

Macedonia Call

March 2019



Lent

*is one way of letting
go of me, in order
to grasp onto Him*

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Sunday Services

9:45am

Sunday School

11:00am

Worship

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Women's Fellowship is offering \$100.00 towards the registration fee for any lady in our congregation who plans to attend the 13th Moravian Women's Conference to be held June 20-23 at the Embassy Suites in downtown Winston-Salem. If you plan to attend, please talk with Kathy Sparks.

Women's Fellowship: will meet Monday, March 11th at 7:00pm. The Dorcus Circle will meet in the Fellowship Classroom at Macedonia for devotion focus and discussion will be in chapter 2 of OUR GUIDING LIGHT by Bishop Kay Ward. The Lola Douthit Circle will meet at the home of Judy Brock. All ladies of the church are invited to join us for a time of fellowship and devotion.

Men's Fellowship: will meet Monday, March 11th at 7:00pm at Macedonia. All men of the church are invited to come out and join us for a time of devotion and fellowship.

Macedonia Seniors On Wednesday, March 20, we will begin this year's activities with a trip to OSO's Eats on Jonestown Road, Winston-Salem, NC. We will plan to leave Macedonia at 11 am and return by 2:30 pm. If you wish to be a part of this group, and enjoy a wonderful meal and fellowship, please call the church office and get your name on the list by March 14 so we can make reservations. If the bus is not available, we will need to carpool.

Bible Study: We are continuing to study the Book of John on Tuesdays at 7:00pm, in the fellowship classroom. If you are interested in attending all you need to do is bring your bible.

New Sunday School Class: You are invited to join us for a new Sunday School class beginning Feb. 3rd in the fellowship hall. The class will be based on a special program called Gemeinschaft, which was originally developed at the province and utilized in small group studies. The Feb. 3rd class will be an intro/informational session with an explanation of the curriculum, which includes diving into the Moravian Daily Text, the Moravian Covenant of Christian Living, Journaling, prayer, sharing with each other and taking a deeper look at one's spiritual life and how to grow in faith. If you are interested in learning more, please join us Sunday, Feb. 3rd at 9:45 in the fellowship hall or contact Anna Beauchamp at 336-782-2376 for more information. We would love to have you join us for this special class.

Community Egg Hunt

Macedonia will be hosting a Community Egg Hunt and Ice Cream Social on April 20th from 2-4. We will have the egg hunt at 2, fun games for the kids and ice cream for everyone! We appreciate donations of candy, plastic eggs and any volunteers to help serve ice cream, man the game stations and help us watch the children. If you can help, please see Anna Beauchamp or Elizabeth Barrett.



Days of Prayer

Ash Wednesday, March 6th at Home Moravian Church,

speaker will be Rev. Sandra Thigpen

9:45am Coffee Hour * 10:45 Music * 11:00am Worship (nursery provided).

Sunday, March 10th at Christ Moravian Church

speaker will be Rev. Adam Goodrich. 2:00pm Lovefeast (nursery provided).

Wednesday, March 13th at Trinity Moravian Church

speaker will be Rev. Debbie Lanier. 11:00am Worship followed by a luncheon.

Wednesday, March 20th at Ardmore Moravian Church

speaker will be Rev. Dan Nelson. 9:45am Coffee Hour * 10:45am Music

* 11:00am Worship (nursery provided).

Those we care for and celebrate this month



Members: Jean Saunders, Peggy Nifong, Jacquie Juchatz, WL Cope, Cecilia Sloan, Jim Luper, Dick Sheek, Debbie Cranfill, Doris Sloan, Flora Mae Hockaday, Barbara Waldrop, Ken Boger, Lonnie Hepler, Wilson Sparks, Phyllis Hayes, Mary Riddle, Madeleine Sparks, Don Graham, Alan Peterson, Joann Ireland, Keith Craft (Glenda Craft's Son), Joyce Butner (Libby Cope's Sister) **Friends:** Betty & Bill Norman (Susie Stillman's parents), Dean & Drew La Frennie (brothers) (Friends of Jean Saunders) Cynda Claridge (Mischelle Vance's Mother), Trish Shatley (Friend of Anne and Jim Luper), Kesha Graham (Daughter-in-Law of Becky Graham), Addy Young (family member of Becky Young), Mr. WH Johnson (Friend Susan Gilbert) Gene Sheek (Brother of Kathy Sparks, Doug & Dick Sheek), Elenore "Ellie" Stickland (Granddaughter of Chris & Bettie Dally) Michael Woo & family (Missionaries), Robert & Anne Thiessen (Missionaries), Tony Beauchamp (Anna Beauchamp's Brother)

