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September Special Needs

PAL

Mayonnaise Hot Chocolate Scalloped Potatoes Salad Dressing

CLOTHING BANK

ALL toiletries
Wipes

CHANGING LIVES SHELTER

Women's Socks Men's Socks Shaving Cream

RUTH'S HARVEST

Complete Meals Breakfast Items Snacks Entrees

All single serving please!

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Hanover Area Council of Churches One Body • One Spirit

COUNCIL NEWS—September 2017

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From the desk of Carol Hinkle (HACC Director)

As I read my devotion recently I came across one by Max Lucado (one of my favorite authors). He spoke of Clamshells in his book *Outlive Your Life*, and how we all have them. He went on to explain that they become "bunkers for the soul" and how we come by them honestly. Inside there is no hunger or orphans; no poverty or injustice. He goes on to say how we want to help, but the" problems are immense, complex and intense." These are the ills that fall into our mission statement. These are the ministries we operate in order to alleviate some of the issues for some individuals and families.

The question is, how do we continue to serve the Lord in this place? Each of us is given different talents and abilities. We each feel an affinity to different ministries; we each hurt for a different group of individuals. If you hurt for the hungry then you may want to use your talents in PAL or Ruth's Harvest. It takes a lot of people to work behind the scenes to sort and pull food. You may have talents in this area, but have an uneasiness of working directly with people you do not know. We can accommodate this situation. The same is true for our Clothing Bank. The sorting is done Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, the racks filled and (Continued on page 2)

From the desk of Rev. Kathryn Schroeder (Council President)

Don't Worry, Be Happy

I like summer; I'm sorry to see it come to a close. Summer provides time in the year for a little relaxation; time to spend with friends or family. It is a time to be light hearted, a time to leave behind our responsibilities for awhile, even as we remain faithful believers and rest assured in the promises of our Lord.

In Matthew's Gospel, we are given a gentle reminder of this. *Don't Worry, Be Happy* ... the Father knows what we need and will provide it. Instead, use your energy to seek first ... the kingdom of God and <u>his</u> righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

It's good to hear this message from Scripture because our usual daily lives provide us with ample time to worry. In fact, I heard a poll recently that said the thing people worry most about, is money ... but also about our jobs, our families, our health, our relationships. It's easy to see how we can be overwhelmed. We become enslaved by our obligations and worries, our money and responsibilities. But, Jesus gently reminds us today to "... not worry about our life, what we will eat or what we will drink, or about our body, what we will wear ... that Jesus will provide, just like the birds in the air.

According to the world standards, we are blessed abundantly by God and, for that we are grateful. Many of us don't have to worry where our next meal is coming from or whether or not we'll have a roof over our head this month. We are good people, so in our abundance we have also good intentions. We know we're supposed to donate to worthy causes, but then how do we pay for the ever-rising cost of gas and food? We plan to be more charitable in the future, but right now there are so many

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everything straightened in order to open for business on Tuesdays (free day) and Thursdays and first Saturday of the month sale days. If you enjoy people, you may want to cashier.

If you hurt for the homeless there is opportunity at Changing Lives Shelter to volunteer on a regular basis, or teach a life skill, or prepare a meal. There are so many ways of serving. If you chose not to come in to the shelter, sponsor a drive for blankets or gloves, or Christmas gifts.

If you have administrative skills, teaching skills, people skills or a just yearn to help address the problems that ravage communities all over this country may I suggest that you start with one step at a time. That step would be trust the Lord to direct your path and guide your choice of service area. Pray for insight and the will to step out in faith. There are so many jobs to be done here at the council that everyone could do something. There is an urgency that so many in the church do not feel to show Christ's love in these troubling times. I feel all of us as the body of Christ need to pray for our community, for our citizens, for our leaders, for the ministries we offer, and all those who serve and are served.

2 Chronicles 7:14 "If my people who are called by my name, shall humble themselves and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins, and will heal their land."

Prayer Need: Frank George has suffered another stroke. Please lift up him and Hazel in prayer.

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things that our families need. Many of us have worked overtime or held second jobs, spending less time with our families, because we want to provide them with so many things. Some of us save like misers because we know we'll soon need the extra cash for a college education or retirement. Therefore, our obligations become a source for much of our worries. But, Jesus tells us today not to worry about our life, what we will eat or what we will drink, or about our body, what we will wear. So, how do we reconcile these two premises?

