

## The Nazareth Moravian Congregation Watch Word for 2015

“Blessed be the name of God from age to age, for wisdom and power are his.” Daniel 2:20

### Senior Celebration Month

February is Senior Celebration Month; a time we ask our members and friends to uphold our seniors, who have attained the age of 75 and older in 2014, in prayer. An invitation has been mailed inviting our seniors to attend the February 22<sup>nd</sup> Service of Worship and then to attend a ‘covered dish lunch’ and the Annual Church Council in Fellowship Hall. We appreciate the expertise and the faithfulness of all our seniors and we would ask the members of Nazareth Moravian to uphold them in prayer, to make contact with them during this month by sending a card or making a phone call, or maybe even visiting with them in their home.

The following names and dates of birth are provided:

John Dusinski, Jan. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Shirley Smith, Jan. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Frey, Jan. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Ann Pettis, Jan. 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Althea Hutter, Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Charles Mallon, Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	John Kleintop, Feb. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jane Serfass, Feb. 5 <sup>th</sup>
Jean Balliet, Feb. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Andy Leh, Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Helen Ziegler, Feb. 15 <sup>th</sup>	James Campbell, Mar. 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Dorothy Garr, Mar. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Doris Kleintop, Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup>	John Knecht, Mar. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Bea Leh, Mar. 24 <sup>th</sup>
Elaine Siegfried, Mar. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Doris Kennedy, Apr. 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ruth Schlough, Apr. 12, 1914*</b> (eldest member)	
Allen Haidle, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Alice Yeakel, May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Dorothy Hege, May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Knecht, May 15 <sup>th</sup>
Martha Haidle, May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Harold Heckman, May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Oletha Wilson, May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Elmer Yeakel, Jun. 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Irene Frable, Jun. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Catherine Silfies, Jun. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bill Gold, Jun. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Joanne Dusinski, Jun. 30 <sup>th</sup>
AnneHowlett, Jul. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Patricia Heckman, Jul. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Diane Detweiler, Jul. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Charles Coutant, Aug. 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Joan Schramm, Aug. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Albert Smith, Aug. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Yeakel, Aug. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Jerome Wilson, Sep. 9 <sup>th</sup>
Shirley Bennicoff, Sep. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Nancy Coutant, Sep. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Wuest, Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Curtis Snyder, Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Rodney Ward, Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup>	Virginia Kleintop, Oct. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Joanne Sharrer, Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Glenn Boerstler, Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Fred Balliet, Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Joanne Campbell, Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Kindt, Nov. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Robert Kleintop, Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup>
Lucille Whitmer, Dec. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Silfies, Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Bessie Schweitzer, Dec. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Doris Clauser, Dec. 30 <sup>th</sup>

Each Sunday during February we will uphold one-fourth of our seniors in prayer and their names will be listed in the bulletin. Please join us each Sunday throughout February.

### Worship in February

#### February 1 – Soup-er Bowl of Caring

The message today is entitled “Blogging.” Read Mark 1:21-28 before attending Worship. Bring along an extra ‘Dollar’ this morning and place it in the soup pot that will be setting at the back of the Chapel for the 8:15 am service and in the back of the Sanctuary for the 10:45 am service. All funds collected in the soup pots will be given to the Nazareth Area Food Bank.

#### February 8

The message today is entitled “Lord, have mercy.” Read Mark 1:29-39 before attending worship.

#### February 15 – New Members will be joining during the 10:45 am service.

The message today is entitled “Drawing all things together.” Read Mark 9:2-13 before attending worship this morning.

*February Fellowship After Worship will be February 15<sup>th</sup>, sponsored by the Board of Elders*

**The Theme for the 2015 Lenten Season is “The Covenants of God.”**

**Each Sunday in Lent we will be exploring a different Covenant that was made by God.**

#### February 22 – Holy Communion – First Sunday in Lent

The message this morning is entitled “Covenant of God - Noah.” The Communion Service entitled “The Covenant of God” will be inserted in the Sunday bulletin. The Communion Service was prepared by Pastor Gehris.

**February 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Church Council in Fellowship Hall**

## Annual Church Council

February 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 10:45 am Service of Worship, and after we enjoy a 'covered dish lunch' together, our Church Council President, Chris Crook, will call us to order as we begin the process of looking at the various reports submitted to Church Council. All Communicant members are part of Church Council and your presence is **expected**.

## Provincial and District Quotas... for 2014

**Good News!!!** We were able to pay in full the Provincial and District Quotas for 2014. This is the first year in the past three years that we have been able to do that. Thanks to those who used the special envelopes designated for "Benevolences-Missions." We didn't receive all the funds that were used to pay our 2014 quotas in full through those special envelopes; therefore, the balance of the 2014 quotas were taken from the General Budget of the Church and a portion was taken from our Invested funds.

