



2018 Congregational Watchword:

I WILL MAKE WITH YOU AN  
EVERLASTING COVENANT.

Isaiah 55:3

March 2018

From Pastor Mandy

**You Are...**

I have thoroughly been enjoying the midweek services exploring the “I AM” statements of Jesus (Yo SOY declarations de Jesus). Part of the service each week is devoted to filling in the blank: “I am \_\_\_\_\_.” These can be feeling words, they can be attributes, titles, metaphors, names, or identifying characteristics. If I were to ask you to finish that sentence with five different answers, what would they be? I might say:

1. I am a pastor.
2. I am a woman.
3. I am blessed.
4. I am full (I just ate lunch)
5. I am Mandy.

How you answer might say a lot about how you see yourself, how others see you, or what’s going on in your life right now. I invite you to list your five words for today, and then I invite you to go back and explore why it is you chose those words instead of the many other words that might describe you. What does that say about what is going on right now for you. For instance, I am currently writing this article, which I do as part of my role as pastor, and maybe I am feeling so blessed because I just had a good lunch.

Jesus also used I AM statements to tell us about himself, always in a time and way that was meaningful to the situation at hand. But Jesus not only identified who he was: the vine, the bread of life, the way, the truth and the life, the resurrection and the life, the light of the world, etc.; Jesus also told us who we are. He said, “You are the salt of the earth” “You are the light of the world.” “I call you friends.” “You are the sheep of my pasture.” In Isaiah, God says, “I have called you, you are mine” and in Galatians we read you are all children of God.”

Did you have any of those things on your list: salt, sheep, light, friend of Jesus, child of God, and the list could go on and on. I invite you this week to think about who you are, listing five things each day. And each day, add a sixth one to your list: “I am a beloved child of God.” Because no matter how different our lists might be, one thing that we all share in common is God’s great and wonderful love for us. Sometimes, just reminding ourselves that no matter what we have going on, no matter what roles we hold, or what we do with our lives, we are part of God’s beautiful creation, and a worthy recipient of God’s Love and grace.

## **MORAVIAN WOMEN**

Moravian Women will be meeting on Thursday March 1st at 1PM, at the Schuler's home.

We will continue our study of Genesis by looking at "Abraham's Family".

The mission study will continue the story of John and Nancy Gilliland and their mission to Honduras.

Please join us for an afternoon of fellowship and spiritual growth.

For questions call Nancy Sturgis.



## **Unity Prayer Day, every year on March 1<sup>st</sup>**

### **Unity Prayer Day Offering 2018.**

The Unity Prayer Day Offering 2018 will benefit purchase of a piece of land for a church office, the first to be owned by the Moravian Church in Peru.

The Moravian Church Peru is one of the newest mission areas in the worldwide Unity.

So far, the Moravian Churches in Peru rent space for their worship services and other ministries. From a sustainability point of view this is not the best approach. The Peru Moravian Board has asked if it would be possible to obtain a one-time larger donation that could be used to purchase some land in Chiclayo, Peru. That is where the headquarters is located, but presently the office is situated in the home of the president of the church.

The Moravians in Peru believe that if they have a piece of land, they can slowly work toward developing it. They have said that even if they would use a tent or a tarpaulin in the early stages, at least there would be a place that could be identified as the "Moravian Church."

4 sustainability projects in Peru are going well - especially the "Moravian Bubbles" laundry service in Lima and the Moravian Mariachi Band in Chiclayo. The income from those projects can be used for developing the land if it is purchased.

The Unity Prayer Day Offering 2018 will therefore support the witness of the Moravian Church in Peru and will help to further the mission of the Moravian Church in Peru.

Jørgen Bøytler

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Jørgen Bøytler".



*Congregations in the United States should make their check payable to the Moravian Church-Northern Province and forward it to the Finance Office, P. O. Box 1245, Bethlehem, PA 18016-1245, with a note in the memo area indicating "Unity Offering." Canadian congregations should forward their funds to the Canadian District treasurer. Please send all offerings no later than May 31 to ensure our being able to transmit all funds to the Unity for the current year's project.*

February 7, 2018

Dear Members of Lancaster Moravian church Congregation,

Greetings to each of you! I am writing to you to express my gratitude for your congregation's support of Morningstar Senior Living in Nazareth, PA. You have taken on the role of being a Good Samaritan to an older adult in our community. Thank you!

Through denominational gifts of the Eastern District, you have provided sustaining support and benevolent care to elders in our community in Nazareth who can no longer pay in full for their daily care and services. This is truly showing compassion for the frail and vulnerable as they navigate the journey of aging and all its challenges.

Morningstar Senior Living, which is also known as Moravian Hall Square, received a total of \$4,265.63 from 2017 tithes and offerings through our Eastern District allocation. Your offerings are reaching beyond your church facility to engage in caring for others in a most comforting way.

We hope that this message reaches all members of your congregation to offer our heartfelt gratitude to each and every donor.