Jesus used another teaching moment in Matthew to say that "We cannot serve God and wealth." So, is Jesus saying that we shouldn't work hard with the gifts God has given us? Are we not to use our brains and our bodies to the best of our ability? Are we not to reap the rewards of our labor? No, of course not! That wouldn't be putting our God-given gifts to good use. Jesus tells us that material wealth is fine and good, that we should work hard by using our God given talents, and we should, by all means, reap the rewards of our labor. But, in the process, as faithful people, we cannot become enslaved by our wealth. And, by way of our wealth, we are not to be the master of our world, our accomplishments, or of our destinies. We are, however, to use the gifts that God blesses us with for the good of the Kingdom ... because we are not made to be totally self-sufficient, but are made to depend on God to help us serve God's people.

Enjoy your last easy days of summer. You've worked hard all year long ... and you earned the break. Take some time also to discern how you might be a faithful servant of God who provides all that you need. Ask how the blessings God gives you can be used for the good of God's Kingdom. Live these days, and every day, confident that your life is in the hands of a loving Father, who holds you as close as a baby in a mother's womb, who has your name inscribed on his hand and who will provide for your every need. Amen.

September Meetings

September 7, 7pm —Shelter Committee at HACC
September 11, 7pm —Crop Recruiter Meeting at HACC
September 12, 7:30am —Building Committee @ HACC
September 18, 5pm —Finance Committee @ St. Joseph

September 28, 3pm — Community Needs Comm. @ HACC

September Weekly Prayer Requests

Week of September 3 — Provide-a-Lunch Ministry

Week of September 10 — Fund Development Committee

Week of September 17 — Finance Committee

Week of September 24 — Meals-on-Wheels Ministry

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him..."

- Colossians 3:17

SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY

In a continuing feature for our newsletter we will highlight a ministry from a volunteers' experience. It is important to understand how those who do the work on a daily basis see Who We Are and What We Do!

How To Increase Your Donation While Decreasing Taxes

Chances are you have had a good year with your stock or mutual fund investments in 2017, since the major stock indices hit all-time highs. You may be wondering should I sell and protect my capital gains. Of course cashing in your capital gains comes with a price tag in the form of capital gains tax. For most people the realized gains will be taxed at 15 percent.

With the stock market at all-time highs, many people don't realize the advantages of giving appreciated securities (stock, bonds, mutual funds) to the Hanover Area Council of Churches (HACC). You can take an immediate tax deduction on the full market value of securities held longer than one year, and also avoid the capital gains tax you would owe by cashing in the securities.

Compared with donating cash, or selling your appreciated securities and contributing the after-tax proceeds, you may be able to increase your gift, increase your income tax deduction and avoid capital gains tax.

For example if you purchased 100 shares of a stock for \$20 a share and it is now worth \$35 the 100 shares of stock has appreciated in value \$1,500 or \$15 a share. If you sold that stock you would normally owe capital gains on the \$1,500 difference between the selling price and the cost. If you donate that stock to Council of Churches you can usually take an income tax deduction for the full current appreciated value of the stock in this instance \$3,500, avoid the capital gains tax on the \$1,500, and HACC would receive the full \$3,500 and you owe no tax.

For more information you may check with your financial advisor and/or call the Council office 717-637-6353. HACC has partnered with the York County Community Foundation and you can also call Bryan Tate, Vice President and Chief Development Officer at 717-630-1843 and tell him you are considering a donation to Hanover Area Council of Churches.

Ruth's Harvest in Full Swing for Fall

We hope everyone has had a safe and relaxing summer. It is hard to believe, but by the time this article goes to print schools will have been back in session and we will be getting things started to send out our first bags of the year. This is our fifth year already, and we continue to serve the four elementary schools in the Hanover district. Our coordinators were unable to hand out the forms to the parents at the schools' open houses, so we are asking all of you to help us get this information to all of those in need. The forms can be picked up at the schools, Hanover Area Council of Churches, and New Hope Ministries. We have been working throughout the summer to get the program ready and up-to-date for the new school year. The first backpacks are scheduled to be delivered to the registered children on September 14th. We will begin our regular Monday morning collection from participating churches and civic groups on Monday, September 11.

