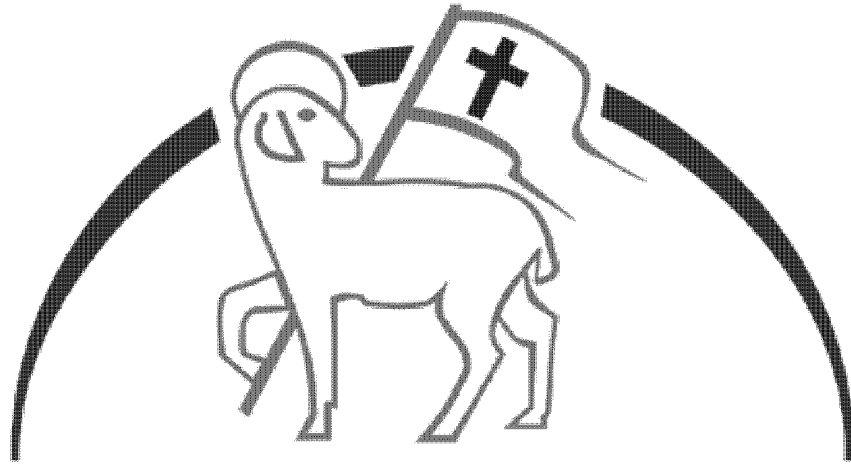


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 24, 2005

Bethabara Moravian Church believes because of the love of Jesus Christ revealed in us, that Jesus is "the way, and the truth, and the life and no one comes to the Father but by (him)." John 14:6

Bethabara Moravian Church leads people to an active relationship with Jesus Christ by providing a path of worship, prayer, and knowledge of God's Word through our Moravian heritage and Christian fellowship.



BETHABARA

Moravian Church

Remembering the past, envisioning the future.

Watchword for the Week:

JESUS SAYS, I AM THE WAY, AND THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME."

John 14:6

Jesús le dijo: Yo soy el camino, y la verdad, y la vida; nadie viene al Padre, sino por mí.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BAND PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP Das Ist Ein Tag Gregor/Köpe

HYMN 675 What Brought Us Together

LITURGY FOR MORAVIAN MUSIC SUNDAY

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation.
My soul with comfort rich he fills,
and every grief he gently stills:
to God all praise and glory!

Let us give thanks to the Father, who has enabled us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the

forgiveness of sins.

In him all things in heaven and on earth were created.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, to which indeed we were called in the one body.

Above all, may we clothe ourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

EDEN (597 B)

Lord Jesus, you are worthy for all on earth to praise;
our hymns in glad thanksgiving in gratitude we raise,
for all you did on Calv'ry when suffering on the tree -
the world from sin's dominion most wondrously set free.

And I, unworthy sinner when kneeling at your feet,
can see that my redemption in you is now complete:
in faith I now would serve you through all my earthly days,
and then in heav'nly glory my hallelujahs raise.

Most gracious God, we give you thanks for every good gift. On this day especially we thank you for your creative gifts to us, which cause us to enrich our lives and experience through science and art, literature and drama, words and music.

For you, O Lord, have made us glad by your work; at the works of your hands we sing for joy.

We thank you especially for your gifts to the Moravian Church: devotion to the Savior, simplicity, our strong sense of community and fellowship, and our long-standing dedication to spreading your gospel.

We thank you for our musical heritage, through which we draw closer to you and to one another.

Inspire and bless those who write and compose, those who play and sing, those who lead and teach.

As you have helped us through the centuries to sing our faith, so move within each one of us today, that all our gifts may unite in your service.

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant us to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus,

In whose holy name we pray. Amen.

COVENANT (185 A)

Lamb of God, you shall remain forever
of our songs the only theme;
for your boundless love, your grace and favor,
we will praise your saving name;
that for our transgressions you were wounded
shall by us in nobler strains be sounded,
when we, perfected in love,
once shall join the church above.

