

Ardmore Moravian Church

November 2, 2025

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

Jesus said, "For the son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Luke 19:10

Luke 6:20-31

- ²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said:
- "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- ²¹ "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
- ²² "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.
- ²⁴ "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
- ²⁵ "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
- "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.
- ²⁶ "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.
- ²⁷ "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; ²⁸ bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost November 2, 2025

Prelude "Voluntary On For All The Saints" Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

Gathering Songs of Praise

"Here I Am To Worship"

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore you hope of a life spent with you;

Chorus: Here I am to worship,
here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh, so highly exalted glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created all for love's sake became poor

Chorus: Here I am to worship,
here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Well, I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross

"10,000 Reasons"

Chorus: Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul, worship his Holy name Sing like never before, oh my soul, I'll worship your Holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing your song again whatever may pass and whatever lies before me let me be singing when the evening comes...

Chorus

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger, your name is great and your heart is kind for all Your goodness I will keep on singing ten thousand reasons for my heart to find...

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing the end draws near and my time has come, still my soul will sing your praise unending ten thousand years and then forevermore...

Chorus

Greeting One Another

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

(Please stand, as you are able.)

Behold, a great multitude, which no one can number, out of every nation and of all tribes, and peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, with palm branches in their hands.

And they cry with a loud voice saying "Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb."

"By All Your Saints Still Striving" MBW # 391
By all your saints still striving, for all your saints at rest,
Your holy name, O Jesus, for evermore be blessed.
You rose, our king victorious,
that they might wear the crown
and ever shine in splendor reflected from your throne.

(Sitting.)

These are the ones of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and the holes in the ground. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were slain by an assassin's bullet. They were destitute, persecuted, tormented. These are the ones who have come out of great tribulation; they have washed their robes and cleansed them in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and they worship day and night in the temple.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of living water.

And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.

"By All Your Saints Still Striving" MBW # 391
Apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the noble throng
who wear the spotless raiment and raise the ceaseless song:
for them and those whose witness is only known to you,
by walking in their footsteps, we give you praise anew.

Almighty God, Redeemer and Sustainer, we offer you thanks and praise for the holy lives of all your servants— the prophets, apostles, and martyrs— who have shone forth as lights in the world and sacrificed their lives in testimony of their faith. We thank you for the triumphant fellowship of all the saints in glory.

We remember before you all who have been called into the more immediate presence of the Savior, especially those most dear to us and to our congregation. We rejoice in our present fellowship with them, in our continuing hope, and in the promise of eternal joy.

"By All Your Saints Still Striving" MBW # 391
All praise, dear God, for founders
who built this church by grace,
our mothers and our fathers,
whose legacy we trace.
Renew us now for service
that we may hallow all,
possessions, time, and talents
to answer to your call.

Let the great cloud of witnesses, the innumerable company of those who have gone before and entered into rest, be to us an example of godly life.

May we run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; and may we obtain entrance into your eternal kingdom, and with the glorious assembly of the saints, worship and adore you. "By All Your Saints Still Striving" MBW # 391

Then let us praise the Father and worship God the Son and sing to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One,
Till all the ransomed number who stand before the throne ascribe all pow'r and glory and praise to God alone.

Prayers of the People

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Is He Worthy" Andrew Peterson/Ben Shive

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 Ephesia

Ephesians 1:11-23

Psalm 149

Luke 6:20-31

"Days of Elijah"

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord And these are the days of Your servant, Moses righteousness being restored
And though these are days of great trials
of famine and darkness and sword
Still we are the voice in the desert crying
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord"

Chorus: Behold He comes, riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun, at the trumpet call
Lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee
And out of Zion's hill salvation comes...

These are the days of Ezekiel,
the dry bones becoming as flesh
And these are the days of Your servant, David
rebuilding a temple of praise
And these are the days of the harvest
the fields are as white in the world
And we are laborers in Your vineyard
declaring the Word of the Lord
Chorus

Bridge: There is no god like Jehovah (Repeat)

Sermon "We Are ALL Saints" Rev. Joe Moore

Closing Prayers

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake.

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. If God is for us, who can be against us?

Hear the words of the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, who was dead and is alive again: Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.

To him who loves us and washed us from sin by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests to God, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

"Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand" MBW # 394

Ten thousand times ten thousand

in sparkling raiment bright,

the armies of the ransomed saints

throng up the steeps of light!

'Tis finished, all is finished,

their fight with death and sin.

Fling open wide the golden gates

and let the victors in!

What rush of alleluias
fills all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps
bespeaks the triumph nigh!
O day, for which creation
and all its tribes were made!
O joy, for all its former woes
a thousand fold repaid!

O then what raptured greetings on Canaan's happy shore; what knitting severed friendships up, where partings are no more! Then eyes with joy shall sparkle that brimmed with tears of late, no orphans left without a home, nor mourners desolate.