The food items, of course, are the same. Individual servings of cereal, fruit, vegetables, mini meals, complete meals, drinks, and snacks. Because allergy to peanuts continue to be of concern, we have a particular need for peanut free snacks. You may also make monetary donations with checks made out to Hanover Area Council Of Churches with RUTH'S HARVEST on the notation line or simply to Ruth's Harvest. As always we ask for your continued prayers, and your continued support to make this yet another successful year serving God's Children in the Hanover area The Ruth's Harvest Back Pack Program is only possible through your donations and many volunteers who accept, sort, pack and deliver your donations to the children.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

God's blessings, Ruth's Harvest Team Members

RECEVING THE HANOVER AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES MONTHLY NEWSLETTER?

Want to GO GREEN and have our monthly newsletter EMAILED? SEND REQUEST TO: adminhacc@comcast.net SUBJECT: EMAIL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Going away or moving? To ensure you continue getting the newsletter or to suspend it — please send an email to adminhacc@comcast.net including dates or call 717-633-6353.

CHURCH EVENTS

If your church has an event that it would like to publicize to the larger community email your articles to adminhacc@comcast.net (no more than 1/4 pg-unless preapproved by HACC).

Deadline to include articles in the October newsletter is September 13th.

Emmanuel UCC 124 Broadway, Hanover, PA 17331 announces the following events for September:

Mondays: September 11, 18 & 25, 1-4 PM
Compassionate Crafters gather in the Pastor's Parlor
to knit or crochet for a purpose
Enter the front office door at 130 Broadway
We welcome all levels of crafters and all projects
Call the office at 717-632-8281 for more information

Wednesdays: September 6 and 20, 1:30-4 PM
Afternoon of Games in King Auditorium
Enter the courtyard gate and follow the signs
Bring a friend or neighbor to play Scrabble!
Other table games, a cup of hot tea or coffee, and
light refreshments are available too.

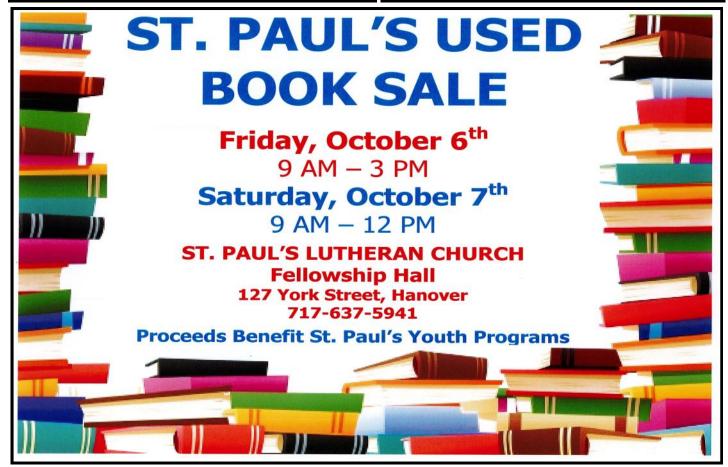
St. Paul's Lutheran Church

1214 Broadway, Hanover, PA

Holiday Bazaar Saturday, November 11 from 8 am to 2 pm

Crafts, vendors, BBQ, Hot dogs, drink and bake sale. Proceeds support our church. Thank you for your past support of our fundraisers. God bless you!

For more info: contact Millie Fout at 717-637-0128.



Free Community Health Clinics

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

10:30 am-12 Noon

2nd & 4th Thursdays

6:00-8:00 pm

Clinic dates and times are dependent on nurse/physician volunteers.



Clothing Bank Hours

Open to the Public: Thursdays 9 am—12 pm Rummage Sale 1st Saturday of each month 9 am—12 pm

Open to Certified Clients Only: Tuesdays 9 am—12 pm

Certified clients must make an appointment and fill out an application which includes a copy of a valid Photo ID, Social Security card, and proof of income (at 200% of the poverty level). Interested persons can contact the Council office at 717-633-6353 during office hours.

We accept Clothing Bank donations Mon.-Sat. between 8 am—12:30 pm or by appointment. Call 717-633-6353 to schedule a drop-off time. Thank you for your support!

