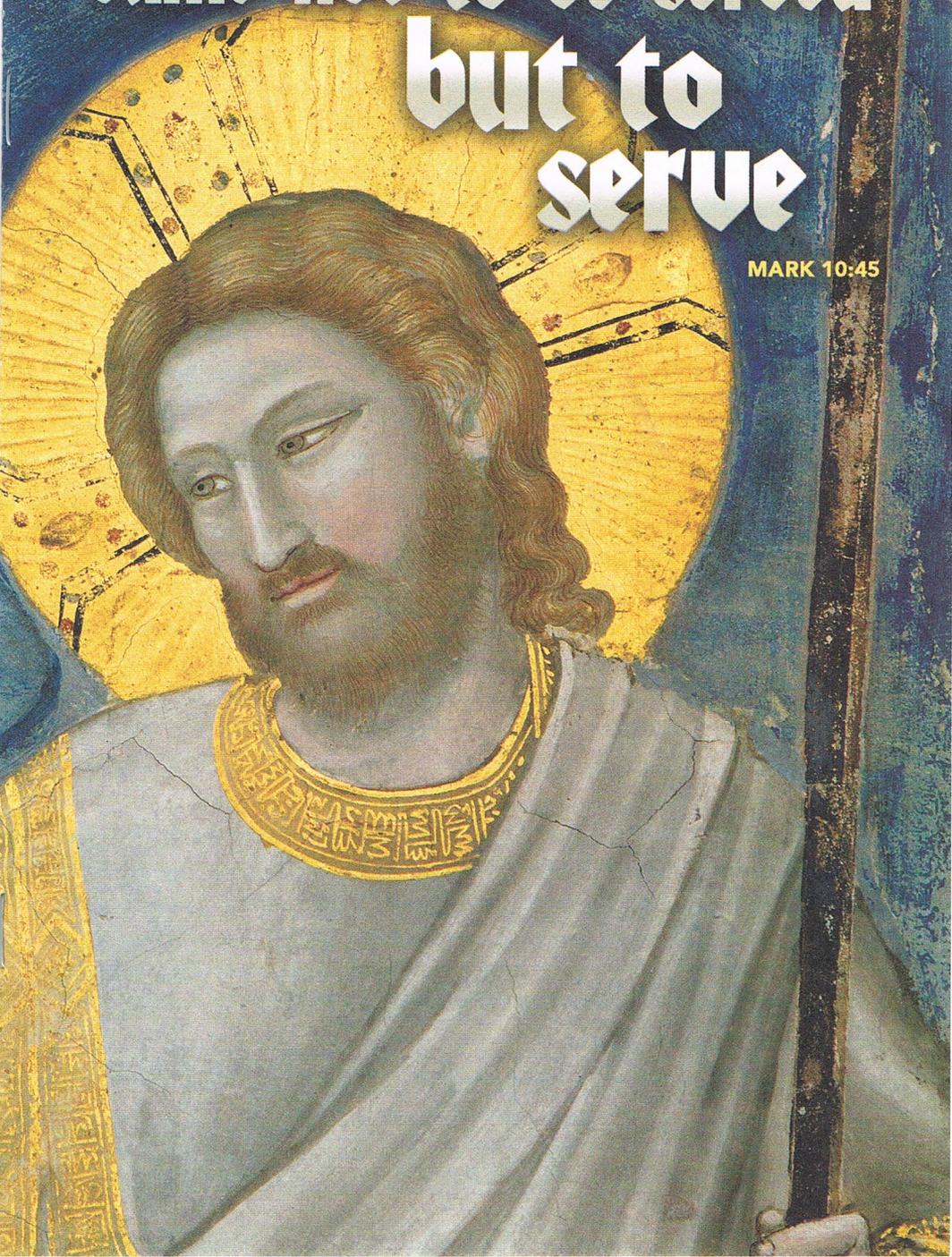


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Watchword for the Week: For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many. **Mark 10:45**

PLEASE BECOME SILENT AND READY FOR WORSHIP WHEN THE ORGAN PRELUDE BEGINS.

Organ Prelude

Mr. Fabio Alvarez

Daily Text — Oct. 18, 2015

Call to Worship

Sis. Winnifred Farquharson

***Introit**

The Gospel Choir

***Processional Hymn “Come & Praise Moravian Sisters”**

(text by M. Lynette Delbridge) Tune: MBW #544

1- Come and praise Moravian sisters, single, married, widows too
Who with young-strong Anna Nitsch-mann stepped out and formed something new;
Choirs of bright embolden women, working trav-ling far and wide
Doing all they could to serve Christ, their beloved Lord and Guide.

2- Forget not, the slave Rebecca, freed in youth and taught to read,
Forget not, her self-less service to St. Thomas slaves in need
Forget not, her hours spent walking on the path to teach and lead,
Forget not, her calm in danger, her one wish God's will to heed.

3- We remember all the sisters, sowing seeds and growing food,
Spinning, weaving, making garments, work with joy did they pursue
Scrubbing, cooking, teaching, preaching, of-fring self for one great good;
Ev-ry task a sacred service, giv'n for Christ who blessed each role.

