

Please Take Note...

HANOVER CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Sunday School—9 AM Worship—10:30 AM

PASTOR

Geraldine Godfrey
Pastor.GerryG@gmail.com

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday &
Saturday *(available if needed)*
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

BOARD CHAIR

Scott Ruth
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SECRETARY

Suzanne Werner
717-632-2267

Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9 am to 1 pm

MODERATOR

Dick Godfrey
717-428-2511

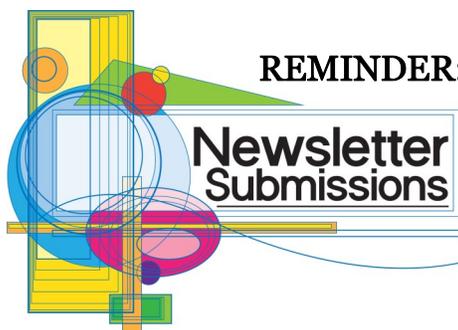
Hanover Church Mission Statement
“Engage, Embrace, Empower with the love of God.”

PASTOR-CONGREGATION RELATIONS SUPPORT TEAM

The Ministry and Worship Commission, with the approval of the Board, decided to create a support team for the pastor and the congregation to aid in the resolution of any conflicts that may arise. The appointed team members are Bob Long, Dick Ambrosius and Angie Ruth. The Ministry and Worship Commission will oversee the team. Please contact one of the members of the team or the Ministry and Worship Commission if you feel you have not been able to resolve a conflict on your own. It is the Commission's hope that any areas of conflict can be resolved without hurt feelings. As the body of Christ, it is imperative that we work together to keep our church healthy.

—*Ministry & Worship Commission*

REMINDER: COMBINED NEWSLETTER



The deadline for submissions for the December/January Issue will be Sunday, **November 15**. Look ahead on your calendar and make sure to include all activities through the end of January. Volunteers who are “Serving the Church” in January will need to be contacted now to be included on the list on the mailing cover.

OUR FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

September 2020

Average Attendance	Sunday School	Worship
	26	63
Budget Goal (\$4303 per week)		\$223,739.00
Needed to-date (39 weeks)		\$167,817.00
Budget Giving to Date (82%)		\$ 137,957.13
Designated Giving to Date		\$ 21,545.08
TOTAL GIVING TO DATE		\$159,502.21
Budget Giving for September		\$ 11,935.86
Designated Giving for September		\$ 7,099.10
Bereavement		\$ 222.00
Building Rental		\$ 55.00
Building Repair Fund		\$ 87.00
Christian Education Refund		\$ 248.85
Memorial Gifts		\$ 50.00
Ministry & Worship - Refund		\$ 52.00
Property & Finance		\$ 7.00
S.Bankert Grocery Gift Cards		\$ 2,570.00
Sunday School		\$ 40.00
Yard Sale		\$ 3,767.25

BOARD RESPONSE TO COVID-19

The board decided at their October 12 meeting to try to gradually move some items back into the pews for our Sunday worship time. At this time the hymnals and praise and worship books will be placed back in the pews—as well as the pink cards for any visitors or for specific prayer concerns. As we have found out more about the nature of the virus, we feel that we can make decisions while continuing to follow the CDC guidelines. The children will be encouraged to come up front for the children's story—while continuing to stay distanced with their masks on. Individual bags with each child's name on will be provided with special items put in the bags from time to time. The bags will be left at church each week so the child has something to look forward to as they come into the worship time. Children's Church **WILL NOT** resume at this time.

In Our Church...



**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 1**

ALL SAINTS' DAY

On **Sunday, November 1**, we will be remembering all those who have passed in the past year since last November 1. We will have a time of calling out the names of those who have passed—and would encourage the family members present to take a flower in memory of their loved one. Let us, as a church, remember all the saints of the Church of Jesus Christ!

TRUCK STOP MINISTRY OFFERING Sunday, November 15

The Outreach Commission invites you to help support the Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry through a special offering to help with the support as they had to cancel both of their fund raising banquets this year due to COVID-19.

