



Ardmore Moravian Church

October 4, 2026

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.”

Psalm 118:22,23

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal, but I press on to lay hold of that for which Christ has laid hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have laid hold of it, but one thing I have laid hold of: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal, toward the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
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Prelude

“Come Share the Lord”

Bryan Jeffery Leech, arr. Fred Bock

Call to Worship

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Gathering Songs of Praise

“God So Loved” E. Cash, S. Cash, F. A. Bergthold, M. Cash,

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty

Come to the well that never runs dry

Drink of the Water, come and thirst no more.

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy

Come to the table, He will satisfy

Taste of His goodness, find what you’er looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us

His one and only Son to save us

Whoever believes in Him will live forever

*Bring all your failures, bring you addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there with open arms*

*For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so love, God so loved the world*

*Praise God, praise God
From whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love.
Praise God. Praise God from whom all blessing flow.
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love.
His amazing love*

*For God so loved the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save
Whoever believes in Him will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved, God so loved the world*

*Bring all your failures, bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting. God so loved the world*

*In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand*

*In Christ alone, Who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live*

*There in the ground, His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand*

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

Almighty God, you are the one who called this universe into being. Out of nothing you created everything that is.

By your power you hold together all space and time and substance.

By your hand alone, Creator God, the inanimate elements became alive so that we could live and move and have our being.

We celebrate life, the precious life you have given us, and we celebrate that unity of mind and emotion, of body and soul, that you want us to enjoy and share with each other.

We rejoice in the centrality of Jesus Christ in all your works, for he was with you from the very beginning, and is supreme over all creation.

We praise you that Christ is before all things, and that in him all things hold together, especially over very fragile, vulnerable, and often broken lives.

“Shout to the Lord”

*My Jesus, my Savior Lord,
there is none like You
All of my days, I want to praise
the wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter
tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
never cease to worship You*

*Chorus: Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing
power and majesty praise to the King
mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands
forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
nothing compares to the promise I have in You.*

We know that we will remain less than the whole persons you have called us to be in Christ Jesus until we acknowledge our sins to you, and so we bow before you and pray:

Almighty God, we confess that we have tried to run away and hide from you. We constantly deceive

ourselves into thinking that we can live without you. We have made idols of our own achievements. We have treated other persons as though they did not bear your image. We have failed to enfold and include all persons within the outstretched and open arms of Jesus Christ, our Savior. And we have left undone those deeds of lovingkindness and godly justice that you want us to pursue in your name. Bring your Spirit upon us in a gracious, healing way. Make us agents of reconciliation as we live within your holy presence. Amen.

We thank you, gracious God, for establishing the church as a single body of interdependent members, each having a place and purpose.

We know that we need each other and are called to appreciate the great variety of gifts you have given us to use.

Help us to rejoice with those who are feeling joy and delight.

Help us to sing with those who are singing your love and praise.

Help us to taste the agony of those who are hurting.

Help us to share the burden of those who are in distress.

Take away jealousy and resentment from our hearts when we see others achieving success.

Fill us with that spirit of unity in Christ that lets us see and feel and know that we all belong to you through the grace we have received.

Teach us to know and love the world-wide church called out of all peoples and nations. Make visible the unity that you desire as we express a spirit of reconciliation in all our relationships. Show us that we are part of the one and only body of Jesus Christ, unified by faith, scattered for witness and service. Lead us to appreciate the richness of our diversity and your creative power at work in our various traditions and customs. Make us one with you by the inspiration and guidance of your Spirit.

Lead us into lives worthy of our calling in Christ, with all lowliness, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another in love, and eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. We pray for this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

*We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.*

*Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

Dear God, as we your people gather in every time and place around this wondrous earth, may we be strengthened by our awareness of one another and united by our mutual prayers.

Hear us and help us all, we pray.

May the variety of traditions and customs of your whole church become a multitude of lights to reveal the good news needed by people everywhere. May the variety of our ministries and service convey your redemptive love and bind us ever closer to one another.

Grant us grace to unite in essentials, to accept diversity in non-essentials, and to love one another in all things.

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

*We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.*

*Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.*

Chorus

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Come Share the Lord”

Bryan Jeffery Leech, arr. Roland Tabell

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

Philippians 3:4b-14

Psalms 80:7-15

Matthew 21:33-46

“When I Survey The Wondrous Cross” MBW # 350

*When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through his blood.*

*See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a offering far too small;*

*love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.*

Meditation

Service of Holy Communion in Celebration of Worldwide
Communion Sunday

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

Amen. Thanks be to God.

(Standing. During the playing of the following hymn, the
congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying
oneness in Christ and the desire to be at peace with one
another. As the hymn is played a second time, the
congregation joins together to sing.)

“Spirit Song”

*O let the Son of God enfold you
with his Spirit and his love;
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
O let him have the things that hold you,
and his Spirit, like a dove,
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs*

*O come and sing the song with gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name
O give him all your tears and sadness,
give him all your years of pain,
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

(Sitting. As the bread is served,
the communicants stand to receive it.)

