Concerts at Central

Chamber Music in the Chapel presents
The Vivaldi Project String Trio
Sunday, September 8, 2019 – Chapel – 4 p.m.
Bringing the music of the 17th and 18th century to life, violinists Elizabeth Field and Allison Nyquist, and cellist Stephanie Vial will perform on period instruments and present some rare musical Moravian gems as well as waltzes by Beethoven and other early Viennese composers. Suggested donation $10.

Moravian College Organ Student Recital
Sunday, October 13, 2019 – Sanctuary – 4:00 p.m.
Featuring senior Mark Pall as he plays works by J. S. Bach, César Franck, and Herbert Howells.

A German and English Advent Singstunde
Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 7 p.m.
Practice your German as you sing along to a wonderful variety of Advent hymns in this traditional Moravian song service. Presented by the Moravian Archives, the Moravian Music Foundation and Central Moravian Church.
Visit www.moravianchurcharchives.org for more information.

A Contemplative Worship Service
Monday, December 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
Contemplative worship is an informal setting in which we quiet ourselves in order to be open to the presence of God. Experience an hour of quiet and reflective Christmas music on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Becky Lepore, piano.

Music Ensembles at Central
Please contact the church office at 610-866-5661 for information on how to become a member of an ensemble.

Central Moravian Church Choir – Becky Lepore, Director
Chapel Choir – Richard Miller, Director
Central Moravian Brass Ensemble – Caitlin Heckman, Director
Bethlehem Area Moravian Trombone Choir – Don Kemerer, Director
Men’s Choir, Women’s Choir, Handbell Choir, and Youth Instrumental Choir – Becky Lepore, Director

Throughout the year, we are blessed to feature special instrumentalists from both the community and the congregation. We are especially blessed to have Maestro Donald Spieth as our guest conductor and The Mainstreet Brass as our ensemble in residence.

Suggested donation $10.

Johnston Memorial Festival Concert
Friday, October 11, 2019 – Sanctuary – 7:30 p.m.
Dan Forrest’s Requiem for the Living and Beethoven’s Choral Fantasy performed by the Central Moravian Church Festival Choir and Orchestra and conducted by Maestro Donald Spieth. Free admission.

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Music from the Community at Central Moravian Church
Bach at Noon – A Cantata Series
The Bach Choir of Bethlehem
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12:10 p.m. – 1 p.m.
2019: September 10, October 8, November 12
2020: January 14, February 11, March 10, & April 14
Please visit www.BACH.org for more information.

Moravian College Vespers
Fridays, December 6 and 13 – 8 p.m.
Saturdays, December 7 and 14 – 5 p.m.
Sundays, December 8 and 15 – 5 p.m.
Please call Moravian College at 610-861-1300 or visit www.moravian.edu for ticket information.

History of the Moravian Church
The Moravian Church had its origin in the pre-Reformation awakening under John Hus. Proclaiming that Jesus Christ is Lord, the Moravian Church is recognized as the oldest organized Protestant denomination in the world. Celebrating the sacraments of Holy Communion and baptism, the Moravian Church places much emphasis on mission, music, and education.

In agreement with the other creeds of the Christian Church, such as the Apostles’ Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Augsburg Confession, the Moravian Church has adopted as its basic motto, “In essentials, unity; in nonessentials, liberty; in all things, love.”

General Information for Concerts at Central
All dates, times, locations, and artists are subject to change.
Central’s sanctuary and Chapel are air-conditioned and handicapped accessible.
For any changes, please confirm concert information prior to the event on www.centralmoravianchurch.org.

Friends of Music Scholarship Winner Recital
Sunday, April 26, 2020 – Chapel – 3:00 p.m.
Join the Bethlehem Friends of Music as they celebrate their Young Artist Scholarship winner in concert! Free admission.

Chamber Music in the Chapel presents
Domenic Salerni, violin
Sunday, February 23, 2020 – Chapel – 2:00 p.m.
A native of the Lehigh Valley, Domenic is the first violinist of the Dalí Quartet, on faculty at West Chester University and is a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music and Yale University School of Music. Domenic Salerni and Becky Lepore (piano) will present works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Claude Debussy. Suggested donation $10.

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The Organs of Central Moravian Church

1954 Möller – Sanctuary
(RESTORED IN 2002 BY EMBRY BROTHERS WITH DIGITAL ENHANCEMENTS BY THE WALKER TECHNICAL COMPANY.)

Four manuals, 109 ranks, 3056 pipes.

2013 Eberly – Chapel
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Three manuals, 3 ranks.

1857 Erben – Kleiner Saal

Three manuals, 3 ranks.

Enhancements by the Walker Technical Company.

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2013 Emery – Chapel

Four manuals, 109 ranks, 3056 pipes.