HARVEST HOME SERVICE Sunday, November 22

We will celebrate Thanksgiving by designating our "Harvest Home Service" on **Sunday, November 22**, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Please bring in canned food, non-perishable foods, etc. as we give to our local food bank at Hanover Council of Churches. Let us share our abundance so that others might be blessed.



**SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 22**

On **Sunday, November 22**, we will transform our sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas season. We welcome all who can help to decorate our sanctuary tree and hang the garlands and decorate other areas. A light lunch will be served and there will be an activity/craft for the younger children. The GLOW group will meet to decorate the narthex Christmas Tree. Let us make this a special time as we begin the Christmas season.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Soup, & Bake Sale
Saturday, November 14
9 AM - 1 PM

Featuring:

Our famous Homemade Soups: \$8 a quart;
Homemade Baked Goods

You will need to preorder the soup: chicken corn, ham & bean, vegetable beef, on the sign-up sheets at the church. Soup can be picked up Saturday, November 14 or on Sunday after church.

REORGANIZATION FOR 2021

Our Women's Fellowship group is in need of three officers for next year. We need a President, Vice-President, and a Secretary. Please consider serving in one of those positions. Although 2020 was a depressing year, we should expect our gatherings and our work to be exciting and productive next year.

BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, November 19

11 AM - 7 PM



Hanover Church of the Brethren will be hosting Central PA Blood bank in collecting blood. Call 1-800-771-0059 to make your appointment.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

It is time for the Samaritan's Purse – Operation Christmas Child. Shoe boxes will be available in the Narthex. The Youth Group has wrapped some of them for you. Fill the boxes with gifts of toys, hygiene items, clothing, or school supplies. There are brochures which give helpful suggestions, and provide a tag (indicating for girl or for boy) to be placed on the outside of box. The last day to bring boxes to the church is **November 22**. By-the-way, do not forget to pray for the child who will be receiving your box!



Church Council Reporting ...

FALL COUNCIL MEETING

At our Church Council meeting on October 21 we made several decisions. We affirmed all the candidates on the ballot. For Church Board: Phyllis Fuhrman; Natalie DeRita; Melissa Jacobs; Connie Morris; Frank McDonald; and Amanda Jacobs-Womer. We also affirmed: Muriel Myers for a 3 year term as church clerk; Pastor Gerry as the Annual Conference delegate to Greensboro, N C; district conference delegates at York First COB in 2021: Pastor; board chair; Andy McDonald; Pat Conrad; and Sharon Hershey as delegate in 2022. The Memorial Gifts committee will have Frank McDonald for another 3 year term. Deacons affirmed for a four year term are Ed and Connie Morris and Mike and Cindy Goodling.

We approved a budget for 2021 of \$224,974. We also approved Dick Godfrey to fill the unexpired term of Kenneth Duckworth who resigned in 2020.

REORGANIZATION MEETING OF THE BOARD & COMMISSIONS

Monday, November 9
7 PM



The board and commissions will reorganize on **Monday, November 9**, at **7 PM** for the 2021 year. New and returning commission members will meet for 15 minutes prior to the regular board meeting to select leadership.

COMMUNITY AID COLLECTION BIN

Community Aid has notified our church that due to the amount of “dumping” at our collection bin and the cost to get rid of the stuff they cannot resell, they are removing the bin. At our Church Board meeting on October 12 we decided on several options to continue our partnership with Community Aid and receive money for our donations. Clothing items can be taken directly to a Community Aid center and if you tell them our Church name they will give us six cents a pound. Hanover COB will host a clothing drive on designated Sundays throughout the year when you can bring those items and the Outreach Commission will take those items to Community Aid. You may also call Phyllis Fuhrman if you have clothing items and she will pick them and take them for you.

Youth & Young Adults...



