

First Moravian Church



Vision Statement

United in Christ, reaching out in love, changing lives.

Watchword for 2026

My dwelling place shall be over them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Ezekiel 37:27

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2026

11:00 am Worship

with the 11:00 O'Clock Rock Praise Band

Rev. Barbara Styers, Pastor

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK

There is therefore now no condemnation for those
who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1

Preservice Music		Jim Schnefel
Chiming of the Hour		
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Barbara Styers
Song of Welcome	<i>No Fear</i>	John Reddick
Call to Worship*	<i>(based on Psalm 119:105-112)</i>	Rev. Barbara Styers
Leader:	Holy Lord, your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.	
People:	Your light guides us on the path to life.	
Leader:	Holy Lord, your instruction is steadfast and true.	
People:	Your light guides us through our troubles.	
Leader:	Holy Lord, your laws are our heritage, the joy of our hearts.	
People:	Your light guides us in joyful obedience.	
All:	Come, let us worship the Lord of Light!	
Liturgy*	Adoration (pp. 18-23)	Beth Smith
Song	<i>Make It Well</i>	Mercy Me
Offering Our Prayers of Intercession		Rev. Barbara Styers
	Liturgy of Adoration (pp. 24-25)	
Song	<i>Can't Steal My Joy</i>	Brandon Lake
Scripture		Rev. Barbara Styers
	Romans 8:1-11	
	Matthews 13:1-9, 18-23	
Homily		Rev. Barbara Styers
Song	<i>Rescue Me</i>	We The Kingdom
Offering Our Gifts		Rev. Barbara Styers
	Invitation to the Offering	
	Offertory	Testimony
	Doxology* (a capella)	CeCe Winans
	Prayer of Dedication*	
Song	<i>In the Way of the Lord</i>	Kenny Carter
Charge and Benediction*		Rev. Barbara Styers
Postlude*	<i>Praise</i>	Brandon Lake
Chiming of the Hour*		

*The congregation is invited to stand in body or spirit.

JOYFUL NOISE: LAUREL RIDGE'S CAMPSHIP FUND

Joyful Noise Offering: During July, the Mission Committee is sponsoring a fundraiser for Laurel Ridge's Campership Fund, which subsidizes the cost of tuition to attend a session of camp. Attending summer camp at Laurel Ridge is an important part of many of our young people's lives and Christian development. First Moravian offers 50% scholarships to our members to aid with the cost of camp. Other congregations may offer scholarships as well, but the Campership Fund supports campers and their families beyond what their congregations provide, to make sure any young person who wishes to attend camp is able to do so. Thanks to Aurora Cohoon for speaking last Sunday about her experience at mid-high camp in June. Drop your contributions in the collection can in the narthex on Sunday or send checks (Laurel Ridge Campership Fund in the memo line) to the church office during the week.

Fill the box: This month's emphasis is rice. Place donations in the SimpleWays Community Support and Nutrition Program food collection box in the narthex on Sunday or the plastic bin on the back porch of the Moravian House at other times.

WORSHIP – ISLAND STYLE!

Join us for a Caribbean-inspired worship service and lovefeast on Sunday, July 26 at 11:00am. Wear your brightest tropical/Hawaiian shirt and come enjoy a taste of the Islands! We'll serve a Caribbean-style lovefeast bun and tropical drink for the lovefeast and worship to the hymns and liturgies of the Islands.

LINE DANCING CLASS

Join local dance and exercise instructor Lenna Sikes for a new line dancing class in Old Fellowship Hall on **Thursday mornings** from **11:00am to 12:30pm**. The cost is \$7/class, pay as you go. For more information or to let Lenna know you're interested, please contact her at (423) 748-3736 or lennalu@outlook.com.

FIRST MORAVIAN GOES TO THE HOPPERS

Join your First Moravian family for an evening of baseball as the Greensboro Grasshoppers take on the Hub City Spartanburgers on **Saturday, August 29!** Gates open at 6pm, first pitch is at 6:30pm, and enjoy fireworks after the game. Friends and neighbors are invited, too! We have reserved the Party Deck for the evening, but tickets are limited. Tickets are \$20 but the church will cover half of the cost of children and youth tickets, making their tickets just \$10. Additional financial assistance is available (contact Pastor Barbara or Greg Cohoon). Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/y9HzkDxJUFueQJpi6>.

