

Rural Hall Moravian Church

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OFFICE: 336-969-9488 - HOURS: Wed. - Fri., 9 am to 2 pm

- To sign up for our weekly newsletter, *Weekly Happenings*, email secretary@rhmc.org
- For bulletin/newsletter/social media updates, email secretary@rhmc.org by 2pm Thurs.

Rev. Andrew Craver, Pastor - EMAIL: pastor@rhmc.org

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Wilson Smith, Organist/Choir Director

Michael Terry, Acolyte

Kelly Whitman, Acolyte

Randy Bruce, Asst. Head Usher

Martha Gribble, Sacristan

Larry Williams, Band Director

Martha Gribble, Acolyte

Tom Tucker, Acolyte

Bill Gribble, Head Usher

Tom Tucker, Asst. Head Usher

Sue Ashburn, Head Diener

Jeannie Ogburn, Handbell Director

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY FOR MAY

Greeters	June Bruce; Martha Gribble
Sound Operator	Steve Stuart
Nursery	
May 3	Heather Fleming; Susan Thomas
May 12	Allison Coward
May 19	Anne Christian; Lori White
May 26	Sue Ashburn; Lynora Essic

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Thursday, May 16	- Gemeinschaft Group	6:30 pm - Parlor
	- Music & Worship Committee Meeting	6:15 - Library
Sunday, May 19	- First Sunday of Pentecost Communion	11:00 am Worship
	- Church Board Meeting	6:00 pm - FH

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK

May 12 - Heather Smith
 May 16 - Thad Merriman
 May 16 - Beau Sifferlen
 May 19 - Ashlyn Lorentz



RHMC STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To be committed to Jesus Christ as Lord and to witness to His teachings through worship, education, sharing, caring, and serving the people inside and outside the Church to help them find a mature and abundant life.



Rural Hall Moravian Church

May 12, 2024

Welcome to our service of worship this
Ascension Sunday and Mother's Day.

If you are visiting today, we welcome you!
If you are a first-time visitor, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate.

PRELUDE *Ave Maria*.....*Franz Schubert (1797-1828)*
In reflecting on this piece, I (Wilson Smith) not only remember Mary, the Mother of our Savior, but also that this piece was a favorite piece of Verona Hiatt's - a saint of the church. This piece is offered, therefore, to the glory of God, but also in tribute to our mothers living and dead.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Andrew Craver

***HYMN** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* p. 530

TITHES AND OFFERING

Prayer
Offertory *A Mother's Love*.....*Boyd Bacon*

The Adult Choir

Boyd Bacon is a Nebraska-based composer and church musician.

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* p. 817

CHILDREN'S CHAT Rev. Andrew Craver

JOYS AND CONCERNS/MORNING PRAYER Rev. Andrew Craver

LITURGY FOR THE REIGN OF CHRIST pp. 109-114

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 1 Rev. Andrew Craver
John 17:6-19

SERMON Rev. Andrew Craver

***HYMN** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* p. 405

BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*.....*Johann G. Walther (1684-1748)*
Walther was a German composer of the Baroque and a contemporary of Johann Sebastian Bach.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in honor of Mother's Day by Sylvia Hunsucker.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please update/email the church office with your prayer requests **every two weeks** so that we can maintain an accurate list. Thank you.

Current

Tommy Drum
Chris Lawing
Marie McCann
Keith Perryman
Robert Tayloe

Recovering

Patrick Bailey
Anna Hall
Chris Lawing
Cathy Kippe
Mary Lee Smith

Ongoing

Lisa Burchette
Vicki Carroll
Adrian/Lisa Cook
Win Craft
Lori Frazier
Kathy/Erwin Gaines
Grady Hawks
Danny Hepler
Janet Hutchins

Walter Lewis
Ed Lusky
Jack Marion, Jr.
Bryan and Kitty Medlin
Steven Mendenhall
Shelvie Milsap
Jim Miller
Judy Moore
Lori Mosier

Annette Pigg
Devon Robertson
Regina Seymour
Spencer Shoaf
Rick Smith
Mike Smith
Doug Spainhour
Daphne Thompson
Virgil Williams

OFFERTORY ANTHEM LYRICS

A MOTHER'S LOVE - Words & Music by Boyd Bacon

A mother's love knows no end; it's from the heart of God.
It shares His love, the gift of grace from above.
At the manger, in her arms, He felt a mother's love.
God's only Son took human form and knew a mother's love,
knew a mother's love.

