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***Please note, the church office is CLOSED on Holidays.**

MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. DAVID'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

St. David's United Church of Christ strives to be a loving and caring family of God by:

- Celebrating the Good News of Jesus Christ
- Committing ourselves to unite the membership
- Witnessing to our community and the world

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PRIORITY STATEMENT:

Our priority is to promote spiritual growth through prayer, bible study, small groups, Faith Formation, and worship participation as evidenced by an increased involvement in vibrant, purposeful congregational activities.

God so
loved the
world

Remember God's special gift of Jesus by making this craft.

What you need:

- Large piece of blue paper
- Large bowl
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Paint (green and red)
- Paintbrush
- Wet wipes
- 3 wooden craft sticks
- Craft glue
- Black marker
- Bible



What you do:

1. On the paper, trace around the bowl. Cut out the circle.
2. Paint your palms green, one at a time, and press them in the circle side by side. (Clean your hands with wet wipes.)
3. Dip a finger in red paint and make a dot on the center of each handprint.
4. Between the handprints, glue two sticks end to end vertically. Glue the third stick horizontally to make a cross.
5. In marker, write the words of John 3:16 around the blue circle.



Jesus gives us *life*

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offers the free gift of eternal life.

Directions: Match each clue from Holy Week with the correct image. If you get stuck, look up the Bible verses.

People spread these on the road for Jesus. (Matthew 21:8)

Mary pours this on Jesus' feet. (John 12:3)

Jesus shares this with his disciples. (Matthew 26:26)

This is placed on Jesus' head. (John 19:2)

Soldiers may have used these to compete for Jesus' coat. (John 19:23-24)

Jesus carries this himself for a while. (John 19:17)

Marks caused by these help Thomas identify Jesus. (John 20:25)

While on the cross, Jesus is thirsty and is given this. (John 19:28-29)

This is rolled away from Jesus' tomb. (John 20:1)

These are used to prepare Jesus' body for burial. (Luke 23:55-56)

These remain in the tomb after Jesus rises. (John 20:6-7)

Judas betrays Jesus for this. (Matthew 26:14-15)



Answer: palm branches, perfume, bread, crown of thorns, dice, cross, nails, vinegar on a sponge, stone, spices, linen, silver coins



"Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb; it was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, 'Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. I know that thou hearest me always, but I have said this on account of the people standing by, that they may believe that thou didst send me.' When he had said this, he cried out with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out.' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with bandages, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.' John 11:38-44

It must have been scary for those who were standing at Lazarus's tomb; its not every day you see life come out of death. Can you imagine the range of emotions that must have existed in the crowd that day? Mary and Martha, excited to have their brother back, ALIVE! Unbelief by many who had come from Jerusalem to mourn with the sisters. Amazed.

During World War II it is reported that, during bombing raids, Jewish families would go to the nearest cemetery and hide out in unfilled, open graves for protection. On more than one occasion, while in those graves, some expectant mother would give birth. As awful as life seemed at the time, when the words "A child is born!" were passed among them, for at least a brief moment, hope existed. In the midst of their despair and fear, they kept hoping that someday God would send to them the promised Messiah, even if he were born in a graveyard, each birth was a reason for God's people to celebrate and hope.

Christ calls us out of death and into newness of life, life in his risen presence and power. So, it is time the stone was rolled away from the tomb that is our life, so that when Jesus calls us,

"Christian, come out!" we can step out into the light, freed from the death of sin, freed to once again live out our lives in service to Christ.

Lord, let us be willing to die to our sinful self, that we might be raised anew to serve You throughout all the days of our lives. AMEN

Rev. Scott A. Sager



The Lectionary recommends passages of scripture for each Sunday of the year. We will not read all of these in worship, but they are provided for your individual study and reflection for the week. We encourage you to read the lessons the week prior to Sunday service.

April 6, 2025

Isaiah 43:16-21
Psalm 126,
Philippians 3:4-14,
John 12:1-8

April 18, 2025

Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22, Hebrews
4:14-16, 5:7-9
John 18:1-19:42

April 13, 2025

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29,
Luke 19:28-40

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Isaiah 65:17-25, Psalm
118:1-2, 14-24, Acts
10:34-43, I Corinthians
15:19-26, Luke 24:1-
12, John 20:1-18

April 17, 2025

Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12:1-14,
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19,
I Corinthians 11:23-
26, John 13:1-17, 31-
35

April 27, 2025

Psalm 118:14-29,
Psalm 150, Acts 5:27-
32, Revelation 1:4-8,
John 20:19-31



The God of Miracles

My nephew was in a bad car accident when he was 17. A friend was trying to pass him in a no passing zone. Another vehicle was oncoming so the friend tried quickly to get back in his own lane. In doing so, his car hit Dane's tail end, which spun Dane's vehicle into the other lane causing him to collide with the oncoming car. Somehow, Dane ended up back in his own lane. His car was demolished. The engine had flown out and landed in someone's yard. His car was impacted on all sides. The only place that wasn't touched was the driver's seat where Dane was sitting. The steering wheel was shoved all the way to the passenger side of the vehicle. The car was completely destroyed except for that one spot where Dane was sitting.

He was able to literally walk out of the vehicle. He had no broken bones and no internal injuries. As a precaution, he was taken by ambulance to the hospital. He did have severe trauma to his back and neck from pulled muscles and bruises. Thankfully, no one in the other two vehicles was injured. The paramedics said they had never seen a vehicle that mangled where anyone walked out of it alive or at the very least, not critically injured.