4- Still to-day Moravian sisters, work and labor joyfully,
Stepping out, as those before us, go-ing forth courageously.
Ea-ger to support each other, in our common ministries
As we journey forth and travel, walking Christ's path faithfully.

***Liturgy of Celebration pg. 43**

Canticle pg. 237

“St. Patrick’s Hymn”

Welcome & Announcements

Sis. Bernalyn Jones-Clarke

Birthday/Anniversary Hymn #447 “With Your Presence Lord & Savior”

Greeting Hymn:

“ I Am Blessed”

(The Sunday School leaves for classes)

Selection

The Gospel Choir

Moravian Women in Ministry

Sis. Iris Joseph/ President

Statement of Purpose

Presentations

Selection

“God of the Women”

Women in Ministry

**Prayer of Intercession Hymn #742 “Come Now, O Lord”
(v1-2) (v3 after prayer)**

#1st Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

Sis. Veronica Matthew

2nd Scripture Reading

Hebrews 5:1-10

Sis. Eldra Drew

***Choral Response #846**

“Glory Be to You O Lord”

***THE GOSPEL**

Mark 10:35-45

Sis. Maxine Powell

***Choral Response #846**

“Praise, Praise, Praise, Praise”

***Worship Selection**

Sis. Iris Morrison

SERMON “The Question! What Are You Asking?” *Sis. Blondel Jones Grant*

***Hymn #535**

“Joining Our Voices ”

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Sis. Elaine Elvin

***Offertory Sentence:**

As each one has received a special gift, employ it on serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; Whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen

(1Peter 4:10-11)

***Dedication of Tithes and Offering:**

God of grace and mercy, you call us to be servants in your son's holy name. While popular culture often diminishes self-sacrifice, we know that being a servant leader is a worthwhile calling. Help us to focus on the Christian practice of hospitality, by freely giving to others in your name. Accept this offering as a profound gesture of our desire to serve you today and always. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Tithes and Offertory “Lord, You Give Beyond All Measure”

1. Lord, you give beyond all measure; gifts of beauty, gifts of grace
Gifts of earth and gifts of heaven, gifts for all the human race:
Sacred gift of Christ, most blessed, freedom from our sins confessed;

All we have comes from above. Thank you, Lord, for boundless love.

2. We are called to faithful service for the blessings from your hand
To return the gifts you've granted, stewards in your perfect plan
Free us from our earthly treasure: us unite in heavenly pleasure
May we sense from heaven above how to live out Boundless Love.

3. Lord, I offer but a portion what you have on me bestowed.
Seal my heart; make me an off'ring, forward in Christ's way I go.
I commit my time and treas'ry; talent, skill with which you've blessed me.
I return to you above gifts received: your boundless love.

***Ascription of Praise #817 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Benediction

Sis. Blondel Jones Grant

Recessional Hymn #675 "What Brought Us Together"

Nunc Dimittis pg. 251 "Now Lord, you let your Servant"

Organ Postlude

Mr. Fabio Alvarez

#Means the lesson is read responsively. * Means that the congregation stands.

WELCOME

On behalf of the United Moravian Church I extend a warm welcome to everyone as we gather to worship on this Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost. May we share and experience the love of Jesus; find healing for our hurts and answers to our prayers. Visitors, we are especially glad that you are here with us. Please join us for a moment of fellowship in the Social Hall after our worship. We invite you to worship with us again and please join our fellowship if you are seeking a church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS October 18, 2015

- Join us for Bible Study this Wednesday at 6:30 pm.
- Confirmation classes are on Thursday's at 6:00 pm.
- The Men's Fellowship will meet right after service in the men's choir room.
- The Moravian Women in Ministry will begin collecting food items to be served to people attendind the community lunch in November. Please donate easy to eat items such as (but not limited to): crackers, sardines, tuna, small boxed cereals, granola bars, fruit/pudding cups, juices, boxed milk, etc. Please place items in the lobby barrel. Thank you.
- Sis Saudia Bromfield expresses sincere gratitude to Rev. Powell, the Joint Board, and all who extended prayers, kind words and so much more during the difficult time of mourning her father's passing.
- Sis Hyacinth Pelle sends regards and says that she keeps the church and its members in her prayers.

