

## ***This Week at Central Moravian Church - May 11 – 17, 2025***

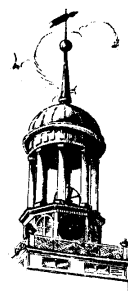
Sun.	9 am - 2 pm	Busy Workers' Sale	C. E. Building
	After Services	Fair Trade Coffee Sale	NE corner Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Children's Choir/Sunday School	C. E. Building
	10:00 am	Adult Sunday School	Zinzendorf Parlor
	5:00 pm	AA	Benigna Auditorium
Mon.	5:00 pm	Personnel Committee	Zoom
	7:00 pm	History Committee	Zoom
Tues.	9:30 am	Comenius Group	William's Home
	9:30 am	Ladies Sewing Society	Office, Conf. Room
	6:00 pm	Board of Elders	Office, Conf. Room
Wed.	7:15 am	Morning Bible Study	Nitschmann Hall
	9:30 am	Busy Workers' Society	Chapel, lower level
	3:00 pm	Buildings & Grounds	Zoom
Thurs.	10 am - 12 pm	Cynthia's Boutique Drop Off	Office, lower level
	11:00 am	Women's Bible Study	Office, Conf. Room
	7:00 pm	Church Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Fri.	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Tours	Chapel/Sanctuary
Sat.	8:30 - 11:30 am	Food Pantry Distribution	Office, lower level
	11:30 am	Memorial Service for Marge Rowland in the Chapel	
	2:00 pm	Memorial Service for Paul Lewis in the Chapel	
		Reception following	Nitschmann Hall
	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Tours	Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	AA	Benigna Auditorium

### ***Next Sunday's Worship Services – May 18***

9:00 am	Worship in the Chapel	Josh Follweiler
11:00 am	Worship in the Sanctuary	Josh Follweiler

### ***Fair Trade Coffee Sale Today***

We are offering coffee, tea, and chocolate for sale today after both worship services. Our table will be in the northeast corner of the Sanctuary.



## ***The Sunday Times***

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 Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
 Closed for lunch 12-12:30 p.m.

### ***Worship and Program Highlights—Sunday, May 11, 2025***

Wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome at Central Moravian Church. If you are a visitor and are comfortable doing so, please share your contact information with us. Fill out a Visitor Card, which you will find at the end of the pew in the Chapel or in the pew racks in the Sanctuary. Activity bags are available for children in both the Chapel and Sanctuary. During the 11 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary, an unstaffed nursery is available in the West Room.

Chapel restrooms are located on the lower level. The main restrooms in the Sanctuary are located on the lower level in the southwest corner of the church (closest to Main and Church Streets). Two additional restrooms are in the corridor behind the pulpit area, on the East side (Heckewelder Place).

### ***Busy Workers Plant and Attic Treasures Sale Today***

Join us today at the Christian Education building from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. We'll have lots of attic treasures, crafts, baked goods, and Moravian sugar cake inside. Plus, outside beautiful plants for sale: flowering annuals, hanging baskets, vegetables, herbs, and perennials from Central members' gardens. Proceeds benefit Bethlehem, Lehigh Valley, worldwide causes, and church causes too.

### ***Penny Challenge Update***

The chapel's lead in our Penny Challenge has grown. The chapel now leads the sanctuary 13,580 to 3,151. Together, the chapel and sanctuary collected over \$200! Can the sanctuary close the gap in the remaining two weeks of our Penny Challenge, or will the chapel's dominance continue? Check back next week as our friendly challenge continues. Please note that any un-American currency or coins cannot be accepted.

### ***Envelopes for Education***

Did you pick up an envelope last Sunday? If not, there are envelopes available to pick up today (at the back of the Chapel and the Sanctuary Amen pews) and on May 18, as long as they are available. This program provides our high school graduating seniors with a grant from their church family. Cash, checks, or electronic giving are all welcomed. June 1<sup>st</sup> will be the presentation Sunday. Thank you for your participation.

