

Bethany Banner

*The Newsletter of
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**Knowing God
Growing in Faith
Serving Others
Sharing the Good News**

A Reason For Singing

Our Dover Bethany church family knows how to sing! You are wonderful! I've been to other churches where I felt I was the only one making any sound during the singing. Know I know I have a big mouth, but even when I sang at a whisper, it felt like I was the only one participating.

The other Sunday, our organist had a "contact lens" malfunction and we sang our closing hymn without the organ. For many churches I guess that would mean death – they'd have to skip the closing song. Not Dover Bethany!!! You make me proud!

By the way, there are some weeks I miss doing this, BUT most weeks I send out an email with links so you can listen to the music we are doing on Sunday mornings. That way you can practice at home. You can get familiar with the words and the melody. If you don't receive that email, make a note on your Communication Card so we can add you to the list.

When it comes to our Sunday singing, our worship in song is never about us: it is always about God. So, we may croak like a frog, but it's not about us; it is not about how good or bad we may sound. Our worship is about how awesome and wonderful our God is!

Psalm 95:1 "Come, let us sing for joy." Psalm 95:6, "Let us bow down in worship." There is good reason for both of these verses. Regardless of the quality of your voice, we have an awesome God, a great King!

God is omnipotent – all powerful. God is omniscient – all knowing and wise. God is righteous, just, holy. God is gracious, merciful, patient, forgiving. We have every reason to sing.

My recent devotional reading said, "After silence, that which comes closest to expressing the inexpressible is music." Keep singing out! It is part of our witness and testimony. It is not just our heritage; it is who we are as Christians. Your singing is an encouragement to others who worship with us

Sing it loud. Sing it proud.

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal



God Loves You Tour with Franklin Graham

FRANKLIN GRAHAM
GOD LOVES YOU '22 TOUR

Billy Graham Evangelistic Association is hosting a special event at the York Fairgrounds, Sunday, September 25th. Franklin Graham will be speaking; musical artists include: Newsboys, Marcos Will and Dennis Agajanian. Everything (including parking) is free and there is no offering. Plan to arrive early – music starts at 3:30 pm, event starts at 4 pm. We could see as many as 10,000 people at this event.

Start praying for this event to reach thousands for Christ. Start inviting others to attend with you - plan to bring a car load! Start praying for specific family and friends to come, hear and respond to God's message of love and salvation. We want to see as many people there as possible. We are praying for revival and renewal. We are praying for unsaved family, friends and neighbors.

Night of Worship and Prayer (for God Loves You Tour)

On Tuesday, August 16th, 6:30 PM there will be a night of worship and prayer in preparation for the God Love You Tour. This will be held at Genesis Church, 1405 Seven Valleys Road, York. The worship leader will be Freddy Washington, who is the worship director for Times Square Church in New York. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this special night of worship.

Prayer Team Training – Christian Life & Witness Course

Whether you join the prayer team for the “God Loves You” Tour in York or not, please don't miss this opportunity for FREE training by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. You do not need to register and the training and materials you will receive are absolutely free. Next trainings will be:

Thursday August 4th (6-9pm) Thrive Church, 661 N. Newberry St, York

Thursday August 11th (6-9pm) Church of the Open Door, East York Campus,
4075 E. Market St, York

Saturday August 20 (9pm-12pm) Church of the Open Door, West York Campus, 8
Carlisle Ct., York

Note: You will need your cell phone to take snap shots of some of the screens. You will also need to work on memorizing 5 scriptures: John 3:16, Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Romans 5:8, John 1:12. Don't freak out – you already know these scriptures; you just need to do a little polishing!

101 Membership Class – Saturday, August 6th from 8 AM to Noon

If you would like info on being a church member or need to brush up on your membership responsibilities, join Pastor Sal on Saturday August 6th from 8 am to noon. Snacks are provided. Bring your own caffeine. This class is face paced and will hopefully excite you for who we are here at Dover Bethany and why we do what we do. Sign up on your Communication Card or call the church office.