Blessings to you all,

Mollie Santee, Executive Director

Morningstar Senior Living Foundation

## Giving is Good

During Lent, many of us think about giving something up. Fasting. Doing without. Suffering. Sacrifice. But what if we focused on the more positive aspects of giving. After all, giving is good for the recipient. If I fast, but give the money I would have used for my own lunch to someone who really needs it, then the result is positive. Yes, I may feel hunger but someone else's hunger is satisfied. Lent is the perfect time to think about the positive aspects of giving and the many ways we can make a plan to give.

Check out these interesting ways to give through MMFA.

[Donor Advised Funds](#)

[Charitable Remainder](#)

[Trusts/Gift Annuities](#)

[Legacy Gifts](#)

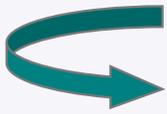
[Life Insurance](#)



### OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE:

Every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 PM residents gather for worship at Moravian Manor I Steinman Hall chapel. Volunteers are urgently needed to help serve as greeters, to hand out orders of service, and to help transport residents to and from the services.

If you are able and willing to help, please contact Chaplain Rich Thierolf at (717) 625-6139 or volunteer coordinator Robin Work at (717) 625-6005. Thank you for your consideration.



**Moravian Church Northern Province - Church Center, Bethlehem, PA**  
**Information Technology and Communications Manager**



Full-time position, competitive salary and employer paid health benefits.

The Moravian Church Northern Province is a small denomination of ninety congregations spread across the northern half of the United States and in two provinces in Canada. The operations of the province support several related entities in addition to these congregations. The administrative offices are located in Bethlehem, PA. We have a small office team, which means all staff must be flexible in order to cover a broad range of duties.

The Information Technology and Communications Manager's role is to ensure the stable operation of the information technology environment. This includes planning, developing, installing, configuring, maintaining, supporting, and optimizing all hardware, software, databases, network components and mobile devices. In addition, applicant should be able to assist the province with communications to various congregations and agencies.

**Position Requirements:**

Technical school diploma, degree or equivalent experience

Daily administration of MS Windows servers and workstations

PC and Mac computer/tablet support and troubleshooting, both hardware and software

Knowledge of Microsoft Exchange server

Familiarity with Sage back end support helpful

Web development/editing

Graphic design experience preferred

Established command of written and verbal communication skills

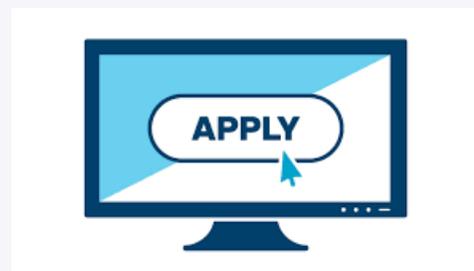
Must be mobile (stand, sit, bend) and able to lift and transport moderately heavy objects, such as computers and peripherals

HTML knowledge and proficiency creating, implementing and maintaining website databases (MySQL, MS Access)

Perform other related duties as assigned

Should you have any questions, please contact me at the information below or Marie Cestone  
610.867.7566 ext. 15, [marie@mcnp.org](mailto:marie@mcnp.org).

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**Moravian Church Northern Province**  
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This month's Dialogue is with Barb Schulter and Dave Herber. If you would like to share any concerns with your Unified Board, just let them know and they'll be happy to meet you in the Quiet Room.

2018

**Income & Expenses**

	January	YTD
Operating Income	\$ 7,523	\$ 106,811
Operating Expense	\$ 16,403	\$ 156,964
Gain/<Loss>	<\$ 8,880>	<\$ 50,153>

# Upcoming



**Holy Week Reading Services**

**Wednesdays @ 11 AM ADS**

**2 PM Moravian Manor**

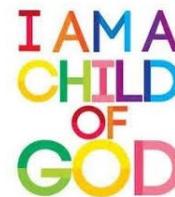
- Unity Offering                      March 4th
- Palm Sunday                        March 25th
- Holy Week Readings            March 26th-March 30th @ Moravian Manor @ 2PM
- Maundy Thursday                March 29th with Communion & Hand Washing
- Good Friday                         March 30th Reading & Tennebrae Service
- Easter Dawn Service              April 1st Donegal Cemetery @ 6:30 AM
- 2nd Easter Service                April 1st Lancaster Moravian Church @ 10 AM
- Final Midweek Lent                April 5th Thursday, 11 AM @ ADS



**SUGARCAKES**

Once again we will be baking and selling sugarcakes on April 21. If you would like to order cakes please call Nancy Sturgis (717-569-7678) If you would like to help mix and bake cakes please call Priscilla Weidman at (717-627- 5950).

Lent is a time of preparation before Easter. It is often a time of reflection and seeking a deeper relationship with God through the exploration of Jesus ministry, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection. We will be offering several opportunities for you to come and share on a Lenten Journey with us. Please see the schedule below and plan to join us for as many of these opportunities as the Spirit leads. On Wednesdays during Lent we will explore who Jesus is through his “I am statements” and on Sundays we will look at all that Christ offers to us.