CROP Recruiter Orientation Meeting September 11, 7pm HACC

HANOVER CROP WALK!!

October 15, 2017—"Registration begins at 12:30 pm; with walkers stepping off at 1:00 following a prayer. Choose one of two town routes or walk the track. Walkers receive a thank-you gift at the end."

The Hanover Area Council of Churches (HACC) invites you to help raise funds for those in our area and around the world who are living in poverty and suffering from hunger. Last year the walk raised almost \$16,000 with 25% of the funds allocated to feed the hungry in the Hanover area.

Some things you can do to help:

HUNGER

ONE STEP

AT A TIME CROP HUNGER

- Sign up as a walker in your congregation.
 Ask your friends/family to sponsor you by making a donation to CWS/CROP.
- Make a donation to one of the walkers/rockers who is representing your church on the day of the CROP Walk.
- Remember our walkers, and the people they walk for, in your prayers on the day of the walk.

Get your teams together now!

If you have questions please call Jan Davis at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 637-7101 or idavisaim@stmattlutheran.org.

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church 1398 Moulstown Rd. N. Hanover, PA 7th Annual Pet Sunday—Sept. 24th Contact church office for more info 632-2688.



You are invited to bring your pets—furry, feathered, or finned and have them blessed by Pastor David DeLong. Learn about services for your pets, and talk with rescue organizations. Meet service and therapy dogs. It's an afternoon of fun for the whole family. All pets must be on a leash.

There will be a Rabies Vaccination Clinic. Please contact the church office for prices and reserve your vaccine. CASH ONLY. Abigail Nace Photography will be available to take your pet's photo for a small fee.

Food stands will be open. Enjoy lunch in our shaded side yard. Proceeds to benefit Mt. Carmel's many activities.



St. John's Lutheran Church Plant Sale 100 E. Water Street Abbottstown, PA 17301

September 9, 2017 9am – 2pm

• We are having our 4th annual plant sale on **Saturday**, **Sept. 9th from 9AM - 2PM.** with all proceeds or donations going to the diaper drive for the Abbottstown/ East Berlin Food Pantry.

You can make a difference for a parent to be sure they will have enough diapers for their child. You are welcome to contribute plants from your garden that need downsized or come see what plants you would like to add to your garden. All plants will be accepted Friday, Sept. 8 from 5PM – 7PM at St. Johns Church in the back at the Community Garden.

Any questions please call Audrey @ 259-9211.

This is all about sharing and helping with our community, so please share with us this day and make a difference for those who need their community. We would love to see you!



St. Paul's Dubs' Annual Flea & Craft Event

on Saturday, September 16th from 7am—1pm

For a vendor stand
contact the church office @ 637-2419

Indoor & Outdoor spaces are available

at the Conway-Runkle Annex



St. Jacob's Lutheran Church, 3444 Sticks Rd, Glen Rock, PA FALL FESTIVAL

September 30th — NOON-3PM (or until sold out)

St. Jacob's will be hosting a Fall Festival featuring Pit Beef meals. The meal includes a pit beef or hot dog sandwich, baked potato, baked beans, applesauce and beverage.

Tickets (ages 5 and under are free) \$7.00 at the door or \$5.00 if purchased in advance.

Noon-1:30PM—Balloon twisting! 2PM-3PM—Magician will amaze us! 3:30PM-4:30 PM—Hay rides!

Through out the afternoon, games, pumpkin painting, face painting and a picture booth can be enjoyed. *Proceeds benefit Wounded Warrior and Lutheran Military Veterans.*



FALL YARD SALE 2017

St. John's Lutheran Church 100 E. Water Street Abbottstown, PA 17341 (717) 259-0796

Includes baked goods, chicken corn soup, and lots of Yard Sale items Friday, October 20 7 am — 4 pm Saturday, October 21 8 am — 12 pm

The Concert Series at Emmanuel UCC, 124 Broadway, Hanover PA 17331 Sunday, September 24, 2017—3 PM

John Bullard, banjo

Markus Compton, keyboards

"Classical Banjo: The Perfect Southern Art"

John Bullard has gained international attention for his work in developing and transcribing classical repertoire for the five-string banjo. In 2005, he became the first classical banjoist to graduate from Virginia Commonwealth University's Department of Music. Critically acclaimed CD releases by Bullard include John Bullard—The Classical Banjo and Bach on the Banjo. Music from John's recordings has been included in several feature films such as the DreamWorks animated film The Rise of the Guardians and the award-winning The Edge of Heaven. His newest release, Classical Banjo: The Perfect Southern Art, is the summation of his life's work. This album presents a variety of tone color, beautifully executed ornamentation, and sensitive interpretations—fragile and intimate, peaceful and austere.

