



## Fairview Moravian Church

The Lord is at my right hand, I shall  
not be moved.  
Psalm 16: 8

August 2022

### The Pastor's Corner

#### “The Secret Sauce”

Recently I came across an article about the state of decline of the Christian Church in America. The statistics from the study do tell a story; they do not tell “The” story of the church. “The” story is about our merciful, and constantly loving God, who continues to create *today*. “The” story is about the gift of life through which Jesus Christ blesses us with a renewed faith and life with God *today*. “The” story is about the Holy Spirit who Jesus sends to be with us as the engine of a vital and growing Christian spirituality *today*.

*Today*, more precisely Sunday worship at Fairview on June 19, is the moment when the Holy Spirit reminded those in worship that God who creates and Jesus who renews is our reality *today, right now*. During the second stanza of the final hymn of worship, “Just As I Am Without One Plea,” the Holy Spirit moved. Two people simultaneously moved to the front of the church to kneel before the Lord’s Table. I felt the movement once and kindly declined the Holy Spirit’s urging. Following the second urging I knew it wasn’t emotion, rather it was the Spirit and so I released my hesitation and knelt before the Lord as a vow of commitment. A member from the balcony, who **did not** see me kneel, began his journey of response and commitment. Another from the congregation, who later told me “this was the first time he had been so moved,” came down. All told there were two couples and five others: nine of us who responded. Note, there was no verbal invitation to move. What does this mean? The Holy Spirit is up to something among us in our extended *today*. What should we do? We should continue **to respond** to Jesus’ invitation the same way that Christians always have: 1-spontaneously and immediately; 2-gathering together for prayer and worship; 3-offering ourselves to God for the ministry of God’s church; 4-seek the great **need** of the community around us, which

intersects with our **passion** for outreach and mission; 5-become the active expression of Jesus’ healing ministry for a world in desperate need for a real relationship—Jesus will replace the false relationship the world offers; 6-invite FRAN—friends, relatives, acquaintances, neighbors—to be part of the faith family called Fairview. You already have what might be called the “secret sauce.” When people visit, you accept people as they are and invite them with genuine friendliness. We all know that sincerity is obvious and welcomed. You children of God at Fairview have this secret sauce. The real secret sauce **must be** no secret at all: it’s the Holy Spirit. “*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly [the Holy Spirit as] a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house... Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?” ... And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved...’ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.*” (Selections from the Book of the Acts of the Holy Spirit, chapter 2).

Grace and Peace be with you all,

*Pastor Tony*

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### Upcoming Events for August

**August 2 at 10:30am-WF Circle 4-Parlor**

**August 3 at 10:30am-WF Circle 2-Conference Room**

**August 6-Clothes Closet-Open 8am to Noon**

**August 8 at 5:30pm-Joint Board Mtg.-Fellowship Hall**

**August 13-WF Food Drive-11am to 1pm**

**August 15 at 7pm-WF Circle 3**

**August 14-Holy Communion**

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## Remembering in Prayer...

The congregation was saddened by the loss of one of our members, Marjorie Humbert passed into the more immediate presence of her Savior on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Marjorie's family in your prayers.

### Our Church Family:

**Doris Brame, Anne Collins, Ann Carroll, Bob Dalton, Anna Faircloth and her Mission Team, Danny Flowers, Riff Footland, Rev. Don Griffin, John Harrold, the family of Marjorie Humbert, Jolleen Johnson, Jean and Harvey Lunsford, Nancy Manuel, Lucy Millikan, Brenda Miller, Tom Nicholson, Doris "DG" Noell, Harry Sapp, Larry Sprinkle, Lindsay Tise, Nancy and Ken Tomberlin, Diane Wright, Robin and Bill Yokley.**

### Our Family and Friends:

**Sarah Draughn** (friend of Pam Tatum), **Fred McKinney** (brother of Linda Mathers) **Wayne Miller** (friend of Pam Tatum), **Cele Shaver** (cousin of Pam Tatum).

### Pray for our Friends and Family in the Military:

**Jordan Hailey** (Navy – son of Jerry Hailey), **Daniel Millikan** (Army – son of Dianne & Alan Millikan), **Jeremiah Millikan** (Navy – son of Dianne & Alan), **Christian Nixon** (National Guard – nephew of Candice & Rod Back, **Eric Tise** (Air Force-Italy – grandson of Lindsay Tise) **Michael Timmons** (Army National Guard – son of LuAnn and David Timmons).



