



FAIRVIEW MORAVIAN CHURCH

Family Newsletter

September 2019

Doing Our "Soul-Work"

Special points of interest:

- Maggie Styers MC BBQ
- Jt. Bd. & Elders Report
- Breakfast on September Sunday's
- Operation Christmas Shoebox Ministry.
- WF Chicken Pie and Country Ham Supper

In the corporate world, a growing emphasis has been on "continuous improvement." No process, product, or sales strategy is considered permanent. Everything is open to review for better ways of working towards a common goal. It is a highly participatory process implemented by management and labor working together.

In the church, we refer instead to "transformation." We proclaim that we are **being** transformed by Christ's love. It is the **ongoing** work of the indwelling Holy Spirit.

For, we are called to "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who is at work in you..." (Philippians 2:12-13)

As individuals we ask "How is God at work **in** me?" As a congregation, we ask "How is God at work **among** us?" These are inseparable. A congregation's capacity to faithfully discern God's leading is severely hampered when individuals are "stuck" and not actively deepening their trust in the Living God. In a growing congregation, each individual is highly committed to continuous "soul-

work" for themselves and the congregation alike. In the church, be believe that the Holy Spirit **does** the work. We **offer** our willingness to change. We **offer** our trust in God's continuous improvement of our unique soul.

To this end, Fairview will have several extra opportunities for individual and shared "soul work" in the coming weeks. They are an intricate part of our transitional ministry process. Ruth Cole Burcaw (who led our Day of Discovery on March 31st), will lead a program on **"Discovering Your Spiritual Type"** on Sunday September

29th 4-6:30 pm (Includes a light supper). The aim is to help us know our own soul better (How do we best experience God?). We will also be growing in our understanding of our congregation (How do Christians of varied types best experience God? How can we structure our faith development as a church so that our different "types" are enriched? How do we apply this understanding of varied spiritual types in our outreach and mission endeavors?).

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Join Us For Breakfast!

GIVE YOURSELF A BREAK!

Is it a challenge to have time for breakfast on Sunday morning? Let us help! On **September 8, 15, 22, and 29**, you can enjoy a light breakfast from 9:15-9:45 in the Fairview Fellowship Hall, followed by worship at 10:00. Plan to join us for a great start to your Sunday mornings, and invite others to join us as well!



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Women's Fellowship News...



The ladies of Fairview's Women Fellowship will begin the Fall Season with a General Meeting of the Women's Fellowship on Saturday, September 14th, from 9:30 to 11:30 with a brunch, sing-along and meeting. Come and enjoy the get together. If you are not a member of a Circle, come anyway.

The annual Chicken Pie/Country Ham Supper will be Saturday September 21, 2019 from 4:00 PM to 6:45 PM. \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for

children under 10 years of age.

Dinner will be prepared by our ladies for the Shepherd Center, on October 5th.

Candle trim on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 10:00 AM. Lunch will be provided. Lots of candles to be trimmed, come help. Also a session that night.

Fairview's Fall Fare will be Saturday, November 23, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There will be frozen chicken pies, \$12.00 each. Country Store, homemade pies, candy, cakes

and tables to rent and maybe a bite to eat.

Circle Projects for September:

Circle I – Next in line for food for a bereaved family.

Circle II– Trellis (Hospice) Tuesday, September 10th.

Please remember Stella Brendle as she prepares for the Mission Trip to Nepal.

Next Executive Board Meeting, Monday, September 23rd at 10:30AM. Happy Labor Day!

Reading the Bible Together When "We Are Not Agreed".



The goals of this event are to read the Bible together—closely, sensitively, appreciatively as Moravian congregations in the Southern Province consider their views of LGBTQ persons in membership and leadership. We'll study passages that may be relevant to congrega-

tion questions and discuss how, in vital matters of Christian community and ethical practice, readers move from Scripture to life, placing the complex biblical past beside our complex cultural present, and often reaching differing conclusions. Dr. Lipsett of Salem

College is the speaker.

Saturday, September 21 from 9:30a.m. to Noon.

No cost to attend.