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Central’s Minister of Music

Rebecca Lepore has been the Minister of Music and Organist at Central Moravian Church since 2002, and is an adjunct faculty member at Moravian College, serves as the Organist and Choir Director of the Moravian Theological Seminary and is a former University Organist of Lehigh University.

She was previously the Senior Organist at the nationally televised Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as well as an Assistant Grand Court Organist at the Wanamaker Organ in Philadelphia, the largest playing organ in the world. Becky graduated with an Artist Diploma in organ performance from the world-renowned Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, PA and received her Bachelor of Music degree, magna cum laude, from Moravian College.

In addition to her CDs recorded at Central Moravian Church, Becky recorded three CDs with Tim Zimmerman and the King’s Brass: *The Best of Brass, Christmas in Europe, and Classic Hymns*, and also recorded his *Truth is Marching On* with the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church Choir. Becky is a published composer and has organ works published through Alfred Music Publications, MorningStar Music Publishers, and the Moravian Music Foundation. Becky has most recently edited the newly released *Praise and Thanksgiving: 275 Years of Music at Central Moravian Church*.

Central Moravian Church CDs

**BE STILL MY SOUL**
Released in 2015, this CD of musical reflections and Scripture passages read by the Rt. Rev. C. Hopeton Clennon features the Central Moravian Church Choir, and Becky Lepore, organist.

**TO GOD ALL PRAISE AND GLORY**
Released in 2010, this CD features Becky Lepore on the renovated Möller/Walker organ playing favorite classical and sacred repertoire.

**AN OLD-FASHIONED MORAVIAN CHRISTMAS**
Released in 2008, this CD features Becky Lepore on the renovated Möller/Walker organ playing favorite Advent and Christmas organ classics.

**FAVORITE HYMNS OF CENTRAL MORAVIAN CHURCH**
Released in 2007 and featuring the Central Moravian Church Choir and Brass Ensemble, this CD celebrates both the rich hymnody of the Moravian Church and such timeless and cherished hymns as *Holy, Holy, Holy, and Eternal Father, Strong to Save*.

**CHRISTMAS EVE AT CENTRAL MORAVIAN CHURCH**
Released in 2005, this commemorative CD recording includes traditional Moravian Christmas hymns such as Morning Star and inspiring anthems by John Rutter and Morten Lauridsen, as sung at the historic Christmas Eve Vigils.

Central’s Music Committee

The music committee, chaired by Lynera Boylan, oversees the music program at Central Moravian Church in conjunction with the Minister of Music and the Senior Pastor.

Members of the Committee include appointees from the Boards of Elders and Trustees, representatives from the Central and Chapel Choir, the Minister of Music, members of the pastoral staff, members of the music staff and representatives of the congregation.

2019 Worship at Central 2020

9:00 a.m. Chapel • 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Summer Worship (June, July, August)

**HOLY COMMUNION:**
Sunday, August 11, 2019 – 10 a.m.
Sunday, October 6 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Sunday, November 17 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Sunday, January 5, 2020 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Sunday, March 1 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 9 – 7 p.m.
Good Friday, April 10 – 10 a.m.
Sunday, May 31 – 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.
Sunday, July 12 – 10 a.m.
Sunday, August 9 – 10 a.m.

**LOVEFEASTS:**
Sunday, September 29, 2019 – 9 a.m.
Sunday, November 10 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Sunday, December 1 – 11 a.m.
Tuesday, December 24 – 1 p.m.
Sunday, January 12, 2020 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Saturday, April 11 – 3 p.m.
Sunday, May 10 – 9 & 11 a.m.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:**
Tuesday, December 24
Children’s Lovefeast – 1 p.m.
Candlelight Vigils – 5:30 & 8 p.m.
(Tickets are required for all Christmas Eve services)
Wednesday, December 25
Christmas Morning Worship – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, December 31
New Year’s Eve Vigil – 11:30 p.m.

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES:**
Palm Sunday, April 5 – 9 & 11 a.m.
Sunday, April 5 – 7 p.m.
Monday, April 6 – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 7 – 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 8 – 7 p.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 9 – 7 p.m.
Good Friday, April 10 – 10 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 7 p.m.
Great Sabbath Lovefeast, April 11 – 3 p.m.
Easter Dawn Service, Sunday, April 12 – 6 a.m.
Easter Sunday, April 12 – 9 & 11 a.m.

Music at Central Moravian Church 2019-2020

The Rt. Rev. C. Hopeton Clennon, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Lynnette Delbridge, Pastor
Rebecca Lepore, Minister of Music

All CDs are $5 including tax. Shipping and handling are an additional $3 per CD. The book is $20 including tax, and shipping and handling are an additional $8 per book. Detach this order form and make checks payable to Central Moravian Music Program.