



Home Moravian Church

Founded in 1771

Fulfilling Christ's call to love God, live in community, and serve our neighbor.

“Let thine eye be opened toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there.”

—Text for the day on which the Site of Salem was selected.

Salem Square

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.* Psalm 19:14

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS The Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood

PRELUDE - *Stretch Forth Thine Hand to Heal* Robert Hebble (1982)

CALL TO WORSHIP

LITURGY: *Discipleship*, pages 37-42

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Nehemiah 8:1-11

Psalm 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

During the singing of the next hymn, children age 3 and up are welcome to follow Godly Play leaders to continue their worship in CE-106.

HYMN 682 - *Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old* T. Samanthra

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4:14-21 The Rev. Ginny Hege Tobiassen

SERMON: *What About Tomorrow?*

HYMN 490 - *Spirit of God, Who Dwells* T. Morecambe

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Dr. Atwood

The offertory provides an opportunity to reflect on the many ways that we can express our gratitude in response to God: with time, treasure, talents, and testimony. For financial giving online: Use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal at <https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/>. Click the DONATE tab on any page of the Home Church website. For more information, go to homemoravian.org/donate. You can make one-time or recurring gifts. Text HOME to 73256 on your phone.

OFFERTORY INVITATION

ANTHEM: *The Heavens Are Telling* Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827),
Arr. Virgil Thomson

Home Church Choir

The heavens are telling the Lord's endless glory, through all the earth his praise is found.
The seas reecho the marvelous story, O loud repeat that glorious sound! The starry hosts he
doth order and number, he fills the morning's golden springs, he wakes the sun from its
night-curtained slumber. Let all adore the King of kings! The heavens are his and the earth
knows his favor, his power in all things thou dost see; the Lord of hosts who forever and ever
thy God and Father still shall be. He is thy maker whose love shall not waver, a God of
wisdom, ever kind; praise him and love him with all thy endeavor, in him salvation shalt
thou find!

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD Rev. Tobiassen

HYMN 635 - *We Are Called to Be God's People* T. Austrian Hymn

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Hymn 832, *The Grace of Our Lord*

While singing, we extend the right hand of fellowship. Those who wish may exit as the postlude begins.

POSTLUDE: Gloria Patri from *Magnificat in D* (BWV 243) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank our member Mary Foil for her leadership in the choir today.

We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors this morning and 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, pick up a beverage in the serving room off the Sanctuary, and enjoy fellowship.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today by Barbara Carter *in honor of our newest members (all who were received in 2024)*. Welcome!

Nurture your body and spirit in the **Winter Journey at Laurel Ridge, February 14-16!** In addition to rest and fellowship, you can participate in learning opportunities: "Stitching Stars: A Crochet Workshop for all Levels," led by Meredith Dowdy; "Hymns and Liturgies for Lent and Easter," led by Nola Knouse; or "Who's Afraid of the Moravians" led by Craig Atwood. Details and registration at laurelridge.org.

SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

GODLY PLAY, CE-106, 10:20 a.m., (ages 3 and up), *Choosing the 12 Disciples*

INTERGENERATIONAL MISSIONS CLASS: A Morning with Laurel Ridge, 11:15 a.m., Fellowship Hall, Children (ages 7 and up), youth, and adults are invited to this special intergenerational presentation during Sunday School.

BIBLE DISCUSSION, 11:15 a.m., Club Room and Zoom

NURSERY & CHILDREN (up to age 7) POWER HOUR, 11:15 a.m., CE Building

INQUIRERS' CLASS for Prospective Members, 11:15 a.m., Saal

Virginia Hege Tobiassen, *Pastor* Craig Atwood, *Associate Pastor*
Glenn Siebert, *Director of Music* Jonathan Williams, *Organist*
Becky Hodges, *Director of Christian Formation*
Philip Montgomery, *Youth Ministry Coordinator*
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(10 a.m. Morning Worship is broadcast on WSJS-AM 600)