

Statement of Purpose

By the grace of God to make disciples of all people both local and global. To enhance the deeper experiences with our Lord Jesus Christ through prayer, Bible Study, witnessing, outreach and worship.

Watchword for the Year

*Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness
Psalms 115:1*

**We praise, we worship thee, we trust,
and give thee thanks forever,
O Father, that thy rule is just
and wise, and changes never;
thy boundless pow'r all things reigns,
done is what'er thy will ordains:
well for us that thou rulest.**

Ministers: All Believers

Pastor: Rev. Earl S. Goulbourne (Chair, Elders' Bd/Joint Bd)

Vice Chair: Sr. Evadne Morrison Taylor (Elders' Bd)

President: Sr. Lorina Harte (Trustees' Bd)

Vice President: Sr. Patria Palmer (Trustees' Bd)

Treasurer: Sr. Shareen Prescod McClean

Musical Director: Br. Hanjin Sa

Administrative Assistant: Sr. Jacinth Vassell

Sexton:

Church Office – Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
(10:30am – 3:30am)

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ALL ARE WELCOME!!!



Serving the community since November 9, 1980

GRACE MORAVIAN CHURCH

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Divine Service

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday October 11, 2026, 11am

CALLED TO SERVE GOD THROUGH OUR WORSHIP,
WITNESS & WALK

Worship Leader: Br. Philip Austin

Preacher: Sr. Carol S. Richardson

Pastor: Br. Earl Goulbourne

Musicians: Br. Hanjin Sa/Br. A. Kiddo Hendricks

Watchword for the Week:

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will
praise your name; for you have done wonderful.
Isaiah 25:1

2026 Theme:

“Faith, Fellowship, & Forward Vision.

Order of Service

(*) For those who are able, please stand
(Please, place mobile phones on silence)

* **Chorus:** Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me

Welcome & Ministry Matters

Prelude: Br. Hanjin Sa

Introit: Let's Just Praise the Lord Chancel Choir

* **Call to Worship:** Br. Philip Austin

Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord,
for God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord or declare all his praise.

Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. And let all the people say, **Amen. Praise the Lord!**

* **Hymn of Adoration:** Stand Up, and Bless the Lord # 531MBW

* **Liturgy:** (remain standing) Br. Philip Austin

Liturgist: *Let us unite our hearts as we pray the liturgy for the 20th
Sunday after Pentecost.*

Praise the Lord! O God, we will praise you as long as we live, we will sing your praises to our God all our life long. Indeed, we praise you, O God, for you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. You are good to all and your compassion is over all that you have made, May our mouths speak your praise, O Lord, and may all flesh bless your holy name forever and ever. **Amen**

(congregation sits)

For the Sick:

Courtney Herbert, Sidney Smikle, Karlene Peart, Brittney Gooden, Marcia Millar, Vernal Spence, Carlton Salmon, Vivan & Lorna Spencer, Tiffini Alleyne, Hyacinth Johnson, Horace and Harrison Burton, Veronica Philibert, Janet Matthew, Jeremiah McGowan, Clifton Smith, Tsehai Harris, Henry Jones, Karen Thompson, Elaine Cole, Tamekia Hinckson, Ramon Lopez, Ord Smikle, Ena Stewart, Bernard Robinson, Rawl Carryl, Gretel Jones, Robert Cole, Andrea Forbes, Jacory Brown

For the Bereaved:

- For Br. Philip Austin and family on the passing of his sister Myrna (USA)

Please, let us know if the situation changes or new updates:

Other:

- For resources needed to guide the congregation through discernment and strategic planning in our forward visioning.
- For the Christian Education Program including the resumption of our Sunday School & Bible Study Ministries
- Prayer Day for World Mission, Evangelism & Outreach Ministry and the Board of World Mission

Your Prayer Request:

Kindly share your prayer request of thanksgiving, concerns and needs by emailing the church office or speak with an Elder or Pastor.

Ways to Support God's Work in the World:

With your faith, spiritual gifts and eagerness you. Continue to give your financial resources during worship service, by mail or via Zelle

Need each week: \$6,640.77 (to meet our 2026 approved budget)

Last week: 10/4/2026 \$6,698.00 (tithes, regular offerings)



The Joint Board expresses thanks for our faithful stewardship with our gifts, time and treasurer for the work of our congregation and the wider church.

Thank you to our Youth Advisors Team, the congregation, the families for supporting our children and youth for the 2026 Youth Ministries Weekend 2026.

NOTE: Sunday School will not be held on that Sunday.