Dane was our miracle man. His guardian angel was with him. Funny, because I had just given him a St. Michael medallion that he had hanging on his mirror. And we believed also, that his dad, who had passed away when Dane was five, was somehow with him to help save his life. Whatever means God used to rescue Dane from

disaster and fatal injuries, it was a true miracle. I will thank God for that miracle for the rest of my life.

Some people get their miracles in the form of healing. Some get them when they escape death. But we don't always get the miracle we are praying for.

Oh, we know God can move mountains if He wanted to. He created the universe out of nothing (Genesis 1:1-31), He parted the Red Sea (Exodus 14:21-22), He made a bush on fire, but it did not burn up (Exodus 3:2-3), He made a donkey talk (Numbers 22:28), He made a virgin conceive and give birth to Jesus (Matthew 1:18-25).

And Jesus, Wow! He performed over 30 miracles. Jesus' first miracle was turning water to wine (John 2:1-11). Raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-44). He walked on water (John 6:16-21). Calmed the sea (Matthew 8:23-27). He healed the lame and the blind and the lepers (John 9:1-7), (Matthew 11:5), cast out demons (Mark 8:28-34), fed five thousand people from five loaves of bread and two fish (Matthew 14:13-21).

And the ultimate miracle, Jesus rising from the dead after three days. The resurrection was the greatest miracle of all. (Luke 24)

Are you praying for a miracle? Waiting for that mountain to move? Waiting for your circumstances to change, but nothing is happening on the outside?

I prayed for a miracle when my mom was dying from cancer and that prayer didn't get answered, not the way I wanted it to. But she got a better reward. She got Heaven. Oh, yes, after 28 years, I still miss her every single day. When people say our loved one is in a better place. It's not just words. It's Heaven! We miss them. We hurt. We grieve, but they are happy beyond comprehension, away from the troubles of this world.

My dad and I were never close when Mom was alive. After Mom passed, I had three good years getting to know my dad before he joined my mom in heaven. God's miracles are a mystery. Miracles are unexplained events that defy human understanding. They are extraordinary and supernatural.

Biblical miracles are defined as "a divine intervention that reveals God's power, authority,

and purpose.” These events demonstrate the presence and actions of God in the world. Miracles reveal God’s character and His care. God loves us and wants to provide miracles for us. But what if our miracles don’t come the way we expect them to? What if our prayers are not answered the way we want them to be? For the past year and a half, I have been praying for something that I believe would take a miracle of God for it to happen. I have prayed, and prayed, and prayed, but what I asked for is not taking place. Does that mean it won’t happen? Only God knows that. But there is a miracle happening in my life that transcends understanding. I am changing on the inside. God has opened my eyes to a deeper understanding of areas that I needed to improve in. I am happy and excited about the work God has been doing in me. I didn’t get my answer the way I wanted or expected it to come, but I got it in the way it needed to come. God knew what was best for me. He knew answering my prayer and giving me that miracle was not what I needed in order to grow.

It’s like a parent who says no to their children because they know it will be better for the child if they don’t say yes. Sometimes it’s to protect that child from harm. Sometimes it’s to help them learn.

What if you don’t get your miracle? What if the miracle you have been praying for becomes the miracle in you?

There is no greater miracle than the miracle that can be seen in you with the help of the Holy Spirit working in your life to transform you from one degree of glory to another.

The miracle is keeping the faith even when things are bad all around us, when bad things happen, when we lose a loved one, when a child suffers with or dies from cancer. The miracle is the ability to keep on going in the strength of God when these things happen. There is a miracle in forgiveness. Jesus led this by example. As He hung on the cross, he said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” (Luke 23:34)

A mother who forgives a drunk driver for killing her child and goes on to advocate for that person - that’s a miracle.

God can take one of the most terrible things that has ever happened to you and use it to work

miracles inside of you. When we surrender our hurt, our pain, our loss to God, He works in us in the most amazing ways.

What if the miracle you are looking for is the miracle happening in you?

When we don’t get our miracle, the miracle becomes our faith, our journey, our witness to others. Either way, the glory is God’s. The battle is God’s. He makes miracles out of our messes, stars out of our scars, and turns bad things into something good. Sometimes God answers a prayer and we get that miracle, but the true miracle is the transformation in us when we don’t get that for which we prayed. That’s when the miracle becomes our faith. Faith to keep on believing when we can’t see past ourselves, past this moment in time, past the hurt, past losing control, past not knowing what the future holds. Does our faith stand strong when God doesn’t answer our prayer? Do we still give Him the glory? Are we spending all our time praying for deliverance or are we praising Him despite what the outcome may be?

In Daniel 3, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were ordered by the king to worship an image of gold or be thrown into the fiery furnace. They refused to order the image of gold stating, “If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, but even if he does not, we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold.”

Notice how they said, “Even if he does not.” Even if God did not deliver them from the fiery furnace, they still refused to worship another god. And guess what happened, they WERE thrown into the fiery furnace, but God DID deliver them. In fact, Jesus was in the furnace with them. They threw three men in the fire, but the soldiers saw four men in the furnace. The fire was turned up seven times hotter than normal. They came out unharmed, unsinged, and didn’t even smell like smoke.