Fries Moravian Church
251 N Hawthorne Rd. W-S

Register by 9-18 to
pec@mcsp.org

Maggie Styers Missionary Chapter BBQ Fundraiser



Saturday, October 12

The Maggie Styers Missionary Chapter (MSMC) will have a barbeque sale on Saturday, October 12 from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Barbeque will be sold in one pound carryout packages

with sauce for \$11. Fairview's Kevin Krause will be cooking the barbeque and all proceeds will go to support MSMC's mission grants both locally and overseas. Questions? Please call Ken Neal.

If you would like more information on the Maggie Styers Missionary Chapter, its missions, or how to join to group, please contact Ken Neal or Barry Self.

Joint Board and Elders Report

The Joint Boards met the evening of August 12. Among other business, the Joint Boards received a report from the Transitional Support Team. Plans are being laid to move forward with preparation for the call process later this year, and the widest possible participation by church membership will be encouraged. Plans will be announced to the congregation.

At the request of the Music &

Worship Committee, Fairview will offer a continental breakfast for members and visitors prior to worship on September 8, 15, 22, and 29. The breakfast will consist of coffee, juice, cereal, and other light breakfast fare. The cost has been donated.

Plans were also laid for a Stewardship Celebration in late September. An instruction class for sound system

volunteers will also be scheduled.

The Board of Elders met following the Joint Board meeting. Reports were received from a number of committees, and several building usage requests were approved. Plans were discussed for a barbeque sale fundraiser for Missionary Sunday. The sale will not involve serving a meal, and the date of the sale is October 12.



God's Work for Fairview Church!



Notes from Lewis...

Our Chancel Choir will resume their regular weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, September 18th at 7:00PM in the sanctuary. The choir has taken a well-deserved break during the summer months by only rehearsing every other week. We will begin work on Advent and Christmas music very soon. This would be an excellent time for anyone that has been thinking about joining the choir to come and give it a try!

Our Adult Handbell Choir will have an organizational meeting/rehearsal on Wednesday, September 18th at 5:45 in the handbell rehearsal room on the top floor of the Christian Education building. We can always use more ringers! It is not absolutely necessary that you have prior handbell experience, although that would be helpful. It is necessary, however, that you be able to read music. If you are interested

in joining this group, please call me and let me know of your interest prior to our September 18th meeting. This group has a lot of fun together and I know that you would enjoy ringing with us!

Our band is another hard working group in the church. September band rehearsals are on the 8th and 29th. Our band director, Van Krause, would love to have more players. We have many people that have played in the band in the past, but have

stopped playing for whatever reason. Now would be a great time to begin playing again! If you are in need of an instrument, we have some to loan.

If you have a God-given talent, then I can't think of a better way to use it than by ringing handbells, singing praises to God or playing your instrument. Come and give one (or more) of these groups a try – you might just be glad you did!

Remembering Our Members In Prayer...

Members in Care Facilities...

Bermuda Village-Gretstone Apt. Betty Beeson
Heritage Woods-Opal Miller
Salemtowne Healthcare-Barbara Giesler & Eleanor Swaim
South Fork-Al Butner & Bob Joyce
The Oaks-Edna Teague
Homestead Hills-Ruby Pulliam
Vienna Village-George Brannock

Special Prayers Needed:

Judy and Jerry Byerly; Roger Carmichael; Ann and Jeff Coppage; Oneita Dease; John Harrold; Susan Carter-Hope; Doug Ivester; Nancy Manuel; Dot Moore; Harry Sapp; Linda Self; Brooks Snyder; Nancy and Ken Tomberlin.

Shut In:

Tootie Barbour; Betty Bennett; Al Butner; Nelson Cannon; Barbara Giesler; Sam Hardister; Gayle Heck; Doug Ivester; Jolleen Johnson; Lillie Mae and Bob Joyce; Nancy Manuel; Ann and David Marcus; Lucy Millikan; Doris Noell; Ruby Pulliam; E. Artis Weber.



Senior Friends Fellowship

Thursday, September 26th, 9:00AM

We will travel to Mooresville to visit the **Lazy 5 Ranch**. We are changing animals because the butterfly farm was booked! Admission to the ranch will be \$10 for seniors if we have at least 15 people. It will be \$11 otherwise. We will take the wagon ride through the ranch and get to see the animals up close and personal and even feed some of them.

We will eat lunch somewhere in the area following our visit with the animals. Please call Jeanne Willard (336-768-5645) to reserve your spot on the bus no later than Sunday, September 22nd.

