

## Worship in April

9 a.m. in the Old Chapel

10 a.m. Sunday School in the C. E. Building

11 a.m. in the Sanctuary (with unstaffed nursery)

### April 6<sup>th</sup> – Fifth Sunday in Lent

#### Invite a Friend

Sermon: The Rev. Janel Rice

### April 13<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

Sermon: The Rev. Josh Follweiler

### April 20 – Easter

5:45 a.m. Sunrise Service begins in Sanctuary

9 a.m. Chapel Worship

11 a.m. Triumph Service, Sanctuary

Sermon: The Rev. Janel Rice

### April 27<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday of Easter

#### Confirmation Sunday

Sermon: The Rev. Josh Follweiler



### April 6<sup>th</sup>: Invite a Friend Sunday

Have you shared an experience in worship, a part of a fellowship group, or an event that Central has held with a friend or a neighbor? Central members are the best way we can share about the amazing ministries and ways that we serve our greater community. Consider inviting a friend to worship any Sunday, but on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> we'll have a special gift to share with all visitors as well as a time during the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour for visitors to learn a little more about the Moravian faith, as well as Central's ministries and programs. Our Sunday School for children will have a special focus on any younger friends that join us this day as well. Following the 11 a.m. worship, we will also offer a Sanctuary tour.

## From Pastor Janel

We come to Holy Week and Easter Sunday not only to read narratives long ago, but to live out these stories into our lives. From the worst to the best in humanity, walk, read, sing and worship with us through Holy Week and Easter to hear the words at the end; Above all things: revenge, hatred, power - Jesus chose love, God chose love and we also can choose love. I share with you a prayer from our Lenten series "Full to the Brim: An Expansive Lent" from Sanctified Art (written by Rev. Sarah Speed, used with permission).

Good Friday belongs to confession.

For on this day, we hold up to the light everything that went wrong 2,000 years ago; and as we do, we are reminded of everything that is going wrong in the present day.

So we breathe deeply.

We bow our heads.

We speak the truth out loud about who we long to be, and we trust that God is already reaching out for us as we speak.

God of unfathomable mercy, if we were there, we'd like to think that we would have defended you.

We'd like to think that we would have stopped the guards and silenced the mockery, protected your body and defended your name.

However, if we're honest with ourselves, we probably would have been at the edge of the crowd—silent and afraid. How often are we silent and afraid? How often do we wait for the stones to cry out for us? **Forgive us.**

We believe that the crucifixion shows us the worst in humanity—violence inflicted on the innocent,

shame poured out in excess,

mockery for the sake of mockery,

and abandonment of those we love.

We believe that Jesus shows us the best in humanity—

grace where grace is undeserved,

humility in the face of power,

justice in the face of oppression,

love that overcomes.

So today, as one voice, we choose the latter.

**We choose love.**

We choose grace.

We choose one another.

We choose to remember.

Amen.

Mid-Week Lenten Programs Continue

We have been enjoying delicious meals, prayer and worship reflections followed by wonderful programs in March around the theme, “Full to the Brim: Envisioning, Creating, and Sustaining Community – Living with Abundance in a World of Scarcity”. Join us this April for the following at 6 p.m. Dinner, 7 p.m. Worship and Program (Christian Education building, 40 W. Church Street, lower level)

**April 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Board of World Mission –  
New Leadership: Where is BWM leading in our communities and the world?  
Rt. Rev. Dr. Amy Godhes-Luhman

*Meal: Women’s Bible Study and Moravian Women*

**April 9<sup>th</sup>:** Korean Moravian Community at Central: History and Future?

*Meal: Congregational Potluck*

Ukrainian Egg Workshop — Open to All

We are excited to welcome Pastor Tim Wagner of the Croton Falls Community Church to introduce us to the beautiful art of making Ukrainian Easter Eggs, on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Christian Education building, lower level. He will have all the supplies to lead us in the art known as pysanky, where eggs are decorated using a wax resist dyeing method.