### ADS Lent Schedule

Wednesdays at 11 AM

3/7/18 – – Midweek Lent Service – Spirit Time – “I am the Good Shepherd: Knowing God’s Care”

3/14/18 – – Midweek Lent Service – Spirit Time – “I am the True Vine: Knowing God’s Power”

3/21/18 – Midweek Lent Service – Spirit Time – “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life: Knowing God’s Way”

Daily – 11 AM (ADS) & 2 PM (Moravian Manor)

3/26/18 – Holy Week Reading Service

3/27/18 – Holy Week Reading Service

3/28/18 – Holy Week Reading Service

3/29/18 – Holy Week Reading Service with Communion and Hand Washing

3/30/18 – Holy Week Reading & Tennebrae Service

TBD (the week after Easter) – “I am the Resurrection and the Life: Knowing God’s Possibilities”



*We will conclude our Midweek Lenten Series on the I Am Statements of Jesus on Thursday April 5, 2018 at 11AM, when we will look at what it means when Jesus Says “I AM the Resurrection and the Life. There will be no Spirit Time on Wednesday April 4, 2018.*

### Congregation Lent Schedule

Sundays at 10 AM

3/4/18 – “Jesus Offers Healing”

3/11/18 – “Jesus Offers Life”

3/18/18 – “Jesus Offers Abundance”

3/25/18 – Palm Sunday – “Jesus Offers a Reversal of Expectations”

4/1/18 – Easter Sunday – “Jesus Offers an Invitation”



# OTHER TIDBITS

## ADS Requests and Reminders

You are welcome to use our designated areas in the kitchen, but please make sure all food in the refrigerator, freezer, and pantry, is labeled with name and date. Thank you!

When attending a church/ADS related event during the week, please place coats on the coat rack across from the quiet room, and not in the hallway, to avoid confusion for the clients and staff. Thank you!

Beverly is working on putting together a volunteer training. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the ADS program, please let Pastor Mandy or Beverly know so we can give you the details.

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## Condolences, Get Well, Thinking of You, and Address Changes

### Condolences:

Mike & Tom Cooper  
c/o Mike Cooper  
3 Garvin Road  
Denver, PA 17517

### Get Well:

Hedda Laas  
2010 Penwick Road, Unit A  
Lancaster PA, 17601

### Changes of Address:

Bonnie Tshudy  
Lancashire Hall  
2829 Lititz Pike  
Room #103B  
Lancaster, PA 17601

Cindy Campbell  
Moravian Manor  
300 W. Lemon St., Room 30L  
Lititz, PA 17543



## Lancaster Moravian Church

227 North Queen Street, 2nd Floor

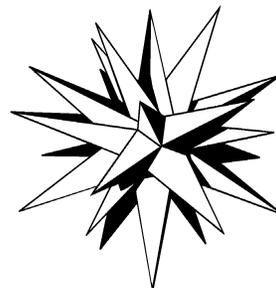
PO Box 1327, Lancaster, PA 17608

Phone: 717-397-9722

Website: [www.lancastermoravian.org](http://www.lancastermoravian.org)

Email: [pastor@lancastermoravian.org](mailto:pastor@lancastermoravian.org) (Rev. Mandy Mastros)

[office@lancastermoravian.org](mailto:office@lancastermoravian.org) (Donna)



### Sunday Schedule

10:00 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Coffee, Cookie & Conversation



### Prayer Concerns

Bonnie Tshudy, Tracy Davis, Hedda Laas, Cindy Campbell, family of Lilly Cooper including Sons Tom and Mike Cooper, Zoe, and Zoe's mom, Donna's son, Gabriel.

### Homebound Members

Helen Vogel, Anna Buchwalter, Susie Meals, Lyle Leiner, Emma Snavely, Joanne Zimmerman

### Worship Attendance

February	4	29
February	11	32
February	18	30
February	25	32

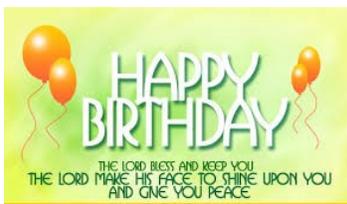
### March Anniversaries

None to report

### Unified Board

#### Elder committee

- Eddie Graybill (2019)
- Barb Schuler (2018)
- Nancy Sturgis (2018)
- Arlene Brauner (2019)



#### March Birthdays

March	02	Annetta McCardell
March	05	Cynthia Campbell
March	07	Wayne Kautz
March	18	Susan Hibner
		Addison Rymar
March	24	Gianna Miranda

\*\* Member of the 90+ Club

#### Trustee committee

- Addison Rymar (2019)
- David Herber (2019)
- Mike Brauner (2018)
- Charlie Graybill (2018)

### Staff

Pastor - Rev. Mandy Mastros  
Donna Schilke, Admin Assistant/Editor  
Therese Walton, Bookkeeper/Treasurer  
Janet Wasson, Assistant Treasurer

### Office Hours at Moravian Center

The office is open 9 a.m. to Noon, Mon.—Fri.

Pastor's office hours: Tuesday 9 AM—1 PM  
Wednesday 1—5 PM

### What's on the Horizon?

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\*For more information, please check our website:  
[www.lancastermoravian.org](http://www.lancastermoravian.org) or check us out on Facebook.