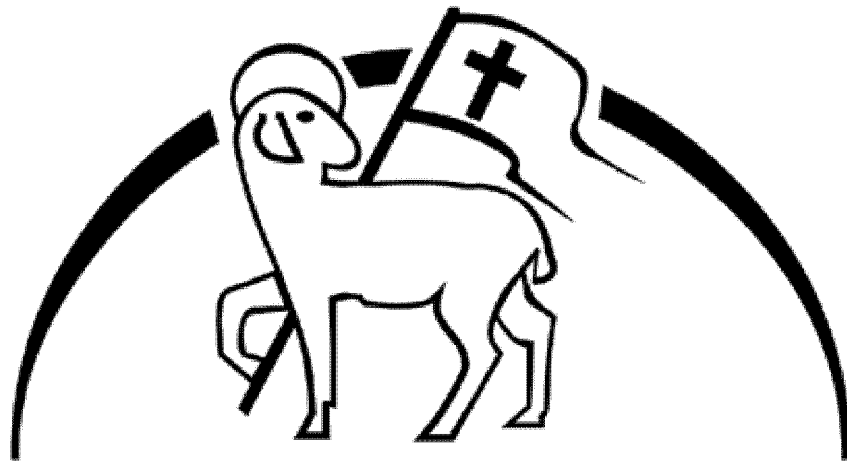


## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 24, 2006

*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, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."*

MARK 9:35

*y les dijo: Si alguno quiere ser el primero, será el postrero de todos, y el servidor de todos.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
PRAYER DAY FOR OLDER ADULTS  
IN THE MORAVIAN CHURCH (SP)

**BAND PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A READING OF THE 23RD PSALM**

*Readers: Betsy Johnson, Jim Kuzmanovich, Denita Duncan  
Hilda Regalado, Kristy Sapp, Dillon Adams, Anna LaVenture*

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER**

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**A LITANY FOR OLDER ADULT MINISTRY**

Lord our God, in you all things have their beginning, continuation, and end.

**Bless us with your presence, sustain us with your love, let us glorify you, now and forever.**

**LITANY HYMN**    “Christian Hearts in Love United”    Page 673

God has promised, “Even in your old age, I am he; even when you turn gray I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.” (Isaiah 46:4)

**We celebrate God’s promise to be close to us and to sustain us throughout our years.**

As the Body of Christ, we recognize in our older adult members the gifts

of wisdom that have come from witnessing and living through experiences of great change in our world.

**We celebrate the stability of being part of God's people in this fast-changing world.**

Lord, you call each of your disciples to fan into flame the gift of God within our hearts. You did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, love and of self-discipline." (2 Timothy 1:6). Help us to recognize and develop our talents and give us the willing spirit to use them.

**We celebrate our gifts and talents. Lead us to the places where all of us may be used in your service.**

Give us joy as we grow older as your disciples. Help us to find and follow new avenues of involvement, committing ourselves to serve Christ in the church and community.

**Lord, guide us to find fresh tasks to fill the hours of freedom that come with aging. Lead us to discover that older age can be full and satisfying.**

Lord, in the history of your people, you have called upon elders to bring about significant change: Abraham, Sarah, Elizabeth, Zechariah, Simeon, Anna, Moses, Miriam and others.

**We acknowledge the leadership provided by the older adults among us. We give thanks and praise for your purpose for each of us.**

Gracious God, you have promised: Never will I leave you; never will I

forsake you. (Hebrews 13:5)

We are grateful for the community of believers from which we draw strength to face the challenges life brings. We celebrate our church family, the care and compassion of our congregation.

Help us, O God as we continually grow in faith, love and hope.

May we support, console, encourage, and love each other. May we meet the challenge of life as we grow through the years. Let us celebrate our lives as gifts from God. Amen.

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LITANY HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be"

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## THE CHURCH IN GIVING

Receiving of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Anthem "Fly Away Medley"

Mark Hayes

The Doxology

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 9:30-37

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## SERMON

It's Just Impossible!

Rev. Tripp May

## HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*The flowers placed in the Sanctuary today are to the Glory of God and in honor of Moir Hunter for his birthday, by Fern.*

## *Today at Bethabara:*

9 a.m. ➤ Band practice

9:45 a.m. ➤ Sunday school

11 a.m. ➤ Worship service

5 p.m. ➤ Bethabara Ringers

5 p.m. ➤ God's Gang

6:30 p.m. ➤ Harmony Ringers

## *Happening this week: Remember, check the bulletin board*

<b>Mon. 25</b>	12 noon	A. A. Social Room
<b>Wed. 27</b>	12 noon	Senior Friends Meeting & Potluck Meal Social Room
	5:45 p.m.	Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	➤ Bible Study ➤ Children's Activities ➤ Children's Choir ➤ English & ESL Classes
	7:15 p.m.	Adult Choir
<b>Thurs. 28</b>	12 noon	A. A. Social Room
	2 p.m.	Pastor's Class Bible Study Social Room
<b>Fri. 29</b>	8 p.m.	A. A. Social Room
<b>Sat. 30</b>	8:45 a.m.	Youth & Senior Friends ZOO TRIP leave church grounds at 9am Bring bag lunch

