



Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church

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April 2026 Church Newsletter

The Resurrection: Reliable And True

In the middle of the 1800s, a man by the name of Simon Greenleaf was teaching a class on evidence of law at Harvard University. Greenleaf was considered to be the greatest expert on evidence of law.

Greenleaf had one non-negotiable rule when he taught: "Never make up your mind about any significant matter without first considering the evidence." Greenleaf set this rule in place and applied it in all areas of life except when it came to religion. He was a Jew who did not believe in Christianity.

One day in class the subject of the resurrection came up. Greenleaf proclaimed to his class, "I don't believe in the resurrection." One student courageously spoke up and asked: "Yes, Professor, but have you considered the evidence?"

Greenleaf realized that he had not considered the evidence and from that day forward, he set out to study the evidence of the resurrection with the desire to disprove it. After much time studying the evidence with an open mind, Greenleaf came to this conclusion, "If the evidence of Christ's resurrection were presented to any unbiased jury in the world, they would have to conclude that Jesus of Nazareth rose from the dead."

Greenleaf was so convicted by the evidence that he became a Christian and wrote about his research of the resurrection in a book released in 1846 known as "The Testimony of the Evangelists."

Greenleaf went on to make this observation, "According to the laws of the legal evidence used in courts of law, there is more evidence for the historical fact of the resurrection of Jesus Christ than just about any other event in history."

Share the truth of the resurrection with courage and confidence, for it is the most important truth that needs to be shared with a dying world. 1 Peter 1:3 declares, *"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."*

**Christ
is
Risen!**

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal

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SERVANT EVANGELISM - A FUN WAY TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE!

Each month of 2026, we are going to have a "servant evangelism" event to reach out to our community.

April's servanthood activity is **EASTER SERVICE**. Bring your family to either the 8 or 10 AM service. We are hosting an Easter Brunch at 9am - plan to stay or come early for the food and fun!

PRAYER WALK

On Tuesday, May 5th, join us as we walk thru Dover and pray for our community. Watch Sunday bulletin for time and place.

PRAISE IN THE PARK

Mark your calendars! On Saturday, May 30th at the Carousel House at Brookside Park, we will host Praise in the Park. Along with our awesome Praise and Worship Team, we will be joined by some of our area sister churches. Plus, David Crays will lead us in several line dances! Watch bulletin for times, needed donations and volunteers.



ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO BE PART OF THESE FUN EVENTS OF SHOWING GOD'S LOVE TO OUR COMMUNITY!



Line Dancing - Wednesday nights at 6

David Crays is leading this for free and only asks for a donation that goes toward shoeboxes. You don't need a partner BUT... this is a great opportunity to invite some else and bring them along. There will be several weeks that David will not be available so check your weekly bulletin before you come.

Trail Life - Troop PA 2717

Proverbs 27:17 is our troop's verse:

"As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another."

The troop meets the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Tuesday nights of the month from 6 to 7:30. We had our 1st hike and are preparing for our 1st camp out. If you have any unused camping equipment that is in good shape and would like to donate - we are looking for cooking gear and camping gear.



Membership Class & New Members on Pentecost Sunday



We will recognize new members on Sunday, May 24th. Our next membership class will be Saturday, April 25th from 8am to noon. Snacks are provided. Bring your own caffeine. Sign up on your communication card so we know how many to prepare for.

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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

- Those who handed out chocolate bunnies at Dottie's.
- Those who donated items for gift bags.
- Those who prepared gift bags for the line dancing class.
- Those who have helped to paint in the basement.

Encountering God Church Camp



Our conference is having a church camp, Encountering God, at Penn Grove Retreat Center in Hanover, PA. The camp is from July 19-24 and is for grades 3-12. It will be a week filled with outdoor activities, worship, games, and Bible lessons to help kids dive deeper into their faith and have a personal experience with Jesus.

Cost: registration is \$299 per camper. We wanted to encourage our children to attend, so upon request, Dover Bethany will pay half of the cost per camper. For more information visit the Northeast Conference website or talk to Pastor Emily.

Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church Calendar						April 2026
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 8:30am Mission Central Trip 6pm Line Dancing	2 7pm Maundy Thursday Service	3 7pm Good Friday Service	4
5 HAPPY EASTER! 8:00am & 10:00am Easter Worship 9am Easter Brunch between services	6	7 6pm Trail Life 7pm Board of Director's Meeting	8 9am Stitches of Love 6pm Line Dancing	9	10 7 pm Homeschool Choir Concert at Northeastern HS	11
12 8am Helping Hand Class 9:00am Worship 3:00pm – 4:30pm The Connection: Children's Ministry	13	14	15 6pm Line Dancing	16 6pm TLC – Cancer Support Group	17 Trail Life Camp Out Ft. Loudon, PA	18 Trail Life Camp Out Ft. Loudon, PA
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Walk to Emmaus Retreats Coming Soon!

If you have not been on an Emmaus retreat, we want to encourage you to do so. We have over 20 folks here who have been to Emmaus and would love to sponsor you. If you need help, Emmaus offers a scholarship fund that will pay half your cost and if needed, the church will pay half your expenses. So, you have no financial excuse for not going. Sign up on your communication card and we will get you more info:

Men's Walk: April 23-26 and Women's Walk: April 30-May 3

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service 7PM

On Thursday, April 2nd, we gather for worship with a special service of communion and hand washing. It is the night we remember Jesus washing the disciples' feet and His instructions to the disciples during the last supper in the upper room.

Good Friday: Service of Shadows Service 7PM

On Friday, April 3rd, we have a powerful worship experience. We start the service with all the lights up and end the service with the church stripped and covered with black, lights out and silence. We have 15 readings that walk us through the passion narratives. If you would like to do one of the readings, watch for an opportunity to sign up on your Communication Card. A note to parents of younger children: This service may be a little too intense or scary for small children. Please use your discretion.

EASTER Sunday, April 5th

8 & 10 AM - Easter Worship and 9 AM - Brunch and fellowship

Prayer Room – Open Easter Sunday

We have two worship services on Easter. Choose to spend some time in the prayer room when you are not in the worship service. Then after Easter, stop in the prayer room before or after services to spend some time in prayer – prayer for our pastors, our church, our community, our country, the yet to be saved, for healing and other concerns. **The prayer room is our former crib room and is located across from the bathrooms, between the nursery and the chapel.**

April 2026 Volunteer Schedule	5	12	19	26
Greeters	Carol Sarver Denise Brulinski Sue McCarty Sue Hamburg	Mary Fetrow Marie Lauer Jeanne Spahr Kathy Rizzuto	Mary Chronister Dana Keefe Mark & Margie Burkhart	Elaine Myers Donna Snyder Nancy Dehoff Vivian Quigley
Nursery	Carla Green Ginger Lehr	Maria Spence Gail Wolgamuth	Denise Brulinski Carol Sarver	Pat Smith Lynette Stief
Hospitality	Mark & Margie Burkhart	Darlene Lookingbill Scott Enders	Jeff & Lynette Stief	Marlin & Kathy Aughey
Head Usher	Darren Weiland	Luke Yeager	Will Sydor	Rich Crager
Counters	Deb Kemper & Fran Peifer			





On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’” Then they remembered his words.

Luke 24:1-8

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Homeschool Choir Concert



**York
Home School
Association
Junior and
Senior Choirs
Concert**

The York Home School Association Junior and Senior Choirs will hold their spring concert on Friday, April 10th at Northeastern High School at 300 High St. in Manchester.

The concert is a celebration of our country's 250th birthday, with a blend of traditional folk tunes, hymns and patriotic songs.

The preconcert of student-prepared songs will begin at 6:30 PM, with the choirs' concert at 7 PM. The choir is under the direction of Nancy and Pastor Sal Buonocore. Elaine Myers is

the accompanist of the Junior Choir. Admission to the concert is free. Come and enjoy an evening of music.

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