NO FEAR

(Verse)

I got enemies at every side
It ain't looking good, I ain't gonna lie
Arrows flying, devil's trying
To make me think I'm going down this
time

You might think that I'd be afraid
Running scared with a shaken faith
But the God I know says it ain't over
The God I know is gonna make a way
Yea, though I walk through the valley
I will have

(Chorus)

No fear (no fear)

No fear (no fear)

The mighty power of Jesus
Is fighting for me here

No fear (no fear)

No fear (no fear)

The light of the world makes the
darkness disappear

No fear (not over my life, not over my
life, not over my life)

No fear (not over my life, not over my
life, not over my life)

(Verse)

No fear when I'm walking through the
fire

'Cause I know who's walking me
through

No fear when the floodwaters rise

If I got my eyes on you

(Chorus)

No fear (no fear)

No fear (no fear)

The mighty power of Jesus
Is fighting for me here

No fear (no fear)

No fear (no fear)

The light of the world makes the
darkness disappear

No fear (not over my life, not over my
life, not over my life)

No fear (not over my life, not over my
life, not over my life)

(Verse)

Not over my family, not over my
future

Not over my life, God's over my life

Not over my battles, not over my
struggles

Not over my life, God's over my life
(no fear)

Not over my family, not over my
future

Not over my life (no fear)

God's over my life (no fear)

Not over my battles, not over my
struggles

Not over my life (no fear)

God's over my life (no fear)

Yeah, though I walk through the valley

I will have

(Chorus)

MAKE IT WELL

(Verse)

Make it well with my soul

Don't let me face this loneliness alone

Make it well with my soul

I need a peace that only heaven
knows

Jesus, could you please

Just sit and cry with me

'Til I can sing

'Til I can sing

(Chorus)

It is well with my soul

It is well with my soul

Whatever my lot

You are still my God

It is well

It is well with my soul

(Verse)

Make it well with my soul

When the storm is raging, please don't
let me go

Oh, voice that calms the sea
Keep whispering to me
So I can sing
So I can sing

(Chorus)

It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul
Whatever my lot
You are still my God
It is well

It is well with my soul

(Bridge)

Make it well with my soul
Make it well with my soul
Make it well with my soul
Make it well with my soul
Keep this heart from hardening like
stone

Show me through the pain
There's reason still to praise

So I can sing

So I can sing

(Extended Chorus)

It is well with my soul

It is well with my soul

Whatever my lot

You are still my God, oh

Whatever my lot

You are still my God, oh

Whatever my lot

You are still my Goid

It is well

It is well with my soul

CAN'T STEAL MY JOY

(Verse)

Whoa , Whoa, Whoa

In the valley of the shadow

I got a feeling it's the season that'll
make me grow

I'm still breathing, I got praise in my
lungs

And a choir in my soul

(Chorus)

Can't steal my joy

Can't steal my joy

What the world couldn't give, no, it
can't take away

Sorrow may come but it can't

Steal my joy

Can't steal my joy

(Verse)

In the high highs, in the low lows

You fill my cup, You fill it up until it
overflows

I remember, I'll keep holding on to
hope

'Cause you're the King of rolling stones

(Chorus) (2x)

(Verse)

Can't steal my joy, joy, joy down in my
heart

Down in my soul, deep in my bones

I got the joy, joy, joy I can't contain

Nothing can quiet my praise

I got the joy, joy, joy down in my heart

Down in my soul, deep in my bones

I got the joy, joy, joy I can't contain

Nothing can quiet my praise

(Chorus) (2x)

(Verse)

You fill my cup, You fill it up until it
overflows (whoa, whoa)

You fill my cup, You fill it up until it
overflows (whoa)

You fill my cup, You fill it up until it
overflows (whoa, whoa)

You fill my cup, You fill it up until it
overflows (whoa)

Can't steal my joy

RESCUE ME

(Verse)

Face down in the desert

My faith is weak

The heat is high, hope is dry

Can't understand it
I've been climbing the branches
But I still can't see
The higher I go, the less I know
Starting to panic

(Pre-Chorus)

**When I, when I, when I'm low
All I, all I, all I know**

(Chorus)

**He's gonna lift me up
He's gonna fight for me
It only took a single stone to drop a
philistine
When I'm in the fire, He's next to me
When the flame is high, I know He will
rescue me**

(Post-Chorus)

**Rescue me
When the flame is high, I know He will
rescue me**

(Verse)

He's a faithful Companion
He walks with me
All my life, by my side
Never abandoned
He's a mighty Shepherd
Protecting me
Whom shall I fear when God is near?
The demons scatter

(Pre-Chorus)

(Chorus)

(Post-Chorus)

(Bridge)

You come at me with sword and
shield
But I come at you in the name of the
Lord of Heaven's armies
I lift my hands on the battlefield, oh
I find my strength in the name of the
Lord of Heaven's armies

Heaven's army

(Chorus)

(Outro)

He's gonna rescue me
Rescue me
When the flame is high, I know He will
rescue me
Rescue me, rescue me
When the flame is high, I know He will
rescue me

TESTIMONY

(Verse)

