



**Bethany Banner**  
**May 2017**

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

**Powerful, Electrifying, Exciting, Tremendous, Fantastic,  
Incredible, Extraordinary, Impressive, Phenomenal**

There are multiple times in his letters in the New Testament that Paul commends, compliments and encourages the churches and specific individuals. I'm no Paul, but I can't hold back. This last month has been phenomenal! You as the church have done an incredible, fantastic job!

You have been inviting others to church. You have been sharing and praying for your neighbors and co-workers so they may come to know Jesus. You have sacrificially given of your time, talents and resources. The majority of you pitched in on Easter Sunday and we had a tremendous turnout and program with almost 300 in attendance! Kudos to everyone who helped and contributed on Easter Sunday. It was an extraordinary and impressive team effort.

Our Early Learning Center had a wonderful turnout on Palm Sunday (and you can't beat cuteness!) Maundy Thursday service was the highest attendance I've ever seen in my 30 years of ministry. Good Friday's Service of Shadows was very well attended, powerful and dramatic.

We've had several new "family" members over the last couple of months and many of them participated and contributed. And we have seen the addition of several more families throughout this last month. Our Hoss's fundraiser for shoeboxes felt like a celebration of the last couple of weeks. We also earned \$458 toward the shoebox ministry!

I am excited! There is a joy and a hope that I've been missing for a long time. Now I'll confess, our joy and hope shouldn't be dependent on situations and circumstances. Our joy and hope should be rock solid in Jesus Christ regardless of situations and circumstances. But when the situations and circumstance line up – Praise God!!!

Let's take advantage of this momentum and continue to build and move forward. I know we are going to one service for the summer, but let's pack out that service and beat the summer attendance slump. 8AM Sunday morning during the summer is going to be your most anticipated, powerful, exciting time for the entire week. The potential and possibilities are electrifying and I don't want to miss what is next.

"Take Risks" and God Bless  
Pastor Sal

# Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 9am Ladies' Bible Study  7pm Trustees, PPR, Finance Mtg 8pm Board of Directors Mtg	3 9am-2pm Mission Central Trip  6pm WWAB	4 10a Bible Study  7pm Praise & Worship Band	5	6
7 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship	8  7pm Alzheimer & Dementia Mtg	9  7pm Know-Grow-Serve-Share Mtg	10  9a Stitches of Love  6pm WWAB	11 10a Bible Study  7p Stephen Ministry Mtg  7pm Praise & Worship Band	12	13
14 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship	15  7p Weigh down Bible Study at The Saylor's	16 9am Ladies' Bible Study	17  6pm WWAB	18 10a Bible Study  7pm Praise & Worship Band	19	20 7am Men's Covenant
21 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship <b>FOOD BANK Sunday</b>	22	23	24 9a Stitches of Love  6pm WWAB	25 10a Bible Study  7pm Praise & Worship Band	26	27
28 <b>SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE BEGINS</b> 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School	29	30	31  6:30 pm Parade Float Meeting			



*Remember Mother on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>!*

May 2017 Volunteer Schedule	7	14	21	28
<b>8:00 Service</b>				<b>One Service</b>
Song leader	Pastor Sal	Wendy Gibbs	Karen Helsel	Wendy Gibbs
Sanctuary door Greeters	Bob Sarver Carol Sarver	Ruth Beveridge Donna Snyder	Robert Lamparter Brenda Lamparter	Fran Bolton June Gise
Nursery	Joan Wilt Wendy Gibbs	Pat Keller Bertie Neiman	Marie Lauer Nancy Snyder	Carol Sarver Sonja Crisamore
<b>Sunday School</b>				
SS Roamer	Jeff Stief	Bob Sarver	Ellen Krause	Woody Shipley
<b>10:45 Service</b>				
Head Usher	George Laird	Jeff Stief	Ray Neiman	
Sanctuary door Greeters	Ruthie Laird Carolyn Blymire	Abby Runk Jared Runk	Mike Karns Jennifer Karns	
Nursery	Tennille Burkhart Lynette Stief	Carolyn Blymire Jennifer Karns	Margie Burkhart Denise Brulinski	
<b>Counters</b>	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol
<b>Wed 9:30 am</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>24</b>
ELC Bible Story Reader	Carol Sarver	Nancy DeHoff	Ruth Beveridge	Marie Lauer
<b>Wonderful Wednesday Schedule</b>				
<b>Wed 6:00 pm</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>24 Last WWAB</b>
Kitchen	Kathy Aughey Marlin Aughey Ginger Lehr	Lucy Angle Ruth Beveridge Mark Burkhart	Jen Karns Mike Karns Mary Fetrow	



alzheimer's association

A guest speaker; Olivia Maturano from Alzheimer Assoc. will be at the **Dementia-Alzheimer meeting on Monday, May 8th @ 7:00 pm.**

Join us if you or someone you know could use some support while caring for a loved one who suffers from dementia or Alzheimer.



## Worship Schedule for Summer 2017

### BEGINS MAY 28<sup>th</sup>

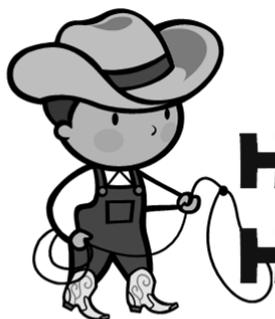
Starting on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day Weekend) and running through Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> (Labor Day Weekend), Dover Bethany will have one Sunday morning worship service at 8 AM, followed by Sunday School at 9:15 AM. The worship style for the summer will be different from our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

### Men's Covenant Group

Our men's group typically meets the 4th Saturday of each month. Because of Memorial Day weekend activities, we are moving our May meeting back one week to May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00AM. Our meetings are open to all men and we'd love to have you come and check it out! A volunteer each month brings goodies to eat and another leads our bible discussion. We recently started studying I Corinthians. The Verses we will discuss in May are: I Corinthians 1:26-31. Come join us! We eat, talk, laugh, pray, study/discuss...just have a good couple of hours in men's fellowship.

### A Day of Service

The youth are 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 Burkhart at 779-1414



## HALLELUJAH HOEDOWN

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**JUNE 12 - 16, 2017**

**DOVER BETHANY LMC**

**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



Thanks for your faithfulness to this ministry!

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### **Ministry Opportunity Bus Driver needed for ELC Summer Trips**

Summer trips are coming for our Early Learning Center children. ELC is in need asap for someone who has a license to drive a bus or is willing to get a license to drive a bus, to take our ELC children for their weekly summer outings. Please call Trish @ 292-0147 if you are interested.



### **Parade Float For Upcoming Community Parades**

We are going to share our excitement for our church and our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox ministry by making a float for some of the parades in our communities. Anyone interested in helping to plan and create the float are invited to join a planning meeting on Wed, May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

### **Outdoor Yard Sale – June 10<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 1 PM**

The charge is \$15 per spot. Call Shirley Saylor at (717) 244-6524 for more information or to reserve a spot.