Holy Week and Easter Worship

Sunday to Wednesday

**April 13 14, 15<sup>th</sup> (Chapel) April 16<sup>th</sup> (Sanctuary)**  
7 p.m. Readings for Holy Week

**April 17<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday (Sanctuary)**  
7 p.m. Readings for Holy Week & Communion

**April 18<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday**  
10 a.m. – Holy Communion (Chapel)  
2:15 p.m. – Crucifixion Service (Sanctuary)  
7 p.m. – Seven Last Words (Chapel)

**April 19<sup>th</sup> – Great Sabbath (Sanctuary)**  
2 p.m. – Lovefeast

**April 20<sup>th</sup> – Easter Sunday**  
5:45 a.m. – Sunrise Service (We start in the Sanctuary and move to God’s Acre)  
9 a.m. – Worship (Chapel)  
10 a.m. – Easter Egg Hunt (Chapel Green)  
11 a.m. – Worship (Sanctuary)

Hyacinths

There’s no sight more beautiful than God’s Acre on Easter morning, with the sounds of birds and the trombone choir — a cherished Moravian tradition. To prepare the gravestones, we place hyacinths on them, and we invite all middle school, high school, college students, and recent graduates to help.

Join us on **Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**, at noon to arrange the flowers. It takes about 45 minutes, followed by lunch, wrapping up just before the Great Sabbath Lovefeast at 2 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Easter Egg Hunt and Workshop

Children, youth and everyone are invited to join us for our Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. Join us right outside of the Old Chapel on the green as we hunt for eggs before the squirrels get them! Then come inside for refreshments, crafts and Easter fun for all ages in our Easter Workshop.

Confirmation

The rite of confirmation confirms the covenant into which Moravians are baptized. Confirmation is often seen as a rite of passage and marks the spiritual maturity of the confirmands. Along with youth group activities, our confirmands have been developing their biblical literacy, learning about Moravian history, and participating in service activities. For Alysa Jones and Sophie Rice, these events will culminate in their confirmation. Confirmation Sunday will be Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Stay after the service to celebrate our confirmands at the Birthday Social.

Join Us for Our Birthday Social

Did someone say cake? Everyone is invited to the Birthday Social in the Christian Education building on *Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>* after the 11 a.m. service. We’ll have 12 tables, one for each month, and every table will have a special cake and decorations. We need your help. We are asking for birthday cake and table decorations for each of the 12 birthday months/tables. Consider a special theme for the month you pick (i.e. February’s cake could be red or have hearts for Valentine’s Day, etc.). To balance out all the cake, the Church Family Life committee will supply sandwiches, veggies, and gluten free options! Look for the cake sign-ups after both church services on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will join the party on April 27<sup>th</sup> when we celebrate all birthdays with *lots* of birthday cake.

Central Joins MHS in Recognizing Charlene Donchez Mowers

With our gratitude to the History Committee and individual donors, Central was honored to sponsor a table at the Moravian Historical Society 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Share the Heritage Gala on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as they recognized the achievements of Central member, Charlene Donchez Mowers. Charlene received the Heritage Award for her dedication and efforts leading to Bethlehem becoming one of four Moravian church settlements inscribed together as a UNESCO transnational World Heritage Site. Congratulations Charlene!

Help Share Our Heritage & Worship Spaces

Our Friday and Saturday tours of the Sanctuary and Old Chapel kicked off in mid March (2 – 4 p.m.). We count on the time and talent of our volunteers to offer hospitality as we tell the story of our vibrant faith and witness, both today and in the past. As the World Heritage identity grows, we anticipate welcoming more people to learn about our spaces and heritage. If you would like to learn more about volunteering, please reach out to Betsy Miller at [betsy@mcnp.org](mailto:betsy@mcnp.org). Please visit the SignUpGenius at [www.tinyurl.com/centraltours](http://www.tinyurl.com/centraltours) to sign up.


Penny Challenge


Beginning April 27<sup>th</sup>, we are going to play “Penny Challenge.” This is an opportunity to *have fun* and raise some money for our *Currents* campaign. What is this penny challenge you ask? Here are the rules:


We are going to play as two “teams.” One team is the chapel, and the other team is the sanctuary. The ductwork collection box will be in each location. At the end of each service the coin “bin” will be collected and counted. Each team is awarded points based on the type of currency collected. (e.g. If you put


\$1.10 in the bin, your team would earn 100 points and 10 points would be subtracted from the other team) Weekly and overall total points will be reported in *Constant Contact* emails and *The Sunday Times*. The “challenge” will start on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and conclude on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be announced on Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at our first joint 10 a.m. service. *Join in the fun and help your team claim victory while supporting our Currents Campaign.*

