



JUNE 2026

# THE LAMPLIGHTER YORK FIRST MORAVIAN

## Pastor's Message for June 2026

The month of June marks the beginning of summer. For children and youths, it is a time away from school. The summer holidays provide an opportunity for them to rest and recuperate from a school year of teaching and learning in the formal setting. It also provides an opportunity for family bonding and holiday get aways.

The evolution of technology and hyper consumption of information means that most of the time we are engaged in some way. Our brains are always going, between the different screens, phones, television, and tablets.

Let us take this time to bond and make memories with our children, grand-children or young relatives and friends away from the screens. Here are some activities that the church offers that I recommend you get involved in during the summer holidays:

1. Church Picnic at Musser's Grove – June 6, 2026
2. Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Covenant – June 29<sup>th</sup> -July 2, 2026
3. Provincial Summer Camps at Camp Hope.
  - I. Musical theatre (June 27-July 4 “Grades 5-9”)
  - II. Primary (July 5-11 “Grades 3-4”)
  - III. Middler (July 12-18 “Grades 5&6”)
  - IV. Junior High (July 19-25 “Grades 7&8”)
  - V. Senior High (July 26- August 1 “Grades 9-12”)
  - VI. Pre-Primary (August 2-5 “Grades 1&2”)

Make this summer a memorable one for you and your youngsters.

Shalom,  
Rev. Dr. Kevin Marshall



## Upcoming Events

~Saturday, June 6 Church Picnic at Musser's Grove at 2:00 pm with Covenant in celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Hot Dogs and Hamburg BBQ will be provided along with drinks. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Fishing, games and bingo will be played. Playground area for the kids!



~Saturday, June 20 First is hosting Feeding the Hungry downtown. Meet at the church at 10:30 am to make sandwiches and pack bags.

~Sunday, June 21 is Father's Day!

~Friday, June 25 thru Saturday June 26 Northern Province Synod to be held in Minneapolis, MN. Pastor Kevin and Cliff Bergstresser attending.

~Saturday, June 27 Women's Fellowship social event at Gather 256 Cafe at noon at 256 West Philadelphia Street, York. All women are welcome!

~VBS on June 29 - July 2 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm to be held at Covenant Moravian Church. The theme is "Tropical Trek" (Jesus Comes to Seek and Save) Bible stories, crafts and snacks!

## Upcoming Meetings

~Elder's meeting on Tuesday, June 9 in-person at 10:00 am in the annex conference room.

~Trustees meeting on Tuesday, June 23 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

~Powerhouse Prayer and Bible study held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

## **ELDERS MEETING**

There was no Elder's meeting held in May due to Pastor Kevin being on vacation. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 10:00 am in the annex conference room.

## **TRUSTEES MEETING**

The Trustees met on Tuesday, May 26 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Active projects for the parsonage, annex and church were reviewed. The repointing and repair work for bricks at the church to begin this summer. Work was delayed due to the weather. Resealing of the church roof was completed. Elevator pressure test was completed. Cliff Bergstresser's wife, MJ has agreed to auditing our books. To be done sometime this summer. We will need a Trustee member to volunteer to be part of a team to do Kevin's evaluation by end of year. And a Trustee to volunteer to serve on the Strategic Planning committee. Wanda gave the Treasurer's report for the month of May. She went over income and expenses and upcoming bills to be paid.



## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Joint VBS with Covenant  
and First Moravian Churches**

**Where: Covenant Moravian Church  
901 Cape Horn Road  
York, PA 17402  
(717)-755-3269**

**When: June 29, 30 – July 1, 2  
Time: 1:00 – 3:00 pm**

**TOTAL INCOME & OFFERINGS FROM  
SUNDAYS 5/3/2026 - 5/24/2026**

\$5,366.25 GENERAL FUNDS  
242.00 REFURBISHING FUNDS  
140.00 SMITH BOOK FUNDS

**\$5,748.25 OFFERING INCOME**

\$ 520.83 HOUSING ALLOWANCE FOR MAY  
(FROM COVENANT MORAVIAN)

**\$ 520.83 OTHER INCOME**

**\$6,269.08 TOTAL "INCOME" FOR MAY**

**\$9,799.95 TOTAL "EXPENSES" FOR MAY**

\*SUNDAY, MAY 31 OFFERING WILL BE  
INCLUDED IN NEXT MONTH'S TOTALS.



## June Birthdays

7 Carol Zeigler  
15 Kellie (Swartz) Ford  
17 Kathie Nicholas  
18 Carolyn Bailey  
19 Kasi (Tyson) Steinbrenner  
21 Ronald Eckert  
29 Heidi Robinson  
30 Lloyd Purswell\*



**For Pastoral needs,  
please contact:**

**Rev. Kevin Marshall - 717-585-5846**

**or any of the Elders:**

John Knokey, Vice-Chair - 717-848-9220

Keith Rishel - 717-472-6793

Jeannette Sprenkle - 717-424-5636

Kasi Steinbrenner - 717-965-2032

## June Anniversaries

12 Terry & Carol Zeigler  
14 David & Karrie Rishel  
26 Rev. Terry & Julia Folk\*



### **Prayer Concerns**

KATHIE NICHOLAS

JEMON GRANT

IRELYN SPRENKLE

JEFF RISHEL

PAUL MINNICH

WANDA HENDRICKS

ERIC GREEN

AXEL LEH

SCOTT MURPHY

RICH WURZBACH



Did you know...

We have an online giving portal! If you prefer to worship via Zoom you can send your offering online!

Just go to:

- mmfa.info
- click Giving Portal at the top
- Click 'F' and select First Moravian Church - York, PA

**\*Notice from the Moravian Ministries Foundation starting the month in May 2025, the "online" giving payouts to churches will occur only once a month. If people want to make sure their donations are paid and received by our church sooner, they might want to send their donation/check directly to Wanda Hendricks at her home address shown below. (Especially at years end).**

Wanda Hendricks  
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Dover, PA 17315

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## **2026 Watchword**

"because of the tender mercy of our God,  
by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven  
to shine on those living in darkness  
and in the shadow of death,  
to guide our feet into the path of peace."

Luke 1:78-79