YOUTH NEWS

The youth are encouraged to come to the events of the Spiritual Renewal weekend November 7 & 8: Saturday evening ice cream social and preaching; Sunday morning worship with Rev. Donita and the carry-in dish meal; Sunday evening worship. As we look to moving forward, spiritually, during COVID-19, we need to hold onto God's WORD and let it strengthen us. On Sunday, November 15, the youth will gather at noontime for lunch and then will explore at Codorus Park on a scavenger hunt. Come prepared to be outside.



Young Adult Group

Greetings, young adults and young marrieds ages 18 to 36. Our times of meeting at the church rather than at Panera because of COVID-19 have gone well- so we will continue that in November. We will meet on **November 5 at 7:30 in the church**. See you then and please bring a friend!

Spiritual Growth Opportunities...

Spiritual Renewal Weekend Featuring Guest Speaker

Rev. Donita Keister

*Theme: Based on Philippians
"Prayer, Purpose & Pressing On"*

Saturday, November 7

6:15 PM – Ice-cream Social

7:00 PM – Worship: "Prayer"

Sunday, November 8

10:30 AM – Worship: "Purpose"

12:00 noon – Carry-In Fellowship Meal
(with physical distancing)

6:30 PM – Hymn Sing

7:00 PM – Worship: "Pressing On"

We will once again be having our fall Spiritual Renewal services on November 7 & 8 with our speaker being Rev. Donita Keister, former Moderator of the denomination. We will begin Saturday evening with an ice cream social at 6:15 and the service at 7:00. On Sunday morning, Worship will be at 10:30 followed by a "covered dish meal" – "youth fundraiser" and time to fellowship in the afternoon. Sunday evening we will begin at 6:30 with a hymn sing and refreshments will follow the renewal service in the fellowship hall. Donita comes from the Buffalo Valley Church of the Brethren and is the Associate Pastor for Children and Pastoral Care. She brings a wealth of knowledge to us and will be speaking on: Prayer; Purpose; and Passing On. Please invite a friend or two to join us during these services.



ADVENT BEGINS ON November 29

The first Sunday of Advent is Sunday, November 29. The advent devotional "Give Light" will be available on November 22. The **Advent devotional readings are by James Benedict**. The images of light and darkness are used in the bible to describe the coming Messiah, God's redeeming work through Jesus Christ. These images reveal Jesus as the "true light" that comes into the world shining in us and through us. The light gives hope and brings life.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 7, at 8 a.m. This is open to all men of our church from age 18 to 90. Two of our fine cooks have volunteered to make the breakfast- and YOU just need to show up! There will be some focused spiritual time led by Robert Stockslager. Please come and support the Men's work!

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP



The prayer group continues to meet on Wednesday evening's at 6:00 in the prayer room. Please know that prayer is one of the most important things we can do for the church as we ask for guidance from the Holy Spirit. Our prayers are divided into prayers for the church, prayers for the people and prayers for our district, denomination and around the world.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Dick will be concluding the Hebrews bible study in early November. The bible study group will not meet until after the New Year and they will choose a new book to study. Please be watching the bulletin for start up.

Looking Ahead...



Sundays,
Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, & 20,
10:30 AM

Come and worship while we prepare our hearts for Christ's birth.



COOKIE DONATIONS

Outreach Commission will be again collecting cookies to be distributed through the Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry. Please have cookies to the church by **Monday, December 14**. Packing cookies will take place on that day at 5 PM.



Sunday December 6
Following Worship

Fellowship and Personnel Commission members are currently working on the plans for a safe gathering for our annual Christmas Dinner. Details will be in next month's newsletter and on the church's website.



Thursday,
December 24, 6 PM

A Communion & Candle Lighting Service celebrating our Savior's birth.



December 4, 2020

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Hanover Church of the Brethren on December 4. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979**



WINTER WEATHER IS COMING

If there are delays or closings for our church over the coming months, please go to WWW.WGAL.com website. The closings will not scroll on the TV screen. We will try to make decisions in a timely manner, but in all cases, use your judgement and do not drive if you don't feel safe. If you are in doubt about the church closing-call the church and there will be a "closure" message on the answering machine. If you have a question about the weather, please call Pastor Gerry at her home phone number: 717-428-2511. There will be a phone-chain set up to facilitate changes to the choir practice schedule.