We are all thrown into the fiery furnace at times. We may not get our miracle of deliverance, but if we say, “Even if God does not deliver us, we will still love, worship, and serve Him,” that is our process of transformation. It’s when we pick up our mat and walk. (John 5)

I have a lot more work and growing to do, but the important thing is, I have grown through the fire. When all you have left is God, you find out

that's all you really need. The pruning is painful, but I have seen good changes in me that I didn't even know I needed to make. That's the miracle taking place inside of me.

God still performs miracles, but sometimes He changes you. As with me, the miracle you might be looking for might be the miracle that's taking place in you.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 2 Corinthians 5:17

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. 2 Corinthians 3:18

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7

Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him. Psalm 37:7

We rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character, and character, hope. Romans 5:1-5

Dear friends, do not be surprised by the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you as though there were something strange happening to you. 1 Peter 4:12

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind. Romans 12:2

Miracles

When you've done all you could do,
And you stand,
Waiting for God to move His mighty hand,
But the sea hasn't parted,
The mountains haven't moved.
The miracle you've been waiting for,
Might be the miracle in you.
Changes are coming,
Your life is transforming,
Turning you into somebody new.
When you've done all you can, stand.
When the answers don't come,
And changes aren't seen,
If there's no struggle, there's no progress.
No change in me.
So if He parted the Red Sea,
Why can't He perform a miracle in me?
I'm being renewed, transformed, reinvented

every day.

I'm being redeemed, restored, reshaped in every way.

What if the miracle I've been looking for,
Waiting for isn't meant to be?

What if the miracle taking place,
Is the miracle in me?

Tammy Kitzmiller

Prayer: God, we still believe in Your miracles.

We want to see them strong and mighty, divine intervention, supernatural, beyond human reasoning or understanding, but help us to know that there are many different kinds of miracles taking place around us every day. You already gave us the greatest miracle of all – Your Son, Jesus, our Savior. Thank you for that most precious gift. Open our eyes to see the miracles around us every day and let the Holy Spirit work in us and in our lives to create a miracle in us.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Song:

Miracle Child – Brandon Lake

Take It All Back – Tauren Wells

Miracle – Riley Clemmons He Still Does

Miracles – Hawk Nelson

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Tammy Kitzmiller

St. David's U.C.C. Consistory Minutes for March 10, 2025

Present at the meeting: Pastor Scott Sager, Chris Darrow, Jenn Fisher, Wayne Fuhrman, Brent Grove, Lucy Halter, Steve Harmon, Pam Hartman, Barb Horneff, Linda Miller, Sue Myers, Shirlee Tasto, and Jim Wissler. Quorum present.

Absent: Sue Brumgard, Nicholas Hawkins, and Diane Henry

President Lucy Halter called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and led with an opening prayer.

Approval of Minutes

Pam Hartman made a motion to approve the Minutes of February 10, 2025 with Sue Myers seconding.

Jenn Fisher made a CORRECTION to the Mission donations/goal under NEW BUSINESS to read: Donations were \$43,000 for 2023 and

\$54,000 for 2024. No goals are set. Annual donations are merely reported.

All approved.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Harley Hartman submitted/explained the monthly treasurer's report in advance and was available to answer a question about Parking Lot funding from Steve Harmon. Harley responded: The initial payment of \$40,000 was available and \$90,000 comes from a movement of funds. Linda Miller made a motion to approve the report with Jenn Fisher seconding.

All approved.

Pastor Report

Pastor Scott Sager gave a verbal monthly report for February 2025.

Committee Reports:

Finance (Wayne Fuhrman)

Did not meet.

Church and Ministry (Wayne Fuhrman)

Did not meet. Next meeting is May 7, 2025.

Personnel (Lucy Halter, in the absence of Sue Brumgard)

- Wendy Noel, church secretary, has submitted a letter of resignation. Wendy's last day is April 30, 2025.

Questions:

Do we allow overlap – person leaving/replacement? (Jim Wissler).

Will it be announced in Church? (Wayne Fuhrman) Personnel will determine when to announce it. (Pastor Scott)

Care (Linda Miller)

Did not meet. Next meeting is May 6, 2025.

- March 26, 6:30 pm – Fall Risk Prevention Workshop

Evangelism (Chris Darrow)

- Approximately 67 attendees for the Leap of Faith concert on February 28, 2025. Band was presented a check for \$300 and a meal was provided. Collected \$197 in free will offering which will be used to defray costs of future Leap of Faith concerts/honorarium for continued commitment/advertising.

- Need to choose a date for a Community Bonfire.
- Micah Maddox Women's Event at St. David's on September 27, 2025. Theme is "Perfect Peace".

Fellowship (Lucy Halter, in the absence of Diane Henry)

- Sponsored Movie Night on February 21 and served Fastnachts on March 2.
- Upcoming Congregational Luncheon on March 30 following the 10 am combined service. Will provide fried chicken and drinks. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board.
- Gift Card Bingo on April 4 at 7 pm in Grove Building. Requesting donations of gift cards of \$25 or less.

Fireside Friends (Pam Hartman and Barb Horneff)

- Valentine Dinner for Singles was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- Sewing Group (making bed pads) met March 8, 9-11 am in the Overflow Room.
- Easter Flower Sale is going well; deadline is March 16.
- Spring Plant and Food Market will be held on Saturday, April 26, 8 am – 2 pm. Deadline to donate items/plants is the second week in April. Baked goods/soups can be brought in on Thursday and Friday. See sign-up sheet on bulletin board.