## **... for 2015**

Each year the Province and the District assign quotas to all Moravian Church in the Northern Province and the Eastern District. "Funding Our Common Ministries" a tri-fold sheet is available in the Church Office. This tri-fold allows you to look at the 2015 Budget for the Moravian Church Northern Province and informs you how the funds we send into the Province are utilized. Throughout 2015 there will be short reminders placed in the Sunday bulletin and in "The Chimes" informing our members and friends about our commitment to the Moravian Church Northern Province and the Moravian Church Eastern District.

This year the Provincial and District Quotas, approved by Church Council as part of the 2015 budget in December 2014, amount to \$42,997.43. The largest part of that amount is for Provincial Common Ministries.

*"The Provincial Common Ministries includes; Provincial Administration, Unity Assessments, The Moravian, Board of Communications, Ministerial Education, Moravian Theological Seminary, Ecumenical Agencies, World Mission, Provincial Archives, Music Foundation and Provincial Women's Board."*

Each Communicant member's portion of the Provincial and District Quotas is \$110.25 per individual and \$220.50 per couple. Every Communicant member has an envelope packet and within that packet are six special envelopes for "Benevolences-Missions". Please use those envelopes! Please pay your individual or couples fair share! All funds received through those envelopes are sent directly to the Province and District.

## Lenten Dinners and Services – Theme: "Suppers with..."

Beginning on Ash Wednesday February 18 the following schedule will be observed. We will meet at Schoeneck Moravian Church during our Wednesday Lenten Season, with the exception of March 25<sup>th</sup> when we will meet here at Nazareth Moravian.

- February 18 "Supper with Levi", Luke 5:27-32, Pastor Terry Folk
  - February 25 "Supper with Simon the Pharisee", Luke 7:36-50, Pastor Dave Wickmann
  - March 4 "Supper for 5,000", Luke 9:10-17, Rev. Tracy Robinson
  - March 11 "Supper with Mary and Martha", Luke 10:38-42, Pastor Jeff Gehris
  - March 18 "The Last Supper", Luke 22:7-20, Rev. Rhonda Robinson
  - March 25 "Supper in Emmaus", Luke 24:13-35, Pastor Otto Dreydoppel (at Nazareth Moravian)
- Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm each evening. Worship begins at 7:00 pm.

## **Join us February 22, 2015 for Soup and Bread to Go!**



Come and purchase lunch to go after worship. All proceeds will directly benefit the budget deficit. Next month's Soup and Bread to Go date will be March 22, 2015. **On Feb. 28, 2015 we will hold another Community Soup Sale 8am – noon.** Contact Holly Pharo Bachman with comments, questions and to volunteer or call the church office at 610-759-3163.

## **We Are Invited –**

Daun Stewart and Norbert (Skip) Hentschel have invited the congregation to attend their wedding ceremony in the Sanctuary on Saturday, February 21, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. You will be able to greet Daun and Skip at the rear of the Sanctuary before departing.



## February Greetings from the Sunday School Coordinator...

**Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> is the next Building Blocks of Faith program at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.**

I don't know if anyone has taken notice of the Building Blocks of Faith content so far but this year's program has been focusing on 'all things water,' and are leading us up to our ...

### **2015 Lenten Project - MyCharity: Water.**

As Pennsylvanians, we are fortunate to have abundance of clean, safe water; however since, "748 million people still live without clean water in developing countries around the world. Many walk 2-4 hours a day to swamps and rivers to gather dirty water for their families."

**Charity: water** ([www.charitywater.org](http://www.charitywater.org)) is a non-profit organization, founded in 2006 by Scott Harrison. Charity water brings clean and safe drinking water to people in developing nations. They fund water programs in 22 countries around the globe – in Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Water scarcity, poverty, political stability, and strong partner organizations all play a part in where they choose to work. They focus on providing rural communities with their first access to clean water. Charity: water always uses 100% of public donations to fund clean water projects.

We have multiple ways to raise funds during Lent this year, and for every \$30.00 we raise we will be able to help one family:

1. Our campaign is online at <https://my.charitywater.org/nazareth-moravian-sunday-school> - tell your friends and families about this address and ask them to donate directly to our campaign online.
2. On February 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be handing out to each Sunday School family one bank for the children to fill throughout Lent from February 15<sup>th</sup> until Easter on April 5<sup>th</sup>.
3. In addition to the family banks, there will be a large water jug setting in the hallway outside of the Nursery room & Sunday School Office in which members of the congregation can help us out by tossing in your extra change as you go by.
4. Finally, return your filled banks on April 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> to your child's Sunday school teacher, Sister Patty in the Sunday School Office, or to Sister Barb in the Church Office.

