#### November 16, 2025 Church Council Sunday

**Watchword for the Week** – Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right. 2 Thessalonians 3:13

Malaana ta ay aaniaa af wanahin an thia mlaniaya Cyyaday manniay

Welcome to our service of worship on this glorious Sunday morning! How wonderful to know that in the midst of life's many changes our God is always the same. His love is strong; His wisdom is perfect; His grace is sufficient to cover all our sins. He is worthy of all glory, honor, thanksgiving and praise. As we worship Him today, let us pray for a fresh outpouring of His Holy Spirit, upon ourselves, our church, our community, nation and world. May more and more people everywhere hear and respond to the Good News -- that Jesus is the Way; the Truth; the Life; the only source of salvation.

If you are visiting with us today, we are especially glad you're here! Please take a moment to add your name, address and phone number to the blue Friendship Register as it is passed down the pew. We consider you an honored guest and hope you will return and worship with us often in the weeks to come. If you are looking for a church home – a place where you can share Christian fellowship, learn, serve and grow as a follower of Jesus – we would love to talk to you about joining the Friedberg church family.

Prelude Join We All with One Accord Horn

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Hymn** Come, Let Us Sing the Song of Songs (Blue) # 469

(Verses 1, 3, and 5)

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Giving to God Our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer

Offertory How Great Is Our God Arr. McDonald Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Blue) #817

Holy Scripture Colossians 1:15-20

**Sermon** "Christ at the Center"

Hymn

#### Crown Him with Many Crowns

(Blue) # 405

(Visitors and friends may leave during the singing of this hymn as we prepare to begin our annual Church Council)

#### Church Council Agenda November 16, 2025

Call to Order

**Establishment of Quorum** 

Prayer

Reading of 2024 Minutes

#### Signing of The Moravian Covenant for Christian Living

Members who have not yet had an opportunity to publicly affirm their agreement with this important set of principles by which we live and bear witness to our faith are invited to come forward and do so at this time.

# Presentation of Ballots and Nominations from the Floor PLEASE DO NOT MARK YOUR BALLOTS UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO.

It is important to wait until all ballots are distributed and nominations are closed before marking your ballot. This is done in fairness to those who may be nominated from the floor. Please hold on to your ballot until everyone has voted. We will then pass all ballots in.

Voting

Presentation of 2026 Budget

**Reports from Ministry Groups** 

#### Floor is Open for Comments and Motions

Any member in good standing who would like to present a motion for consideration or would like to address Church Council with words of praise or concern regarding the life and ministry of the congregation is invited to do so at this time. All who speak are asked to keep in mind the Moravian Covenant of Christian Living and these words of Holy Scripture:

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God with whom you are sealed for the day of redemption.

(Ephesians 4:29-30, NIV)

#### **Adjournment and Closing Prayer**

There will be no Children's Church or Kid's Worship today.

CROSS Kids: Benjamin Boles (and his family) would like to invite all the kids at Friedberg to come to a hayride and chicken stew today, November 16, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. as part of CROSS Kids. Drop off and pick up are at 220 Central Road. We will have singing by the campfire and vespers. Invite your friends and bring a lawn chair if you can. If you have any questions, you can contact Heidi Everhart or Jennifer Boles.

**Our Thanksgiving Eve Lovefeast** will be on Wednesday, November 26 at 7:30 p.m., with a band prelude at 7:00 p.m. Invite your family, friends, neighbors, classmates and co-workers to join our church family for this special service of worship.

Join us to watch *Christmas with The Chosen: Holy Night* on Sunday, December 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center! You will experience the story of Jesus' birth through the perspectives of Mary and Joseph and of a shepherd, providing a rich view of that first Christmas. Please contact Lisa Jackson at 336-416-9742 with questions.

On behalf of the Women's Fellowship, thank you to everyone who supported our Fall Supper. Thank you to everyone who helped make chicken pies, who came to help on the prep day, those who setup the dining room, those who served our guests, those who worked the serving line, the take-out area, the kitchen, the dishwashing area, our treasurer, those who answered the call and baked desserts, and those who came to enjoy a meal. Special thanks to our circle members, youth group, men's Thursday night basketball group, media/advertising team, and Kevin Bundy. As a result of your support and participation, we met our goal to share the love of Jesus Christ with our community. To God be the glory! Ways and Means Supper Committee.

**Circle 2 is selling New Crop Pecans**. They are 1-pound bags of shelled halves for \$14.00. You may purchase from any Circle 2 member or from Piedmont Fence on Hwy 150, Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For questions, please reach out to Michelle Tucker at 336-408-0477 or tuckedin88@yahoo.com.

**If you ordered a 2026 Moravian Daily Texts, it has arrived!** Please pick up your copy from the church office. Regular print copies are \$13.00, and large print are \$15.00.

