

**550th Anniversary of the Moravian Unity
“A Short History”**

Fourth of July

We take pride in saying that the Moravians of Wachovia were the first Americans to celebrate an officially proclaimed Independence Day on July 4, 1783. Back then, though, we weren't celebrating a national holiday; we were observing a day of solemn thanksgiving to the Lord for a return of peace, good riddance to war. And then for the next 20 years the Church scrupulously ignored the Fourth of July.

All that is well within the Moravian desire to live in the world but not be of the world. That does not mean, though, that we have nothing to do with government. In fact, it is well-used Moravian practice to work hand-in-glove with government for the betterment of all (especially Moravians). When the New York colony clapped two of our missionaries into jail, not only did we get the governor of Pennsylvania to intercede, but Zinzendorf set to working (lobbying) for passage of Great Britain's act of Parliament in 1749 that declared us an “ancient Protestant episcopal church.”

When we bought Wachovia in North Carolina we got the colonial Assembly to designate the entire 100,000-acre tract as Dobbs Parish, so in effect Moravians were the state church. And when the Revolutionary North Carolina Assembly passed a confiscation act, we petitioned over several years to have the Moravian Church lands emptied.

Our working with government also includes working in government, whether as elected representatives or civil servants, and as conscientious voters doing our duty at the polls. Patriotism is healthy and good as we pray for and work toward peace and prosperity in the land in which we live. Moravians also recognize a higher calling through Christ, as we pray for His peace and prosperity for all peoples and in all lands.

Moravian Archives, 2007

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
July 1st, 2007

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.



Remembering the past, envisioning the future.

Watchword for the Week

“If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit”

Galatians 5:25

25 Si vivimos por el Espíritu,
andemos también por el Espíritu.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

BAND PRELUDE

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MORNING PRAYER

THE CHURCH IN GIVING

Receiving of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Anthem

The Doxology

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON "Looking Back" Rev. Tripp May

HYMN Two Fisherneb Page 611

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Kate McBride's son David, for his birthday.

WE LIFT IN PRAYER

Bernice Anderson- *congestive heart failure, Rachel Pike's sister*

Polly Applefield

Nell Barnard-*Rachel Pike's sister-*

Alan Burton-

Dot Bruce-

J. C. Bruce-

Emily Cline *great niece to*

Rosenbaum's-

Denita Duncan

Tom Dunn- *Friend of David &*

Daphine Sams- stomach cancer

Betty Fox

Juanita Freeman- *Connie Sapp's*

mother-

Jennifer Gragg

Frances Greiner-

Jim Greiner

Michelle Greiner-

Don & Carol Griffin

Shannon Hall-

friend of Daphine Sams.

Stephanie Hedrick - *great*

niece to Rosenbaum's-

Sarah Holland

Mary Lou Hutchins - *Rachel*

Pike's sister- dementia

Family of Peggy Isaacs-

sister-in-law of Bill Lackey

Susan Merry- *friend of*

Gina Howard & Lenny

McLaughlin- cancer surgery

Rachel Pike-

Terry Orrell-

Charlie Pfaff- *Liver cancer-*

Maxine Pyrtle-

Sister of Jake Blackburn

Gay Nell Reich

Geoff Rudy- *friend of Suzie*

LaVenture's- still on

dialysis but off the

ventilator!-

Connie Sapp's whole family

Becky Sapp- *Back injury*

Norma Segraves-*at home*

Lovina Thompson

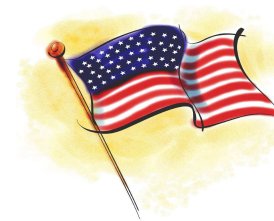
Dusty Welborn-*back concerns*

John Welch

Beth Whitehouse-Rick

Woods- *Family friend of*

Dawn Douglas -Cardiac issues



The Church office will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Wednesday, July 4th.

Today at Bethabara:		
9 a.m. ➤ Band practice	1:30~4:30 pm ➤ Bethabara	
9:45 a.m. ➤ Sunday school	Park Celebration	
11 a.m. ➤ Worship service		
5:00pm ➤ Meeting for VBS		
volunteers		
Happening this week: Remember, check the bulletin board		
Jul 5 Thurs	2:00 pm	Bible Study and Prayer
Jul 8 - Sun	5:00 pm	Middle & High School Youth



There will be no Family Fellowship Dinner or Concert on Sunday afternoon, July 1st. The Historic Bethabara Park will be having festivities from 1:30pm-4:30pm. So come and join that fun. Also, Wednesday night, July 4th, there will be no Fellowship Dinner or ESL classes. We hope everyone has a fun and safe holiday week.

OUR MEMBERS IN CARE FACILITIES: CARDS & VISITS APPRECIATED

Sara Cooke *Friends Home Greensboro*

Leona Chatham *Vienna Village #F57*

Tommie Choplin *Britthaven/K-ville*

Sarah Holland *Forest Heights*

Edith Kudelka *Independence Village*

Ann Roberts *-Vienna Village #25 B*

~ SCRIPTURE LESSON ~

Luke 9:57-62

57 As they were going along the road, a man said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." 58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head." 59 To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." 60 But he said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." 61 Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." 62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Yendo ellos, uno le dijo en el camino: Señor, te seguiré adondequiera que vayas. 58 Y le dijo Jesús: Las zorras tienen guaridas, y las aves de los cielos nidos; mas el Hijo del Hombre no tiene dónde recostar la cabeza. 59 Y dijo a otro: Sígueme. Él le dijo: Señor, déjame que primero vaya y entierre a mi padre. 60 Jesús le dijo: Deja que los muertos entierren a sus muertos; y tú ve, y anuncia el reino de Dios. 61 Entonces también dijo otro: Te seguiré, Señor; pero déjame que me despida primero de los que están en mi casa. 62 Y Jesús le dijo: Ninguno que poniendo su mano en el arado

Today's Greeters.....Jim & Paulette Kuzmanovich
 Today's Nursery Helper.....Jeannie May
 Greeters July 8th, 2007..Teresa Reynolds/BethWhitehouse
 Nursery July 8th, 2007.....Anne Kyle

DAILY TEXTS ORDERS

We are now taking orders for **Daily Texts** for 2008. The order forms are on the table in the vestibule. They have an envelope attached for payment. Make all checks payable to Bethabara, and we will be placing the bulk order through the Moravian Book and Gift Shop. This will keep you from having to pay and shipping or handling fees. All orders need to be turned into the office by **Sunday July 15th**. If you have any questions about these orders, you may contact Ashley in the office.



Vacation Bible school will be the week of July 15th through the 20th. Kristy Sapp will be the director and Jeannie May will be leading the dramas. Please let them know if you will be interested in volunteering during this week. We are looking forward to this fun time with our children. **There will be a meeting and dinner tonight at 5:00 pm for the VBS volunteers, and a quick meeting on Tues. July 3rd for those who can't come tonight**

*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*

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



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Sunday School
Attendance for
06/24/07
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Attendance
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GOD'S YARD HELPERS FOR JULY

The Youthful Stewards have signed up for the first week of July, but we have four more openings for the following weeks, so please sign up to help keep the outside looking beautiful.