Tuesday, October 24th, 9:30AM

We will board the bus following a brief business meeting and head to a destination

somewhere in the mountains for a **Mountain Mystery Trip**. This will be apple season, so be sure to bring money for apples as well as lunch.

Please call Jeanne Willard (336-768-5645) to reserve your spot on the bus no later than Sunday, October 20th.

Doing Our "Soul-Work" Continued...

Also, I will be leading a mini-retreat on **"Discovering the Art of Forgiveness"** on Sept. 12, October 12, and October 17 from 9 am -to 1:30 pm (light lunch included, \$10 will cover food and program materials. No one will be turned away). The program, limited to 15 persons per date, is the same on each date. Just choose the best date for you. Invite a friend (We can add dates if need-

ed). The focus is on getting unstuck from deeply held resentments that hinder our relationship with God. We look at the difference between **forgiveness** (which happens between us and God) and **reconciliation** with others which requires forgiveness to pursue but **may or may not** be safe or feasible). I will also be addressing this in a complementary preaching series on **"How do we forgive?"**

which starts on September 8th.

I believe that Fairview is poised for significant spiritual renewal this fall. It will require a very strong commitment to both personal and communal soul-work on our part. But the power for transformation comes not from our ourselves. We seek renewal from God who is at work among us.

With Hope, Pastor Jeff.

Free Band Classes...

Want to learn how to play an instrument? Love hearing the band play and wish you could play? Now is the time...Home Moravian Church is offering free band classes on Tuesday evenings, beginning September 3rd. The rehearsals are held

in the rehearsal room on the lower level of the building. The beginning band class meets at 6:30PM and is for people ages 4 and up. Second and third year players meet for class at 7:30. These classes are taught by Robah Ogburn and Connie

Merritt. If you do not know what instrument you would like to learn to play, the directors will help you with that decision on the first night. Please contact Van Krause for more information.



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Happy Birthday To You!!!

September Birthdays

1 Brenda Miller	14 Doris Noell,
2 Robert Cady,	Shirley Southerland
Tom Nicholson	18 David Barringer;
4 Sheri Fulp	Jerry Hailey
7 Michael Faircloth, Sr.,	20 Betty Beeson,
David Marcus	Linda Snider
9 Benny Welch	24 Meredith Hailey
10 Jason Turner	28 Henry Hilker
12 Betty Ferguson	30 Amy Hailey,
	Buff Long

October

2 Sharlene Medley,
Cliff Venable
4 Susan Hurst,
Barry Self



Wednesday Lunch and Bible Study

Our Wednesday Meal and Bible Study starts back on September 4th at 12:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Make sure you join us and invite your friends and neighbors as we study God's word, have a wonderful meal and fellowship together.



Cooking Teams for 2019 are:

Team 1-Catered BBQ-Annie Harrold

Team 2-Ken Hauser

Team 3-Cynthia Faircloth

Team 4-Ruth Freeman

Team 5-Catered Sub-Pat Sapp

Team 6-Doris Bostian

SINGSTUNDE

an hour of singing, led by the
Moramus Chorale

- ~ Saturday, Sept. 14, 3:00 p.m.,
Salemtowne, Winston-Salem, NC
- ~ Tuesday, Sept. 24, 7:00 p.m.,
Fairview Moravian Church
- ~ Sunday, Oct. 20, 4:00 p.m.,
Fries Moravian Church
- ~ Sunday, Nov. 10, 4:00 p.m.,
Unity Moravian Church

Join us Tuesday, September 24th at 7:00p.m. in the Sanctuary at Fairview. Some of our choir members will be singing with this group!