A mother's love knows no end; it's from the heart of God.
Revealed in truth, the touch of love from above.
A mother's love knows no end.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we honor all types of mothers, both the past and the present, and wish you God's blessings and love and a Happy Mother's Day.

● God has blessed us with a lovely spring, filled with sunshine and lovely plants and flowers. If you would like to give glory to God by **providing fresh flowers or a plant for Sunday morning worship**, please contact Martha Gribble @ (336) 969-6264 or mpgribble01@gmail.com. The following Sundays are still available:

☼ May 26 ☼ June 2 & 9 ☼ September 1 ☼ December 29

● The board has asked Rev. Dr. Neil Routh, our Provincial Elders' Conference (PEC) President, to join us for a **potluck supper on Wednesday May 22nd at 6PM**. Rev. Routh will be sharing updated information as well as answer any questions our congregation might have about **RHMC assuming responsibility for the Providence Moravian Church God's Acre**. Our 2023 Congregational Council voted to invite the PEC to answer questions and offer greater detail regarding our responsibilities before we decided whether RHMC would like to participate in a joint-committee managing Providence's God's Acre. Please join us for a discussion about this ministry option and **bring a covered dish to share! There is a signup sheet on the hallway bulletin board** to help us make sure we have enough desserts (and the other things we need for potlucks).

● **Volunteers are needed to lead Children's Church** from May 19 to July 7. A sign up sheet will be posted on the sign up bulletin board outside of the sanctuary in the office hallway. For questions, please contact Ronda Johnson at (336) 831-6553 or rondaj12@gmail.com. Thanks.

● Half sheet **flyers have been placed in the hallway** for our upcoming events: RuralFest Tractor Show, RuralFest Great Bake-off Competition, and Farmer's Market . We encourage you to take some to share at your local business or with friends. (We currently have flyers posted at the RH Post Office and RH Library.)

RURAL HALL MORAVIAN CHURCH presents





THE GREAT **RuralFEST** BAKE OFF

Competition and Sale

and **TRACTOR SHOW**

SAT. JUNE 1 - 9 AM TO NOON

BAKE OFF INFO:

-  \$10/table for vendors. Vendors are encouraged to bring baked goods to sell, and choose one item to submit for competition.
-  Competition items should be cut and/or presented as small bites for sharing - the more, the merrier!
-  Visitors' Entry Fee: \$5. Visitors will receive 5 tickets at the entry, with extra tickets available for \$1/ticket.
-  50% of the entry fee revenue, ticket sales, and table fees will be donated to St. James United Methodist Church's food pantry. The remaining 50% will be granted to the vendor with the most tickets at the end of the event.

COMPETITION RULES:

- Visitors will use their tickets to vote for their favorite desserts.
- Vendors will provide small bites of one of their items for visitors to try. Vendors are encouraged to be creative with the presentation of their competition item.
- Each vendor will be provided with a vessel for their tickets. Vessels will be taken at 12:00 noon to be tallied.
- The vendor with the most tickets is the winner. In the case of a tie, the winning vendors will split the prize in equal shares.

SIGN UP BY EMAIL:
secretary@rhmc.org



We are currently accepting applications for vendors. Please visit rhmc.org and click on the **market** tab for regulations and applications and send completed applications to pastor@rhmc.org



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MORAVIAN SQUARE
FARMER'S MARKET
@ RURAL HALL MORAVIAN CHURCH

08:00 TO 11:00 AM

LAST SATURDAYS OF JUNE, JULY & AUGUST

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BENEFITTING OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY FOOD BANKS