Mission (Jenn Fisher)

Met on Thursday, March 6, at 6:45 pm.

OFFERINGS:

- New Hope, New Oxford – Jan and Feb Supplies, 109 items (estimated value \$675.00).
- For the Love of a Veteran – February, received 224 items (estimated value \$810.00).
- Holy Joe's Café – Received \$22.00 on 1/26/25 and \$26.00 on 3/2/25.

- One Great Hour of Sharing – Extending offering to March & April
- Greenlight Operation Offering for Trafficking – Month of April

NEW BUSINESS:

- PAL Date – March 22, 2025.
- Greenlight Operation Offering for Trafficking – Month of April, stamping envelopes for that offering.
- Guests at New Hope, New Oxford expressed appreciation for items donated.
- For the Love of a Veteran appreciated our collections for our troops.
- Reviewed Consistory minutes re: CORRECTION of St. David’s donations in 2023 (\$43,000) & 2024 (\$54,000). No goals are set. Annual donations are merely reported.
- The Stolte Scholarship forms are available for a \$1000 grant to a student pursuing a career in the field of ministry. Applications are due by April 25, 2025.
- Emergency Fund – February request for rent assistance.
- Thank You letters received from American Red Cross, Hanover Area Council of Churches, and a note & letter from CWS for Blanket Sunday.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 3, 2025 at 6:45 pm.

Music and Worship (Shirlee Tasto)

Met on Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 8 pm with Rev. Scott Sager, Shirlee Tasto, Barb Horneff, and Emily Caltrider attending and Nancy Costello on phone.

- Confirmation at second service on March 9, 2025 – Sophie Conrad.
- Combined Lenten Services at 3 pm:
 - 3/9/25 at St. Jacob’s Stone Church
 - 3/16/25 at St. Paul’s (Dubs)
 - 3/23/25 at St. David’s UCC – NOTE: We are hosting this service. Please sign up for snacks.
 - 3/30/25 at St. Bartholomew’s
 - 4/6/25 at Bethel UCC

- March 30, 2025 – One service at 10 am with anointing followed by Congregational Meeting with covered dish luncheon at 11:30 am in the Grove Building. Fried chicken and drinks provided; sign- up sheet on bulletin board.
- Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025 – Nancy Costello has ordered palms from Pressel’s Florist; Pat will strip them.
- Good Friday, April 18, 2025 – Church will be open 7 am – 3 pm with the following volunteers available in the church:
 - 7-9 am – Dee Hertzog
 - 9-11 am – Rev. Scott Sager
 - 11 am-1 pm – Barb Horneff
 - 1-3 pm – Shirlee Tasto
- Good Friday Service at 7 pm.
- Easter Dawn Service at 6:30 am followed by a Fellowship Breakfast; regular Services at 8:30 am and 10:30 am.
- Pam Hartman is taking care of Easter flower orders and geraniums for Pentecost.
- We plan to honor graduates on May 18, 2025 and encourage all graduates to call the Church Office with their information.
- Mother’s Day Fellowship, May 11, 2025.
- Father’s Day Fellowship, June 15, 2025.

History and Library (Brent Grove)

Did not meet.

Stewardship (Sue Myers)

- Taking orders for Peanut Butter Balls @ \$6.00/dozen – due March 30. They will be made on April 12 and can be picked up on Sunday, April 13. NOTE: When picking up peanut butter balls, there will be a table of Easter wreaths/decorations available. (Barb Horneff) See Candee Waite.

Christian Education (Lucy Halter)

- Distributing Lenten workbooks, a calendar, and other handouts in Sunday School.

- Collecting candy for the Egg Hunt on April 12.
- Dee will be attending a VBS meeting at St. Bart's.

Youth and Young Adult (Pastor Sager, in the absence of Nicholas Hawkins)

- Youth bowling

Medical Supply Closet (Shirlee Tasto/Lucy Halter)

- Slow due to requests/construction
- Ran out of mattresses – ordered 3/delivered to Lucy Halter's house

Property (Steve Harmon, in the absence of Nicholas Hawkins)

Met March 4, 2025 – Attending: Nicholas Hawkins, Wayne Fuhrman, Mike Klinedinst, Steve Harmon, and Scott Klinedinst

Parking Lot

- The crosswalk will be painted from the parking area across Hobart to the main parking lot at the steps. We encourage everyone to use the crosswalk.
- The township will be installing pedestrian crossing signs in that area as well.

Sunday School Room

- We will not be installing shelving or cabinets in the front corner room.
- Tables will be placed in the room for storage on top of and underneath. Tables will not be stacked on top of each other.
- We would like that room to become a small group meeting room and not used for storage.

Basement Storage Areas

- The property team will be clearing out and organizing those areas.

Electric Service providers

- Steve is looking into different providers.
- We will stay with Met-Ed for now.

Lawn Care

- Xtreme Lawncare will be taking care of the property again.

Old Business

- Installation of Consistory on March 30, 2025.
- Annual Congregational Meeting and Luncheon after the 10 am service on March 30.
- The applicant selected to receive the Calvin and Miriam Roland Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 will be presented by Lucy and Andrea Halter. Harley Hartman will prepare the check.

New Business

- Resignation of Wendy Noel. Lucy Halter will contact personnel chair, Pat Costello.
- Not enough bulletins are available for both services (Wayne Fuhrman). Scott will ask Wendy to print 10 more.