#### Sunday, November 16 (Church Council)

9:15 a.m. Band Prelude

9:15 a.m. Prayer Partners – Parlor

9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship/Livestream

4:30 p.m. The Chosen – Debbie James's House

4:30 p.m. CROSS Kids – Boles Family

#### Monday, November 17

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts – Youth Rm

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – FH

#### Tuesday, November 18

7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting – Discovery Rm

#### Wednesday, November 19

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC

6:00 p.m. Christmas Program Practice – Kids – FLC

6:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Christmas Program Practice – Youth – FLC

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, November 20

9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study – Discovery Rm

7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball – FLC

#### Friday, November 21

8:00 a.m. Walking – FLC

#### Sunday, November 23 (New Members Sunday)

9:15 a.m. Band Prelude

9:15 a.m. Prayer Partners – Parlor

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship/Livestream

12:30 p.m. High School Youth Shopping for Christmas Families

4:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Wrapping for Christmas Families

4:30 p.m. CROSS Kids

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Safie Braima - Sierra Leone	Activity Center		
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## **2026 Synod**

New Philadelphia Moravian Church June 3-6, 2026

Every four years, delegates from all congregations and fellowships of the Southern Province gather for a Synod. Our 2026 Synod will be held at New Philadelphia Moravian Church on June 3-6, 2026.

In Moravian polity, synods represent the highest decisionmaking body of each province and tremendous responsibility in the life of the Moravian Church. Southern Province Synod delegates will help decide how the province continues its work, while exploring ways to strengthen the church in the future.

During the four-day event, delegates elect provincial leadership for the upcoming four years, including the Provincial Elders' Conference, members of provincial and interprovincial boards and agencies, and in some years, bishops of the Moravian Unity.

Synods also establish direction and priority for provincial ministries and encourage activities on the congregational level. They help answer questions and set guidelines on key topics and issues facing the province, while providing a platform for new ideas for strengthening the church and the faith of its members.

In addition to the legislative and decision-making duties of synod, these gatherings also provide a rare opportunity to bring together clergy and lay persons from all areas of the province, including its agencies and leadership, to worship, pray, and talk about ministry together. Synod gathers the collective wisdom and experience of the entire province to work with each other and discern what God is calling us to do now.

All pastors under call are delegates to Synod, and every congregation has one lay delegate for every 125 adult communicant members. Small congregations are entitled to one delegate in addition to the pastor, while each fellowship is represented by an advisory (non-voting) delegate. Provincial boards and agencies are also represented, as are retired pastors and certified, full-time DCEs. Advisory delegates representing our various interprovincial agencies, ecumenical partners and emerging ministries also attend.

Pray for our Synod as it prepares to discern the Chief Elder's direction for our Province over the next four years and beyond.

More information about the upcoming Synod is available at the Southern Province website, <a href="www.mcsp.org">www.mcsp.org</a>. In addition, the Interprovincial Board of Communication and Commission on Congregational Development will cover the 2026 Synod and will report on key events and decisions.

# **2026 Theme:** "Ever Transforming Ever Renewing"

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2



### What else are the people told to do?

Find all the words from this verse in the word search below.

"Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."



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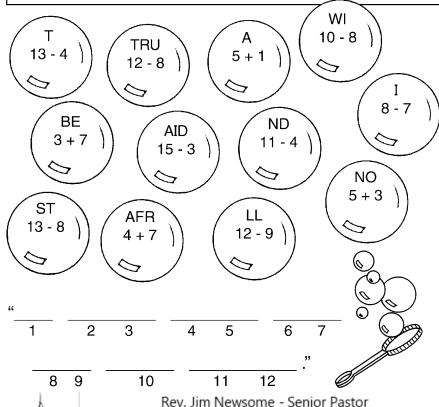


November 16, 2025 · Isaiah 12:2-6

# God Is My Salvation

"Surely God is my salvation," Isaiah says.

What comes next? Solve the math problem in each bubble and write the letters on the correct line. Note that some lines use letters from more than one bubble.





Jennifer Boles - Pastoral Assistant

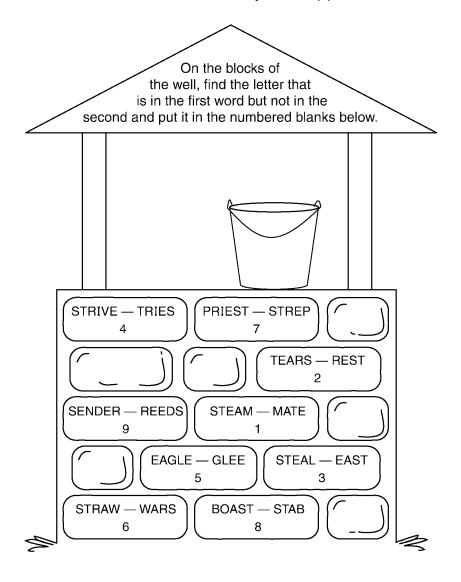
Karen Hill - Director of Youth Ministry

Heidi Everhart - Director of Children's Ministry

Debbie Foltz - Music Director

Jimmie Snyder - Band Director

## What does Isaiah say will happen?



"With joy you will draw water from the wells of  $\dots$ 

## What does Isaiah tell the people to do?

Put the words from the box below in alphabetical order in the verse, then use the numbered letters to finish the message.