Bring near your great salvation,
O Lamb for sinners slain;
fill up the roll of your elect,
then take your pow'r and reign!
Appear, Desire of nations,
your exiles long for home;
show in the heav'n your promised sign;
then, Prince and Savior, come.

Benediction

Postlude "Recessional On 'Sine Nomine'" Gregg Sewell

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in honor of Terri Kessler in celebration of her birthday on November 7th by her husband Dave.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 2

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

Wednesday, November 5

5:30 PM Meal

6:15 PM Bible Study

7:00 PM Choir Practice

Saturday, November 8

11:00 AM – 4:30 PM Ardmore Art Walk

Sunday, November 9

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

Chief Elder Communion Service

11:30 AM Church Council Meeting

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

For congregational and community fellowship

November 8 – 11:00 AM – 4:30 PM Ardmore Art Walk

November 9 – 10:30 AM Chief Elder Communion

Service

November 9 – 11:30 AM Church Council

November 11 – Women's Fellowship Circle Meetings

November 18 – 11:30 AM Seniors & Friends Lunch

@ Carriage House

November 20 – 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast @ Café

Arthurs

November 23 – Thanksgiving Harvest Table –

Food for Sunnyside Ministry

December 1 – 7:00 PM Candle Trimming

December 3-5 – Candle Tea for Children Groups

December 4 – 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM Candle Tea for Public

December 9 – Women's Fellowship Circle Meetings

December 18 – 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast @ Café

Arthurs

December 24 Christmas Eve Lovefeast & Candle Service

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nominations Needed for Church Boards: Our annual Church Council meeting is coming up on November 9th and we need nominations for the Boards of Elders and Trustees and a delegate to represent Ardmore at the 2026 Southern Province Synod. If you are interested in serving as a member of either board or as Synod delegate, please contact Pastor Joe and he will share your interest with the Nominating Committee.

Nominations needed for Delegate to 2026 Southern Province Synod. Every four years, pastors and representatives from the congregations gather together for Synod: "to discern God's call to mission and service, to consider our response to God in faith, love and hope, and to give attention to matters of governance." Delegates to the Synod vote for the Provincial leadership, including the President and members of the Provincial Elders' Conference, Board of World Mission, Moravian Mission Society, School of Theology at Moravian University Board of Trustees, and Provincial Women's Board. Delegates also consider ideas and plans to help set the direction and focus for the ministry of the Moravian Church for the next four years.

Ardmore Moravian is entitled to 1 delegate to the Synod, in addition to the Pastor. The 2026 Synod will take place June 3-6 at New Philadelphia Moravian Church. If you are interested in being our delegate to Synod or would like to learn more about it as you consider serving as a delegate, please contact Pastor Joe. We need to elect 1 delegate and 1 alternate at our November 9 Church Council meeting.

At our November 9 Church Council meeting, we will be voting on the following:

Changes to Rules and Regulations of Ardmore Moravian Church Approved by the Joint Board on October 19, 2025

Article III Section 8 Manner of Elections

Current Version:

"Retiring Board members are not eligible for re-election or appointment to either Board for one year."

Change to:

"Upon completion of their term, Board members are eligible to be re-elected or appointed to either board for an additional 3 year term."

Article IV Section 1 Composition of Church Boards

Current Version:

Each board shall consist of 9 members.

Change to:

Each board shall consist of 6 members.

Article IV Section 1 Composition of Church Boards

Current Version:

"No members serving a full term shall be eligible for reelection to either Board until after an intermission of at least one (1) year."

Delete this sentence from Rules and Regulations

PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



Members

Cindy Clore Alice Pierce

Beverly Dillon Carolyn Spainhour

Fanchon Funk Polly Story

Adam Lefevre Frances Walker

Mike Meritt Donna Ebert Williams

Friends

Dr. Bill J. Beason Ann M^cCurdy

Lizanne Butner Terry Moore

Tommy Butner Allison Murray

Chris Heckman Marlyn Schauss

Dwayne Jones Jerry Seivers

Ray Shelton Steven Starling

Larry

Juan

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

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.

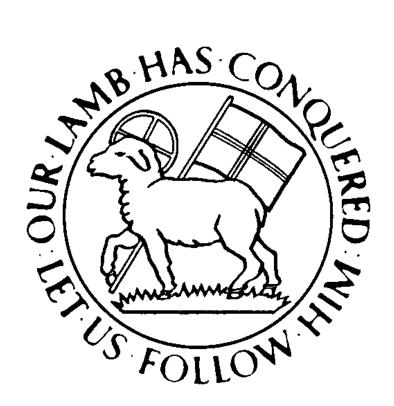
God has created and called us into relationship with Himself (communion) and with one another (community). We need the Lord, and we need each other. As you draw close to God, may you also grow in friendship with those around you. We believe God has gifted people in every age. So our worship is marked 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."

SERMON NOTES



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