Lord Jesus, you are worthy © Albert H. Frank. Used by permission.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CHURCH IN GIVING

Reception of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory O, The Blessedness Is Great J. Bechler

The Doxology

HYMN 673 Christian Hearts, In Love United

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 1:27-2:30 Page 1022

SERMON United We Stand

HYMN 543 Sing Hallelujah, Praise The Lord

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

FOCAL SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

Philippians 1:27-28

27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you stand firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, 28 and not frightened in anything by your opponents.
[RSV]

27 Solamente que os comportéis como es digno del evangelio de Cristo, para que o sea que vaya a veros, o que esté ausente, oiga de vosotros que estáis firmes en un mismo espíritu, combatiendo unánimes por la fe del evangelio, 28 y en nada intimidados por los que se oponen, [(from RVR 1960 © 1960 Sociedades Biblicas en América Latina.)]

Moravian Music Sunday, April 24, 2005

The Moravian music heritage is alive and well, and for this glorious past and present gift, we thank God. The richness of Moravian music arises from the hearts of its composers, text-writers, and musicians. This richness results from the composition of pieces written to as high standards as the composers and authors can reach, and from singers and players reaching for their very best musicianship to communicate their music.

People often ask, “What is Moravian music?” The answer? Music written or arranged by Moravians, or based on Moravian texts or tunes. Or even music which is loved by Moravians and has been “adopted”. Some of these beloved works (“Bethany” on Palm Sunday, or “Thou Child Divine” on Christmas Eve) were written by composers who were not Moravian.

What is good church music? Music which is well written, in whatever style; and music which expresses good theology. Music in the “classical” style may be too hard for some congregations, and for them, classical music is not good church music, for it does not express their best musicianship. What is important is that church music be quality music in whatever style, and that it be presented as well as possible. In the church there is no room for laziness or indifference, and this holds for music as well as for anything else.

Moravian music is still being written. You are probably aware of living, working composers and poets, people who are writing for a specific need. In true “Moravian” tradition, these people have other “day jobs,” and their music and poetry come from their experiences in the world. The Moravian Music Foundation houses a growing collection of 20th century Moravian music, and has already begun a collection of 21st century Moravian music, so that people in the 23rd century can know what Moravian musicians were doing in this time!

The value of the music program in your church does not depend upon numbers. It depends upon the hearts of those involved. And the most significant part of the music program of any congregation is not its choir, or band, or even its music staff – it's the congregation itself. The congregation itself is the "first choir". The richness of Moravian music arises from the hearts of those who practice it, and in their connection to the Lord. Visitors to Moravian congregations feel this and are moved by it.

On this Sunday, set aside for us to recognize the value that our music has played in our worship and in our lives, we sing familiar songs and some not-so-familiar. And we are thankful that God gave us this gift, this peculiar phenomenon that certain ways of combining sounds, pitches and rhythms and words, can touch our hearts as well as our minds, can express things which mere words cannot, and can draw us closer to one another and to our God. Thanks be to God!

The flower vases in the Sanctuary today, placed by Bill & Dianne Cobb, are to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dianne's parents, Frank & Maybelle Dove.

The basket in the Sanctuary today is in honor of Sarah Burton's 6th birthday, by Alan & Dawn Burton.

TODAY AT BETHABARA

9AM	Band practice	3PM	New Ringer Basics class
9:45AM	Sunday school	4PM	Harmony Ringers practice
11AM	Worship	5PM	Bethabara Ringers practice
3:30PM	Softball practice <i>Old Town Park</i>	5PM	God's Gang

<i>This week at Bethabara:</i> Remember, check the bulletin board		
Mon. 25	12N	A.A.
Tues. 26	7PM	College Age Fellowship (<i>Master's Loft</i>)
Wed. 27	5:45PM	Wednesday Night Fellowship <i>Feed the Cook</i>
	6:15PM	Devotions
	6:30PM	ESL Classes
	6:30PM	Children's Choir practice
	7:05PM	Youth Activities
	7:15PM	Adult Choir practice
	9PM	Softball game: <i>Grace vs. Bethabara</i>
Thurs. 28	12N	A.A. <i>Social Room</i>
Fri. 29	8PM	A.A. <i>Social Room</i>
MAY		
Sun. 1	5:30PM	Family Fellowship <i>Covered Dish</i>