POSITIVE POINTS


 EACH PENNY = +1 POINT


 \$1 BILL = +100 POINTS


 \$5 BILL = +500 POINTS

 \$10 BILL = +1,000 POINT

NEGATIVE POINTS

 NICKEL = -5 POINTS

 DIME = -10 POINTS

 QUARTER = -25 POINTS

Bread for the World an Offering of Letters

2025 marks Bread for the World’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Bonnie Davis and over 1,000 people from across the country attended the February 4<sup>th</sup> campaign kickoff via Zoom. This year’s campaign, “Nourish Our Future”, strives for robust funding and bipartisan advocacy. Numerous Congressmen and women from both parties addressed the group from Washington, DC. The main goals of this year’s program are to:

- maintain SNAP which fosters stability and is the bedrock of hunger programs across our nation;
- modernize and strengthen the WIC (Women Infant and Children) program;
- expand the child tax credit; fund global nutrition programs; and address hunger on college campuses.

Following are just some of the highlights discussed. For further information regarding hunger, please go to [breadfortheworld.org](http://breadfortheworld.org).

- 23% of college students experience food insecurity, which is 3.8 million students.
- WIC provides funding for 7 million mothers and children under the age of five years so they receive necessary nutrition. Virtual registration for this program has made it possible for mothers without transportation or work constraints to get the help they need. This is under attack.
- The military instituted a 15% pay raise because of military families experiencing food insecurity.

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, we will offer a *Mission Moment* and distribute post cards addressed to our Pennsylvania Senators and Representatives advocating for continued funding of these programs. We ask members to sign and mail these postcards. Of course, members may also send letters, emails, etc. independently. We will also distribute postcards to our food pantry clients so they may advocate for this funding which provides 90% of the money for food distributed at our food pantry.

Thanks for your support of this very important Ministry. ~ Bonnie Davis & Michael Brennan



It’s Spring-Cleaning Time;

Busy Workers will help you to clean out your attic, closets, garage, & garden

If you have household items (books, toys, games, records, DVDs, Legos, kitchen utensils, garden equipment, pottery, china, glassware, sports equipment, small furniture items, lamps, especially jewelry, even broken jewelry, linens, knick-knacks, holiday decorations, etc.) that are still in good condition but that you no longer need or want, please consider donating them to Busy Workers for their annual Plant and Attic Treasures Sale, scheduled for Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. They cannot accept clothing, text books, stuffed animals, encyclopedias, electronics, or large furniture. The sale will be held in the Christian Education building (plants will be sold outside the C. E. kitchen).

Your donated attic treasures may be brought to the C. E. building (lower level, NW corner room) on the dates below. If you have a question about an item you wish to donate, please contact Jacqueline Adams at 610-867-7463.

- April 22 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- April 24 Thursday, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- April 27 Sunday, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- April 29 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- May 1 Thursday, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- May 4 Sunday, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (last collection day)

Attention Gardeners

As you dig and divide this spring (prior to May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>), please consider sharing some of your “extras” with the Busy Workers. They’re looking for: ferns, hosta, irises, primroses, peonies, perennial geraniums, monardas (bee balm), hellebores (Lenten rose), lilies-of-the-valley, bulbs (daffodil, snowdrop, tulip,), ornamental grasses, sedum, daisies, coneflowers, catmint, etc. If you have a question about plants, please call Joan Carson (610-346-8012). Plants should be brought to the CE bldg. on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, or call Joan Carson for options.

Bakers Wanted

Busy Workers are looking for bakers to make cookies, pies, brownies, cupcakes, muffins, scones, bread, jams, jellies, candy, or your specialty, to sell at their sale. Your donations make this sale a success. If you have any questions, call Sallie Woodring at 610-746-5648 or Jacqueline Adams at 610-867-7463. They can be dropped off at the Christian Education building May 9<sup>th</sup> after 2 p.m. or call Jacqueline for other arrangements.

Changes to the Food Pantry & Cynthia’s

In order to better serve our clients and use the donations of food wisely, the leadership of Central’s Food Pantry and Cynthia’s Boutique have decided to change their schedule starting this April.

THE NEW SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

- 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., basement of church office
- 1<sup>st</sup> Friday – Food Pantry & Cynthia’s Boutique open
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday – Food Pantry open
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – Food Pantry & Cynthia’s Boutique open
- 4<sup>th</sup> Friday – Food Pantry open

We continue to gratefully accept food donations each first Sunday from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Christian Education building parking lot (40 W Church Street). Clothing donations are accepted each Thursday from 10 a.m. – noon at the back of the church office building.



Good Luck to Alysa!

