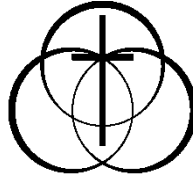


Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church

Newsletter

Rev. Salvatore E. Buonocore, Senior Pastor

KNOWING GOD GROWING IN FAITH



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May 2024

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Prayer AND Worship

*“Yet you have not called on Me [in prayer and worship], O Jacob;
But you have grown weary of Me, O Israel.”*

Isaiah 43:22 Amplified Bible

Other than serving on an Emmaus team, many of you have not seen much of me since Easter. The “younger” team has stepped up to cover Sunday mornings.

I’ve been here, but have spent a good deal of my time in the chapel in prayer. It has been peaceful, calming, refreshing, invigorating. I’ve been praying for you and our worship, outreach, and ministry.

Last Sunday, I was back leading worship. I didn’t realize how much I missed being in worship and being with the church family.

Conclusion: When it comes to pray and worship, we need to engage in both of these spiritual disciplines.

Consider adopting the following concepts/practices: worshipful prayer AND prayerful worship! I hope you’ll dive in and practice both of these on Sunday mornings here at Dover Bethany.

*“O come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker [in reverent praise and prayer].”*

Psalm 95:6 Amplified Bible

“Take Risks” and God Bless,
Pastor Sal

Prayer Changes Things

Stop in the chapel on Sunday mornings and spend some time praying. The white boards in the chapel have some directions and helps for you. You can add to the white board your own praises and prayer request.



**GOD HEARS
WHEN I PRAY**

DNA HOME GROUPS (DISCIPLESHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY)

STOP PROCRASTINATING

Our DNA groups meet weekly in homes. They are building relationships and enjoying time spent together in discussion of scripture and prayer. Don't miss out on this.

If you need help in joining a DNA group, make a note on your Communication Card and we will help you get connected. We are also looking for a few new group hosts and discussion facilitators. Please contact Pastor Emily if you are interested in hosting or facilitating one of our DNA groups.

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The Connection: Children's Ministry

The kids are having a wonderful time at The Connection from 5:30 – 7:30 PM each Sunday evening. If you have not attended, it is time to bring the kids to check it out!

A DNA group is meeting next door at the parsonage at the same time as the children's ministry. Drop off the kids and come over for a time of sharing and Bible study.

We are looking for a few more helpers with this ministry program. Our Sunday night children's ministry needs a few extra hands. If YOU can help the team, please contact Pastor Sal, Denise Brulinski, Gina Helsel or Sue McCarty or make a note on your Communication Card.

Congratulations

Pastor Emily is officially Reverend Emily. (You can still call her pastor – or Emily) Many of you came to the ordination service and to the celebration meal that evening. Thank you to all for your love, prayers and support.

What Is Emmaus?

E.M.M.A.U.S. – eat many meals and unlimited snacks!!!

Seriously, Emmaus is a once in a lifetime, structured, spiritual retreat. The focus is on grace. It is not a physical walk. It includes some powerful moments and worship experiences. We have required it of all DNA facilitators and have also opened this opportunity to as many in the church family as possible. There are 2 men's walks and 2 women's walks each year and we are limited to 4 (maybe 5) persons for each walk. We have about 30 folks within the Dover Bethany Church family who have experienced an Emmaus walk. Please make a note on your Communication Card if you would like more information and/or to sign up to go.

Please prayerfully consider the next Emmaus weekends:

Men's Walk: September 12-15, 2024

Women's Walks: September 19-22, 2024



Work Days ARE COMING!

Watch the weekly bulletin for when we will schedule work days for jobs around our church property. The more folks we have signed up for this, the more tasks we will add to the list.



Some things we are looking at: finish removing the tree at the parsonage, clean up in the church basement, perhaps planting some new shade trees, stump grinding, cleaning the kitchen, painting the kitchen, storage shed roof and siding in the playground, cleaning out the storage barn, ... there are all sorts of things to be done. Please sign up on your Communication Card when events are announced so that we know we have a team available to work.

101 Membership Class

The next Membership Class will be Saturday, June 22nd from 8AM to noon. This is your chance to learn about our Global Methodist denomination and particularly, our local Dover Bethany Church. Even if you have attended the membership class in the past, this is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with all the changes and renew your vision for our mission. Snack and drinks will be provided. Please sign up on your Communication Card.

Thursday, July 4th – Church Picnic @ 1PM

We have a special treat planned for the 4th of July! Our annual church picnic will start at 1 PM. Our entrée of gourmet BBQ and smoked meats will be provided by THE MEAT MAN, Travis Schiesser. Travis is the parent of one of the youth from the Homeschool Choir program. God has gifted him with the love AND gift of cooking. He shares this ministry with churches, Christian groups and other ministries. We can promise you an excellent meal from this wonderful person.