Anniversaries

03/08 Charles & Sheila Beaman
03/18 Willie & Shirley Smith
03/19 Evan & Amy Hodges
03/24 WL & Eunice Cope



Happy Birthday

03/01 Valerie Cook
03/02 Eunice Cope
Debbie Sheek
03/03 Eunice Gonzalez
03/20 Shannon Gardner
03/23 Don Graham
03/24 Daniel Montgomery
03/25 Debbie Cranfill
Becky Young
03/26 Reid Snyder
03/29 Terry Wood
03/30 Leah Mills
03/31 Margaret Davis



Those in Service this Month

Nursery Workers

| | <u>Sunday School</u> | <u>Worship</u> |
|------|----------------------|----------------|
| 3/3 | Helen Myers | Sandra Coble |
| 3/10 | | Kathryn Wood |
| 3/17 | | Mary Riddle |
| 3/24 | | Sandra Coble |
| 3/31 | | Kathryn Wood |

Greeters

3/3 Gary & Doris Gardner
3/10 Dick Sheek & Susan Parker
3/17 Nanearle Hayes
3/24 Jim & Anne Luper
3/31 John & Carol Sparks

Ushers

3/3 John Sparks, Jim Luper, Willie Smith
3/10 Ken Boger, Doug Sheek, JD Brock, Conner Cook
3/17 Alfred Nifong, Gary Gardner, Warren Schleupner, Hubert Hayes, Jr.
3/24 John Sparks, Jim Luper, Willie Smith
3/31 Ken Boger, Doug Sheek, JD Brock, Conner Cook

Lay Readers

3/3 Eileen Dunn
3/10 Larry Lanier
3/17 Anna Beauchamp
3/24 Patsy Lanier
3/31 Robin Smith

Storehouse for Jesus Items

Peanut Butter & Jelly
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste

From the Church Board:

February 2019

Total Income: \$ 14,166.75
Total Expenses: \$ 18,837.60

The February 2019 figures are through February 28, 2019

Mission/Outreach Update

Lumberton Home Adopted to Rebuild

On September 14, Hurricane Florence made landfall just south of Wrightsville Beach. Although now a category 1 storm, it stalled a few miles west Wilmington. Wind, rain, and flooding caused \$17 billion more damage than Matthew and Floyd combined.

At our Yadkin View RCC meeting, Rev. Chris Thore, pastor at Clemmons Moravian, proposed a mission project to help the victims of this disaster. He shared how his previous church, New Beginnings, joined efforts with Richard Petty Motor Sports and Roush-Fenway Racing to create a “Ground Effect” in Lumberton after Hurricane Matthew in October 2016. By coordinating with the NC United Methodist Disaster Response in Lumberton, they adopted a house to gut and completely restore so the family could return home. We voted to pursue this opportunity. After several months of waiting, our RCC has officially been assigned a house to adopt and rebuild.

Kenneth Langford and Chris Thore are spearheading the effort to get the wheels turning to begin this project. The house will need to be totally demolished, a foundation laid, and framing built. A licensed electrician, heating and air conditioning person, and plumber will be needed for the first 3 phases. Connections are in place with previous teams and local workers to help accomplish these goals. After the house is leveled, Kenneth will forward a plan for the remaining work projects. Skilled craftsman, general workers, chefs to cook for the teams, painters, photographers, and others will be needed to complete this project.

A good amount of the start-up funds have been committed by our RCC churches, the BWM, and the Methodist Disaster Response. Macedonia has designated its Lovefeast offering and others are planning fundraisers. The Board of World Mission has placed a RV in Lumberton to help house teams, and the Methodist Church will provide housing, showers, and a kitchen for meal preparation. Moravians from the Southern and Northern Provinces will also be invited to participate on the teams. We are very blessed to have pastors and experienced people to help lead us in this project.

