00am Worship 10am Fellowship Necklace Party (hosted by Annie V)	<b>22</b> 5-6pm Loaves & Fishes Meal	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Summer Sandwiches in the Park	<b>27</b>
<b>CAMP WINMOR — July 21 to 27 @ Mount Morris</b>						
<b>28</b> 9:00am OUT-DOOR Worship With Lake Mills Praise Band 10am Fellowship  BDCleaning (instead of 8/2)	<b>29</b> 5-6pm Loaves & Fishes Meal	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>LOOKING AHEAD:</b> August 3: VBS for a Day! August 5 to 7: 4M Camp @ Mount Morris August 7: Book Club @ Rock River Pizza August 19 & 20: Support our Schools (SOS) backpack & school supplies collection for Shared Community Missions		
<b>JUNIOR CAMP — July 28 to August 1 @ Mount Morris</b>						