Worship Service begins at 10am. Bus leaves at 12N

5. **C.A.R.D. Annual Awards Banquet/Seniors' Recognition** – Saturday October 24, 2026 @ Antun's Caterers at 12N
Contact: Br. Dalbert Daley for tickets
6. **Annual Moravian Women's Day:** Sunday October 25, 2026 @ 11am. Guest Preacher: Sr. Chloris Hicks
7. **AARP Drivers' Safety Class:** October 28, 2026 @ 10am
8. **Order your 2027 Moravian Daily Text** by Oct.18,2027.
9. **Consecration Service:** Bishop-elect the Rev. Brian Dixon on Sun. October 31, 2026, at Emmaus Moravian Church @2pm
10. **Annual Memorial Service:** Sunday November 1, 2026 (2021-2026) To include loved ones of members, please submit names and date of passing to the office by Monday October 27, 2026.



Monday October 12, 2026

SAVE THE DATE:

* **Our 46th Anniversary Service-** Sunday November 8, 2026

* **Annual Men's Day** – Sunday November 15, 2026

* **Ingathering** – Sunday November 22, 2026. Homeland Coordinators continue to work with your respective groups.

Adorn the Sanctuary with Flowers: Donate in honor of, in memory of a loved one, for birthday celebration or for blessings received. Call the office by Wednesday before the Sunday.



Let us continue to be channels of God's mercy to each other in this life of blessings and lessons as we remember in our prayers and with our visits:

Our Homebound Siblings in Christ:

Noami Alleyne, Maria Corbin, Kathleen Helwig, Donald Nugent, Vernice Palmer, Olivene Peart, Headley Pitter, Egan Radway, Dorrett Sergeant, Desmond Trim, Goldine Turner

Call to Confession:

With great love for us, O God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive in Christ, even when we were dead through our sin. By grace we have been saved. With that assurance of the gospel, let us confess before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession:

Let us pray. Almighty God, you call us repeatedly to seek your kingdom first, to do justice, love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. Still, we make our excuses and justify in our own hearts why we go our own way. Lord forgive our sin. Savior, turn us from our preoccupation with our own lives and turn us to your ways of grace. **El-Shaddi, the All-Sufficient God, may we heed your invitation to be part of your kingdom and strive, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

Pause for a minute of silent prayer

Assurance of Pardon:

Hear the good news! The night is far gone, the day is near. Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

11.11.11 with Refrain

Carol Winfrey Gillette

Lord, you are my shepherd and so I am blessed;
You make me lie down in green pastures to rest.
You lead me beside the still waters, O Lord;
In you I find peace and my soul is restored.

*In this world, there is much that can tempt me away,
Yet in you, I'm content, as you guide me each day.
O Lord, I don't need to feel lost or alone;
For you are my Shepherd and I am your own.*

You lead me to do what is just, in your name;
You guide me through valleys of death and deep pain.
I'll fear nothing evil with you by my side;
Your rod and your staff, Lord, will comfort and guide.

Sovereign God, before whom all nations rise and fall, we pray for the countries of our world, for the peoples of many different cultures and ways of life. May our common humanity and desires lead to peace among us all. We pray for this country, that we may indeed be one nation where there is liberty and justice for all. We pray for our national, state and local leaders. Give them minds and compassionate hearts, that they may always seek the wellbeing of the people under their care.

Even as we are citizens of your kingdom, help us to be committed and active citizens in the communities we live, work and play.

God of all compassion, we pray for people who are suffering around the world – those who find themselves in dangerous places because of war and ongoing conflicts and those who are dealing with the aftermath of overwhelming natural disasters.

Lord, have mercy on all who suffer.

Lord Jesus Christ, you came to earth as one of us, proclaimed the good news of wholeness, and healed people of broken hearts, lives, relationships and health. We pray for broken homes, children who suffer from all forms of abuse, those in foster care and homeless. For adults, both male and female, both the victims and the perpetrators of domestic violence.

Lord, restore your people in your love.

We pray for all people who are dealing with the struggles of poor health, unwelcome diagnoses, pending surgeries, intense rehabilitation and ongoing treatments. We also pray for their caregivers. May all be strengthened and comforted by the powerful presence of your Holy Spirit.

Comforter, sustain and strengthen your people.

Standing, the congregation sings

#219 CH

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings;

I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

#220 CH



Welcome to Grace Moravian Church as we gather in worship on this Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost!

Special welcome is extended to new and returning visitors sharing with us – in person or virtually. May we come with expectant hearts to receive God's message that we may continue to serve Him faithfully as we boldly proclaim His Word! Today we welcome one of our Lay Preacher, Sr. Carol S. Richardson, to the pulpit. Join in lifting her in our prayers as she delivers God's message to us today!

