



Bethany Banner

April 2019

The Newsletter of
Dover Bethany UM Church
4510 Bull Road
Dover, PA 17315

Symbols of Easter

Can you identify each of the symbols used during Easter? Many have pagan origins that Christians have adapted.

Spring Flowers & Baby Animals - symbolizes new life.

Easter Bunny - Is an ancient symbol of fertility, new life and the coming of spring. Early Christians may have adopted the rabbit as a symbol of Christ emerging from his tomb.

The Egg - A pagan symbol of fertility and rebirth, the egg has been a natural symbol of new life. In Christianity, it also came to represent Christ's empty tomb. In the 13th century, Christians colored eggs deep red to symbolize the blood of Christ and the joy of Resurrection. The Easter Egg Roll (like on the White House lawn) may have symbolized rolling away the stone from Christ's tomb.

New Clothes at Easter - The custom probably began with early Christians wearing new white robes for baptism during Easter Vigil services.

Lamb - Jesus is often referred to in the Bible as the "Lamb of God." The lamb was a sacrifice made during the Jewish Passover, and it in turn became a symbol of Jesus' sacrifice.

Butterfly - Its whole life cycle can symbolize the life of Jesus. The caterpillar can stand for His life on Earth. The cocoon stage can represent the burial of Jesus. The butterfly signifies His raising from the dead in a glorified body.

The Cross - The cross is perhaps the most powerful and recognizable symbol of Christianity. The cross symbolizes Christ's victory over sin and death.

Embrace and celebrate some of these traditions, but make sure you pass on to your children and grandchildren, your nieces and nephews the Christian message behind it all.

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal



Operation Christmas Child Update

We have enough toothbrushes and combs for our boxes for this year!

Please be purchasing the following items for the shoeboxes:

**color books/24 pack crayons/12 pack pencils/sidewalk chalk packs/pencil sharpeners/
washcloths/loose leaf notebook paper packs/plastic water bottles/stuffed animal
or any other items that would make good gifts for our shoebox gift boxes!**

MISSION CENTRAL TRIP on Wednesday, April 3rd leaving at 9 AM

Covered Dish Dinner and Auction – Saturday, May 4th at 5 PM

Please join in a fun night of fellowship and auction. Please bring a covered dish to share - the place setting and beverage will be provided. Following the meal, there will be auction. We have the two best auctioneers in all of York County. For the auction, we ask that you bring one item to be auctioned. It can be anything that you make or buy; any crafts or tasty baked goods. This is not a white elephant sale. The proceeds from this auction will go to the Children's Home. Sign up on your communication card if you plan on coming with a side dish and an item to be auctioned. We ask that you sign up if you plan on coming, since we need to know how many to prepare.



Peanut Butter & Coconut Eggs Sale

Homemade peanut butter and coconut eggs will be on sale every Sunday, March 17 – April 14th. Proceeds benefit our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry. Please help the sales by taking outside orders from friends, family, neighbors, co-workers etc. Call Carol Hake (717) 266-5325 with order over 50. All orders will be available to be picked up the following Sunday.

The United Methodist Home for Children's Tour – Sat, April 6th at 10 AM

We will be touring The Children's Home in Mechanicsburg to learn about the ministry and how we can help.

Easter Celebration Festival

Each year Dover Bethany has three "big events" to invite the un-churched in our community to come to Bethany to enjoy to program and get to know us a little better. The three events are the Easter Celebration Festival, Vacation Bible School, and Shoebox Packing Party. All of us at Dover Bethany have a critical role in these events. First, we need your help to make the events run smoothly; secondly, we need you there to mingle and talk with the people that come.

We are now planning for our Easter Celebration Festival on Easter Sunday, April 21st from 9:15 to 10:45 AM.

Choose an area where you feel you can be most effective and contact the coordinator:

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| 1. Greeter (Starting at 8:45AM) | Maria Sarver |
| 2. Make and/or serve food | Abby Runk |
| 3. Help with crafts | Margie Burkhart |
| 4. Help with games | Kelly Deneen |
| 5. Help children hold baby animals; chicks, rabbits, puppies, kittens, etc. | Lynette Stief |
| 6. Help with our "Photo booth" | Jeff Stief |
| 7. Help with Face Painting | Lynette Stief |
| 8. Help Set up – April 20 th @ 9:00AM (Mark's bringing donuts!) | |
| a. Preparing food | Abby Runk |
| b. Setting up event areas | Mark Burkhart |
| 9. Help Tear down – April 22 th @ 9:00AM (Mark's bringing more donuts!) | Mark Burkhart |
| 10. Individually wrapped pieces of candy | Mark Burkhart |






Also, if you have or know of any small (hand hold-able) baby animals; please let Lynette or Jeff know.

April 2019 Volunteer Schedule	7	14	21 EASTER SUNDAY	28
Sanctuary door Greeters	Ruth Beveridge June Gise	Ray & Linda Deneen	8:00 am: Bob & Carol Sarver 10:45 am: Don & Elaine Myers	Jeff & Lynette Stief
Hospitality Center	Mark Burkhart Margie Burkhart	Jeff Stief Lynette Stief	Linda Deneen Ray Deneen	Kathy Aughey Marlin Aughey
Nursery	Becky Drawbaugh Jeff Stief	Mark Burkhart Ginger Lehr	Carol Sarver Sonja Crisamore	Eleanor Eyster Michelle Duncker
Head Usher	Ray Neiman	Jack McLeod	Rich Crager	George Laird
Counters	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird

Saturday, April 13th - "Supervising" Sal"

Pastor Sal would appreciate help from anyone available to join in a work team to do some outdoor jobs at his Juniata County property. We will leave at 7:30 am and return at 3:30pm, with lunch provided. Please contact Pastor Sal for more details or if you can help and keep him out of trouble ☺!

Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar						April 2019
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 9am Ladies' Bible Study 7p Trustees, PPR, Finance Mtg 8p Board of Directors Mtg	3 9am-2pm Mission Central Trip 6pm WWAB	4 10a Bible Study	5	6 10a Children's Home Tour
7 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship: Guest Speaker, Darin Schoch, York County Prison Chaplain 10:45am Sunday School	8 7pm Alzheimer & Dementia Mtg	9	10 9a Stitches of Love 6pm WWAB	11 10a Bible Study 7p Stephen Ministry Mtg	12	13 Supervising Sal - Work Day with the Pastor at his Juniata Co Property
14 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship: Early Learning Center Easter Program 10:45am Sunday School	15	16 9am Ladies' Bible Study	17 Holy Week NO WWAB	18 10a Bible Study 7pm Maundy Thursday	19 7pm Good Friday Service	20 7am Men's Covenant 9am Set Up for Easter Celebration Festival
21 8am Worship 9:15- 10:45am Easter Celebration 10:45am Worship FOOD BANK Sunday 	22 9am Tear Down from Easter Celebration Festival	23	24 9a Stitches of Love 6pm WWAB	25 10a Bible Study	26	27
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Holy Week and Easter Schedule

April 14th: Palm Sunday @ 9:15 AM – Dover Bethany Early Learning Center Easter Program

April 18th: Maundy Thursday Service @ 7PM – Communion and Foot Washing (foot washing optional)

April 19th: Good Friday @ 7PM – Service of Shadows

We strip the church and read the passion narratives.

Caution: This can be scary and intense for young children. The service ends in darkness and silence.

April 21st: Easter Sunday Service @ 8 AM

Easter Celebration Festival @ 9:15 AM – 10:45 AM

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Holy Week