## **LAST CHANCE—2006 FALL SENIOR FRIENDS RALLY**

The Senior Friends Rally will be held at New Philadelphia Moravian on **October 10 @ 12 noon**. Tickets are \$9 each and may be purchased in the Bethabara Church office; Bethabara is allotted **6 tickets**. If you have questions, contact Jane Vannoy@ 725-6413. **PURCHASE TICKETS BY SEPT. 26.**

*If you have not been visited and would like to have a Pastor & Board member Stewardship visit, please let Pastor May know.*

**SCOUTING UPDATE**—The Boy Scout program will not begin at Bethabara this fall but will be re-evaluated in 2007; more volunteers are needed to run the program.

***Around the Province:*** Check the bulletin board for more information

- TODAY – 4 p.m. Moramus Choral concert @ Konnoak Moravian
- October 7 – 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Chicken Pie/Country Ham Supper  
@ Fairview Moravian
- October 13 – 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. “Chili for Charity” Fundraiser  
@ Bethesda Moravian

## **JUST ABOUT BAZAAR TIME**

Your help is needed to prepare for our annual Bazaar! Check out the dates below and please come help out!!

### **Chicken Pie Prep – Cleaning Dates & Assembly Dates**

#### CLEANING DATES

October 13

October 27

#### ASSEMBLING DATES

October 14

October 28

## **ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

All committees/commissions need to submit their annual reports to the church office ASAP to be included in the upcoming Church Council packet. If you have internet access, please submit the reports electronically, otherwise, please leave a copy on the church office desk.

You must also communicate their 2007 budget request to the church office or directly to JIM KUZMANOVICH. This needs to be done as soon as possible. Thank you.

# WE LIFT IN PRAYER

## OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS:

Polly Applefield

J. C. Bruce

Emily Cline *great niece to Rosenbaum's*

Kimberly Ellis

Aline Shamel Engel

*former member of Bethabara*

Jennifer Gragg

Carol Griffin

Stephanie Hedrick

*great niece to Rosenbaum's*

Barbara Key

Bobby Kyle

Elva Lara

Jeff Lowrance

*nephew of Margaret Gabriel*

Ann May

Dick Morgan

Steve Nail

*son of Gene Nail*

Carolyn Redding

Gay Nell Reich

Anne Roberts

Benjamin Salter

*grandson to Rosenbaum's*

Flora Sapp

David/Norma Segraves

## OUR MEMBERS IN CARE FACILITIES: CARDS & VISITS APPRECIATED

Sara Cooke *Friends Home Greensboro*

Leona Chatham *Vienna Village #F57*

Marie Choplin *Kerner Ridge*

Tommie Choplin *Britthaven/K-ville*

Sarah Holland *Oak Dale*

Mike Kudelka

Edith Kudelka *Independence Village*

*recuperating from broken wrist*

Today's Greeters.....Dalton & Cheryl Everhart

Today's Nursery Helper.....Pat Mobley

God's Yard **THIS WEEK** .....Tripp May

Greeters **OCTOBER 1**.....Dick & Eva Morgan

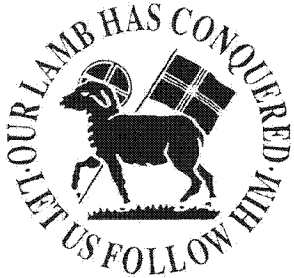
Nursery **OCTOBER 1**.....Elva Lara

God's Yard **NEXT WEEK** .....Justin Bowman

*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.*



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<i>Bethabara's Statistics</i>		<i>Provincial Pledge 2006</i>	
Sunday School Attendance 9/17	53	Required 2006 Pledge	\$32,176.81
Worship Attendance 9/17	105	Monthly Amount	\$2,681.40
Offering 9/17	\$2,193.00	Weekly Amount	\$618.78
Weekly Budget Needs	\$3,854.73	Pledge paid as of 9/17	\$13,427.40
YTD Offering as of 9/17	\$117,691.75	Pledge Balance	\$18,749.41
YTD Budget Needs week 38	\$142,625.09	Pledge DUE as of 9/17	\$23,513.64
2006 Yearly Budget	\$200,446.07	(Short) or Over Monthly Required Pledge	(\$10,086.24)