



Bethany Banner

April 2017

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

EASTER

Once or twice a week, I've been cutting brush and saplings and battling 12 foot tall multiflora rose canes with dagger like thorns. Even though I come away looking like a human pin cushion, the work has been extremely fulfilling.

First, it is a change of pace from my usual book work and desk time. Secondly, when I'm done, I can look back and actually see what I've accomplished. Third, it is just me and the Lord! There are few phone interruptions (not very good signal there). Other than cursing a few thorns that sneak up and bite me, it is a time of gratitude, thanksgiving and praise.

This time of sweating and laboring has been like a spiritual retreat for me. I am more pumped and excited and looking forward to Easter than I have been for years.

What are you doing that is building excitement and anticipation for this upcoming Easter Sunday?



I don't even know what I'm going to preach on Easter Sunday yet, but I know the basic message: God loves us, Jesus died for us and He rose again to conquer sin and death so we can be forgiven and live with Him for eternity.

That's worth celebrating! It really doesn't get any better than that!

I pray you are ready to celebrate this Easter, as well as other opportunities we have during Holy week. I hope you are so excited that you can't contain it and that you want to invite everyone you know.

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal

Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar

April 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship	3	4 9am Ladies' Bible Study	5 9am-2pm Mission Central Trip 6pm WWAB	6 10a Bible Study 7pm Praise & Worship Band	7	8 8a-12p 101 Class
9 PALM SUNDAY 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship with ELC Kids	10 7pm Alzheimer & Dementia Meeting	11 7p Know-Grow-Serve-Share Mtg	12 9a Stitches of Love 6pm NO WWAB	13 10a Bible Study 7pm Maundy Thursday	14 7pm Good Friday Service	15
16 EASTER SUNDAY 8am Worship 9:30-10:30am Easter Festival 10:45am Worship FOOD BANK Sunday	17 7p Weigh down Bible Study at The Saylor's	18 9am Ladies' Bible Study	19 6pm WWAB	20 10a Bible Study 7pm Praise & Worship Band	21	22 7am Men's Covenant
23 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship	24	25 Shoebox Fundraiser ALL DAY at 	26 9a Stitches of Love 6pm WWAB	27 10a Bible Study 7pm Praise & Worship Band	28	29
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April 2017 Volunteer Schedule	2	9 Palm Sunday	16 Easter	23	30
8:00 Service					
Song leader	Pastor Sal	Wendy Gibbs	Karen Helsel	Wendy Gibbs	Pastor Sal
Sanctuary door Greeters	Donna Snyder Fran Bolton	Ruth Beveridge June Gise	Bob Sarver Carol Sarver	Jack McLeod Sue McCarty	Robert Lamparter Brenda Lamparter
Nursery	Ray Neiman Kelly Frey	Elaine Kroft Jack McLeod	Tracy Henze Jeanne Spahr	Don Barshinger Ruth Beveridge	Joanna Yingling Barb Mazol
Sunday School			9:30 Easter Celebration		
SS Roamer	Jen Karns	Tracy Henze	No Sunday School	Elaine Myers	Bob Bowers
Church door Greeters			Barry Hoover Debi Hoover Peg Keller Jerry Keller		
10:45 Service					
Head Usher	Rich Crager	George Laird	Jeff Stief	Ray Neiman	Rich Crager
Sanctuary door Greeters	Ann Sommer Lucy Angle	Steve Green Carla Green	Andrew Grove Taylor Newcomer	Don Myers Elaine Myers	Linda Deneen Lorie Redding
Church door Greeters		Barry Hoover Debi Hoover			
Nursery	Carolyn Blymire Jennifer Karns	Margie Burkhardt Denise Brulinski	Carla Green Ellen Krause	Becky Drawbaugh Jeff Stief	Dorothy Bell Ginger Lehr
Counters	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird
Wed 9:30 am	5	12	19	26	
ELC Bible Story Reader	Pastor Sal	Marie Lauer	Margie Burkhardt	Robert Helsel	
Wonderful Wednesday Schedule					
Wed 6:00 pm	5	12	19	26	
Kitchen	Kathy Aughey Marlin Aughey Ginger Lehr	NO WWAB HOLY WEEK	Jen Karns Mike Karns Mary Fetrow	Jack McLeod Carolyn Blymire Nancy Snyder	

THANKS!

Thanks to everyone who helped to count and sort donations for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes on Monday evening March 27th.

Great job!



Mission Central Trip

The next trip is April 5th at 9:00 AM. Please sign up on your Communication Card

101 Membership Class, Saturday, April 7th, 8am to noon

This is for anyone wanting to join the church or who are simply interested in knowing more about what we do here at Dover Bethany. Current members are encouraged to bring someone to the class or simply sit in as a refresher.

Dover Bethany Early Learning Center

The Early Learning Center kids will present their Easter program on Sunday, April 9th at the 10:45 AM service.

Upcoming Meetings

April 4 – Board of Directors Meeting at 8 PM

April 11 – Know/Grow/Serve/Share Teams at 7 PM

Worship Schedule for Summer 2017

Starting on Sunday, May 28th (Memorial Day Weekend) and running through Sunday, September 3rd (Labor Day Weekend), Dover Bethany will have one Sunday morning worship service at 8 AM, followed by Sunday School at 9:15 AM. The worship style for the summer will be different from our current services. We will be doing a Gaither/Southern Gospel style of music.

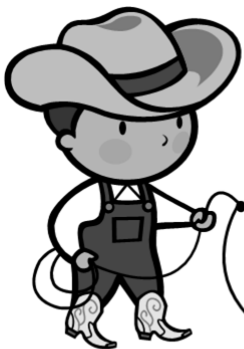


COMMUNITY NIGHT FUNDRAISER for Shoebox Ministry

Come and support Dover Bethany UMC Community Night Fundraiser at Hoss's Steak & Sea to benefit Operation Christmas Child: **Tuesday, April 25th. At West York's Hoss's at 2175 White Street, York, PA 17404.** Please pick up the invitation cards on the welcome centers or you can show a picture of the card on your mobile device. Invite your family and friends!

A Day of Service

The youth group is planning a day of service. If you have odd jobs that you need help with, we are here to help! Projects can include but are not limited to repairs, yard work, cleaning, plumbing, electrical, power washing, painting, etc. Please sign up on your communication card or call Jon & Tennille Burkhardt at 779-1414.



HALLELUJAH HOEDOWN

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 12 – 15, 2017

DOVER BETHANY UMC

9:00 TO 11:30 AM

FOR CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 12

We need partners to help at VBS. Please sign up on your Communication Card if you can be part of the team! It is a great week of fun and ministry.

Shoebox Ministry Update

We have all the toothbrushes and pencil sharpeners needed!

Here is a shopping list:

- ☺ washcloths
- ☺ combs
- ☺ soap
- ☺ stuffed animals
- ☺ color books
- ☺ 24 count package crayons
- ☺ pencils
- ☺ toys
- ☺ school supplies
- ☺ craft items
- ☺ clothing items



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Knowing God
Growing in Faith
Serving Others
Sharing the Good News

Easter Season Services

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 13th @ 7 PM
Communion and Foot Washing



Service of Shadows

Good Friday Service, April 14th @ 7 PM

This service ends in silence and darkness – it may frighten small children.

EASTER SUNDAY – April 16th

8 AM and 10:45 AM celebration services (attendance goal: 200)

9:30 - 10:30 AM Easter Celebration/Festival

It will include fun like snacks, crafts, games, animals, and a live butterfly room.