



Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church

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August 2026 Church Newsletter

Distractions: May I Have Your Attention Please

This week was the York State Fair. I had not been in years. While walking around, your head is on a swivel. Everything and everyone is vying for your attention (and your money). There are the flashing lights to grab your attention and the signs and the smell of food! I wanted to see the pig races, the grizzly bear encounter, the model trains, butter sculpture and LEGOS! But in trying to get to those things, you have to shoot the gauntlet, which is a mine field of distractions. If you get side tracked – kiss the starting bell of the pig races good-bye!

It is way too easy to get distracted in our lives and miss getting to the important stuff. Busyness is probably our #1 distraction.

But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made... *“Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed - or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”* Luke 10:40-42 NIV

“And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.” Hebrews 12:2a NIV

“Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.” Colossians 3:2 NIV

“Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you. Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your ways. Do not turn to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.” Proverbs 4:25-27 NIV

Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.” Luke 9:62 NIV

Does your focus need more focus?

“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 having a "servant evangelism" event to reach out to our community.



PRAYER WALK

Tuesday, August 4th, join us at 6:30PM at the Tom's parking lot as we walk thru Dover and pray for our community. We will be walking a loop past all three of Dover's schools and the firehouse, praying over the leaders, children, and members of our community. Walk at your own pace as we pray for revival and renewal in Dover, PA.



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



CHANGE OF DATE!

Saturday, September 19th!

Both the church family and the community had so much fun, we're doing it again! On September 19th from 11 am-3 pm, we will host our 2nd annual Cruse-In and Tractor Show. Come out for a great time to meet new folks in the community and raise money for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Emily or Will Sydor.

A Great Awakening Movie Night

Bring a friend to come and see A Great Awakening, the true story of George Whitefield and how God used him help bring revival to the American Colonies. We will be showing it for two nights, Saturday August 29th and Sunday August 30th at 7pm.



Mark your calendar for the Dover Fireman's Carnival on Sept 2-7

We will have a table to greet the community at the carnival. Watch for sign-ups.



Yo! Ho! Away We Go!

Vacation Bible Camp will be August 7-8th. Pick up a brochure at the welcome center for you kids, grandkids, neighbor kids - any kids who might enjoy this weekend of pirate fun.

There is still time to join in. Please contact Nancy Buonocore at 717-645-3967.

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Scholarships

Scholarships will be awarded on Sunday, August 23rd. We will also receive a special offering that will go toward our scholarship fund

*** Those wishing to apply for a scholarship must be active church members who are attending college or other higher education. Please submit your name, where you are going to school, what you are majoring in, how far along are you in your degree and what you hope to do upon graduation. Email this to the Pastor Sal – pastorsal@dbgmc.org by August 16th.



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 they 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 Weekend, September 17-20

Women's Weekend, September 24-27

Trail Life

Weekly troop meetings start back this September on Tuesday nights at 6:30 pm. If you know of boys and teens who might be interested, please contact Pastor Sal for more information.

<u>August 2026</u> Volunteer Schedule	2	9	16	23	30
Greeters	Steve & Carla Green Luke & Britney Yeager	Jason & Maria Spence Darren & Jami Weiland	Carol Sarver Denise Brulinski Sue McCarty Sue Hamburg	Jeff & Lynette Stief Scott Enders Darlene Lookingbill	Mary Fetrow Marie Lauer Jeanne Spahr Kathy Rizzuto
Nursery	Maria Spence Gail Wolgamuth	Denise Brulinski Carol Sarver	Pat Smith Lynette Stief	Beth Trout Carolyn Blymire	Trazy Henze Jami Weiland
Hospitality	Mark & Margie Burkhart	Jeff & Lynette Stief	Scott Enders Darlene Lookingbill	Marlin & Kathy Aughey	We need you!
Head Usher	Jeff Stief	Elaine Kroft	Mike Lehr	Darren Weiland	Luke Yeager
Counters	Deb Kemper & Fran Peifer				



Financial Life of our Church

Operation Christmas Child Activity since Jan 1, 2026

Carried from 2025	\$2,309
Line Dancing donations	1,013
Trono de Gracia - use of chapel	650
Craft Show	285
Solar rebates	436
Restaurants in homes	560
Hoss's fund raiser	167
Donations	<u>3,245</u>
Balance at 7/26/2026	\$8,665

Featured Expenses

- Morefield Communications: yearly phone contract, \$1,270
- Rachelle Davis, Tax Collector: County and Township real estate taxes for church and parsonage, \$2,317
- Air Technology: new hot water heater, \$2,600
- Lamar Companies: Easter billboards, \$1,830
- Dillsburg Excavating and Septic: install new sewage pump, \$2,800
- Goodville Mutual Casualty: property insurance, \$1,232 per month

GENERAL FUND Thru June 2026

REVENUE

Contributions	
General Fund/Sunday School	\$65,101
Other Donations	1,477
Memorial Gifts	525
Other Income	<u>2,745</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	\$69,848

EXPENSES

GMC Connectional Funding	\$4,603
Human Resources	
Pastoral Support	90,541
Lay Employees	17,369
General Operations	
Church Administration	4,801
Church/Parsonage Utilities	20,335
Property Maintenance	19,084
Taxes, Insurance, Fees, etc	11,710
Team Expenses - Serving, Growing, Sharing, Knowing	<u>12,712</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$181,155
BOTTOM LINE	(\$11,307)

Dover Bethany Global Methodist Church Calendar

August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Craft Show 10 am - 2 pm
2 8am Helping Hand Class 9:00am Worship	3	4 6:30 pm Prayer Walk (Dover Square)	5 8:30 am Mission Central Trip 6pm Line Dancing	6	7 Vacation Bible Camp	8 Vacation Bible Camp
9 8am Helping Hand Class 9:00am Worship	10	11	12 9am Stitches of Love 6pm Line Dancing	13	14	15
16 8am Helping Hand Class 9:00am Worship FOOD BANK Sunday	17	18	19 6pm Line Dancing	20 6pm TLC - Cancer Support Group	21	22
23 8am Helping Hand Class 9:00am Worship	24	25	26 9am Stitches of Love 6pm Line Dancing	27	28	29 7:00 pm Movie: A Great Awakening
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