Pastor Scott Sager asked for Prayer Requests, Joys and Concerns, and closed with prayer.

At 7:48 pm, a motion was made by Jim Wissler to adjourn the meeting with a second by Sue Myers.

All approved.

Next Consistory Meeting: Monday, April 14, at 7 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara S. Horneff, Secretary

*HANOVER AREA COUNCIL
OF CHURCHES*

PAL DATE: Saturday, APRIL 26th

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
UCC Offering March & April

Theme for 2025 is: "BE THE LIGHT"

This vital United Church of Christ offering connects us to victims of disasters and refugees around the globe. Development programs are setup for healthcare and food security. This

ensures immediate response and ongoing recovery for individuals and communities.

Our contributions will help meet the urgent needs of victims while addressing the root causes of vulnerability, helping to offer sustainable solutions for those in affected communities.

“Be the Light” for those affected by disaster. Envelopes are on the offering table for your use. Thank you for participating.

OPERATION GREENLIGHT

During the month of April, we will be collecting an offering to support Greenlight Operation in Camp Hill, PA.

This is a non-denominational faith-based and Christ-centered organization, 501©(3) Non-profit. Founded in 2018, it exists to disrupt human trafficking and have survivors restored. Their mission is to combat human trafficking and serve sex-trafficked women through restorative care.

Currently, they are renovating a house in the greater Harrisburg area that will serve women who have been sex trafficked. The home will provide free housing, trauma-informed therapy and life skills coaching to these women.

Our donations will help with the restoration home project, as well as help offer free anti-human trafficking trainings to the public and support efforts to collaborate with lawmakers and law enforcement to rid our communities of this crime.

We urge you to visit their website www.greenlightoperation.org to learn more about this vital organization, review their 2024 Business Plan under the Resources tab, read their Statement of Faith.

Offering envelopes and flyers with additional details on the care provided for these women are on the offering table.

HANOVER AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED!

There is an urgent need for volunteers for the Meals on Wheels program. There are currently 53 clients receiving cooked meals Mondays through Fridays.

Could you volunteer to help? Please consider volunteering. Even 1 day per week would be a great help. Clients are given approval by their doctors for this program.

Deliveries take about 1 hour from 11:30 to 12:30. Please call the Council office at 717- 633-6353 to offer your assistance.

STOLTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Stolte Scholarship provides a one-time grant of \$1000.00 to an individual pursuing a career in the field of ministry, missions or humanitarian service. Interested applicants must be residents of the greater Hanover area and should be a high school senior, college student or seminary student.

To apply you need to fill out an application form which are available on the offering table. You will also need to provide a summary of your calling into your field of ministry. Applicants are to be active members of a church, display good moral character and exhibit high scholastic ability.

Instructions and address for mailing is on the form. The deadline for applications is April 25th.

“THANK YOU Notes & Letters”

Bedding for Cold Weather Shelter

We had a very nice response to the need for twin size bedding at the Cold Weather Shelter. We received six warm blankets, two comforters, two sheet sets, two flannel blankets, three quilts and three sets of pillowcases. This warming bedding will mean a great deal to those sheltering during the cold winter months. The ladies at HACC

were so pleased and delighted to see the warm items we provided. Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you letter from HACC for our church's donation

Dear St. David's United Church of Christ,
On behalf of our entire team, thank you for your generous donation of \$500. Your contribution has been allocated to our "Greatest Needs" fund, enabling us to address the most pressing needs within our community.

Thanks to your support, we are able to continue serving the Hanover community through various ministries including Provide-A-Lunch, Meals-on-Wheels, Changing Lives Homeless Shelter, the Clothing Bank and Ruth's Harvest. With God's blessings and your generosity, countless lives have been positively impacted and transformed.

Your partnership is vital to our mission and we are truly grateful for your trust and commitment. Your donation ensures that we can continue providing essential assistance to those in need in our community. Once again, thank you for your kindness and support. Together, we are making a lasting difference.

Erika Gonzalez, Interim Executive Director

Thank you letter from the recipient of the Harvey M. Light Scholarship at Lancaster Seminary

The recipient of this year's scholarship was Andrew Boyer, Master of Divinity, York, PA.

Thank you for supporting me in my seminary journey. I feel, in just one semester that I have learned a lot about myself and about the ways in which I can be of service to others. I come from a family of UCC pastors and have been learning where I fit within that family history. I have particularly enjoyed spending time with my

classmates and getting to learn from people whose lives are very different than my own. I will continue to work to the best of my ability to earn the scholarship that was so graciously gifted to me. My ultimate hope is to graduate with my Master of Divinity degree and become a local church pastor where I can continue to serve others and show them the love of Christ. Thank you again for this opportunity and I look forward to the rest of the next four year of my seminary education.

Andrew Boyer

THANK YOU from CHURCH WORLD SERVICE for Our Blankets Plus offering of \$1,715.00

Dear Friends from St. David's UCC,
Thank you for your generous gift to the CWS Blankets program. As families and communities around the world recover from emergencies and struggle in the face of unprecedented challenges, you are standing with them. Now more than ever, we are so grateful for your generous support.