### ***Dine In or Take Out & Donate***

Come out and support Essentials Café at Martellucci's Pizzeria (1419 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem) on May 14 from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. 15% of all sales will be donated to Essentials Café.

### ***Sunday School Closing Program***

Our Sunday School programs have had a great year. Our new format, furniture, and amazing teachers have brought joy to everyone who participated. Children's Sunday School regularly had double digit attendance, and our adults have done deep learning on Paul, James, and Revelation. Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end. The last day for Sunday School will be May 18<sup>th</sup>. We will host our Sunday School closing program. Kids will sing, teachers will talk about the students' achievements, and "awards" will be presented. We will have light refreshments. Everyone is encouraged to come and hear about all the wonderful things that have happened in our classrooms this year.

### ***SATORI Concert***

Join us next Sunday, May 18 at 2 p.m. in the Chapel. – Two Part Invention – Plus Two! Join us for a fun hour of enjoyable chamber music featuring flute, violin, cello, and guitar. No tickets required. Free-will offering.

### ***Richard Miller Chapel Organist 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

Please join us for our first summer service in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. as we recognize and honor Richard with a joint choir and special tributes, as well as with a reception following in the sanctuary.

### ***Vacation Bible School (VBS)***

VBS takes place Monday - Friday, June 23 - 27 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. For ages 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade (completed). The theme will be "True North... Finding our way in world gone wild!" We are now also offering an optional afternoon program: *Mad Science*. This program is available for children who have attended the morning session. It is an extension of our VBS program. There is a limited enrollment available for this program. Location: East Hills Moravian Church, 1830 Butztown Road, Bethlehem PA  
**AGE:** Children must have completed kindergarten & up to completion of 5<sup>th</sup> grade.  
**DATE:** Monday - Friday, 6/23-6/27  
**TIME:** 1 - 4 p.m. Children will need to bring a lunch and will eat between noon and 1 p.m.

**COST:** \$70 per child. Payment must be received to confirm *Mad Science* registration. Payment can be made by sending a check (with VBS in the memo line) to East Hills Moravian Church.

### ***Save the Date***

The Rev. Dr. Frank Crouch will be our guest preacher on June 1<sup>st</sup> and will present a two-part lecture series on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

### ***Iron Pigs Baseball Outing***

Central's annual Iron Pigs Baseball Outing will take place on Friday, June 20, with a 7:05 p.m. game time. We have 20 tickets reserved between 3<sup>rd</sup> Base and Home. Cost of the tickets is \$13 and includes a food credit. Please contact the church office to RSVP.

### ***Sight and Sound "Noah"***

Purchase your tickets for this extraordinary theatrical event. Price includes bus transportation, premium seating at Sight & Sound *Noah* and gourmet buffet on Thurs., August 14.

- 8:00 a.m. departure at Gemeinhaus, 66 West Church Street, Bethlehem
- 6:00 p.m. return; ample parking in Central's upper parking lot.
- Cost: 12 and up is \$125; Children 6 - 12 are \$65
- Payment due: June 1, 2025

*Funding is available for individuals in need.* RSVP to the church office.

### ***Blankets and Envelopes***

If you wish to make electronic donations to *Blanket Sunday* and/or *Envelopes for Education* you may do so on the church website donate page. The following link takes you directly to the Moravian Ministries Foundation for Central Moravian Church. Use the text box to tell us what your donation is to benefit. Thank you for your support.  
[https://mmfa.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit\\_id=1199](https://mmfa.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=1199)

### ***Tour Guides & Greeters Needed***

Tours of the Chapel and Sanctuary take place on Fridays and Saturdays from 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. The sign-up genius link below is available for you to sign up for shifts throughout the spring. [tinyurl.com/centraltours](http://tinyurl.com/centraltours)

### ***Hiring for a New Position***

Striving to continue our growth and focus on Christian Education for children, youth and adults, we are thrilled to post a new position hire: *Director of Christian Education*. Please share this information and encourage people who have an interest in growing the faith of our children, youth, and adults, and enhancing the fellowship of a loving and inclusive church community.  
<https://www.centralmoravianchurch.org/employment-opportunity/>