

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost - October 8, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP - 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.* Psalm 118:22, 23

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.....The Rev. Ginny Tobiassen

PRELUDE - *Halle, Halle*.....Caribbean Melody/arr. Hal Hopson
Carolers and Celebration Singers

CALL TO WORSHIP

SPECIAL MUSIC - *God is Calling Us*.....Natalie Sleeth/arr. Jean Anne Shafferman
Carolers and Celebration Singers

Liturgy for Mission Service (insert)

LOVE. LIVE. SERVE. - "*Consider Your Own Call*".....Kate and David Bell

SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 5:1-7, page 552
Psalm 80, page 470
Philippians 3:10-14

The righteousness that I have comes from knowing Christ, the power of his resurrection, and the participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

If somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already reached this goal or have already been perfected;

But I press on to make it my own, because Christ has made me his own and grabbed hold of me for just this purpose.

Beloved, I myself do not think I have reached it, but this one thing I do:

Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

(During the singing of the next hymn, children age 4 and up are welcome to follow Godly Play leaders to continue their worship in RB-227. At 11:00, children will travel to the second floor of the CE building for the Comenius Corridor and then Sunday School.)

HYMN 719 - *Be Thou My Vision*.....T. Slane

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 21:33-46, page 803.....The Rev. Andrew Heil

SERMON - *Wild Grapes*

HYMN 797 - *In the Bulb There is a Flower*.....T. Promise

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGSRev. Heil

OFFERTORY INVITATION

ANTHEM - *The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee*.....Jean Berger (1959)
Choir

DOXOLOGYT. *Old Hundredth*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD

HYMN 528 - *Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord*.....T. *Holy Lord*

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE - *O Gott, du Frommer Gott*...setting by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)
(O God, Thou faithful God)

Virginia H. Tobiassen, *Pastor*
Andrew Heil, *Associate Pastor*
Margaret Norris, *Director of Christian Education*
Glenn Siebert, *Director of Music* Susan Foster, *Organist*
Anne Saxon, *Director of Children's and Youth Choirs*
Erik Salzwedel, *Director of Gregor BellChor*
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend a cordial welcome to all of our visitors this morning, and we invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you after the service. Visitors, members and friends are invited to Coffee Fellowship in the lovefeast serving room to the right of the Sanctuary, immediately following the morning worship service.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today in loving memory of *Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holt Haywood* and *Mr. and Mrs. Archie K. Davis* by the family.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children/Youth

Nursery: *It's a Noisy Place!* CE-104 (Nursery)

Age 4-Kindergarten: *Walking with Jesus*, CE-205

1st-4th grades: *Dig into the Bible*, Music, CE-204

5th-7th grades: *Submerge Yourself in the Bible*, CE-301

8th-Post High: *Café Conversations*, CE-304 (meet outside of South Vestibule door)

Adult

Scripture Encore: *Continued exploration of today's service scripture passages*, CE-101

Bible Discussion: *1 Corinthians, Chapter 11*, Club Room

Faith Journeys: *DVD Bible Study: Parchment to Pixel with Phyllis Tickle*, CE-208

PERSONAL NOTES

Recovering at home: Jennie Disher, David Pfaff, Brenda Talbert, Jeff Wood

Ill at home: Jim DeViney, Barbara Rominger

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Attorney Terry Clark, a frequent consultant on legal matters for the Southern Province, will speak about sex offender law in North Carolina, constitutional issues surrounding that law, and best practices for churches. The dinner menu includes an Oktoberfest. Please make supper reservations with the church office by 5:00 p.m. Monday. The cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. Members and guests are also welcome to come only to the program, which begins at 6:30 pm. Youth go to LOGOS at Trinity Moravian from 6:30-8 p.m.

----- Tear off and place in offering plate -----

Wednesday Night Fellowship - October 11

Name _____ # attending _____

Standing reservation __ Yes __ No Dietary needs or restrictions _____

CALENDAR

- Today - 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Fellowship (Dieners)
11:15 a.m. - Sunday School
- Monday - 12:00 p.m. - Circle 7, Club Room
2:00 p.m. - Gemeinschaft, Parlor
5:00 p.m. - Circle 3, Parlor
6:30 p.m. - Circle 5, CE-101
7:00 p.m. - Trustees Meeting, Club Room
- Tuesday - 3:30 p.m. - Circle 4, home of Carolyn Phelps
5:30 p.m. - Circle 8, Club Room
6:30 p.m. - Circle 2, home of Nicole Beale
- Wednesday - 7:00 a.m. - Breakfast at Lighthouse Restaurant
11:00 a.m. - Circle 9, mountain home of Beth Baldwin
2:00 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry, Parlor
4:45 p.m. - Children's Choir/Moravian Minis
(Visit the Candle Tea's Salem Scene)
5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Fellowship
6:30 p.m. - WNF Program, CE-101
- Thursday - 6:30 p.m. - Choir, RB-5
- Friday - 9:30 a.m. - Circle 6, Parlor
- Next Sunday - 10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship
11:15 a.m. - Sunday School
12:00 p.m. - Youth for CROP Walk, Fellowship Hall