Your contribution provides warmth, comfort and hope to neighbors near and far. It provides a tangible reminder to migrant families that they are not alone as they seek safety. It wraps refugees in warmth as they arrive in the United States to build a new future. It provides comfort to our neighbors who have lost homes or are struggling in the face of extreme challenges. Around the world, your support means relief and hope.

Because of you, Church World Service is able to respond when disasters occur and support is needed. Thanks to your compassion, we can—and will—change lives.

Sincerely,
Rick Santos, President & CEO
Church World Service

Thank you from American Red Cross for St. David's support in combatting wildfires.

Dear Red Cross Supporter,
On behalf of the American Red Cross, thank you for your generous gift of \$100.00 which will be applied to Disaster Relief. This is truly making an impact in the lives of those we serve every day.

During their darkest hours, people know they can turn to the Red Cross for comfort and care. Our humanitarian mission of preventing and alleviating human suffering in the face of emergencies depends on the compassion of generous donors.

Red Cross Supporter, I am deeply grateful for your commitment to the lifesaving work of the Red Cross. Thank you once again for standing with us to help turn heartbreak into hope.

Sincerely,
Cliff Holtz, President and CEO
American Red Cross

Thank you St. David's members for these items being donated.

New Hope Ministries in New Oxford were very appreciative of our donation of household supplies. We received 109 items with a value of \$675.00

For Love of a Veteran - We donated 224 items for our vets valued at \$810.00. These items reach servicemen and women all over the world.

Dee Hertzog's Yoga Class has provided \$700.00 worth of baby items such as diapers, wipes and clothing to the Tender Care Pregnancy Center in Hanover.

COMBINED LENTEN SERVICES FOR 2025

- All Services are scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.
- Offering: American Red Cross (Disaster Relief) Each church takes care of sending their own offering
- Host church may include their choirs in the service
- April 13th will be a back-up for weather related cancellation host church makes the call (bad weather called between 12-2 p.m. each congregation notify their congregation as best they can: Website, phone, App)
- THEME: The "I AM" statements of Jesus
- There will be fellowship and refreshment time in each service: Desserts/Beverages

April 6, 2025

Host Church:
Worship Leader:
Theme:
Preaching

Bethel United Church of Christ (2112 Yingling Drive, Spring Grove, PA 17362)
Rev. Zoe D'Heedene
"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE"
Rev. Scott Sager

April 13th

**Palm Sunday Services
8:30 am and 10:30 am**

April 17th

**Maundy Thursday
Service 7:00 pm**

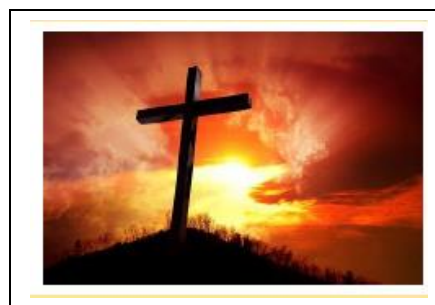
April 18th

**Good Friday Service 7:00 pm
Prayer vigil 7 am to 3 pm at church**

April 20th

**Easter Morning Services
6:30 am Sunrise Service
8:30 am and 10:30 am**

EASTER WEEK SERVICES ST DAVIDS UCC



FINANCIAL UPDATE - February 28, 2025

Current Expenses	Month	Y-T-D	Balance 02/28/2025
Total Income	\$ 23,655	\$ 46,382	
Net Expenses	\$ 15,697	\$ 37,324	
Gain (Loss)	\$ 7,958	\$ 9,058	
Last Year (2024)	\$ 11,298	\$ 18,233	
Current Expense Fund Balance			\$ 340,637

Other Funds:	Month	Y-T-D	Balance 02/28/2025
Building Fund Receipts	\$ 1,125	\$ 3,380	\$ (1,225)
Building Fund Expenses	\$ 41,675	\$ 41,675	
Improvement Fund Receipts	\$ 1,386	\$ 2,778	\$ (4,305)
Improvement Fund Expenses	\$ -	\$ -	
Emergency Fund Receipts	\$ 877	\$ 1,157	\$ 2,891
Emergency Fund Expenses	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,200	
Investment Fund Gain / Loss	\$ 15,693	\$ 30,543	\$ 1,642,383

Attendance Record	Average Attendance		from Last Year
	Month	Y-T-D	
Sunday School	20	23	
Traditional Service (1st)	117	130	
Contemporary Service (2nd)	87	94	
Via Phone	10	8	
Streaming			
Weekly Web Views			
(Less SS & Web Views) Total	214	232	10.9%
LAST YEAR (2024)			
Sunday School	15	14	
Traditional Service	128	120	
Contemporary Service	89	80	
Via Phone	9	9	
Streaming			
Weekly Web Views			
(Less SS & Web Views) Total	226	209	

From the Ground to the Table: Plant and Food Market...and EVERYTHING in between

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH TIME 8 am - 2 pm
St. David's UCC 142 Hobart Rd, Hanover, PA**

**Event will include: PLANTS, Books, Sewing items,
John Deere toys, Boyds Bears and more.**

**Pottery, housewares, yard items such as planters,
seeder, watering cans, garden dishes, flags, toys,
spring/summer linens, jewelry and a few small
accent furniture pieces.**

