

# The Voice

October 2011



Sharing Christ. Serving People

## Worship for October

Kay Ward will be preaching in October and there will be a Time for Children each Sunday. Make attendance on this Sunday and every Sunday a priority – a “most important thing.”

October 2 – Matthew 21:33-46, Psalm 80:7-15

Join Christians from all over the world on **Worldwide Communion Sunday**.

October 9 – Deuteronomy 6: 1-8, Matthew 22:34-46

**Love God, Your Neighbor and Yourself** – Follow the “Yellow Brick Road” to church discipleship.

October 16 – Matthew 6: 5-15, Romans 8:26-30

**Prayer** – How should we pray when our prayers are filled “with sighs too deep for words?” (Romans 8:26)



October 23 – **Worship and Music Sunday** – Sharing our congregation’s gift of music. This service will get your toes a-tapping with guitars, trombones, the choir, special music and an opportunity for you to share your ideas about music and worship.

October 30 – Psalm 23, Philippians 4:1-9

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, **The Lord is My Shepherd**, is a favorite for Christians.

-Kay Ward

## Celebrate World Communion Sunday

More than seventy years ago, on November 1, 1936, World-Wide Communion Day was born. In the winter of 1935, a group of ministers met to study the spiritual needs and possibilities of the church during the dark days of the Great Depression. In the Lord's Supper they saw a great opportunity to unite Christians in dedication to Christ.



In 1937, the date of World-Wide Communion Sunday was changed to the first Sunday in October, where it has remained. The word 'wide' has since been dropped from the name, giving us the present observance of World Communion Sunday.

The day remains as it began: 'A great opportunity to unite the membership in dedication to the Lord Jesus Christ.' People from the four corners of the world gather together to answer Christ's invitation, 'This do in remembrance of me.'

-Bethel Presbyterian Church  
Peoria, Illinois

## Local missions

There are three very worthy projects being carried out by others in our congregation that I want to highlight this month.

- 1) The AAUW Book Sale coming up October 6-8. Please be generous in your giving of gently used books and generous in your purchasing. Isn't it wonderful that by simply indulging in your love of reading, you can help someone obtain their life's dream?
- 2) Dawn Wesenberg is again coordinating the Annual Church Rummage Sale with proceeds going to the church budget. Again, please be generous in your donations and volunteer to help. Coupled with the Rummage Sale is a Bake Sale with proceeds going to the Choir. Good food for a good cause – what could be better.
- 3) We have been notified that the local food pantry is low on food. If you shop the specials, you can do a world of good.

In November, we will again provide a Thanksgiving meal for a family and we will, of course, sponsor a family for Christmas. -Rosemary Mooney

**Moravian women**  
**An Invitation to all Women to**  
**study the book of Romans.**

"Romans is a letter that goes to the fundamentals of the faith, "essentials" as we Moravians like to say." Adventures in Faith With Paul is our study aid and it reminds us of God's Gracious Lordship. He is the creator and He is righteous. Even though humans tend to turn away from God and show no desire to restore our relationship with God, He loves us so much and never stops loving us!



Bring your Bible, come to learn, enjoy fellowship and dessert the second Thursday of each month, starting October 13th at 1 p.m. in the church lounge.  
*-Linda Carpenter*

**Singspiration**  
 The five area Moravian Churches will gather at the Kellner Moravian Church on Sunday, October 23 at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of inspirational singing.

**Mt. Morris 7<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Cookie Weekend**

December  
 9-10



Bake your traditional cookies and share recipes with others...for that "new this year" special treat. Arrowhead Program Center has a large commercial kitchen with convection ovens and a gorgeous dining/program center to mix your ingredients and enjoy Christmas cheer, holiday music and fun. Cost is \$70 per person and includes your lodging, Saturday breakfast and lunch, and the majority of cookie baking staples. Register online at [www.mt-morris.org](http://www.mt-morris.org). Registration forms are also available in the Social Room.



**Will you help with the Rummage Sale?**

When: October 28 & 29 in church basement  
 Help is needed from October 24-29

Need Help:

- Donating** gently used clothing, small appliances, etc.
- Sorting, marking prices, advertising, carrying** items to and from basement, **planning**



Will take any time you can offer.

Money will be for the Church Budget this year. All unsold items will go to the Family Resource Center.

The choir will also be holding a Bake Sale.

Donated items will be accepted starting October 10 . Take to basement, or if unable, leave in the hall near the office.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I can help with: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates willing to help: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to Dawn Wesenberg or the church office

## Adopt- a- village: new project

Drs. Peg and Bill Hoffman recently returned from the first of two trips that they make each year to Tanzania.

It is from them that we get updates on the progress of the different programs that are ongoing in and around the Sikonge area of Tanzania. There is a great need for desks and financial support for students hoping to improve their education by attending secondary school.