Markus Compton, keyboardist, is no stranger to the music scene in metropolitan Washington DC, Richmond and the Williamsburg (VA) areas. He is a Fulbright scholar having studied German Lieder and French Melodie at the Musickvrein in Vienna, Austria. He has performed at the National Gallery of Art, Carnegie Hall, the White House, and in a collaborative recital with Peter Schikele (PDQ Bach). Currently, Markus is the Artistic Director for the Richmond Choral Society and serves as Director of Music and Pianist at Hebron Presbyterian Church, in Manakin-Sabot, VA. He also serves on the staff at Collegiate School where he teaches private piano.

Singers Wanted

The Gettysburg Choral Society



Preparations are currently underway for the formation of *The Gettysburg Choral Society*, an auditioned chorus to be based in Gettysburg, beginning in the fall of 2017. We are looking for 24-30 talented and experienced singers who are willing to work together perfecting the choral sound. While we are particularly interested in securing trained musicians (music teachers, church musicians, etc.), persons with the ability to read music and a keen understanding of choral music are invited to audition. The audition process is relatively simple: singers will be asked to sing a well-known song, sight-read a simple song, and match pitches with particular vowel sounds.

Rehearsals will be held on Monday evenings starting September 25th and culminating with a concert of Christmas favorites on Friday, December 15th. All auditions and rehearsals will be held at Trinity United Church of Christ, 60 East High Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325-2319.

Auditions will be held at Trinity U.C.C. on Sunday, July 30th from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Monday, July 31st from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.; Saturday, August 5th from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. and by appointment. Contact the director to schedule your time for this simple and brief audition.

John McKay, Director (717) 476-1054 zoemckay@aol.com

Julie Strickland, Chorus Manager Jamie Buxton, Pianist facebook.com/gburgchoralsociety

EMMANUEL UCC Annual Yard Sale

Thursday, September 21
7 am—5 pm
Friday, September 22
7 am—5 pm
Saturday, September 23
7 am—12 pm
Home of Estelle King
2596 Hanover Pike
Hanover PA 17331
(Route 194 South
between Hanover and
Littlestown)

Pricing of items will honor the "make an offer " plan for lesser valued articles.

An item valued at \$5.00 or more will have a suggested dollar amount.

SALE IS IN THE GARAGE AND OUT OF THE RAIN OR SUN. Call Estelle @ 717-637-2143.

NEVER WORRY ABOUT
NUMBERS. HELP ONE PERSON
AT A TIME, AND ALWAYS
START WITH THE PERSON
NEAREST YOU.

The Clothing Bank needs your help!

We are looking for individuals who are available to come and sort clothing and items. Sorters are needed 8:30-11am Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Cashiers are needed 9am-12pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and on the first Saturday of the month when the Clothing Bank is open from 9 am to 12. If you are interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity please contact the Council office at 717-633-6353.

Other Ways to Volunteer at

HACC

General Help—M-F 8:30-12:30

Duties include receiving food & clothing donations, setting up for PAL lunch (making coffee, etc.), monitoring dining room during PAL lunch, other miscellaneous duties. We are very flexible about days per week/month.

Meals-On-Wheels

We need drivers and runners as well as subs. Available for one hour on the day that you drive (Monday through Friday). You can sign up for one week a month or every other month.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
You are my refuge and my shield, your work is my source of hope Psalm 119:114					1	Rummage Sale NA Mtg. 7pm —HACC
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AA Mtg.—8am Worship—10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	Labor Day Office closed	Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 10:30am-12pm	Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Shelter Comm. Meeting 7pm— HACC		NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
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2017 CROP WALK

Sunday October 15, 2017

Registration begins at 12:30pm Walk starts at 1pm at South Western High School