- The Benjamin Joseph Committee is scheduled to meet this Thursday the 22nd at 6:00 pm sharp.
- On Sunday October 25th the Permanent Mission of Antigua & Barbuda will host a service celebrating the 34th anniversary of the islands at The Bethel Gospel Assembly. The location is 2 E. 120th St , corner of Madison Ave. Seating is at 3:45 and the service at 4:00 pm. They are requesting volunteers. If interested please call the Permanent Mission at 212-541-4117.
- Are you free the evening of October 30th? Our Men's Fellowship is hosting "An Evening of Entertainment" at Eastwood Manor from 9:00 pm to 2:00 am. Tickets are \$80 each and available from any Fellowship member.
- On the same evening, C.A.R.D. hosts their event at Antun's in Queens from 8:00 pm to 1:00 am. Tickets are \$90. Information for both events can be obtained from the rack.
- UMC will hold the annual All Saints service on Sunday Nov. 1st ; a Communion Sunday as well.
- Grace Moravian Church will close a year of celebrations for their 35th anniversary with a special service at 4:00 pm on Sunday Nov. 8th. The UMC family is invited to attend. A flyer is on the rack.
- We will celebrate the Harvest Thanksgiving/Pac & Pew service on Sunday Nov. 22nd. Be sure to invite family & friends to join us that day.
- The Busy Bees is sponsoring a luncheon cruise on the Spirit of New York. On Sat. Dec. 12, 2015. A bus will leave United at 10:00 am. The price for this afternoon of cruising, dining and shopping is \$120, per person. A \$50 deposit is due by Oct. 11th. Please secure a flyer, or speak with a Busy Bee member for more information.
- Camp Hope will host their 2016 Girls' Retreat from Friday, January 29th - Sunday the 31st. Girls from grades 3 –8 are encouraged to participate. The \$70 fee will cover food, boarding and a lot of fun. Only 36 spaces are available. Flyers are on the rack.
- In September 2016 the Antigua and Barbuda Group is hosting a "Voyages of Paul" cruise reaching ports in Italy, Greece, Croatia & Turkey. Please see Sis. Daniel to obtain a brochure, ask questions, or reserve your passage.
- Moravian Open Door recently launched a funds drive. Please obtain literature from the rack for more details and donation forms.
- Do help us to keep a strong attitude of worship by becoming silent and reverent when the organ prelude begins to be played. We should also remain seated and silent during the playing of the postlude at the end of worship.

**PRAY & GIVE SUPPORT TO THE FOLLOWING PERSONS
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**Sis. Jannette Abel
Sis. Alicia Benjamin
Sis. Anna Bishop
Bro. Tralane Donovan
Sis: Ludwina George
Sis: Millicent Hodge
Sis. Eva Joseph
Sis: Minerva Joseph
Sis. Carmelita Keith
Sis. Rose Lemond
Sis. Ishma Marsh
Sis. Bernice McLean
Sis. Hyacinth Pelle
Sis. Roseann Perry
Bro. Berwin Roberts
Sis. Winifred Thomas
Bro. Luvey Williams
Sis. Iris Woodley**

When we are not in the best of health it is always comforting to know prayers and support are available. Remember those who are unable to join us week to week. To add them to our list of infirmed members call the church office at 212-722-2109.

Listening to the Sermon

Use the space provided below to make your personal notes. Reflect prayerfully and thoughtfully on them over the coming week. Seek the help of the Holy Spirit to apply God’s truth to your heart and life.

SERMON TITLE

Main points to remember

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Having heard the sermon, I have decided on the following:

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2015 COMING EVENTS	Oct. 25 th	Worship Service - Pastor
	Nov. 1 st	All Saints & Holy Communion
	Nov. 8 th	Worship Service & Infant Baptism
	Nov. 15 th	Worship Service - Youth
	Nov. 22 nd	Harvest Thanksgiving & Pack- a- Pew - Pastor
	Nov. 29 th	Advent
		DECEMBER
	Dec. 6 th	Advent Service & Holy Communion
Dec. 13 th	Advent Service - Pastor	

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS	Sharik Potter	3 rd	Winnifred Farquharson	20 th
	Shanice Gainey	3 rd	Hilerene Daniel	20 th
	Kadeem Simpson	17 th	Anna-Kay Grant	28 th
	Mozell James	17 th	Joan Powell	29 th
	Diamond Greaux	17 th	Tesean Hamm	31 st
	Danika Chambers	18 th	Anderson McCarthy	31 st
	Moretta Steele	19 th		

Who Wishes to Be Great

James and John approach Jesus and ask if they may be seated on Jesus' right and left hand in his glory. "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus replies and then asks the important question: "Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" Jesus assures them that they will in fact drink of his cup and be baptized with his baptism. He continues by pointing out that, unlike the case in worldly endeavors, to be great among their group would be to be a servant to them. Jesus wants them and us to serve in our communities.

We would ask ourselves these same questions frequently. In the service for baptism, the baptized in the congregation are asked: "How were you baptized?" The response is: "Into his death."

It seems to be human nature to wish to be recognized; to have our fifteen minutes of fame; to be seated above the salt (closer to the host) at a state dinner. This is not what Jesus is about. He makes it clear to his disciples that he came to serve and to give his life a ransom for many. If we are to share in his baptism and in his cup, we must give ourselves over to God's service.

Where is the source of recognition of this service? From God! God knows who we are and what we are about. God gives us commendation and affirmation when we need it. God understands what we need. To accept the baptism and cup of Jesus may mean something different to each believer. It could mean forgoing new clothes to give the money to charity. It could mean eating simpler meals at home and giving the extra money to charity. It could mean walking the streets to help those you find there. God and the Holy Spirit can be trusted to help each one find his or her cross, their way to share the cup of Jesus.

*Martha Griffis, elder, Central Moravian Church,
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania*

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