On February 23<sup>rd</sup>, with the leadership of Church Family Life Committee, we celebrated Central member, Alysa Jones, who left in early March to compete in the 2025 Special Olympics World Games in Italy. Alysa is a Junior at Northampton Area High School and will be one of only 30 athletes to represent the United States, and one of only 6 from Pennsylvania. She will compete in the Slalom, Giant Slalom and Super G. *Good luck and we are so proud of you, Alysa!*



From Pastor Josh

In one form or another, I have been a part of Central Moravian Church for four years. In 2021, I started working with the Children’s Choir and took over the Friday Fun Night program. In the fall of 2023, I started to split my time as a student pastor between Calvary Moravian Church in Allentown and Central. This past summer I was fortunate to be offered the position of associate pastor here for a one-year appointment with the possibility of extending that appointment. Whether as the FFN leader, student, or associate pastor, it has been an honor and privilege to serve alongside such dedicated and passionate people including members, leaders, and staff. I was fortunate enough to have a front row seat to Central’s resiliency, transition, and growth. It has been a joy to watch the children’s program flourish. We have grown and matured together, and I appreciate the warmth and kindness of everyone in the congregation. I am happy to say that my time here at Central will last a little longer. I will continue in my role as associate pastor through the summer. What happens after that?



In August, I will move to Princeton, New Jersey, as I will be a doctoral (PhD) student at Princeton Theological Seminary. When I was a student at Moravian Theological Seminary, I discovered a passion for reading, writing, and researching religious history. In that time, I presented papers on ancient Christianity as well as Moravian history. In Princeton I will study the religious history of America in the nineteenth century with a focus on Moravian communities and the intersection of their economic and religious ideals. I now have the privilege of continuing my education alongside some of the brightest minds in the field in a place filled with seemingly limitless resources. This is the academic “big leagues,” and while I will deeply miss Central, this was an opportunity I could not pass up.

In the coming weeks and months, you will hear about Central’s staffing plans. Rest assured, plans are being made to guarantee that the programing and ministry growth we have experienced will continue. Change is inevitable, and Central has a proven ability to adapt and thrive amidst change. I do not intend on becoming a stranger. I am confident that God’s work will continue in you, and I pray for you knowing “all will be well.”

News from Executive Committee

We are thrilled to celebrate Josh’s acceptance into Princeton Theological Seminary’s doctoral program, and look forward to recognizing his incredible ministries with Central this past year. Stay tuned to future communication about this recognition and celebration in late July.

The Executive Committee and Pastor Janel have been already in conversations about the need for leadership within our Christian Education and Church Family Life programs as well as pastoral care support. There are tentative plans for a position to be shared shortly which will ensure that these vital programs within our church are supported and grown.

New Members

We were thrilled to welcome many inquirers in February and March to learn more about the Moravian Church’s history and theology, and our particular history and current ministries at Central Moravian Church. It was good to learn more about each other and where we all are on our journey of faith. On Sunday, March 23, 11 people joined Central Moravian Church. We welcome: Cathi Bacha, Sue Daley, Heather Hartung, Jocelyn Mattina, Jonnie Miller, Rob & Janice Schmidt, Erin & Jeremy Sestito (*Helena, Angelo*), Diane Smith & Morgan Besson.

April’s Tuesday Dining Out Group

Our Dining Out Group meets on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Thai Thai II restaurant, 509 Main Street, Bethlehem. The entrees are a combination of original Thai food with a modern twist. Vegan, vegetarian, and gluten free dishes are available. It’s BYOB. Parking is convenient in Central’s upper lot and an easy walk to the restaurant. RSVP to the church office. (Oh! This is not an April Fool’s Day joke.)

Save the Date

On Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, the Church Family Life Committee is sponsoring a bus trip to see *Noah* at Sight and Sound in Lancaster. The cost is \$150 for adults and \$90 for children. This includes excellent center aisle seating, transportation, a buffet lunch, and all gratuities. Scholarships are available. Additional details to follow.



A Word from Ruthie. . . .

Hi there! I hope you don’t mind me popping in (I brought cheese!) I recently heard that there was an opening for a Church Mouse here at central; ever since I was a little girl, I was inspired by The Church Mouse. So I scattered to the office as soon as I could to deliver my impressive resume! I must admit, my moustery in many different skills never ceases to amaze people! A week later, I was called into Pastor Janel’s office, where I was greeted with a smile and a piece of cheese! “Mice to meet you!” I said, smiling ear to ear. Pastor Janel informed me that I was one of the finalists for the job! I was so excited! And now, here I am! So although I have big shoes (or should I say tiny paws) to fill, I hope I’ll be able to be the kind of inspiration that The Church Mouse always was to me for new generations.

