



Ardmore Moravian Church

August 24, 2025

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him.

Psalms 103:17

Luke 13:10-17

¹⁰ Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. ¹¹ And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³ When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴ But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." ¹⁵ But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? ¹⁶ And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 2025

Prelude “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

David H. Hegarty

Call to Worship

Gathering Songs of Praise

“Trading My Sorrows”

*I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord
I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.*

*Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord, Amen*

*I am pressed but not crushed, persecuted not abandoned,
Struck down but not destroyed,
I am blessed beyond the curse for His promise will endure
That his joy's gonna be my strength
Though the sorrow may last for the night
His joy comes with the morning*

*I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord
I'm trading my sickness, I'm trading my pain
I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.*

*Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord, Amen*

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

*Wonderful, Merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could
Rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.*

*Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost the way.
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way.*

*CHORUS: You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.*

*Almighty, infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne*

Oh, we're falling before Your throne

CHORUS (2 x's)

Greeting One Another

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

We worship you, Lord God, the high and lofty one, who inhabits eternity, whose name is holy. You dwell in the high and holy place, and also with those who are contrite and humble in spirit.

Give us grace to bring you the sacrifice of a broken and contrite heart, which you, O God, will not despise.

"Invitation Fountain"

*All who are weak, all who are weary;
Come to the rock, come to the fountain;
All who have sailed on the rivers of heartache,
Come to the sea, come on be set free*

*Refrain: If You lead me Lord I will follow
Where You lead me Lord I will go
Come and heal me Lord I will follow
Where You lead me Lord I will go
I will go, I will go...*

The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul; the decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

God spoke these words, saying:

You shall have no other gods besides me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

“Christian Hearts, In Love United” MBW # 673 v. 3
Grant, Lord, that with thy direction
"Love each other" we comply,

*aiming with unfeigned affection
thy love to exemplify;
let our mutual love be glowing,
thus the world will plainly see
that we, as on one stem growing,
living branches are in thee.*

Lord God, merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity, and transgression, and sin, yet by no means clearing the unrepentant: incline your ear and hear, for we do not present our supplications before you on the ground of our righteousness, but on your great mercies.

Silent Confession

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Do not cast us away from your presence and do not take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and sustain in us a willing spirit. Have mercy upon us according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Thus says the Lord: I will forgive your iniquity and remember your sin no more. Peace be with you.

*O that such may be our union
as thine with the Father is,
and not one of our communion
e'er forsake the path of bliss;
may our light break forth with
brightness, from thy light reflected shine;
thus the world will bear us witness
that we, Lord, are truly thine.*

In the peace of God, let us join in professing our faith:

With the whole of Christendom, we share faith in the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We believe and confess that God has revealed himself once for all in Jesus Christ; that our Lord has redeemed us with the whole of humanity by his death and resurrection; and that there is no salvation apart from him.

We believe that Christ is present with us in the word and the sacrament; that he directs us through the Spirit and thus forms us into a church. We hear him summoning us to follow him, and ask him to use us in his service. Christ joins us together mutually, so that knowing ourselves to be members of his body, we become willing to serve each other.

In this spirit we await the appearing of Jesus Christ, go forward to meet our Lord with joy, and pray to be found ready when he comes. Amen.

*All who are weak, all who are weary;
Come to the rock, come to the fountain;
All who have climbed on the mountains of heartache
Reach for the sky, come and give your life;*

*Refrain: If You lead me Lord I will follow
Where You lead me Lord I will go,
Come and heal me Lord I will follow,
Where You lead me Lord I will go
I will go, I will go...*

Lord God, Father, hear us as we pray...

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

Thy kingdom come.

**Thy will be done, on earth
as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

(Prayer of thanksgiving and intercessions.)

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time to make our common intercession to you, and you have promised through your beloved Son that where two or three are gathered together in his name you will be in the midst of them. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Amen.

“Invitation Fountain”

*All who are weak, all who are weary;
All who are tired, all who are thirsty;
All who have failed, all who are broken
Come to the rock, come to the fountain,*

*Refrain: If You lead me Lord I will follow
Where You lead me Lord I will go,
Come and heal me Lord I will follow,
Where You lead me Lord I will go
I will go, I will go...*

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Just As I Am” Travis Cottrell

Response “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

Prayer

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 58:9b-14

Psalms 103:1-8

Luke 13:10-17

“O Bless The Lord, My Soul” MBW # 546

*O bless the Lord, my soul!
His grace to all proclaim!
And all that is within me join
to bless his holy name.*

*O bless the Lord, my soul!
His mercies bear in mind!
Forget not all his benefits!
The Lord to all is kind.*

*He will not always chide;
he will with patience wait;
his wrath is ever slow to rise
and ready to abate.*

*He pardons all our sins,
prolongs our feeble breath;
he heals all our infirmities
and ransoms us from death.*

*He clothes us with his love,
upholds us with his truth;*

*and like the eagle he renews
the vigor of our youth.*

*Then bless his holy name,
whose grace has made us whole,
whose loving kindness crowns our days!
O bless the Lord, my soul!*

Sermon “Doing Wonderful Things” Rev. Joe Moore

“In The Bulb There Is A Flower” MBW # 797

*In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.*

*There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,*

something God alone can see.


*In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.*

Benediction


Postlude

“Processional”

John G. Barr



*The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of
God and His Son remembering all they have done and continue
to do for each of us.*



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today, Sunday, August 24

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore
- 5:00 PM Community Ice Cream Party

Wednesday, August 27

- 5:30 PM Meal
- 6:15 PM Bible Study

Sunday, August 31

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- September 13 2:00 PM – Bingo
- October 5 4:00 PM – Blessings of pets
- October 15 Sort and price Yard Sale items
- October 17 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Yard Sale
- October 18 8:00 AM – Noon – Yard Sale
- October 31 5:00 PM – Hand out Halloween candy
- November 8 11:00 AM – 4:30 PM – Ardmore Art Walk
- December 1 7:00 PM Candle Trimming
- December 3-5 Candle Tea – Children Groups
- December 4 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM – Candle Tea - Public
- December 24 Christmas Eve Lovefeast and Candle Service

PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



Members

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Beverly Dillon
Fanchon Funk
Adam Lefevre
Mike Meritt

Alice Pierce
Carolyn Spainhour
Polly Story
Frances Walker
Donna Ebert Williams

Friends

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****Please contact the church office to add or remove individuals from the prayer list.***



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