Greetings from the Women's Fellowship!

We continue our drive-through **Food Drives** on the second Saturday of each month. Our next dates will be on August 13, 11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m. Food collected will be donated to the Bethabara Food Pantry. Thank you for your support of this important ministry!

In July, we are collecting **school supplies for Speas Elementary**. Local stores will have many of these items on sale as they offer "Back to School" sales. You can put your donations in the Lovefeast Kitchen container. Here is the list of their requested items:

- crayons
- Lysol spray/wipes
- hand sanitizer pumps for classroom use
- Baby Wipes
- Kleenex boxes for classroom use
- folders with pockets inside, solid colors

- Masks- adult and kid size
- No. 2 pencils
- glue sticks
- Markers
- Colored pencils
- Sheet protectors
- 1- 1/2 inch binders
- blunt scissors
- highlighters, all sizes and colors
- Post Its, all sizes and colors
- wide ruled composition books
- graph/grid composition books
- sanitizing wipes
- Expo dry erase black chisel tip markers for teacher use on white boards
- white out correction tape
- pencil pouches/boxes
- Snack items-cereal bars, fruit cups, juice boxes, cheese crackers, etc.
- Ziploc bags - Gallon size, sandwich size

Thank you for supporting our local school and our community!

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY

With thankfulness and a spirit of giving, Women's Fellowship has chosen to participate in the wonderful program OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY for 2022.

These shoeboxes serve as a way to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world. The shoeboxes filled with our gifts are the only gifts that we know for sure, that the children receiving them will be given the opportunity to hear about Jesus and his love for them.

On Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup> the shoeboxes with complete instructions will be available.

The brochure in the shoebox has a list of items to place in the shoebox and an envelope to place your name and address and the \$10.00 for delivery expenses. Detach the envelope from the brochure fill with cash or check. You can also pay with your credit card on line. **You have a choice** to put the envelope back in the box or you can mail directly to Samaritan Purse, or pay online. If you are filling multiple shoeboxes, you may make one combined donation.

An early start gives us an opportunity to buy school supplies at deeply discounted prices. The sales usually start about the middle of July.

We are thankful to Samaritan Purse for giving us this opportunity to send gifts to children who have very little and as a result of receiving the shoeboxes, each child is given the opportunity to participate in "The Greatest Journey" a 12 lesson Bible Study and discipleship program.

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These children will grow up and hopefully become leaders in their village and having experienced the love of Jesus Christ could lead to peace in their village and maybe even in the world.

One of the important things that we can do when we shop, is to pray that God will direct each shoebox into the hands of just the right child.

We need each of you to make this a successful outreach ministry. We can fill a shoebox with a donation of \$25.00 to \$30.00 with school supplies, personal care items, and a WOW item. With \$10.00 going for postage, that leaves \$15.00 - \$20.00 to buy gifts for the shoebox. Any amount that you would like to donate will go towards filling shoeboxes. If you want someone to shop for you, let us know early in order to get the discounted prices.

I hope that all of us will think of this project in terms of the number of children who will enjoy our gifts and most of all hear about the love of Jesus Christ for them.

Please return your filled shoeboxes to the church by August 21st.

Women's Fellowship Outreach Project,  
Pat Sapp

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#### Fairview Clothes Closet

We are happy to report that beginning in March we have returned to our regular schedule of opening the Clothes Closet once a month. We continue to implement the Covid safety precautions that we had earlier put in place, and this seems to be working well for our volunteers and shoppers. Those precautions include masks, limiting the number of people in the room at one time, and having waiting shoppers either wait outside the building in nice weather, or separated in seating groups along the hall. Everyone has been understanding and agreeable to the new rules.

We have given away between 30 and 50 large kitchen size bags of clothes at each opening. In addition, we have been able to meet several individual requests from school social workers and other churches. We are available on Wednesday mornings from 10:00 to 12:00 to accept and organize donations. Church members are welcome to leave donations at other times on the bench at the end of the hall, or in the closet beside the Clothes Closet.

The other volunteers and I would like to thank the Fairview congregation, neighbors, and friends for all the generous donations of clothes. We are all a part of meeting the clothing needs of our community.