If you are searching for a home congregation, prayerfully consider becoming a part of ministry, where all are welcome and our desire to grow and serve our Lord! Speak with the usher, an elder or our pastor. *Grace is the place to be!*

MINISTRY MATTERS

* **Tuesday:** @ 2:30pm **Online Prayer Ministry**

Telephone: 1717 908 1834 **Code:** 838471

@ 7:30pm **Trustees' Board Meeting** (z)

* **Wednesday:** 7:30pm **Journey in the Word (Bible Study) (z)**

READ – The "Lost" Parables. Luke 15

* **Friday:** @ 7:30 pm **Choir Rehearsal**

* **Saturday:** @ 11am **Monthly Food Pantry Ministry**

@ 6pm **Moravian Women's Meeting**

* **Sunday:** No Sunday School. Resumes on 10/25 @ 9:45am

@ 10 am **Divine Service**

Common Ministries Fund Support

1. **Rollings Hill Moravian Church Week of Believers' Empowerment Services** Sun. October 11 – Fri. October 16 @ 7pm. Offering to support this ministry can be sent to www.mmfa.com. Meeting ID 746 168 029 Passcode: 682512
2. **Annual Breast Awareness Cancer Walk** – Saturday October 17, 2026. Begin at the church at 8am. Walk for yourself, a loved one or a friend as we continue to support them
3. **St. John's Episcopal Church Centennial Anniversary Banquet** Saturday October 17, 2026 @ 12N Adults \$200/ Children U12 \$100.
4. **Consecration Service for the Rev. Nasel Ephraim** – Sunday October 18, 2026, Redeemer Moravian Church, PA at 4pm

MY SERMON NOTES:

Topic:

Text:

Points to Ponder:

1.

2.

3.

My Response:

My Prayer:

Further Study/Action:

"Fear sees the storm; faith sees the One who calms it."

He is here, hallelujah! He is here, amen!

He is here, holy, holy; I will bless His name again.

He is here, listen closely; hear Him calling out your name.

He is here; you can touch him. You will never be the same.

Thank you, Lord, for calling us to be your people and children, and especially for calling us to be your church in this place at this time. Help us to seek your will and kingdom first in all that we do, that people may see the light of Jesus Christ shine on us and our actions that they may give all the glory.

Give us the heart and the mind of Jesus Christ, along with his grace and love, that we may humbly share the good news of his life, death and resurrection and the difference Christ has made in our lives. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen!

#571 CH

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
what a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, inspire us through your Holy Spirit that we may be ready to worship you and serve others with the love and grace of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. **Hallelujah! Amen! Amen!**

Sharing of the Peace of Christ:

Acknowledgement of Visitors:

Birthdays this coming week:

Simone Bashford 10/11, Sophia Bashford 10/14, Ariel Henry 10/15

Hymn Verse of Blessing:

With Your Presence Lord (Tune-Covenant)

Invitation:

The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Greeting song: *I'm So Glad I'm a Part of the Family of God.*
(#114 MCB)

Praise in Worship: I Love You Lord
Sweet Hour of Prayer

Worship through the Reading of the Word:

Preparatory Chorus: Open Our Eyes, Lord. #633 CH
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch Him, and say that we love Him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,
open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

First Reading: (responsive reading) Isaiah 41:1-10.
Br. Carroll Samuel

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9 Sr. Sonia Haley

* **Ascription of Praise:** “*Glory be to you, O Lord.*”

* **Third Reading:** Matthew 22:1-14 Sr. Patricia Barrington

* **Ascription of Praise:** “*Praise, praise, praise.*
Praise be to You, to You, O Christ.”

Anthem: This is My Father's World Chancel Choir

Sermon: “Fear Not!” Sr. Carol Richardson

* **Hymn of Response:** How Firm A Foundation. # 709 MBW

* **Prayer:** Sr. Carol Richardson

Worship through Giving of our Tithes and Offerings:

Offertory Invitation: Br. Philip Austin
In gratitude for God's bounteous grace, let us bring our tithes and offerings
to support the work of God's church, in our local community and around
the world.

#795 CH

We are so blessed by the gifts from your hand,
I just can't understand why you've loved us so much.
We are so blessed we just can't find a way,
or words that can say, “Thank you Lord, for your touch.”

When we're empty you fill us 'till we overflow,
when we're hungry you feed us and cause us to know;
we are so blessed, take what we have to bring;
take it all, everything, Lord, we love you so much.
(repeat)

* **Blessings of the Tithes and Offerings:** Br. Philip Austin

* **Closing Hymn:** Lead On, O King Eternal #753 MBW

* **Benediction:** Br. Earl Goulbourne
Keep alert, stand firm in your faith; be courageous; be strong.
Let all that you do be done in love.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the
communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Choral Response: Asithi: Amen (Sing Amen). #840 MBW

Quiet Reflection

(congregation to sit in silent reflection)

Postlude: Br. Hanjin Sa



***"The greatest prison is not made of steel, but of
the fears we refuse to face."***