At each of the five Moravian churches here in Central Wisconsin, there is a tri-fold which contains information on the AAV program. It shows show how individuals and/or groups can help with our new project, which is to provide financial support for secondary education. Checks should be made out to “Adopt-a-Village” and given Helen Henke or Jennifer Lukowicz. Please note that the desks are made by local carpenters and 100% of the money you send goes directly for the projects.



**Excerpt from Peg and Bill’s latest letter regarding secondary education in the Sikonge District:** As you know, primary school education, Std. 1-7, is free, and all children are required to attend school. When they complete Std. 7, they take the Std. 7 exam; if they pass, they progress to secondary school, Forms I-IV.

In the year 2000 when we made our first trip to Tanzania, there was only one secondary school in the entire Sikonge District; there are now fourteen! Most children in the district are within walking distance of a secondary school.

It costs about 80,000Tsh (\$54 USD) for a student to attend Secondary school. This pays for tuition, school uniforms, including shoes, and various school and exam fees. There is a secondary school in your adopted village of Mkolye. It is in its fourth years of operation. There are 233 students including 55 orphans at the school with four active teachers. The well you built is about 500 meters from the school.

There is a major need for desks. They need 106 desks. A desk cost 40,000 Tsh (\$27 USD).

*-Peg Hoffman*



The **Board of Elders** met on September 12 and 25.

- Discussed visitation and will seek volunteers to assist.
- Discussed Sunday School, youth group and staffing of nursery.
- Confirmation will be lead by Kay Ward until we have a pastor.
- Approved rummage sale in October.
- Approved requests for use church for a wedding and MENSA testing.
- Approved baptism on Oct. 9.

The **Board of Trustees** met on September 14.

- The Treasurer's report and payment of bills were approved.
- Approved payment on furnace fund loan.
- Discussed progress on parsonage work projects. Will hold another workday on Oct. 1 at 8 a.m.
- Discussed video projector and carpet ball table.
- Will offer used office furniture to congregation for a donation.
- Discussed key policies.

## August statistics

Beginning 2010 Balance=	\$0.00
Income thru 08/31/2011=	\$84,521.33
Expenses =	\$101,936.52
General Fund Balance =	-\$17,415.19
Ave. Needed/Week =	\$3,192.67
Ave. For the Year Received	=\$2,233.00
Ave. Attendance for August =	64

## Congregational watchword for 2011

They shall be my people and I will be their God, in faithfulness and in righteousness. Zechariah 8:8



Pass on the word of encouragement in an honest compliment ....

Pass on the look of encouragement in a generous smile ....

Pass on the touch of encouragement in a hearty handshake ....

Pass on the kindness of encouragement in a thoughtful deed ....

And let the encouragement of Christ flow through you.

*-Newsletter newsletter*

## Around the community

The **Rudolph Moravian Church** is having a **Chili Supper** on Saturday, October 1 from 4 - 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children (6-12), free for children 5 and under. Carry-outs available.

**The AAUW Book Sale** – The basement is filling up with books, (and CD's and DVD's) which will be on sale beginning Thursday, October 6. Most books, including hard cover fiction books, are still \$.50! Hours for the sale are: Thursday, October 6 - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Friday, October 7 - 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Saturday, October 8 - 9 a.m. to Noon - Bag Sale

**St. Luke's Lutheran Church** will hold their **Harvest Luncheon and Sale** on Tuesday, October 11. The Bake Sale will be from 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and the Luncheon will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Carry-outs are available.

Save the Date! **Habitat's Annual Music Fundraiser** is October 20, 2011 at 7 p.m. at the Lincoln High Performing Arts Center.

The **Bethesda Thrift Shop** is now completely stocked with fall and winter clothing. Now is the time for best selection. We will have some special sales in October on our fall

and Halloween decorations. Stop in soon and thanks for supporting the mission of Bethesda.

**Lutheran World Relief Semi Loading** will be held on Saturday, November 5 from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Rapids Mall Parking Lot near Wendy's. They will be accepting blankets, quilts, personal hygiene items, soap, layettes, school kits, health kits (no toothpaste) and sewing kits.

If you are on Medicare and have a limited income, you may qualify for help with your prescription drug costs, and/or help paying your Medicare Part B premium. If you are interested in learning more about this, please call the **Aging and Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin** at 888-486-9545 and ask to speak with our Benefit Specialist about limited income Medicare programs.