Future dates to note:

Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner  
 Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> Building Blocks of Faith Program  
 Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> Easter Events: 9 a.m. Easter Breakfast & Card Decorating,  
 10:15 a.m. visit to Moravian Hall Square  
 11:30 a.m. Egg Hunt in Cemetery



### Reaching In – Reaching Out

The first Sunday of every month is Food Bank Sunday. Donations can be placed inside either the north or the south entrance doors. Join us as together we "fight hunger" in our area. Cash donations are welcome. Please mark the special offering envelopes with the words "Food Bank" and place in the offering plates so that the gift may be directed to the proper location. Non-perishable items can also be brought in throughout the month. The collection dates for the New Year 2015 are: *Feb. 1, Mar. 1, Apr. 5, May 3, June 7, July 5, Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6.*

The "Joyful Noise Offering" collected in January and February is being given to Meals on Wheels of Northampton County. Meals on Wheels have expanded their services in the community and now offer:

- Home-delivered hot, cold, and frozen meals for homebound seniors and individuals with disabilities including those that are recuperating from hospital stays.
- Chef's Pack program is a choice of 17 frozen entrees and 2 soups which can be ordered by our clients, people recuperating from hospital stays, and older active adults who just want to eat healthier.
- Group Dining Services – catered congregate meals for adult day centers, senior centers, child care centers and other Meals on Wheels programs.
- Ani-Meals – distribution of donated pet food for our home-delivered meal client's cats, dogs, birds and fish.
- Grocery Shopping – shopping for and delivering groceries to homebound seniors and individuals with disabilities that are unable to shop for themselves.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from these services, please share this information with them. Meals on Wheels accommodates many diets. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Monica McCandless or JoAnn Bergeron Nenow at 610-691-1030.



**The Bright Star Circle is still collecting labels**, which can be any labels, from Campbell's soups, including Chunky, Healthy Request, Campbell's Select Soups. No Progresso labels please. We are also collecting labels from Prego Sauces, V8, V8 Splash and Pepperidge Farm products. **Please bring in the whole label. We need the complete label with the UPC code.** These labels will be sent to Navajo Indian students who collect them and receive a remuneration for the labels. This helps them with their schooling. Remember, any Campbell, Prego or Pepperidge Farm label will help. Bring them to the church and deposit them in the box located on the shelf outside the church office. We would like to thank you all for supporting us in the collection of Campbell's labels. Keep up the good work!

**Nazareth Moravian Cemetery**

The Rules and Regulations of the Nazareth Moravian Cemetery state that all items placed on a grave side, i.e. flowers, arrangements, etc., must be removed two weeks after a holiday. Holidays are designated as Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Father's Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. The Cemetery Committee reserves the right to remove items from the gravesites on the cemetery after the two week period. Items removed are thrown into the garbage. If you wish to retrieve and save items place on a gravesite, please do that prior to the two week period after any designated holidays in this article.

Gravesites are open to members of Nazareth Moravian Church. Gravesites must be purchased in two plot portions and the cost is \$900.00 per plot of (2) grave sites. Call the Church Office for more information.



**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

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| Feb. 1 – Charles Mallon                                     | 16 – James Perillo                                    |
| 2 – Justin Thomas   | 17 – Joan Condomitti<br>Riley McDaniel                |
| 3 – John Kleintop   | 19 – Cynthia Hunt                                     |
| 4 – Edward Anthony<br>Jennifer Bergstresser<br>Diane Noraas | 20 – Victoria Benner<br>John Raub IV<br>William Kindt |
| 5 – Jane Serfass  | 22 – Lea Laurin<br>Bobbi Wagner                       |
| 6 – Dale Audenried<br>Larisa Calvo<br>Jacob Horan           | 23 – Jenna Thomas<br>Eric Tsurumaki                   |
| 7 – Debbie Bross  | 25 – Ethan Furry<br>Julia Furry<br>Joann Rohn         |
| 9 – Travis Berghold<br>Kyle Utzat                           | 27 – Eli Lauren<br>Jessica Trauger                    |
| 10 – Jean Balliet<br>Jane Marshall                          |   |
| 11 – Jamie Tomac  |   |
| 12 – Cheryl Borck<br>Sandy Gold                             |   |
| 13 – Emily Quinn  |   |
| 15 – Leona Huston<br>Andrew Leh                             |   |



