



Are You Tending To Your Soul?

Every gardener knows the difficulty of keeping weeds out of their garden. One gardener wisely said, "When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant."

Gardening season has not been long under way and already my weeds are out performing my plants! Here's the rub – the longer I put it off, the worse it will be. Eventually the weeds will get beyond me and I will succumb to their will.

Just like an untended garden will soon be overrun with weeds, the heart that fails to cultivate truth and root out error and sin will shortly be in a spiritual wilderness.

The only satisfaction of weeding the garden is to see your completed work. But you will have to do it again in just a week (or less)! The actual process of weeding is no fun and the same applies to spiritual weeding – NO FUN.

Spiritual weeding is hard work and the longer you let it go, the worse it will get. As I tackle neglected weeds, I'm going to get dirty, sweaty, scratched up and sore. Spiritual weeding can get downright ugly. Now here's the catch – YOU GOT TO GET THE ROOT! That makes the work even harder

We have been given some tools to help us in our spiritual weeding. We have God's Word, the Bible. We have one another for support, encouragement, accountability and assistance. We have certain spiritual habits that should keep us on track and staying current with our own spiritual development and journey. Pull the tools out and use them!

I think some of our spiritual weeds can be tracked back to 2 roots: We don't truly love God as we should (If you loved me, you'll keep my commandments – John 14:15). And secondly, we don't hate sin as we should (pursuit of holiness – Romans 12:9, Hebrews 12:14).

Don't let the spiritual weeds get the upper hand.

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal



Parrot Pete's Island Adventure Vacation Bible School

Let the fun begin! We are headed for the tropics during Vacation Bible School. We will meet Parrot Pete and learn how God is with us and caring for us. We can still use a few helping hands if you are available to help – sign up on your Communication Card or see Nancy Buonocore.

Parrot Pete's Island Adventure



Vacation Bible School

June 18-22nd

9 to 11:30 AM

Dover Bethany UM Church



Parrot Pete's Luau

We will end of week of VBS with a festival for all ages after worship on Sunday morning, June 24th. Everyone is encouraged to stay for the food and fun. There will be games, crafts for the kids and FOOD. Plan to stay after worship and enjoy the fellowship.

All Saint's Day - Sunday, November 4th



All Saint's Day is a long way off, but to prepare for a special remembrance, we need to start now. To honor those who have gone on ahead of us to their heavenly reward, we will set up a tree in the narthex called the "Remembrance Tree". If you had a loved one who has passed away in the last 50 years, and was a member of Dover Bethany, give us a picture. Put the picture in an envelope with a paper with your name and name of your loved one plus date of birth and death. We will put it in a frame and hang on the tree. This is not a one-time thing. We will keep these pictures and use them next year for "All Saint's Day". If you have any questions, please contact Terry or Shirley Saylor.



Right Now Media

Here is one of our best kept secrets...but we don't want to keep it secret! Our church family has a subscription to Right Now Media and you can access for your personal use. It is a collection of Christian programming for equipping families and individuals for faith growth. It is like a "Netflix" for Christian bible study, discipleship, training, etc.

This is FREE to anyone in our church family or friends of Dover Bethany's ministry, with over 2,000 episodes of children's programming; 10,000 streaming bible studies from over 150 top Christian leaders across the nation; small groups, youth ministry, personal devotions, finance, parenting and marriage. There is access 24/7! Dover Bethany's gift to you! **Please put your email address on the Communication Card and make a note that you are interested in Right Now Media.**

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection

Do you remember our shoebox goal for 2018? Yes, it is 1500 shoebox gifts! That takes a great deal of items to fill the boxes. Please keep your eyes open for deals and be generous in your shopping for shoebox items. We encourage you to especially be purchasing the following items:

washcloths

soap

combs

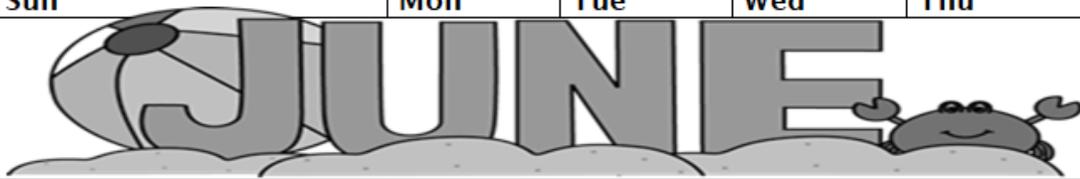
stuffed animals

pencils

toys

art supplies

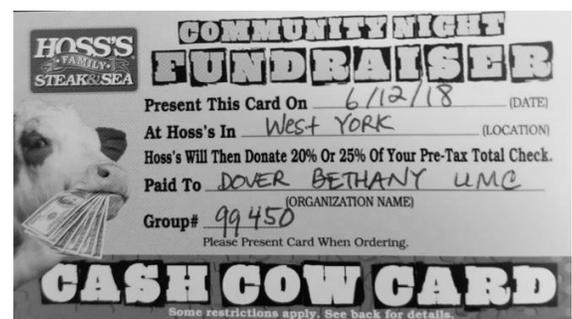
school supplies

Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar						June 2018	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School	4	5 9am Ladies' Bible Study	6 9am-2pm Mission Central Trip	7 10a Bible Study	8	9 6p-8p Keystone Emmaus Gathering	
10 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School	11 7pm Alzheimer & Dementia Meeting	12 Hoss's Fund Raiser at West York Location	13 7pm Pastor's Patio	14	15	16	
17 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School FOOD BANK Sunday HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!	18 9-11:30am VBS 7p Weigh down Bible Study at The Saylor's	19 9-11:30am VBS 9am Ladies' Bible Study	20 9-11:30am VBS 7pm Pastor's Patio	21 9-11:30am VBS	22 9-11:30am VBS	23 7am Men's Covenant	
24 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Parrot Pete's VBS Luau Everyone is encouraged to stay after worship for the fun!	25	26	27 7pm Pastor's Patio	28	29	30	

June 2018 Volunteer Schedule	3	10	17	24
Sanctuary door Greeters	George & Ruthie Laird	Mike & Ginger Lehr	Fran Peifer Deb Kemper	Glen & Mary Fetrow
Nursery	Carla Green Ellen Krause	Marie Lauer Nancy Snyder	Becky Drawbaugh Jeff Stief	Carol Sarver Sonja Crisamore
Head Usher	Jack McLeod	Rich Crager	George Laird	Jeff Stief
Counters	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger

Hoss's (West York Location) Fundraiser for Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry

Enjoy a meal at the West York location of Hoss's on Tuesday, June 12th and help our shoebox ministry at the same time! You will need to have a copy of the promotion card – get it at church or you can use a photo of the card from your cell phone. Invite your family and friends. Thanks for supporting this event.



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Growing in Faith
Serving Others
Sharing the Good News

The graphic is enclosed in a black rectangular border. On the left side, the words "Happy Father's Day" are written in a stylized, calligraphic font. "Happy" is in a cursive script, "Father's" is in a bold, blocky font with a 3D effect, and "Day" is in a cursive script. On the right side, there is a quote in a clean, sans-serif font: "The righteous man walks in his integrity; **His children are blessed after him.**" Below the quote, the text "PROVERBS 20:7" is written in a smaller, all-caps, sans-serif font.

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