**Food Items : Soup, baked goods ,
breakfast sandwiches, hotdogs**



Proceeds benefit St. David's UCC Emergency Fund

EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Attention Registrants

Meeting will be held on Sunday -- April 6th 10:00 am

in the Bible Study/Nursery room with Joyce West

This is to discuss lodging thoughts and needs and to address any questions

**Stewardship Annual
Peanut Butter Ball
Fundraiser**

Pick up **Sunday April 13th
At church**



**Kids! Join the Fun
St. David's UCC
Saturday, **April 12th**
10 AM**

**Meet at the church
Story time, egg hunt and snacks**

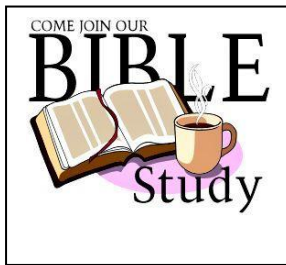
**CALLING ALL HIGH
SCHOOL SENIORS!**

Applications for the memorial **Ben Bynaker Memorial Scholarship** are now being accepted. Any senior in high school who is planning to continue their education may apply.

Applications are on the table inside the vestibule or by contacting the church office. **Due date is April 20th.**

The next **New Venture Lunch** will take place of **Tuesday, April 8th** will be at, **Perkins**. Please arrive around 11:30 am





Tuesdays
 9:30 AM and
 7:00 PM
 All are
 welcome

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:

St. David's Selfies: How often do you run into a church family at Walmart or the grocery store? When you do, snap a selfie of the two of you together and send it to Patti. This is a great way to show our love for our St. David's family.

Monthly Photo Focus. April focus will be pictures of Easter past.
 Send all photos to: media@stdavidsucc.com

Summer Lunch Program -2025

You can bring your donations to your church. In addition, you can drop off any donations at St. David's Lutheran church on Tuesday, May 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 5-6 p.m. During May drop off, please drive to the double doors (by the playground) so we can collect your items. The program will begin June 10th. Stay tuned for other drop off times for donations in June, July, and August. Thank you for your generosity!

Summer Lunch Donations

Canned Items

-15 oz. baked beans

Boxed Items

- 12-18 oz. box of Rice
- Krispie, Cheerios, or Honey Nut Cheerios
- boxes of granola bars
- 100% fruit juice boxes
- fruit or applesauce cups (6 to a package)
- 7.25 oz boxes of Macaroni & Cheese
- Packages of individualized Boxes of raisins

Plastic /Glass Items

- 14 oz. jar of pizza sauce
- 18 oz. jar of peanut butter
- 64 oz. bottle of 100% apple juice

Cold Items

- 8 pk of hotdogs
- 8 oz. bag of shredded mozzarella cheese



Where? St. Bartholomew's Lutheran Church 1204 Grand Valley Rd. Hanover

When? Sunday, June 22nd through Thursday, June 26th

What time? 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm

For information, call or contact

St. Bartholomew's Lutheran Church

717-632-1952

or visit our website at

stbart-hanoverpa.org



Thanks for all the cards and prayers from the church people at St. Davids UCC Church for my son in law Tim Colliflower, Sr.

Joe & Janet Hahn



Fellowship Committee Presents
 Gift Card Bingo in the Grove
 Building
 Friday, April 4th at 7 pm

Snacks and drinks are provided.

We are looking for donations of gift cards up to \$25. Or if you prefer, you may give a cash donations and gift cards will be purchased by the Fellowship Committee.

Open to all ages! Bring your friends! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Gift cards or cash donations can be given to Mike and Missy Klinedinst, Scott and Jodi Klinedinst or Sue Myers.

Hope to see you there.

New Beginnings will meet for lunch on April 17th at noon at Longhorn Steakhouse, Hanover



April 26th
 Plant and Food Market

May 17th
 "Seeds of Hope" Women's Retreat

September 27th
 "Perfect Peace" Micah Maddox Women's Conference

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Part-Time Secretary Position Available -- St. Davids UCC

This position will provide all secretarial duties including: preparation of weekly announcements, monthly newsletter, advertising all church activities, answering phone calls, working with Church Windows and any other office requirements. Supporting Pastor Sager, the Consistory, parishioners and community.

The Medical Closet is a very active ministry and will necessitate daily assistance with answering inquiries, assisting with items needed and items donated.

Please contact Mr. Pat Costello for more info. 717-451-5596

Easter Bells

Carrie Law Morgan Figgs

Hark! What sound is this I hear?
Such music it foretells,
the sound is soft, but sweet and clear,
it must be Easter bells.

Sweet bells, your music fills my soul
and wraps me in a spell,
your wondrous peals like ocean's roll,
oh magical Easter bells.

Ring on, sweet bells,
ring loud and clear,
help men to understand
that Jesus Christ our Saviour dear
broke death's cold, iron band.

Tell them "He rose just as He said,"
spread it o'er vale and dell,
the joyful tidings onward spread,
ye heaven-sent Easter bells.

Let every heart rejoice today
and crush in sin's hard shell
and raise to heaven a joyous lay,
as do these chiming Easter bells.

Ring on, sweet bells, ring more
and more
and hold me in your spell,
until I reach that shining shore
where rings everlasting Easter bells.



CANDY FOR EGG HUNT

March 2nd through April 4th

Donations of candy (that will fit in a plastic egg) can be placed in the back of the church for the egg hunt.