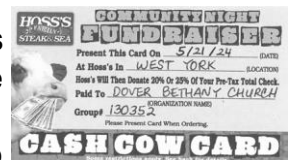
Pastor Sal and Nancy will provide homemade mac n cheese, all the drinks and paper goods. You are asked to bring a lawn chair, a side and/or dessert and a white elephant gift for the Bingo game. You are also encouraged to bring any lawn games you have to share. Depending on the count, we will be either at the back of the parsonage or the picnic pavilion. If you have questions, please see Pastor Sal and/or Nancy. We will have RSVP closer to the date. Put it on your calendar NOW – you don't want to miss out on this fun event!



The Living Color Fund Raiser plants will be delivered around 11AM on May 16th. We hope to finish sorting by 4 pm for pick up after that time. If you would like to help to sort please call Eileen Close 717-873-7342

In May, our Hoss's fundraiser day will be Tuesday; May 21st, all day.

The money raised will go toward our shoebox ministry shipping. Make sure you pick up a Cash Cow card at the Welcome Stations or bring your church bulletin insert.



Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group

Every second Monday of the month at 7PM, we host a support group for the families of those living with or helping a family member with Alzheimer and/or other dementia. Please come and check this out or share this with others you know struggling in this situation. It is open to all in our community.

Dover Food Pantry Sunday – The Third Sunday of Every Month

Please bring non-perishable food items, cleaning products, personal hygiene products and other such grocery good for the Dover Food Pantry. Place donations in gray bookshelf in the church lobby. You can always bring stuff ANY Sunday, but the 3rd Sunday is our push. Let's fill 'er up!



Open House

Pastor Emily would like to thank everyone for their prayers and assistance in helping her move into and renovate her new home. As a thank you, she is hosting an open house on Saturday, June 1st, from 12-5 pm. It is a come-and-go event, and light refreshments will be served. Watch your bulletin for more information. Please sign up on your Communication Card so she has snacks for all.

Church Plant Update – A Message from Pastor Emily

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have good news. We have discovered that Asbury Theological Seminary is offering a grant to church plants to help with advertisement, property rental, purchasing sound equipment, etc. Dover Bethany's church plant qualifies for the grant, and we are in the process of applying for the grant.

We still need 9 people to have 100 people daily praying for the church plant. If you have not, please mark it on your Communication Card or call the church office to let us know that you are praying for the plant.

Our next major step is to form a core team of 4-5 people to lead the plant. Please pray that the right people are chosen, and that God anoints them with His Holy Spirit so they can lead in His strength and wisdom.

God Bless,
Pastor Emily

Current details on the new church launch:

- ♥ Launch date is Easter 2025 (April 20th)
- ♥ Dover Bethany will continue to pay Pastor Emily's salary and slowly reduce that amount over the next several years.
- ♥ Asbury Theological Seminary will do a grant of up to \$20,000.
- ♥ We need 100 folks to commit to daily prayer and receive a monthly update from Pastor Emily. Sign up on your communication card.
- ♥ We need a core of folks who will go help start the church plant. We are asking that you give the new church a commitment of a year to help get them established. Of course you may choose to stay at the new church plant or come back to Dover Bethany. Be praying if God is calling you to be one of those core persons.
- ♥ We are looking to rent a facility somewhere along or close to Dover along 74. If you have any suggestions, let us know.



Financial Life of our Church

GENERAL FUND 03/31/2024 - To Date

REVENUE

Contributions	
General Fund/Sunday School	101,457
Other Donations	4,927
Memorial Gifts	0
Other Income	709
TOTAL REVENUE	107,093

EXPENSES

GMC Connectional Funding		2,979
Human Resources		
Pastoral Support	48,332	
Lay Employees	8,996	
General Operations		
Church Administration	1,813	
Church/Parsonage Utilities	6,142	
Property Maintenance	6,210	
Taxes, Insurance, Fees, etc	3,629	
Team Expenses - Serving, Growing, Sharing, Knowing		7,498
TOTAL EXPENSES	85,599	
BOTTOM LINE	+ 21,494	

Operation Christmas Child - Update

Carried from 2023 - \$2,923
 Receipts thus far in 2024: Donations - 279,
 Easter eggs - 3,792, Flower bulbs sale - 834,
 Hoss's - 510, Solar credits - 272,
 Neiman memorials - 1540

 Balance at 4/21/24 - \$10,150

Our Maundy Thursday offering this year was \$ 466. It was all donated to the medical outreach organization called International Mission Opportunities. Locally it is run by Bola and Aimee Adebisi. We have had church members go on trips with them in the past. Check them out at imomissions.org.

Balances - March 31, 2024
 M&T Checking/Money Market Accts - \$ 48,591

Two billboards were rented with Lamar Co. to advertise our Easter programs for the period 3/11 to 4/7. The total cost was \$ 1750.

