



# Bethany Banner

## September 2017

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

*"In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson." - Tom Bodett*

**Bottom line:** There is always something to learn; you're never too old to learn; you never stop learning.

As our children and youth head back to the classroom, we want to keep them in our prayers for both their learning and safety. The Dover Bethany Early Learning Center experiences changes and transitions during the start of the school year in which we see some new children. We have around 80 children in our child care ministry. Keep all our children and their families in your prayers as school gets underway.

Back to school should remind us that our learning also continues. We start back up with Wonderful Wednesday and Thursday morning Bible study. Sunday school continues and there are some other ongoing groups like Weigh Down Bible study and Women's Bible study that you might want to join. We are even starting a new children's ministry/class.

Let's take advantage of the learning opportunities we have and put what we learn into practice in regards to our own spiritual maturity, discipleship, mission, ministry, outreach and evangelism.

*"Our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good, in order to provide for urgent needs and not live unproductive lives."*

Titus 3:14 New International Version

"Take Risks" and God Bless,  
Pastor Sal


### **Beginning Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** **New Sunday Morning Schedule**

8:00 AM Helping Hand (adult) class

9:15 AM Sunday Worship

10:45 AM Sunday School Classes for all ages

# Dover Bethany United Methodist Calendar September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 8am Worship 9:30am Sunday School	4 Church Office Closed for Labor Day	5 9AM Ladies' Bible Study  7pm Trustees, SPR, Finance 8PM Board of Directors	6 9AM Mission Central Trip	7   7p Stephen Ministry Mtg @ Nancy Snyder's	8	9
10 7:30AM Praise Band Practice 8:00AM Helping Hands SS Class 9:15AM Worship Service 10:45AM Sunday School for all ages	11   7pm Alzheimer & Dementia Mtg	12   PM Know-Grow-Serve-Share Mtg	13 9 AM Stitches of Love   6PM Wonderful Wednesday	14	15	16
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24 7:30AM Praise Band Practice 8:00AM Helping Hands SS Class 9:15AM Worship Service 10:45AM Sunday School for all ages SOUP & SANDWICH SALE FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD	25	26	27 9 AM Stitches of Love   6PM Wonderful Wednesday	28 10AM Bible Study with Pastor Sal	29	30

September 2017 Volunteer Schedule	3 8:00 am	10 9:15 am	17 9:15 am	24 9:15 am
<b>Sanctuary Door Greeters</b>	Robert Lamparter Brenda Lamparter	Lynette Stief Deb Kemper	Fran Bolton Carolyn Blymire	Ray Deneen Linda Deneen
<b>Nursery</b>	Becky Drawbaugh Jeff Stief	Pat Keller Bertie Neiman	Dorothy Bell Ginger Lehr	Marie Lauer Nancy Snyder
<b>Head Usher</b>	George Laird	Jeff Stief	Ray Neiman	Jack McLeod
<b>Counters</b>	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol	Sue Hoover Barb Mazol
<b>Sunday School (9/3 only)</b>				
<b>SS Roamer – Jeanne Spahr</b>				

## New Children's Ministry

Pastor Sal will be leading a new program for our children starting Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 AM in the sanctuary. The hour will include songs, fun and engaging activities and Bible stories – VBS style fun during the Sunday School hour. We also need adults who are willing to help with this new approach to Sunday School. Please contact Pastor Sal if you can be part of the team.

## New Custodial Service

We have hired a janitorial company to clean our facilities. They are usually here on Tuesdays and Thursdays, therefore if things get a little disheveled from Thursday till Sunday, please pitch in and help pick as you see needs. Thanks!