Summer Bible Study

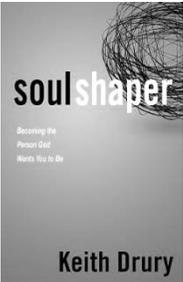
➔ Tuesday, August 9th we will finish up I John 4:7-5:21.

➔ Tuesday, August 30th we will look at Second and Third John.

We meet in the sanctuary from 7-8:30pm.

Welcome New Staff

We have hired Emily Buonocore on as a part-time assistant pastor. Most of you already know Emily and have heard her preach and teach. We are excited to have her on board with us. You'll get to hear her preach during August. She is heading up the bible curriculum with our Early Learning Center and is starting a women's group, which is stirred up a lot of excitement.



Women's Group

Starting Monday night August 29th at 7pm. Pastor Emily is heading up this group and they will be working through the book "Soul Shaper" by Keith Drury. Please acquire a book or contact the church office and let us know you would like us to order you a book. The cost is \$12. Sign up on your Communication Card if you are interested.

Hoss's Shoebox Fundraiser

We have raised around \$1,200 so far this year gathering for meals at Hoss's! But this is more than just a fundraiser. These meals are a lot of fun and great fellowship. Consider mixing things up and arrange to meet up with some of the church family that you might not know too well. It's a great opportunity to bring some unchurched friends to meet some of our church family. **Our next fundraiser is Tuesday, August 23rd. Make sure you have a "Cash Cow" card with you. You can pick one of these up at the church.**

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Update

Estimating our last fund raisers, we are right around \$9,000 toward the shipping fees. (As of our printing, we did not have the pretzel sandwich and Hoss's figures yet.) Our goal is \$15,010 for the shipping fees for each box. Check out our progress on the thermometer in the lobby area.



We still the following items for our shoeboxes:

- * 1170 washcloths
- * 274 toothbrushes
- * 832 bars of soap
- * 1037 color books
- * 1233 packs of 24 count crayons
- * 502 packs of pencils
- * 268 pencil sharpeners
- * 198 pieces of sidewalk chalk
- * 937 loose leaf paper or 70 pg spiral notebooks
- * 1116 stuffed animals
- * 108 tote bags

And we always can use toys, other school supplies or personal items. Be creative. We like to fill the boxes with both treats and practical gifts for the kids. Thank you for your generosity toward this mission program.

Financial Life of our Church

GENERAL FUND—6/30/2022

| | <u>To Date</u> |
|---|-----------------|
| REVENUE | |
| Contributions | |
| General Fund/Sunday School | 157,418 |
| Other Donations | 4,040 |
| Memorial Gifts | 2,035 |
| Other Income | 879 |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 164,372 |
| EXPENSES | |
| Conference - Shares of Ministry | 10,274 |
| Human Resources | |
| Pastoral Support | 47,627 |
| Lay Employees | 17,256 |
| General Operations | |
| Church Administration | 3,406 |
| Church/Parsonage Utilities | 9,591 |
| Property Maintenance | 19,767 |
| Taxes, Insurance, Fees, etc | 9,755 |
| Team Expenses - Serving, Growing, Sharing, Knowing | 16,894 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 134,570 |
| BOTTOM LINE | + 29,802 |

Bank Accounts at 6/30/22
 Checking Account: \$ 275,982
 Money Market Account: \$ 146,616

General Fund Offerings



- January 2022—\$ 24,790
 Avg/Sun = \$ 4,958
- February 2022—\$ 26,958
 Avg/Sun = \$ 6,740
- March 2022—\$ 24,861
 Avg/Sun = \$ 6,215
- April 2022—\$ 26,073
 Avg/Sun = \$ 6,518
- May 2022—\$ 29,754
 Avg/Sun = \$ 5,951
- June 2022—23,650
 avg/Sun = \$ 5,913

Expenses for 2022:

- Oriental Trading Co.—\$ 725
- Amazon—\$ 497
- Sam's Club—\$ 241
- Wal-Mart—\$ 163
- McDonalds—\$ 161
- Others—\$ 321



Total Spent—\$ 2,107

Our Reserve Fund had receipts so far in 2022 of \$ 7,713. Divided by 26 Sundays would be an average of \$ 297 per Sunday. We have had no expenses in 2022.