This is the moment
Where everything turns
Didn't think I would see it
Was hard to believe
Heaven crashes to Earth
I've read the stories
Of all that You've done
Parted the sea and set captives free
Never thought I'd be one

(Chorus)

**I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony
I am the living proof of what the Lord
has done
May call it crazy, but they can't take
away my story
'Cause I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony**

(Verse)

They said I wouldn't make it
That I should give up
But they didn't know that
The God that I serve
Is more than enough
He can move mountains
He can make broken beautiful
I never run out of hope
When I run to the God of miracles

(Chorus)

**I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony (yes, I am)
I am the living proof of what the Lord
has done**

May call it crazy, but they can't take
away my story (no, no)
'Cause I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony (hey, hey)

(Bridge)

Look what the Lord has done (what
the Lord has done)

Look what the Lord has done (what
the Lord has done)

Oh, the enemy did what he could
But the Lord, He has used it for good

Oh, look what the Lord has done
(what the Lord has done)

Oh, look what the Lord has done
(what the Lord has done)

When the thief tried to steal and
destroy

The Lord gave me an anthem of joy

(Chorus)

I am living, breathing, walking
testimony (I'm a living testimony)

I am the living proof of what the Lord
has done (what the Lord has done)

May call it crazy, but they can't take
away my story (nobody can take it)

'Cause I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony (tell it everywhere you
go)

'Cause I am a living, breathing, walking
testimony (yes I am)

IN THE WAY OF THE LORD

(Verse)

Walk – let me walk in your ways.

Let me walk in the way of the Lord.

Pray – I will pray on Your Word.

I will pray on the Word of the Lord.

(Chorus)

Let me go into the house of the Lord.

That I may see for myself
the grace of His promises.

Let me go into the House of the Lord.

Let me walk in the way of the Lord.

(Verse)

Faith is not just things unseen,
faith must trust and hope;

Let me show what His love means,

Let me walk in the way of the Lord.

Sing – I will sing of His love,

I will sing of the love of the Lord.

Walk – Let me walk in Your ways.

Let me walk in the way of the Lord.

(Chorus) (2x)

PRAISE

Let everything

That has breath

Praise the Lord

Praise the Lord (repeat)

(Verse)

I'll praise in the valley

Praise on the mountain

I'll praise when I'm sure

Praise when I'm doubting

I'll praise when outnumbered

Praise when surrounded

'Cause praise is the water

My enemies drown in

As long as I'm breathing

I've got a reason to

(Chorus)

Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul

Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul

(Verse)

I'll praise when I feel it

And I'll praise when I don't

I'll praise 'cause I know

You're still in control

Because my praise is a weapon

It's more than a sound

Oh, my praise is the shout

That brings Jericho down

As long as I'm breathing

I've got a reason to

(Chorus)

Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul

Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul

(Verse)

I won't be quiet, my God is alive
 So how could I keep it inside?
 Praise the Lord
 Oh, my soul
 (Praise the Lord)
 Come on, let me see that dance
 Put a dance on it tonight
 If you're grateful
 Come on, aye, aye (eh)
(Pre-Chorus) (2x)
 I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign
 Praise 'cause You reign
 Praise 'cause You rose and defeated
 the grave
 I'll praise 'cause You're faithful

Praise 'cause You're true
 Praise 'cause there's nobody greater
 than You.
(Chorus) (2x)
(Verse) (3x)
 I won't be quiet, my God is alive
 How could I keep it inside?
(Post Chorus)
 Praise the Lord, Oh, my soul
 Let everything (let everything)
 That has breath (that has breath)
 Praise the Lord (praise the Lord)

FMC PRAISE BAND MEMBERS

Jane McKinney, Director & Vocals

Chip Bailess, Drums
Khaleigha Holdip, Vocals
Nancy Jackson, Vocals
Libby McCandless, Vocals

Charles McKinney, Guitar
Jim Schnefel, Keyboard
Beth Smith, Vocals
Stuart Smith, Guitar

OTHER CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!

- **FMC Pop-Up Book Club** – August 3, 6:30pm, Conf Rm and Zoom, discussing *An Awakening Heart* by Barbara Dowd Wright.
- **Congregational Worship and Picnic** – September 27 at High Point City Lake Park.
- **Church Anniversary Lovefeast** during worship and **Special Concert** following worship – October 4.
- **Congregational Retreat**, Laurel Ridge – October 24-26.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sun, July 12 Church Board Mtg (12:30pm, Conf Rm)
 Tues, July 14 Friendship Circle (11:30am, Harper's Restaurant)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Robin Hrdlicka, 13 th	Wendell Childes, 13 th	Elise Martin, 16 th
Michael Lineback, 17 th	Leigh Anne Blasius, 18 th	Tom Herlocker, 18 th
Hannah Johnson, 18 th		Jennifer Williams, 18 th

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