When I’m scurrying through the pews, sometimes I overhear what is shared on a Sunday morning.

Wherever you are in your faith journey,  
Whatever your identity may be, . . . (and I think) And no matter how small you are, You are always welcome here! Thank you!

~Ruthie the Church Mouse

Hyacinths for April

There’s some flowers in God’s Acre,  
And they’re very very pretty!  
They say April showers bring May flowers  
But I didn’t think it was May quite yet!  
It’s been raining all day,  
But the congregants have no delay  
In laying out the flowers in God’s Acre,  
Which are very very pretty!  
When I asked somebody why,  
They told me to try  
And think what they reminded me of  
And I said I think new life is nigh!  
They said yes!  
“It’s almost Easter!”  
It’s when Jesus rose from death,  
It’s the promise ever true,  
That God will forever love me and you!”  
Wherever you are in your faith journey,  
Whatever your identity may be,  
And no matter how small you are,  
You are always welcome here!

- Ruthie the Church Mouse

An African Sculpture, An Irish Chalice,  
and A Piece of the Berlin Wall

What do these things have in common? You can find them all on display in a new exhibit in the West Room of the church sanctuary. Over the years, Central Church has received meaningful gifts and tokens of recognition and appreciation from a number of Moravian partners around the world. We’ve gathered them together in warm remembrance of our longstanding and ongoing friendship with sisters and brothers in Nepal, Tanzania and many other countries. After being designated a transnational World Heritage site, Moravian Settlements — Bethlehem and Central Church in particular, can also celebrate renewed relationships with Moravians in Germany, Denmark, and Northern Ireland (UK). Stop by the West Room for a reminder of our special worldwide ministry and mission together as Moravians.

The display was arranged by Greta Reifinger and sponsored by the Central Moravian Church History Committee; Diane Shaw, Chair.

Volunteering at The Seed Farm

Join the folks at the Seed Farm (5854 Vera Cruz Road in Emmaus) to lend a helping hand in their greenhouse as they prepare for the upcoming Spring Plant Sale and for their food security garden partners! They need enthusiastic volunteers to assist in essential greenhouse tasks such as seeding, potting plants, labeling, and preparing plants for the sale. This is a great opportunity to get your hands in the soil, learn about plant care, and support local agriculture.

Details:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. from now until May 8<sup>th</sup>.  
For every four-hour volunteer shift, volunteers receive two complimentary plants during the week of May 5<sup>th</sup> (right before their Spring Plant Sale).

Suggested:

Bring your own: water bottles (water dispenser on site), gloves (if desired), sunglasses (can get bright in the greenhouse on sunny days), wear layers (temps can fluctuate on partly cloudy days).

Register and select dates at website below:

<https://www.volunteermark.com/shfb/greenhouse-green-thumbs-1734635604569>

If you would like any assistance with registering to volunteer, or to register a group, please contact their Volunteer Coordinator Amour Inman at 484-852-1658 or ainman@caclv.org.

Special April Offering Envelope

**Easter (April 20<sup>th</sup>)** special envelopes are used to cover extra expenses we have during the season of Lent and Easter. Expenses include many things such as palms for Palm Sunday, lilies for the Chancel cross, sugar cake for the Easter Dawn service, buns for the Great Sabbath Lovefeast, as well as additional utilities used during the extra services held during Lent and Holy Week.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle & Use Less Plastic

- Celebrate Earth Day! Get involved in your local community’s ‘clean-up’ day.
- Do you have electronics or hazardous waste you wish to recycle? In Northampton County check this website: <https://norcopa.gov/environmental-services>. In Lehigh County check these websites: <https://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/Solid-Waste-Management/Household-Hazardous-Waste/Safe-Disposal> <https://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/Solid-Waste-Management/Electronic-Waste>
- Check out Earth 911: <https://earth911.com>
- Search for places to recycle all kinds of items based on your zip code.
- Write a letter or make a phone call to your legislators (federal, state and local) to advocate for the environment and responsible climate change policies. Urge the City of Bethlehem to enact a single-use plastic bag ban!!
- Do your perennials need dividing? The Busy Workers will be glad to accept donations of hosta, iris, peonies, coneflowers, daisies, spring bulbs, etc. for their plant sale in May. Check *The Belfry* and *Constant Contact* for details.
- Have a meatless meal at least once/week; better for you, and better for the planet! And try to eat beef only one meal/week.