May 2024 Volunteer Schedule		5	12	19	26
Greeters	9:00 AM	Dennis & Joan Wilt Deb Kemper Jack McLeod	Joanna Yingling Barb Mazol Pat Smith Carolyn Blymire	Jim & Holly McKean Rob & Nancy Shunk	Jason & Maria Spence Darren & Jami Weiland
	10:45 AM	Jeanne Spahr Luke & Britney Yeager	Mike & Ginger Lehr Ray & Linda Deneen	Nancy Snyder Mary Fetrow Marie Lauer	Mary Chronister Dana Keefe Mark & Margie Burkhart
Nursery	9:00 AM	Beth Trout Carolyn Blymire	Tracy Henze Jami Weiland	Pat Smith Maria Spence	Tennille Burkhart Nancy Snyder
	10:45 AM	Steve Green Marie Lauer	Margie Burkhart Melody Workman	Jeanne Spahr Mark Burkhart	Ginger Lehr Carla Green
Hospitality	9:00 AM	_____	Jeff & Lynette Stief	Vivian Quigley Elaine Myers	_____
	10:45 AM	Mark & Margie Burkhart	_____	Darlene Lookingbill Scott Enders	Marlin & Kathy Aughey
Head Usher	9:00 AM	Allan Crisamore	Will Sydor	Jason Spence	Jeff Stief
	10:45 AM	Roy Keefe	Luke Yeager	Darren Weiland	John Workman
Counters		Joanna Yingling & Barb Mazol			

It Takes All of The Body of Christ for the Church to Succeed

**EVERYBODY IS
NEEDED IN THE
BODY OF CHRIST.**

It takes team work to cover all of our Sunday ministries. Prayerfully consider helping with the Sunday morning nursery; worship greeters, the hospitality center and our Sunday night children's ministry, The Connection. Those who serve will tell you that it is greater to give than receive. Come and check out the blessing of being in service to our Lord!

Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church Calendar MAY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 8am Helping Hand Class Prayer Time in Chapel 9am - Noon 9:00am Worship 10:45am Worship Noon – DNA Facilitator Meeting 5:30pm – 7:30pm The Connection: Children's Ministry	6 7pm Alzheimer/ Dementia Support Group	7 9am Ladies Bible Study 7pm Board of Director's Meeting	8 9am Stitches of Love	9	10	11
12 8am Helping Hand Class Prayer Time in Chapel 9am - Noon 9:00am Worship 10:45am Worship Peanut & Raisin Cluster Orders Due 5:30pm – 7:30pm The Connection: Children's Ministry	13	14	15	16 Pick Up Flower Orders after 4 PM ***Sorters for orders needed at 11AM**	17	18
19 8am Helping Hand Class Prayer Time in Chapel 9am - Noon 9:00am Worship 10:45am Worship Peanut & Raisin Cluster Pick UP <i>FOOD BANK Sunday</i> 5:30pm – 7:30pm The Connection: Children's Ministry	20	21 9am Ladies Bible Study HOSS'S FUNDRAISER ALL DAY – West York Location ONLY Counting and sorting for OCC Shoeboxes 6 PM	22 9am Stitches of Love	23	24	25
26 8am Helping Hand Class Prayer Time in Chapel 9am - Noon 9:00am Worship 10:45am Worship 5:30pm – 7:30pm The Connection: Children's Ministry	27	28	29	30	31	June 1 Open House at Pastor Emily's 75 E Canal RD Dover 12-5 PM RSVP on Communication Card

INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER IS THE 2024 CHURCH DIRECTORY. PLEASE USE THIS FOR THE FELLOWSHIP AND BUSINESS OF THE CHURCH. DO NOT USE IT FOR PERSONAL PROFIT OR SHARE OUTSIDE OUR CHURCH FELLOWSHIP. THANK YOU!

PEANUT & RAISIN CLUSTER SALE - \$3/bag

Order by May 12th, 2024 and Pick up date: May 19th, 2024
 Proceeds benefit the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry.
 Order sheets are at the welcome centers.
 Contact Carol Hake 717-818-2149 for details.



CONNECTING KIDS TO CHRIST

The Connection

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Friday – Saturday

June 14-15th

July 12-13th

August 9-10th

VBS is expanding to VBC – VACATION BIBLE CAMP!

We will start on Friday evening at 6:30 PM and wrap on Saturday evening at 5 PM with dinner for our campers, their families and the camp staff.

Campers must be preregistered by the Sunday before the weekend. There will be both a preschool program for ages 3 to those entering Kindergarten **AND** an elementary program for kids going into grades 1 – 6th. You can come for one, two or all three weekends. Each weekend will have a different program.

It will take a team of people to help us lead this three weekend program for the kids.

If you can help one, two or all three weekends, we have a job for you! Please check out the Connection Vacation Bible Camp bulletin board for more information on helping with this event.

EVERYONE can be a part of the fun for VBC this summer!



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As you are out and about shopping, remember our shoebox gifts. We are planning on preparing at least **1601** shoebox gifts. Our core items include:

- Washcloth
- Toothbrush
- Soap
- Comb
- 24 pack crayons
- Pack of Pencils
- Large Color book (1 per box)
OR Small Color books
(3 per box)
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pack Sidewalk Chalk
- 70 page spiral notebooks
- Stuffed Animal
- Tote Bag

We also need all varieties of toys and other items for all ages. Thank you for your generous donations.

Our next time of counting and sorting donations will be Tuesday, May 21st at 6PM. All ages are welcome to help us process the donations and help get ready for our Operation Christmas Child Packing Party in November.

