

***This Week at Central Moravian Church
June 14–20, 2026***

Sun. After Services	Fair Trade Coffee Sale	NE corner Sanctuary	
8:15 am	Moravian Women	Office, Conf. Room	
2:00 pm	Becky Lepore's Ordination	Sanctuary	
5:00 pm	AA	Benigna Auditorium	
Wed.	7:15 am	Morning Bible Study	Nitschmann Hall
	9:30 am	Busy Workers' Society	Chapel, lower level
	12:30 pm	Knitting Group	Office, Conf. Room
	7:00 pm	Board of Trustees	Zoom
Thur.	10 am - 12 pm	Cynthia's Boutique Drop Off	Office, lower level
Fri.		Juneteenth—Church Office Closed	
	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Tours	Chapel & Sanctuary
Sat.	8:30 - 11:30 am	Food Pantry Distribution	Office, lower level
	11:00 am	Enslaved & Free Walking Tour	Chapel
	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Tours	Chapel
	3:00 pm	Luke DiGiacinto, Organ Recital	Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	AA	Benigna Auditorium

Next Sunday's Worship Service – June 21

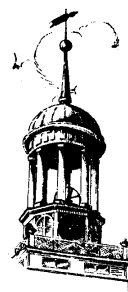
10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary Janel Rice

Fair Trade Coffee, Tea and Chocolate Sale Today

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

“Christmas in July” Friday Fun Night

Join us for a special “Christmas in July” Friday Fun Night on Friday, July 24th from 6 – 8 p.m. in the Christian Education Building, lower level (40 W. Church Street). Open to kids in Pre-K through fifth grade, we will enjoy an evening of pizza, learning favorite Moravian Christmas songs like “Morning Star” and “Hosanna,” decorating Christmas cookies, and making a Moravian Christmas ornament! More details to follow. For questions and more info, contact Linda de Vries at linda@centralmoravianchurch.org.



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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, June 14, 2026***

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 fill out a Visitor Card, which you will find in the pew racks. Activity bags are available for children and an unstaffed nursery is available in the West Room.

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).

Pastor of Congregational Life – Becky's Ordination Today

Central is overjoyed to announce that Becky Lepore has accepted the call to serve in full-time ministry at Central Moravian Church as our new Pastor of Congregational Life. Becky brings gifts of loving compassion, a thoughtful passion for justice, and energy for bringing together both our congregation and guests in community. We are thrilled that Becky will join Pastor Janel Rice in leading and caring for our congregation in this new chapter of ministry.

Becky will be ordained at Central Moravian Church today at 2 p.m., with a light reception to follow. We invite everyone to join us for this joyous occasion as we celebrate God's call upon her life and ministry.

Becky will conclude her responsibilities as Minister of Music on June 30 and officially begin her new pastoral role on July 1. **She will be installed as Pastor of Congregational Life during worship at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 5.**

Welcome to Winston Alozie

A respected leader in the Bethlehem community, Winston Alozie serves as Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club and as a member of the Bethlehem Area School District School Board. He also shares his musical gifts as Minister of Music at St. John A.M.E. Zion Church and other places of worship.

Manna Moravian Church

This morning, we welcome the Rev. Byrnese Craig, Pastor of the Northern Province's newest emerging Ministry, Manna, a dinner church whose mission is 'to encounter God around the table through worship, fellowship, and service.' Wife and mother of four, serial hobby experimentalist, and self-proclaimed "Moravian Bread Lady", Byrnese brings more than ten years of ministry experience that has stretched across multiple Christian traditions and settings. A graduate of the Moravian School of Theology, Byrnese has also served locally as Pastor of MorningStar Moravian Church (Coopersburg, PA), as Community Engagement and Outreach Coordinator for Emmaus Moravian Church (Emmaus, PA) and as Interim Chaplain for Moravian Hall Square (Nazareth, PA). For more info, visit: <https://mannabethlehem.com/>

Both Enslaved & Free: Men & Women of African Descent in Early Bethlehem Walking Tour

More than 50 people of African descent have been documented living in Bethlehem and its surrounding

communities between 1740 and 1800. On this walking tour you will learn how these men and women came to be here, how they were treated, and how those who were enslaved became free. Please join us at the Old Chapel on Saturday, June 20 at 11 a.m. for a remarkable and enlightening story. The tour will be led by Scott Gordon and Katie Faull. Please contact Diane Shaw to register at shawd@lafayette.edu or 610-442-9638.