April 5th Fillings eggs

Sunday School room at 10 AM
Assistance needed

April 12th Egg Hunt

Overflow room of church at 10 AM

GIVE BLOOD

At Grove Building

Sunday, April 27th

10 am – 3 pm

Sign up sheet is on the bulletin
board

REP. KLUNK INVITES YOU TO HER



2025
Spring
FLING

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

11 AM TO 1 PM

BAY CITY RESTAURANT, 110 Eisenhower Drive in Hanover

Couples who live in the 169th District and have been married for more than 50 years are invited to join Rep. Klunk at her Spring Fling event! Attendees will hear from guest speaker Timothy J. Barker, York County district attorney, who will provide tips on fraud prevention to help protect constituents from falling victim to scams. A buffet-style lunch will be provided at this free, legislative event.



Please RSVP to Klunk's office at 717-630-8942 by April 1.

RepKlunk.com | Facebook.com/RepKlunk



Blood Pressure Check

Between Services

Sunday, April 20th

"Seeds of Hope" Retreat – Saturday, May 17, 2025, 10 am – 4 pm

But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not grow faint. Isaiah 40:31

Agenda for "Seeds of Hope" Retreat led by Tammy Kitzmiller

At the Horneff's cabin, 10436 Golf Course Road, Fayetteville near Caledonia State Park/Totem Pole Playhouse (about 45 minutes from Hanover)

10:00 am Opening Song

10:05 Song

10:10 Welcome & Opening Prayer

10:15 Introduction & Icebreaker

Question: What is Hope?

11:00 Small Group Discussions

11:30 Song

11:35 Large Group Discussion

12:15 pm Lunch Prayer/Lunch provided
(salad, casserole, fruit, beverage, cookies)

1:00 Song

1:05 Brief Recap

1:25 Closing Prayer

1:30 Song

1:35 "Hope" Craft/Nature Walk/Socialize



Plan to attend and invite a friend!



Sight & Sound Theater

NOAH

Lancaster, PA

Friday, July 11, 2025

Rill's Bus Service

Departure: St. David's UCC parking lot
10:45 am
142 Hobart Road, Hanover, PA

Return: Approx. 7:30 pm

Includes: Bus, Family Style Lunch at Hershey Farms and
tickets to the show
(restaurant gratuity included, bus driver tip not included)
Adult \$155.00 per ticket / children 3-12 \$92.00

Checks made payable to: St. David's UCC
MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 1ST.
Contact: Pam Hartman – 717-873-7585
2195 Black Rock Road, Hanover PA

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April BIRTHDAYS

- April 1 - Irelynn Behegan
Ginny Clousher
Wesley French
Nellie Wallace
- 2 - Marianne Miller
Linda Strain
Ariana Swope
Don Whatley
Jim Wallace
- 3 - Fred Gross
- 4 - Wesley Ashton
Nick Bankert
Ken Rohrbaugh
Jason Stair
Carolyn Tracey
Wesley Daniel Schwartz
- 5 - Grace Wolf
- 6 - Christine Gladfelter
Jake Zumbrum
- 7 - Weston Groft
Trey Waleski
Joan Etzler
- 8 - Jessica Gordon
- 9 - Kelsey Klinedinst
- 11 - Reese Garrett
Joy Nace
Jamie Brown
Deb Reck
William Wagaman II
Candee Waite
Annette Zartman
Hattie Zumbrum
- 12 - Sue Bauer
Josh Pattison
Stacie Wineholt
- 13 - Ryan Klinedinst
Kalgin Kuhns
Roy Rummel
- 14 - Kyle Rohrbaugh
- 15 - Lynn Bossom
- 16 - Daniel Fisher
Sophie Madoushek
Sarah Miller
Scott Phillips
Tyler Ruff
Lisa Rummel
- 17 - John Bindas
Weldon Green
Debbie Rohrbaugh
- 18 - Sonya Dundore
Ashley Dodson
Tyler Cuffley
Jacob Cuffley
Bryson Fogle
- 20 - Zane Brumgard

- Jackson Klinedinst
Danny Shugars, Jr.
Jessica Wildasin
Kaycee Wagner
- 22 - Devyn Sargent
Kelly Utz
- 23 - Blaine Gladfelter
Amanda Young
Harry Reiblich
Noah Tawes
Ethan Tawes
Myles Wineholt
- 24 - Darin Berwager
Amy Stough
Timothy Spangler
Bill Warner
- 25 - Josh Clousher
Eric Costello
Sean Costello
Corey Gordon
Steve Johnson
Pat Klinedinst
- 26 - Michael Bair
Kenny Eckard
Christopher Smith
- 27 - Jack Borys
- 28 - Joyce Caldwell
Erin Caltrider
Tim Conrad
Scott Myer
Cork Smith
Michelle Seal
- 29 - Peggy Waleski
- 30 - Sandy Gouker
Andrea Halter
Jason Shugars



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- April 2 - Scott & Hattie Gable
Josh & Jessica Wildasin
- 3 - John & Kenda Koerner
- 4 - Edie & Elwood Gehlert
- 6 - Yong & Suzanne Alton
- 7 - George & Holly Zumbrum
- 8 - Raymond & Peggy Waleski
- 10 - Byron & Cheri Heck
- 17 - Michael & Krystle Conrad
- 19 - Joe & Janet Hahn
- 20 - Keith & Cinda Reed
- 21 - Warren & Mindy Wagner
William & Joyce Warner
- 23 - Rick & Jill Blevins
- 25 - Larry & Barb Dell
- 30 - Trevis & Lisa Ledford
Bret & Danielle Hertzog

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