**Woodcutter's Day  
at  
Mt. Morris  
Sat., October 22  
8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

**RSVP: 1-888-686-6774**

In our church family

## Birthdays

10/3 Beth Frank, Aaron Jacoby,  
Tymberlyn Mlodzik  
10/4 Tony Portesi  
10/6 Thomas Buchholz  
10/7 Mark Zager, Shannon  
Chasteen, Theodore Narel  
10/8 Stacey Timm,  
Hexton Mlodzik  
10/9 Jennifer Lukowicz,  
Rosemary Mooney  
10/12 Nancy King  
10/13 Elizabeth Behrend  
10/14 Dennis Jacoby  
10/15 Marguerite Werner,  
Hannah Hahn  
10/17 Gordon Dakins,  
Todd Straughan  
10/20 Isaac Heltsley  
10/23 Janet Abbott  
10/24 Kristine Narel  
10/25 Helen Streekstra  
10/26 Kathleen Kubisiak  
10/28 Donald Gasch  
10/29 Joyce Fritz, Melissa  
Williams, Alex Pflager  
10/30 Thomas Narel

## Anniversaries

10/02 Chad & Staci Dewitt  
10/06 Eric & Christy Mlodzik  
10/07 Donald & Linda Carpenter  
10/11 Conlin & Peg Maier  
10/13 Eugene & Alice Elvers  
10/14 Larry & Gloria Papineau  
10/17 Kurt & Samantha  
Gukenberger  
10/21 John & Elaine Korslin

10/24 Ron & Sally Anderson  
10/26 John & Jenelle Carter

## Hospitalized

Brenda Simon

## Marriage

Brennan & Ashley (Woodard)  
Agen on September 10

## Funeral

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Shirley Baltus who died on Sept. 23; her funeral was held on Sept. 27

## Nursing/group home residents

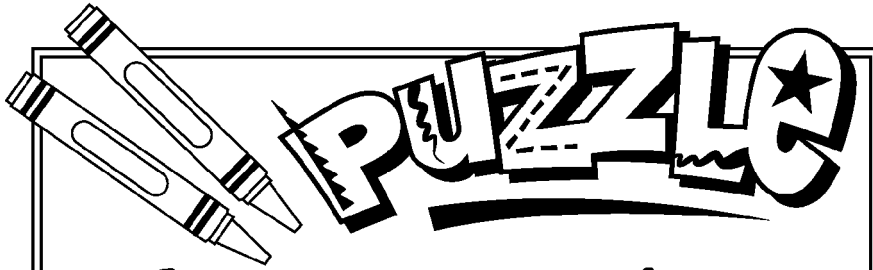
Edgewater Haven: Jerry Swiggum  
Managed Care: Danny Hedin,  
Bette Lauby  
Strawberry Lane: Orrin Ninneman  
Nekoosa Extended Care: Betty  
Bates, Lois Hanson  
Arborwood Lodge: Florence  
Garfield, Art Godin  
Our House: Arvilla Zimmerman  
Homebound: Arnold Baltus, Kay  
Doll, Marlene Young, Marles  
Quisler

## Our servicemen

Michael Heitzinger, Paul Eklund,  
David Eklund, Nathan Smith,  
Jeremy Hyams, Dustin Wesenberg

## Pastoral care

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the church office. We are not always contacted by the hospital.

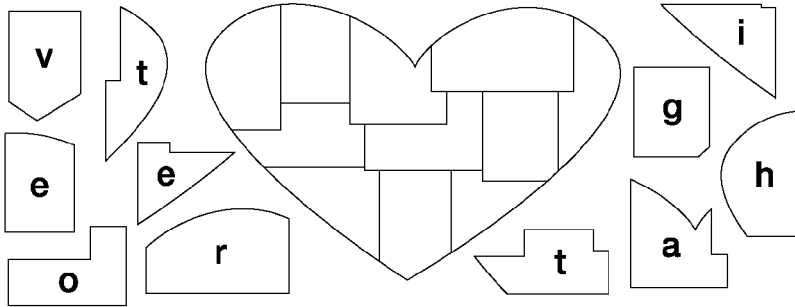


# HOW TO GIVE

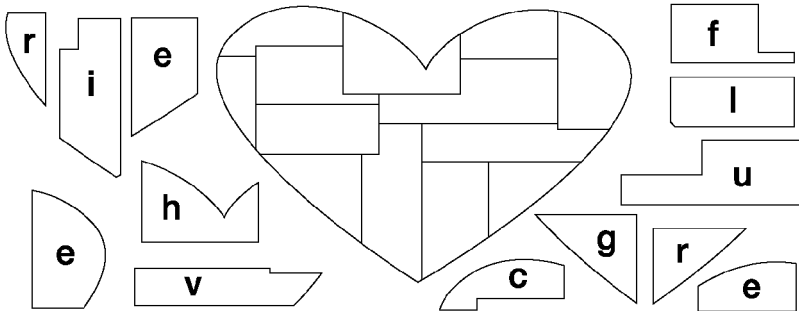
We can give in a variety of ways, including our money, possessions and time. But God says there's only one attitude to have when we give.

Finish the puzzles by matching the pieces and writing out the letters in order to complete 2 Corinthians 9:7, NIV.

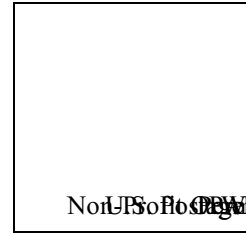
"Each of you should give what you have decided in your ...



... not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a ...



Answers: heart to give, cheerful giver



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