Luke DiGiacinto, Organ Recital

Congratulations to Luke who will graduate from the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore with his Master of Music in Organ Performance. Luke will repeat his graduation recital in the Sanctuary on June 20th at 3 p.m. and includes repertoire by André Raison, Johann Sebastian Bach, William Albright, Alec Rowley, Camille Saint Saëns, and Joseph Rheinberger. No tickets are required. Free-will offering.

Vacation Bible School

VBS takes place Monday - Friday, June 22 - June 26 (9 a.m. - 12 p.m.) at East Hills Moravian Church, 1830 Butztown Road, Bethlehem PA. For ages 3 - 5th grade (completed). Cost is \$10 for 1st child, \$5 for each additional child. Afternoon program also available from 1 - 4 p.m. Please contact Linda de Vries to register or if you have any questions. linda@centralmoravianchurch.org

Dining Out Group Event

The Dining Out Group is going to White Orchids Thai Cuisine, located at 2985 Center Valley Parkway, Center Valley, PA in the Promenade Shopping Center on Tuesday, July 7 at 6 p.m. White Orchids has been voted the best Thai restaurant in the Lehigh Valley. They have a parking lot. To make your reservations, email Judy Williams at williamsjudy1930@gmail.com.

Celebrations Galore July 12: Old Chapel's 275th & America 250

On Sunday, July 12th, at 10 a.m., our Sanctuary worship will include a Lovefeast as we celebrate the 275th anniversary of Central's Old Chapel, the second place of worship for the Moravians. Following worship, the Bethlehem Area Trombone choir, the oldest continuously performing brass ensemble in America, will play on the Church Green at 11 a.m. and all are welcome for light refreshments. Stick around for Bethlehem's celebration of America 250 on July 12. From 12 - 5 p.m., the lower church green, located near the end of Main St., will be one of the sites taking part in the America 250 celebration happening throughout historic downtown Bethlehem on Main and Broad Streets. With gratitude for support from the Bethlehem Area Moravian Ministries Committees, our 7 Moravian churches will come together to showcase several of the church bands, as well as the headliner, The Stank Factory, at 3 p.m. The Stank Factory is a five piece band inspired by the jazz, funk, soul, and

blues sounds of New Orleans led by Moravian University graduate and friend of Central, Patrick Kerssen. We will also share free cotton candy, water, and information about our churches at a table on Main Street. The Old Chapel and Sanctuary will be available for tours during this time, and we look forward to being a part of America 250 Celebrations in Bethlehem!

Back-to-School Supply Drive

The Lehigh Conference of Churches (LCC) is hosting its fourth annual back-to-school supply drive to support students in need in the Lehigh Valley. To contribute to this drive, Central Moravian will be collecting school supplies from **July 12 to August 2**. There will be collection bins available on the Amen Pews during church services and there will be a bin in the Church Office, available during office hours. Some items LCC has requested include: #2 pencils, markers, glue sticks, highlighters, pencil cases, notebooks, erasers, crayons, rulers, small sharpeners, colored pencils, binders, scissors, folders, calculators, backpacks (med/lg).

Bulletins Available to Sponsor

There are some Sunday bulletins available for sponsorship. Please check your calendars and see if one of these is of interest. August 9 and 16, September 20 and October 4 and 18. Please contact Martha in the church office to reserve your date.