“The Church’s One Foundation” MBW # 511

*The church’s one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation
by water and the word;
From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
By his own blood he bought her
and for her life he died.*

*Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food;
And to one hope she presses
with ev'ry grace endued.*

*Yet she on earth has union with God,
the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won;
O blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by your grace,
That we, like saints before us,
may see you face to face.*

"Join We All With One Accord" MBW # 525

*Join we all with one accord;
praise we all our common Lord;
for we all have heard his voice,
all have made his will our choice.
Join we with the saints of old,
no more strangers in the fold,
one the Shepherd who us sought,
one the flock his blood has bought.*

*One our Master, one alone,
none but Christ as Lord we own;
"brethren of his law" are we —
"As I loved you, so love ye."
Branches we in Christ, the Vine,
living by his life divine;
as the Father with the Son,
so, in Christ, we all are one.*

*One the name in which we pray,
one our Savior day by day;
with one cup and with one bread
thus one cov'nant way we tread.
One in spirit, one in life,
one amid earth's frequent strife,
one in faith and one in love,
one in hope of heav'n above.*

(When the bread has been served,
the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

(All partake together.)

Silent Prayer

By your divine presence, by the holy sacraments, by all the merits of your life, sufferings, death, and resurrection,

Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.

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

(Sitting. As the cup is served,
the communicants stand to receive it.)

“All in All”

You are my strength when I am weak

you are the treasure that I seek

You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jewel

Lord to give up I'd be a fool

You are my all in all

Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name;

Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin my cross my shame

rising again I bless your name

You are my all in all

When I fall down you pick me up

when I am dry You fill my cup

You are my all in all

*Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name;
Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name.
Worthy is Your name.
Worthy is Your Name.*

*“Christian Hearts, In Love United” MBW # 673
Christian hearts, in love united,
seek alone in Jesus rest;
has he not your love excited?
Then let love inspire each breast.
Members — on our Head depending,
light — reflecting him, our Sun,
brethren — his commands attending,
we in him, our Lord, are one.*

*Come then, come, O flock of Jesus,
covenant with him anew;
unto him, who conquered for us,
pledge we love and service true;
and should our love's union holy
firmly linked no more remain,
wait ye at his footstool lowly,
till he draw it close again.*

*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.*

*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.*

(When the cup has been served,
the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Drink from this, all of you. Do this,
whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(All partake together.)

Silent Prayer

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.

(As the hymn is played, the congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying renewed dedication and unity of purpose in the service of Christ. As it is played a second time, the congregation joins together to sing.)

“We Who Here Together Are Assembled” MBW pg. 207

*We who here together are assembled,
joining hearts and hands in one,
Bind ourselves with love that’s undissembled,
Christ to love and serve alone.
O may our imperfect songs and praises
be well-pleasing unto you, Lord Jesus.
Say: “My peace I leave with you.”
Amen, amen be it so.*

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and to serve in the week to come.

Postlude

“The Trumpets of Heaven”

David Paxton



The flowers are placed today by the Alspaugh Family to the glory of God and his Son in remembrance of Thomas Marion Alspaugh and as we recognize this Sunday as World Wide Communion Sunday .



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 4 – Nineteenth Sunday of Pentecost

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| 9:30 AM | Sunday School | |
| 10:30 AM | World-Wide Communion Worship Service | |
| | | Rev. Joe Moore |
| 4:00 PM | Car Care Clinic | |
| 5:00 PM | Blessing of Pets | |

Monday, October 5

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| 2:00 PM | Women's Fellowship Board Meeting |
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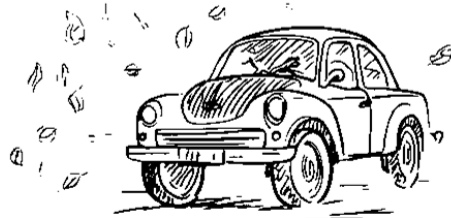
Wednesday, October 7

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| 5:30 PM | BYO Meal |
| 6:15 PM | Bible Study |
| 7:00 PM | Choir Rehearsal |

Sunday, October 11 – Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

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

FREE CAR CARE CLINIC



AT ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH |
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 | 4:00-6:00 PM

PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



Members

Betsy Annese
Meredith Bowles
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Barry Lyons
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Wanda Jones
Marolyn Schauss
Ray Shelton
Arkon Stewart
Suzanne

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

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

October 17	2:00 -4:00 PM Bingo
October 20	11:30 AM Seniors & Friends @ The Olive Tree Deli
November 7	11:00 AM – 4:30 PM Art Walk
November 8	10:30 AM Communion Celebration of the Chief Eldership of Jesus Christ 11:30 AM Church Council Meeting
November 17	11:30 AM Seniors & Friends @ The Carriage House
November 30	7:00 PM Candle Trimming
December 2-4	Candle Tea (Scheduled Groups)
December 3	5:00 – 8:00 PM Candle Tea (Public)
December 24	Christmas Eve Lovefeast and Candle Services
December 25	Christmas Day – Birth of Jesus Christ

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