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Fairview Moravian Church

Police Appreciation Day

Friday, September 6th
5:00 p.m.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 am Worship-S 11:10 am Sunday School	2  Church Office Closed	3 10:00 am Circle #4-P	4 10:00 am Circle #1-AB 10:30 am Circle #2-CR Noon Lunch & Bible Study-FH 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	5 10:00 am Activity Building being used for Private Function until 1:00 pm	6 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast at K&W Healy Drive 5:00pm to 7:30 pm Police Appreciation Day/-Picnic	7 8:00 am Amazing Grace Clothes Closet Open
8 10:00 am Worship-S Transitional Update to the Con- gregation 11:10 am Sunday School 4:30 pm Band Practice-BC	9 7:00 pm Joint Board Mtg. -P with Elder-P and Trustee-CR Mtg. to follow	10 11:00 am Outreach & Special Events Mtg.-CR	11 Noon Lunch/Bible Study-FH 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	12 9:00 am Discovering the Art of Forgiveness—with light lunch (until 1:30pm). Led by Rev. Cabbage	13 	14 9:30-11:30 am WF Gen- eral Mtg.-FH
15 October Newsletter Deadline 9:30 am Band Prelude 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School Moravian Day of Service See Pastor Jeff for Info.	16 7:00 pm Circle #3-Place TBA	17 	18 Noon Lunch/Bible Study-FH 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	19	20 Women's Fellowship setting up for Saturday-FHJK	21 9:00am Fries MC Reading the Bible Together 4:00 to 6:45PM Women's Fellowship Chicken Pie & Country Ham Supper-FH
22 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School	23 1st Day of Autumn 10:30 am W-F Executive Board Mtg.-CR	24 5:30 pm Christian Education Committee Mtg.- CR 7:00 pm Moramus Choir Singsuede at Fairview-S	25 Noon Lunch & Bible Study-FH 7:00 pm Choir Practice-S	26 Senior Friends to "All a Flutter Butterfly Farm" in High Point.	27 9:00-4:00pm (also the 28th) Stewardship Event: Spon- sored by the Moravian Ministries Foundation at Konoak Hills MC-Meal Provided. See Pastor Jeff for Info	28 1:00 pm Alpha Chapel and Parlor in Use for Private Function (until 5pm)
29 10:00 am Worship 11:10 am Sunday School 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm Discov- ering Your Spiritual Type-FH-Led by Ruth Burcaw (light supper) 4:30 pm Band Practice-BC	30	AB = Activity Building BC = Blum Chapel CR = Conference Room EB = Education Bldg. FH = Fellowship Hall P = Parlor S = Sanctuary	Back to Basics Every Monday and Friday at 6:00pm In the Activity Building	Women's Fellowship General Meeting—September 14th 9:30 am Coffee and Brunch 10:00 am Singalong and Elections All women are encouraged to attend!		

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2019 Watchword

Inquire first for the word of the Lord. 2 Chronicles 18:4

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry



Our kickoff for the Shoebox Ministry will be Sunday morning October 6, 2019. For our early shoppers, a list of suggested items to purchase is listed in this newsletter. We are looking forward, with your help to filling 100 Shoeboxes. These shoeboxes are a vital part of the missionary effort to bring the Good News of Jesus' love to children. These children are probably some of the neediest in the world. As always, if you are unable to shop or just do not like to shop, we will accept your monetary donations and shop for you. We hope that you will feel blessed to participation in this outreach ministry and that our efforts will be pleasing to our Lord. We ask for your prayers that we will be successful and prayers for the children who will receive our gifts. We are a church united in our efforts to reach out to those in need. Our kickoff will be **Sunday Oct 6th**. Shoeboxes will be available

that day and will contain a brochure with instructions.

1. **Decide on boy or girl and age (2-4) (5-9) (10-14)**
2. Buy appropriate gifts and place in boxes.
3. The last item to **enclose is \$9.00 cash or check for delivery. To follow your box refer to info in the brochure.**

4. Remove the boy or girl label from the brochure.
5. Mark the appropriate age and tape on the top of box.
6. Place rubber band around the middle of the box to secure.
7. Bring filled boxes to church anytime & we will store securely.

Suggested Items For The Boxes...

Start with a Wow item that the child will cherish, like a beautiful doll, stuffed animal, or a deflated soccer ball with pump.

Coloring books, activity pads, crayons, colored pencils, pencils/erasers, pencil sharpeners, solar calculators, school supplies, soap (in plastic bags), washcloth, toothbrush, jump rope, small dolls, harmonicas small cars/trucks, balls, yo-yo, pack of cards, picture books, slinky, hair brush, comb, toy jewelry, hair bands, hair bows, flash light (extra batteries), tote bags, t-shirts, socks, ball caps.

The Program culminates—**Sunday, November 10**. Our shoeboxes will be placed in the Sanctuary that morning for a blessing.

Questions: call Pat Sapp 336-293-4730 or Rod Back 336-768-6711. Thank you! The Outreach and Special Events Committee.