Envelopes for Education

It’s time to honor our 2025 high school graduates! There will be envelopes to pick up on several Sundays in May. The Sunday for recognizing our graduates will be June 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions, contact Martha at the church office.

Unitas Chorale Concert

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4 p.m. at Advent Moravian Church, the Unitas Chorale presents a free concert. For more information please see: [www.moravianmusic.org](http://www.moravianmusic.org).

Musical Notes

Rebecca Lepore, Minister of Music  
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QR Code for the Central Moravian Church Music Webpage



**Central Moravian Church Choir** rehearse on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All are welcome.

**Central Brass Ensemble** will play for the 11 a.m. worship services on April 13<sup>th</sup> and May 11<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in playing with the Central Brass Ensemble, please contact Caitlin Heckman for further information at [caitlin.g.heckman@gmail.com](mailto:caitlin.g.heckman@gmail.com).

**Chamber Music in the Chapel** presents the Patrick Kerssen Trio in an afternoon of sacred jazz on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Old Chapel. No tickets needed. Free-will offering.

**SATORI** – Super Bowl Concert that was canceled because of ice is rescheduled for Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. in the Old Chapel. No tickets needed. Free-will offering.

**Sunday School Choir** will sing for the 9 a.m. worship on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Johnston Festival Concert** will be held on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. All singers are invited. A summer rehearsal schedule will be available in the May *Belfry*.

**Music Trip to Philadelphia** – On Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Central’s Music Ministry is organizing a bus trip to Philadelphia to tour the historic Old Christ Church and Cemetery, attend the Philadelphia Orchestra performance of Beethoven’s 9<sup>th</sup> Symphony, and enjoy some free time in between. The bus will leave at approximately 7:30 a.m., and will return to Bethlehem following the end of the 2:00 performance. Cost is \$150 – transportation, tickets, water, and snacks are provided. Please contact Becky Lepore if you are interested in signing up.

**Music Committee Meetings:** Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

Stewardship One-Liner

Giving thanks always for all things to God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...

~Ephesians 5:20



## The Belfry

April 2025

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Rebecca Lepore

Richard Miller

**Head Sacristan:**

Tim Brady

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Michael Repsher

Tamera Ace

**Media Director:**

Will Schwab



## April Birthdays

1 Stuart Paxton	10 Kirsten Anthony	22 Leslie Morneweck
1 Cole Rampolla	10 Evan Klokis	22 Ronald Domen
2 Charles Stutzenberger	11 Frank Boyer	22 Jessica Mosebach
2 Llyena Boylan	11 Emmett Becker	23 Betty Klase
3 Tina Macaulay	11 Landon Becker	23 Helen Forasté
3 Emma Williams	13 Sue Strouse	23 Kathryn Lamberton
3 Madison Jezick	13 Zoe Jezick	24 Edward Pavlik
4 Marianne Allen	13 Zane Silvius	24 James Snyder
4 Michele Prichett	15 Carol Gaal	24 Ada Heckman
4 Jennifer Shields	16 Bill Eberman	25 Hal Smith
5 Calvin Dean	16 Karen Sonier	25 Glory Lee Malsberger
6 Suzanne Boundy	16 Maria Williams	25 John Zapf II
6 Rose Warner	16 David Weikert	26 Gina Kelechava
6 Barry Pell	16 Benjamin Paxton	26 Kathy Williams
6 Kenneth Nasatka	16 Blake Gross	26 Lynne Brolly
7 Roberta Florey	18 Sarah Phillips	27 Harry Tachovsky
7 Nancy Doyle	18 Maya Kret	27 Tom Long
7 Christopher Getz	19 Karen Naisby	28 Thomas Hauptert
7 Steve Schlack	19 Maryalice Vorwerk	29 Diane Decker
8 Eric Feather	19 Bradley Rogers	29 Mary Berlin
8 Thomas Lantz	19 Justin Schippang	29 Taylor Plinke
8 Gemma Schippang	20 James McCarthy III	30 Patricia Early
9 Kathryn Anderson	21 Rachel Holler	30 Diane Freed
10 Nancy Zacccone	21 Ana Endress	30 Becky Lepore
10 Michael Brolly		

## Church Journal

### In Memoriam

February 15 - James Frank