# Operation Christmas Child Shoebox UPDATE

## Fundraiser – Chicken Corn Soup/Sandwich Sale

There will be a **Chicken Corn Soup Sale and Pretzel Sandwich Sale on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>** after the service to benefit the shoebox ministry. The order sheets for both soup and sandwiches will be available in the lobby area. The soup is \$5/quart. Any corn soup that is not reserved through the order sheet will be available for purchase on Sunday, Sept 24<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Carol Hake at 717-266-5325 for more details on the soup. Mary Fetrow, 717-292-3311, will have the details for the sandwiches in the bulletin during September. **The last day to place an order for either soup or sandwiches is Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.**

## Halloween Parades – Dover and Mt Wolf/Manchester

Our church is sponsoring a float for the upcoming Halloween parades. It looks like a giant Operation Christmas Child Shoebox and it will hold our Praise and Worship Band playing music for the crowd. We need church members to walk along with the float to hand out candy and invitation cards. We also need volunteers to help carry a couple of banners and two people to walk along wearing Shoebox costumes.

Please sign up on your Communication Card if you can be part of the parades.

**We also need donations of candy for the parade** – please choose candy that is individually wrapped and does not melt. Please place candy in one of the boxes by the Sanctuary doorways.



**DONATE ITEMS FOR SHOEBOXES**

**We are down to our last two and a half months to finish collecting for the shoeboxes.**

We still need the following items:

**406 washcloths      415 stuffed animals      972 color books      512 pencils      128 school/craft supplies**  
**1079 toys other than stuffed animals      any other miscellaneous items that would be good for kids**

Remember: NO Candy or toothpaste; NO USED items: No liquid or lotion; No war item

## Shoebox Packing Party

Mark your calendars and start inviting friends to our annual Shoebox Packing Party on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8 AM. Plan to be a part of this very special event.

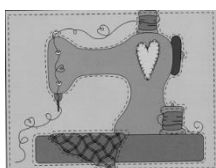
## Wonderful Wednesday – Returns Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM

How are you spending your Wednesday evening? Come join us for Wonderful Wednesday. A family friendly meal is served at 6 pm (optional donation for the meal). Following the meal, we break into adult and youth age groups for fellowship and spiritual growth. Join us and make your Wednesdays wonderful!

## Thursday Morning Bible Study – Begins on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10AM

Thursday morning Bible study will be back in action beginning September 21<sup>st</sup> at 10AM. The study will use the workbook, **The Epic of Eden: Understanding the Old Testament**. Workbooks cost \$20. Please sign up on your Communication Card to order a workbook.

## Stiches of Love – Starting on September 13<sup>th</sup>



We meet the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 9 am to 2 pm. We are always looking for more to join in our sewing ministry. If you enjoy sewing and you are looking to serve God with your talent for a good cause, we invite you to join us. We can teach you what you need if you do not sew. Come and join us! Contact Ruthie Laird at 717-755-9377 for more details.

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## **Adult Sunday School – Social Hall at 10:45 AM following Sunday Worship**

The Adult Sunday School class that meets in the social hall Sunday mornings will be studying the Holy Spirit using a resource book written by Tony Evans. From the **The Understanding God Series**, we will be using the book [The Promise: Experiencing God's Greatest Gift – The Holy Spirit.](#)

The study topic titles are as follows:

### **The Holy Spirit's Presence**

1. Experiencing the Spirit's Presence
2. Experiencing the Spirit's Baptism
3. Experiencing the Spirit's Security
4. Experiencing the Spirit's Filling
5. Experiencing the Spirit's Release
6. Experiencing the Spirit's Illumination

### **The Holy Spirit's Purpose**

7. Experiencing the Spirit's Conviction
8. Experiencing the Spirit's Power
9. Experiencing the Spirit's Authority



10. Experiencing the Spirit's Freedom
11. Experiencing the Spirit's Fellowship
12. Experiencing the Spirit's Restraint

### **The Holy Spirit's Provision**

13. Experiencing the Spirit's Fruit
14. Experiencing the Spirit's Intercession
15. Experiencing the Spirit's Guidance
16. Experiencing the Spirit's Gift
17. Experiencing the Spirit's Language
18. Experiencing the Spirit's Surprises

If you have any questions, talk to one of our teachers; Abby Runk, Jared Runk, Ray Deneen, Mark Burkhardt