Rev. Chris Thore wrote this article for the August 2013 Moravian about being involved in relationships and ministry with people in our communities:

“So you have heard the old joke, ‘The only one who likes change is a baby.’ There is a lot of truth in this idea especially in our day and time, but when we are stretched in new ways, when we seek new opportunities, God’s abundant mission is within our midst. In this case maybe our own back yard! Ladies and Gentlemen, start your engines!”



Thank you to those who expressed their feeling concerning the initial direction of our Lenten Series on Wednesday evenings. Your input helped to guide the board to a more appropriate activity than was initially agreed upon.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 6th and continuing each Wednesday during Lent we will be sharing a meal together and then spending time in groups learning to play dominos and learning more about each other.

Why play a game during Lent? The game of dominos is a way to build relationships and learn how to share yourself with others. How do we do that? By building relationships with our neighbors and community. It takes practice to learn to be with one another and share yourself with those around you. This is just an avenue to practice this skill.

We are continuing to learn to share the Gospel and the most effective way to do this is to build relationships with those around us.

Playing dominos will be a fun way to build relationship with each other. Please consider coming out and joining us and bringing a friend each Wednesday evening of Lent at 5:30pm.

Macedonia Moravian Men's Fellowship Presents
Free Community Hot Dog Dinner

featuring

Andrew Minor & Friends

Saturday April 13 @ 5:30 p.m.



Bluegrass and
Gospel Music!

Macedonia Moravian Presents
**Community Easter Egg Hunt
and Ice Cream Social**

Saturday April 20 @ 2-4 p.m.

Egg hunt, games and ice cream treats!

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TEAM UP to CLEAN UP

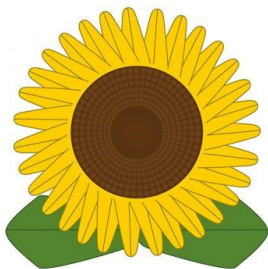
Macedonia will be holding a couple of interior clean up days. The purpose is to go through our church and spring clean...declutter, organize, throw away unwanted and unneeded items and restore order to our church home.

Everyone is invited to come help, many hands are needed. Men and women and even children are welcome.



If you think that there might be an item (s) that may have sentimental value to you or someone you know please come and help us sort through and decide those items that benefit and bring joy to our church.

These scheduled days are Saturday, March 2nd and if necessary, another Saturday in March (TBD). Each day will begin at 9am and conclude at noon. Perhaps some folks would like to get together to have lunch afterward. So please consider joining us as we gather in fellowship with one another as we work to get our church clean and organized for the upcoming spring season.



AGING Well

2019 Conference

March 30, 9am – 1:15pm

Trinity Moravian Church

Conference Agenda

9:00am – Check in, Fellowship & Coffee

9:20am – Welcome and Devotions

10:00am – Session #1

11:15-12:15 – Session #2

12:15pm- 12:45pm – Lunch

12:45pm – 1:15pm – RYC Choir

2:00pm – Closing Benediction

Register online at:

[Moravian.Online/
AgingWellACS](http://Moravian.Online/AgingWellACS)

There are registration forms in the church office or you may contact Kathy Sparks if you are interested in attending



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| | | | | | 1 | 2 9:00am Church Clean Up Day |
| 3 Last Sunday after the Epiphany 9:15am Prayer 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship | 4 | 5 5:45 pm Prayer Partners 7:00pm Bible Study | 6 Ash Wednesday 5:30pm Midweek Meal and Lent Activity | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 First Sunday in Lent 9:15am Prayer 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship/ Holy Communion Daylight Savings Time | 11 7:00pm Women's Fellowship Meeting 7:00pm Men's Fellowship Meeting | 12 Partners 7:00pm Bible Study | 13 5:30pm Midweek Meal and Lent Activity | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 Second Sunday in Lent 9:15am Prayer 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship | 18 | 19 Partners 7:00pm Bible Study | 20 11:00am Senior Trip 5:30pm Midweek Meal and Lent Activity | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 Third Sunday in Lent 9:15am Prayer 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship | 25 | 26 Partners 7:00pm Bible Study | 27 5:30pm Midweek Meal and Lent Activity | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:15am Prayer 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship | | | | | | |