

# September 9, 2018 ARDMOREMORAVIAN. ORG

#### WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Psalm 146:2

# **Sermon Text**

# James 2:1-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into

court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

# **Sermon Notes**

# ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 9, 2018

**PRELUDE** 

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Bock

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

PRAISE SONG "Wonderful, Merciful Savior"

Words p. 8

LITURGY FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

MBW. p. 170

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER** 

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

WORSHIP IN OUR GIVING

OFFERTORY "Let Us Break Bread Together" Hayes

# **SONG OF THANKS**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below.

Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**PRAYER** 

ANTHEM "The Mind is a Garden" Choplin

THE WORD OF GOD p. 981 James 2:1-17

COMMUNION MEDITATION Body & Soul

Chaz Snider

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Blessing"

Story

Soloist: Gabrielle Fuller

COMMUNION

Grace, mercy and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

(Standing. The congregation gives the right hand of fellowship signifying oneness in Christ and the desire to be at peace with one another.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to this disciples, saying: Drink from this,

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all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(The choir and musicians will come forward first, then the congregation comes forward to partake of the bread and cup.)

Christ, the Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

# Grant to us your peace. Amen.

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death,

# Until he comes.

(The congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying renewed dedication and unity of purpose in the service of Christ.)

HYMN "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" MBW p. 641

POSTLUDE "Sing the Glad Song" Ritter

# "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

The sanctuary flowers are placed to the Glory of God.



# **Serving Today**

**Elder Greeter:** Alan McFadden **Trustee Greeter:** Peggy Crouse

Elder Greeter for September 16<sup>th</sup>: Vic Eckard

Trustee Greeter for September 16<sup>th</sup>: Michael Gwyn

Nursery Worker for Today, September 9<sup>nd</sup>: Michaleh Snider

Nursery Worker for September 16<sup>th</sup>: Kay Brookshire

# People for Whom We are Praying

Remember

Members: Marie Adams; Annie Boyd; Amanda Bowles;

Cindy Culverhouse; Ruth Long; Alice Pierce; Bett Warner;

Connie Wester; Jim Brookshire; Priscilla Johnson; Bob Burton

Home Bound Members: Peggy Gimmon

**Friends:** Emily Burge; Ollie Moore, Cheryl Bain friends of Ruth Long and MaryAlice Adams; Rosemary Stewart, Jake Williams, Donna Williams's son; Judy West, friend of Beth Mabe; Marolyn Schauss; Ashley Conway, Marolyn Schauss' daughter.

# **AMC Opportunities for the Week**

# Sunday, September 9 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

# **Intinction Communion**

9:00 AM Prayer in Prayer Room

9:15 AM Joyful Voices

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

# Monday, September 10

7:00 PM Women's Fellowship Board Meeting in the Parlor

# Tuesday, September 11

9:00 AM Bible Study and Breakfast at Mayberry's

10:00 AM Circle #3 in the Parlor

5:30 PM Circle #5 in the Stelter Haus

7:30 PM Circle #4 in the Stelter Haus

# Wednesday, September 12

5:30 PM Prayer in Prayer Room

6:00 PM Family Oasis Supper

6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal

6:45 PM Ardmore Connections

7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

# Sunday, September 16 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 AM Prayer in Prayer Room

9:15 AM Joyful Voices

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

# **Mark Your Calendars**

September 18 – Senior & Friends Luncheon, Outback, 11:30 am

September 20 - Men's Breakfast, Cloverdale Kitchen, 8:30 am

October 16 – Aging Well Fall Rally, Konnoak Hills Moravian, 12:30 pm

October 20 - Ardmore Moravian Fall Festival

# **Sanctuary Flowers Needed**

Sundays are still available for flowers. If you would like to place flowers in honor or memory of someone on one of these dates (November 4 and 11, and poinsettias for December 2, 9, 16) please contact Pat Nelson 336-775-1134 or <a href="mailto:pabenelson@aol.com">pabenelson@aol.com</a>. Also accepting requests for 2019 flowers. Thank you.

UPCOMING SERIES: A FAITH THAT WORKS
September 16Taming the Tongue James 3:1-12
September 23The Good Life James 3:14-4:3, 7-8a

September 30 ...... Powerful Prayer ...... James 5:13-20

# ARDMORE **CONNECTIONS** SCHEDULE

# SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2018 SPEAKER

# **WEDNESDAYS, 6:45 PM**

Join us for a meal at 6:00 prior to Connections

#### SEPTEMBER 12 BUDDY COLLINS

A Community Conversation About Our Neighbors

#### SEPTEMBER 19 RUSS MAY

A City with Dwellings

#### **SEPTEMBER 26** NIGEL ALSTON

Fierce Conversations: The conversation is the relationship

#### **OCTOBER 3** KAREN LAMBETH

How God is using college students on college campuses

#### OCTOBER 10 SCOTT BOWEN

Invisible Community: Hunger in Winston-Salem

# **OCTOBER 17** J. ERIC ELLIOTT

Reclaiming the stories of brothers and sisters in the records of our African Church

## **OCTOBER 24** REV. DR. NOLA KNOUSE

Moravian music

# ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

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# Welcome to Ardmore Moravian Church "Where Communion and Community Come Together"

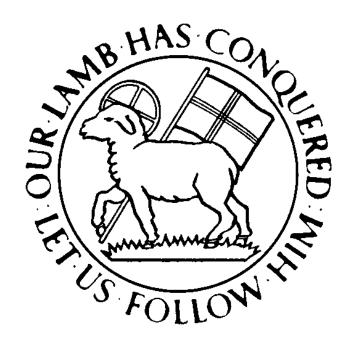
We are a Christ-centered fellowship of people bound by love of Jesus and one another. Our greatest hope is that God will be glorified through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We have gathered to worship; celebrating the eternal life won for us by Christ through His death and resurrection as promised in the Bible.

God has created and called us into relationship with Himself (communion) and with one another (community). We need the Lord, and we need each other. As you draw close to God, may you also grow in friendship with those around you. We believe God has gifted people in every age. So our worship is marked by a variety of styles and expressions of music, liturgy, prayer and proclamation. We seek to blend these expressions in a way that pleases God and edifies one another.

The Moravian Church, while unfamiliar to many, is actually one of the oldest Protestant denominations in the world. Our roots and heritage run deep, even one hundred years prior to the Great Reformation. Yet our sense of mission is alive and active *today* as we serve the Lord in ministry together.

Jesus said to His disciples, "...you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." At Ardmore Moravian we sincerely strive to live that promise. We worship, study the Holy Scriptures, fellowship and grow as Disciples of Christ together here at the corner of Hawthorne and Academy. We ask the Lord then to send us out and employ us for His glory as we share the Gospel - the Good News of Christ - locally, regionally and globally.

If you are searching for a meaningful relationship with God and productive friendships with other people, you've come to the right place, "Where Communion and Community Come Together".



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