Eugenia Ivy



#### August

2. Alden Dull
3. Ann Carroll, Ruby Pulliam
5. Brent Johnson
6. Kevin Bluhm
14. Carlos Collins, Terri Southern
15. Robert Barkley, Vickie Gwen
16. Becky Dixon
17. Kathy Saylor
20. Shirley Byerly, Ruby Gentle
25. Melissa Thompson
26. Jovi Millikan
27. Barbara Barnes, Nan Smith
28. David Timmons
29. Diane Wright
30. Danny Flowers

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We have several openings for flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Contact Cynthia Faircloth 336-250-8127 if you would like to put flowers in honor or memory of someone.



The Sound/Audio/Video Operators need a few more helping hands on Sunday's livestreaming our services. No experience needed, we will teach you what you need to know. Please contact Jerry Hailey or Rod Back if you would be willing to help.

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*The Women's Fellowship is sponsoring a Housewarming Party and Luncheon for Pastor Tony and Laura on Sunday, July 31st at 12:15p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested gift items: gift cards, linens, and home essentials. We hope you can come and help them celebrate!*

### Provincial Women's Board

**Save the Date:** The Spiritual Life Retreat at Laurel Ridge will be held Friday, September 16 - Sunday, September 18.

All women of the Province are invited to come and share a weekend of fellowship with your Moravian sisters. More information to come in the following weeks.

*Submitted by Cindy Lamb*

The Advent-Hopewell Moravian Church Band will be having summer concerts this year.  
Feel free to attend:

\*Sunday July 17th-Hopewell Moravian Family Life Center at 7:00pm Ice Cream social to follow.

\*Tuesday July 19th-Heritage Woods Retirement Community at 7:00pm. Covid protocol in effect-Mask, temp check and fill out covid form to enter.

\*Sunday July 24th-Friedberg Moravian Family Life Center at 7:00pm.

\*Tuesday July 26th-The Saal at Salemtowne Retirement Community at 7:00pm

Hope to see you there,  
Van Krause

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### Is Money on Your Mind?

By Laura Watson

Did you know most polls find that nearly three-fourths of Americans are worried about their finances? Yet we know God wants something better for us than fear and doubt, and we experience great joy when we're able to use money to support God's work in the world.

If you are concerned about your finances or yearning to find more meaning in what you do with money, we've got great news: MMFA is partnering with a program, FreedUp, that can help.

What is [Freed Up](#)? It's a financial stewardship training program that offers current resources to help guide and equip people of faith to manage money in healthier ways, through Biblical wisdom.

The app addresses all components of financial stewardship. Including: Earning, Giving, Saving, Spending, Debt

For more info go to <http://mmfa.info/blog/worried-about-money/>



### Board of World Mission Update Ukraine Refugees and Flooding in Honduras July 13, 2022

The Board of World Mission takes this opportunity to thank the many congregations and individuals who have donated to our Moravian Disaster Relief Fund over these past few months. We have raised over \$300,000 (US) to assist congregations in the Czech Republic and Germany as they extend hospitality to refugees fleeing violence in Ukraine. Your donations have helped provide housing, food, and critical supplies to folks who are in crisis. It has assisted one congregation in helping relocate a primary school from Kyiv to their town. Your donations have also helped congregations in places like Herrnhut to provide language classes, meals, and assistance in finding housing.

We look forward to assisting additional schools in the Czech Republic to welcome refugees into their student bodies. We now know that some refugees are making their way to the United States and Canada. Moravian congregations in Southern Wisconsin are now connecting with Ukrainian families who were hosted by Moravians in the Czech Republic and are being settled for up to two years in the Madison, WI area. The BWM can help your congregation if it wants to get involved with hosting refugee families.

Recently we have been made aware of flooding in the La Mosquitia region of Honduras that has severely impacted the essential crops of beans and rice. Planning on sending money to help purchase emergency supplies of food and to assist in planting subsequent crops.

For further information, go to [www.moravianmission.org](http://www.moravianmission.org) or contact the Rt. Rev. Chris Giesler at [chris@moravianmission.org](mailto:chris@moravianmission.org).

US citizens can send checks to: Board of World Mission, 1021 Center Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. You may also donate online at <http://moravianmission.org/give/> and click on the green "Give" button at the top of the page. Please indicate that your gift is for "MDR."

Canadians can send checks to: Moravian Church in Canada, 600 Acadia Drive SE, Calgary, AB T2J 0B8. Interac e-Transfer donations may be sent to [treasurer@moravian.ca](mailto:treasurer@moravian.ca). In the comments section, please mark this donation as "MDR" and include your name and address to receive a tax receipt.