FAMILY CHURCH RETREAT

The time for registration for the Annual retreat at Laurel Ridge (June 10-12) has passed. If you would like to register on a first come, first serve basis, please CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE as soon as possible; we will contact Laurel Ridge and see what can be done.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Nursery TODAY

Fern Hunter

Nursery NEXT SUNDAY

Betsy Johnson

Greeters TODAY

Carlos & Teresa Reynolds

Greeters NEXT SUNDAY

Dalton & Cheryl Everhart

OLD TOWN SCHOOL

Through May 13th, Bethabara is participating in the F.O.R.E (Focus on Reading Excellence) Book drive. We are collecting new books for first grade classes at OLD TOWN SCHOOL. Collection boxes are collected in the fellowship hall and office hallway.

MASTER'S LOFT

Bethabara now has a FELLOWSHIP CARD at the Master's Loft. If you need to purchase materials for Sunday school and/or any church related activity, let the folks know you are from Bethabara and you will receive a discount on your purchase. If your name isn't on their

MEN'S CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Mark your calendars and plan to support your Bethabara Team!

May 3 6pm vs. New Hope

May 10 7pm vs. Bethany

May 17 8pm vs. Old Town

May 24 6pm vs. St. Andrews

May 31 6pm vs. Stanleyville

Jun 7 7pm vs. Germanton

Jun 14 10pm vs. Walnut Cove

Jun 28 7pm vs. Pfafftown

LIFT IN PRAYER

Brandon Bailey
serving in Iraq

Earl Bost
friend of Phillip Sapp

Bill Caudle
Serving in Iraq

Cliff Childress
brother-in-law
Carole & Bill Rosenbaum

Tommie Choplin

Lauren Deal
friend of Katie Boyles

Margaret Gabriel

Jennifer Gragg

Carol Griffin

Jeff Lowrance
Margaret Gabriel's
nephew

Carlos Reynolds
medical concerns

Rick & Becky Sapp
preparing to move to Idaho

Will Sapp
hearing tests

Darren Sell
Crohn's Disease

Josh Steelman
acquaintance of
Katie Boyles

Isette Stewart
heart surgery
John Welch's sister

Lovina Thompson

David West
Dot Bruce's grandson

Terrell White
Cancer

Marion Yokely

Lois Harvey
inoperable cancer
friend of Daphine Sams

Angie & Glenn Hedrick
Pregnancy complications
Niece to Carole & Bill Rosenbaum

Help us keep our Prayer List updated; contact the church office if you have any updates and/or changes to make to the list.

Thank you.

JOY AND PRAISE

J. L. Williams, Doris Brendle's brother, came through surgery and is home doing well! The tumor was NOT malignant! Praise and Joy to our Lord and Savior.

OUR HOMEBOUND

J.C. Bruce

Barbara Key

Mike & Edith Kudelka

Gay Nell Reich

Anne Roberts

David & Norma Seagraves

Dorothy Stewart

Sara Cooke
Friends Home

Tommie Choplin
Britthaven-Kernersville

Marie Choplin
Kerner Ridge

Leona Chatham
*Vienna Village
Room #F57*

Sarah Holland
*Oak Dale Heights
Room #116 Memory Care*

A NOTE FROM JIM & PAULETTE KUZMANOVICH

Please support the fight against breast cancer by sponsoring Jim and I as we walk in the Race for the Cure (Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, NC) at Old Salem on Saturday May 7th.

You can make a tax-deductible donation online (amount unknown to us) directly at the web site www.triadrace.com "in support of Paulette Kuzmanovich".

If you prefer, you may place your donation in a sealed envelope with my name on the outside, and put it in our box in the foyer. We will collect them and turn them in unopened at the race registration on Thursday May 5th. Checks should be made out to: Komen NC Triad Race for the Cure, and on the left side of the check's Memo Line, please write "in support of Paulette Kuzmanovich".

Thank you, *Paulette*



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We are so glad you came to worship with us today.
We pray our service was memorable and meaningful for you in every way.

Nos alegramos tanto de que Ud. haya decidido adorar a Dios con nosotros hoy.
Rezamos que nuestro servicio sea memorable y significativa para Ud. en cada
manera.

In Essentials, Unity; In Non-essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love.