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| Feb. 8 – Andrea & Stephen Riccelli | 24 – Kristen & Kenneth Bodenstein |
| 12 – Dale & Judith Audenried       | 25 – Wayne & Cindy Longley        |
| 14 – Elmer & Alice Yeakel          | 26 – Scot & Susan Mucha           |
| 17 – Christopher & Angela Borck    |                                   |

**February Elevator Operators**

- February 1 – Scot Mucha
- 8 – Mike Kahler
- 15 – William Kahler
- 22 – Holly Bachman

**Nursery Care**

- February 1 -
- 8 -
- 15 -
- 22 -

**Counting Offering for February**



February 2 – Becky Butz  
9 – Gwen Ritter  
16 – Sue Mahorsky  
23 – Cindy Hunt

**FEBRUARY USHERS**



**Ushers  
Schedule**

Jessica Trauger, Captain  
Shawn-Kimberly Kocher  
Barb Moffitt  
Rachael Schienholz  
Jennifer Bergstresser  
Nicole Fleming  
Barbara Kahler  
Brian Trauger

**TREASURER’S REPORT FOR JANUARY**

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Yr. To Date</u>
Budget Requirement	24,783.78	24,783.78
Amt. Received	<u>18,663.35</u>	<u>18,663.35</u>
Balance	- 6,120.43	- 6,120.43

*Joyful Noise Offering in January: \$102.28*

**A Stewardship Moment ... “We Care! We Share!”**

We care ... about God – about God’s Church – about People  
That’s Why We Share ... our Talents – our Time – our Money.  
“We love, because He first loved us.” 1 John 4:19 RSV

**FUTURE EVENTS**

- March 7<sup>th</sup> Change you clocks before going to bed tonight
- March 8<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm “A Banquet of Song” at St. John’s Lutheran, Nazareth
- March 14<sup>th</sup> 5 to 7 pm Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner
- March 22<sup>nd</sup> Soup Sales after worship
- March 29<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday – Holy Week Readings begin at 7:00 pm in the Chapel

**Elders’ Communion for February 22nd**

Serving – Fred Bergstresser  
Assisting – Ben Sofka  
Barb Dietterich



**February Music Schedule**

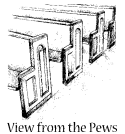
Feb. 6 – 7:30 Orchestra Rehearsal  
20 – 7:30 Orchestra Rehearsal  
22 – 10:45 Brass Choir

**Card Person for February**

Anne Howlett

**January Attendance**

1/4	1/11	1/18	1/25
129	110	62	133



View from the Pews

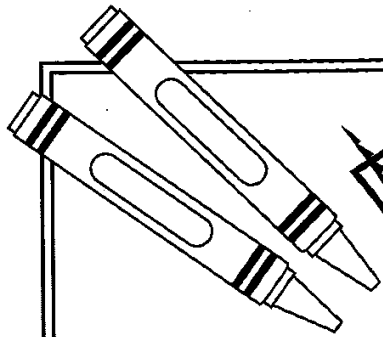
**February Fellowship After Worship**

Elders in Charge

**When to call the Church Office –**

- ✚ A member of your family is admitted to the hospital, so that visits can be made and the proper people notified.
- ✚ Your group plans to have a meeting, so that it can be cleared on the church calendar.
- ✚ Either your home or business phone number, address or email address has been changed.
- ✚ A new baby arrived in your family.
- ✚ You are planning to move.
- ✚ There has been a death in the family.
- ✚ A member of your family leaves home for college or service.
- ✚ You feel the church can help you in any way.
- ✚ When a family or friend is to be placed on the list for prayers of intercession and also when they can be taken off the list.

Please feel free to call the office to discuss issues that are important to you.



# PUZZLE

## Conversation hearts

The world encourages people to look out for themselves and seek success, but in Micah 6:8, God tells us to live differently.

*Directions: Put the conversation hearts in the correct order by writing the words on the lines below. Hint: Capitalization and quotation marks are included.*



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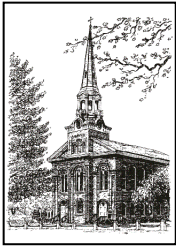
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Answer: "And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8, NIV

# “The Chimes”



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## “The Chimes” Nazareth Moravian Congregation February 2015

Our Mission: “To minister, as living witnesses, the saving grace of Jesus Christ”

Nazareth Moravian congregation’s Watchword for 2015 ...

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Rev. Jeffrey D. Gehris, Pastor  
Barbara Wieller, Administrative Assistant  
Ellen Saylor, Director of Music  
Gabriel Toth, Organist  
Lois Calvo, Nursery Supervisor  
Patty Morgenstern, Sunday School Coordinator



Our Sunday Schedule  
8:15 am Worship in Chapel  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship in Sanctuary