November

BIRTHDAYS

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| 11/1 Wendy Reynolds | 11/22 Susan Bressler |
| 11/5 Jessica Huiet | Mae Hamme |
| Karen Snyder | 11/23 Pat Boyer |
| Cleatus Wentz | Jordan Weaver |
| 11/8 Liam McMaster | 11/25 Mason Hershberger |
| 11/10 Daniel Stonesifer | 11/26 Frank McDonald |
| 11/11 Jake Berwager | Jeremy Mowery |
| 11/12 Lance Rusinko | 11/28 Bruce Stambaugh |
| Rebecca Sowers | 11/29 Angie McMaster |
| 11/17 David Brodbeck | Nancy Yingling |
| 11/18 John Molison | 11/30 Margie Morelock |
| 11/19 Bleigh Duckworth | |



Congratulations to Bob & Lori Meminger on the birth of their first grandchild, Letty Jane.



Thank you to Dick & Sue Ambrosius for again assembling the newsletter for mailing this month.

Again, thank you to everyone who helped at the yard sale back in September. The final total for the sale as of October 4, 2020 is \$3817.25.



November

ANNIVERSARIES

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| 11/2 Bruce & Donna Plunkert | (45) |
| 11/21 Gregory & Pamela Hammond | (33) |
| 11/24 Steve & Kim Shue | (11) |

Uplift in Prayer

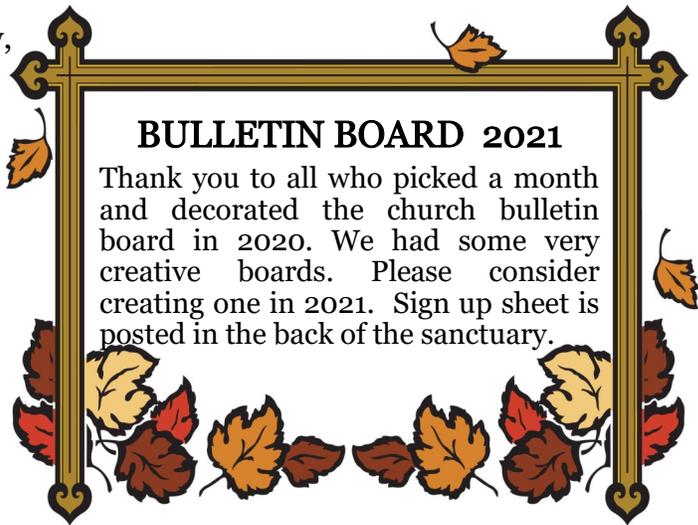
Listed below are those with ongoing concerns, recuperating from surgery or procedures, recently hospitalized or shared through our prayer chain. Your thoughts and prayers are always appreciated.

Sue Ambrosius, Pat & Don Conrad, John Paul Fike Sr., Sharon Hershey, Barb Lawrence, Kenneth Miller, Betty Stockslager, Randy Dickensheets, Amber Shaw, Jordan Weaver, Lorraine Hall, Nan, Deb Dahler

Remember our homebound:
Norma Becker, Jake Berwager, Dean Brodbeck
Miriam Mills, Charlie Sell, Dale Sullivan

Remember those in residence:
Hanover Hall
Esther Brown & John Paul Fike, Sr.
Plum Creek
Jewel Amspacher, Nancy Mummert &
Fay Swartz

Country Meadows - Bonnie Berwager
Utz Terrace - Evelyn Dickensheets
Spring Creek Rehab/Nursing - Sonja Bankert