EARLY LEARNING CENTER—6/30/2022

- F.Y.I.**
- Power Church (Accounting) software updated—\$ 150
 - Rhoads Water Systems—\$ 150 for water treatment
 - \$ 200—Donation to Our Daily Bread
 - Purchase of Benton wedding cake and Pentecost cake—\$ 111
 - \$ 200 for Turkey Hill and Chick-fil-a gift cards @ \$5.00 each for new guest gifts
 - Pentecost banners for Sanctuary—\$ 190
 - \$ 11,088 paid to Indeed (job search website) total for 12 months—July 2021 thru June 2022 for Early Learning Center vacancies.

| | <u>To Date</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| REVENUE | |
| Tuition, Camp Fees | 200,232 |
| ARPA grant, Early Educator Award | 165,668 |
| Fund Raisers, Misc. | 140 |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 366,040 |
| EXPENSES | |
| Employee Salaries/Benefits | 172,244 |
| General Operations | 15,358 |
| Program Expenses | 28,115 |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | 215,717 |
| BOTTOM LINE | + 150,323 |

Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar

August 2022

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|---|--|---|--|-----|--|
| | 1 | 2 9am Ladies' Bible Study 7p Board of Director's Meeting | 3 9:15am-2pm Mission Central Trip | 4 Christian Life & Witness Course at Thrive Church from 6-9pm | 5 | 6 8am- 12pm 101 Membership Class |
| 7 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship – Communion Scholarship Award 10:45am Sunday School | 8 7pm Men's Group | 9 7pm Bible Study | 10 | 11 Christian Life & Witness Course at Church of the Open Door, East from 6-9 pm | 12 | 13 |
| 14 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School | 15 | 16 9am Ladies' Bible Study 6:30pm Night of Worship and prayer @ Genesis Church | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 Christian Life & Witness Course at Church of the Open Door, West from 9am-12pm |
| 21 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School FOOD BANK Sunday | 22 | 23 HOSS'S Fundraiser ALL DAY | 24 1pm Sight and Sound "DAVID" | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School | 29 7pm Women's Group : Soul Shaper | 30 7pm Bible Study |  FRANKLIN GRAHAM GOD LOVES YOU 22 TOUR York Fair Grounds Sunday, September 25 th Free Event Music starts at 3:30 PM Event starts at 4:00 PM | | | |

Sight and Sound Theater's Production: 'DAVID'

We will carpool for those interested, leaving church at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, August 24th. The show starts at 3:00 pm and we should arrive around 2:15 pm.

Scholarship Fund Special Offering

There will be a special offering on Sunday, August 7th for the scholarship fund. We will also present scholarships to students for the 2022-23 school year.

| Volunteer Schedule | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 |
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| Greeters (<i>Sanctuary doors, child care entrance and the entrance by the office</i>) | Robert & Brenda Lamparter Lucy Angle Jeanne Spahr | Dennis & Joan Wilt Carolyn Blymire Deb Kemper | Joanna Yingling Barb Mazol Donna Snyder Pat Smith | Steve & Carla Green Dorothy Bell Elaine Myers |
| Nursery | Pat Smith Nancy Snyder | Marie Lauer Kathy Lamparter | Lynette Stief Tennille Burkhardt | Margie Burkhardt Denise Brulinski |
| Head Usher | Jack McLeod | Rich Crager | Jeff Stief | Ray Neiman |
| Hospitality Center | Mark Burkhardt Margie Burkhardt | Jeff Stief Lynette Stief | Ray & Linda Deneen | Marlin & Kathy Aughey |
| Counters | George & Ruthie Laird | | | |

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During August, the sermons will be focused on healing. Here are the passages for each Sunday:

August 2nd – Mark 9:17-29
August 14th – Mark 1:40-45
August 21st – Mark 5:25-39
August 28th – Mark 10:46-52

**I WILL
RESTORE
YOUR HEALTH
† AND †
HEAL
YOUR WOUNDS**

JEREMIAH 30:17