

# Ephraim Moravian Church

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 12, 2025

Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.

**MINISTERS.....Members of the Congregation**  
**MUSIC DIRECTOR.....Colin Welford**  
**SECRETARY.....Erin Bristol**  
**LAY READER.....Barb Meyer**  
**INTERIM PASTOR.....Rev. Stephen Polster**

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Welcome & Announcements

**Prelude: “Interlude” – by G.F. Handel**

Watchword for the Week

**Hymn #552 “When Morning Gilds the Skies”**

**Liturgy of Thanksgiving, p. 159**

**Joyful Noise Offering: Secret Santa**

**“Tico-Tico no Fubá” – by Zequinha de Abreu**

Prayers of the Church & 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 kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Congregational Sung Response (Hymn #96)**

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;*

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*Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.*

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Amen*

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament: 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15b

New Testament: 2 Timothy 2: 8 – 15

Gospel: Luke 17: 11 – 19

**Offertory: “Jesus, Stay with Us” – Chorale Prelude by J. S. Bach**

*Doxology: 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*

Sermon “Thanks for Everything”

**Hymn #533 “Now Thank We All Our God”**

Benediction

**Postlude: “Festive Call” – by David Grace, leader of the Milwaukee Festival Brass Band, from Pastor Dawn’s final service.**

Watchword for the Week: If we have died with him, we will also live with him. 2 Timothy 2:11

TODAY

Time of Fellowship following Worship

SUNDAY:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

**WELCOME** to Ephraim Moravian Church. Our Nursery is open for children under the age of 4. Please join us after the service in Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

**EPHRAIM MORAVIAN CHURCH** is the ‘Church of the Open Door.’ We hope you find our church open to you in every way!

**MOTTO OF THE MORAVIAN CHURCH:** In Essentials, Unity; In Non-Essentials, Liberty; In All Things, Love.

**EPHRAIM MORAVIAN WATCHWORD 2025:** So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. – Galatians 6:9

**COLIN & FRIENDS CONCERTS** Join Colin on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Shepard of the Bay Lutheran Church for a free, fantastic concert, featuring fabulous singers!

**PRAYER REQUESTS** Please reach out to the church office for any prayer requests or pastoral needs.

The Art of Thanksgiving- Wilfred Arlan Peterson

The art of thanksgiving is *Thanksgiving*.  
It is gratitude in action.

It is applying Albert Schweitzer's philosophy:  
"In gratitude for your own good fortune you must render in return  
some sacrifice of your life for other life."

It is thanking God for the gift of life by living it triumphantly.  
It is thanking God for your talents and abilities by accepting them as  
Obligations to be invested for the common good.

It is thanking God for all that men and women  
Have done for you by doing things for others.

It is thanking God for opportunities  
by accepting them as a challenge to achievement.

It is thanking God for happiness by striving to make others happy.  
It is thanking God for beauty  
by helping to make the world more beautiful.

It is thanking God for inspiration  
by trying to be an inspiration for others.

It is thanking God for health and strength by the care  
and reverence you show your body.

It is thanking God for the creative ideas that enrich life  
by adding your own creative contributions to human progress.

It is thanking God for each new day by living it to the fullest.  
It is thanking God by giving hands, arms, legs,  
and voice to your thankful spirit.

It is adding to your prayers of thanksgiving,  
*Acts of Thanksgiving*.