BULLETIN BOARD 2021
Thank you to all who picked a month and decorated the church bulletin board in 2020. We had some very creative boards. Please consider creating one in 2021. Sign up sheet is posted in the back of the sanctuary.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Daylight Savings Time Ends</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>7 pm Deacons' meeting</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8 pm - AA</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6 pm - Prayer Group & Bible Study 7 pm - Choir</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7:30 pm-Connections at church</p>	<p>6</p> <p>6 pm AA</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8 am - Men's Breakfast at church</p> <p>Spiritual Renewal 6:15 pm Ice-cream Social 7 pm Worship</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Spiritual Renewal 10:30 am Worship 12 pm Carry-in meal 6:30 pm Hymn Sing 7 pm worship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7 pm - Board Reorganization 7:15 - Board Meeting</p> <p>7 pm - AlAnon</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8 pm - AA</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6 pm - Prayer Group & Bible Study 7 pm - Choir</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>6 pm AA</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Women's Fellowship Soup & Bake Sale 9 am to 1 pm</p>
<p>15</p>  <p>Poinsettia Orders Due</p> <p>Dec./Jan. Newsletter Deadline Youth Activity Noon to 2 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>PAL @ HACC</p> <p>7 pm - AlAnon</p>	<p>17</p> <p>8 pm - AA</p>	<p>18</p> <p>6 pm - Prayer Group 7 pm - Choir</p>	<p>19</p> <p>11 am to 7 pm Blood Drive</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6 pm AA</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>Harvest Home Service</p> 	<p>23</p> <p>7 pm - AlAnon</p>	<p>24</p> <p>8 pm - AA</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7 pm - Choir</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Office Closed</p> 	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p>  <p>FIRST SUNDAY OF Advent</p>	<p>30</p> <p>7 pm - AlAnon</p>					

In Our Community & District ...



CROSS KEYS VILLAGE
The Brethren Home Community

According to their website they will not be hosting any events through the end of December 2020.



Senior Day
Wednesday, November 18
9:30 AM to 3 PM, \$18
Register at
www.CampEder.org
717-642-8256

SOPA DISTRICT OFFICE

Please continue to keep our staff at the District office in prayer as they await renovations to a new location for the district office and continue to work from their homes. The Stewards chair, Roger Miller, Jay Finkenbiner, Bill Waugh and Carolyn Jones are the committee that has found a suitable new location in Gardners, PA. Hopefully before the end of the year the office will be moved out of the wing at The Brethren Home to the new location and they will need some additional help for the move. Thank you for your prayers as the District Office re-locates.

Hanover Area Council of Churches Needs for November

PAL - spaghetti sauce, ranch & Italian dressing, sauerkraut, stove top chicken stuffing, individual fruit cups, butter, breadcrumbs

Clothing Bank - new children's socks

Changing Lives Shelter - large debris trash bags, paper towels, toilet paper, medium size exam type gloves, disinfectant wipes/sprays

Ruth's Harvest - a letter will be forthcoming regarding this program.

Volunteers are needed for PAL-Thanksgiving & Christmas Day, Shelter, Meals on Wheels, Front Desk Reception, cleaning. Call 717-633-6353.

ORDER FORM



Please complete and return this form and your payment (Make checks payable to Hanover COB) to Betsy Carolus' mailbox by Sunday, November 15

ALL PLANTS ARE \$11 EACH (Please mark quantity)

_____ Red _____ White _____ Pink

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Given By: _____

In memory of: _____

In honor of: _____

**Deadline for ordering is
November 15.**

Poinsettias will be displayed on Dec. 20 and you may take them with you after worship.



~ *Serving Our Church* ~

November

December

Deacons of the Month/Welcomers	Betsy Carolus	Jim & Carol Replogle
Greeters of the Month	Not at this Time	Not at this Time
Ushers	Not at this Time.....	Not at this Time
Bulletin Board	Liam McMaster	Abby Sneeringer
Women's Fellowship Visitation	volunteers needed	volunteers needed



Don't forget to set your clocks **back one hour** when you go to bed on **Saturday, October 30** as Daylight Savings Time ends on **November 1!**

~ *Looking Ahead* ~

December/January Newsletter deadline - November 15

December 6: Christmas Banquet - noon

December 24: Christmas Eve Candlelight & Communion - 6 PM

Return Service Requested

Mailed October 23

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