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moravian Disaster Response provides opportunities to respond to needs created by Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma. Go to Moravian.org and look under "Latest News" for a link to details.

Earth Stewards' Strollway Pickup: Saturday, October 14. Meet at 9:30 a.m. on Church Street, in front of Home Church for instructions and supplies. Time on Strollway is about 45 minutes. Please contact Don Frey in advance to volunteer or for more information (336-723-7619).

Lovefeast Candle Trimming will take place in our Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, October 17, beginning at 9:00. We will break for lunch around noon, then continue trimming into the afternoon for those who can stay. The complimentary lunch is courtesy of our Lovefeast Candle Trimming Committee. Women, men and friends are invited to share in this festive event. Please join us in contributing to a wonderful Christmas Eve tradition for our community!

Children's Fall Festival - Wednesday, October 18, 6:10-6:40 pm by the Club Room entrance pavement. RSVP to the church office at 336-722-6171 or home1771@homemoravian.org.

Home Church members are needed to stay at the Samaritan Inn on October 23, 24, and 25 beginning at 6:15 p.m. Please contact Nat Watson at 336-761-8228 for more information and to sign up.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? Find out on the weekend of October 27-29! Choose to be a host/co-host or a guest for this evening of table fellowship in member homes. The twist? You will not know who will be sitting around the table with you until you arrive. This is a wonderful way to find a deeper sense of fellowship with your brothers and sisters at Home Church. Sign up to be a host or guest for dinner on Friday October 27, Saturday October 28, or Sunday afternoon, October 29. Hosts will open their homes and offer an entree to the number of guests they can seat around a table. Guests will bring a dish to share. RSVP by October 19 to the Church office or to Catherine Greene cstgreene@gmail.com. *Sponsored by the Church Family Life Committee.*

Liturgy for Mission Service

(All those being commissioned, please come forward at this time)

Today we commission in prayer those called by the Spirit of God and set apart for the service of Christ's Church with our sisters and brothers in Cuba. As we join now in prayer together, let us also be renewed.

For God sends each and every one of us as instruments of love and light—of one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. There is one God, the father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is above all and through all and in all.

To each one of us the Spirit gifts to equip the saints for the work of ministry and for the building up of the body of Christ so that we might grow to wisdom and maturity—established in faith, united in love, unwavering in the hope that we share.

Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? No, and yet all of us are sent to go and make disciples, bearing witness with our whole lives to the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For by grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God, not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Tune: BATTY (16 A)

When simplicity we cherish,
Then the soul is full of light;
But that light will quickly vanish,
When of Jesus we lose sight.

Those who are by Christ directed,
trusting the Good Shepherd's care,
from all harm will be protected,
And no danger need to fear.

(Presentation of Journals)

Gracious Shepherd, you have blessed us all with gifts and abilities to serve you. To each has been given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good, a sign that we need one another.

And every gift is brought to life in us by the same Spirit, who gives to each person as the Spirit chooses.

So if we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

And the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

For each and every gift, O God, we give you thanks. Now may your Spirit go with each of those being sent in your name today, and may your living presence in them bear lasting fruit as they share the good news of your mercy and grace.

We pledge our support to these, your beloved children. May they be witnesses and instruments of your redeeming love.

In the name of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit, you are hereby commissioned to your ministry and service among the church in Cuba. Go in faithfulness and with the assurance of the peace of God, with you and in you.

God's Spirit is living among us and will grant the grace that is sufficient to complete the tasks that we are given. Go therefore, with compassion, sharing the good news of God's saving love in Jesus Christ. And may the joy of the Lord be your strength.

Tune: ROCKINGHAM, OLD (22G)

In mercy, Lord, this grace bestow,
That in your service we may do
With gladness and a willing mind
Whatever is for us assigned.

Lord, grant that we impelled by love
In smallest things may faithful prove;
Till we depart, our lives be true,
Devoted wholly unto you.