



Hopewell

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Helping Christians Grow & Helping Grow Christians

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Worship Schedule

Saturday, 5:25 PM	Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary
Sunday, 8:00 AM	Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel
Sunday, 9:30 AM	Traditional Worship in Bower Chapel
Sunday, 9:30 AM	Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary
Sunday, 10:55AM	Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

Weekend of February 17 & 18, 2018

Prayer Notes

Circle of Concern

Please keep these persons in your thoughts and prayers this week:

Hope and Healing

Dick Barringer

Steve Carr's mom

Sandy Bradley's sister

John Scott

Arnie Sten's brother

This Week's Prayer Focus:

Week of February 18 to February 24

For the ministry of Samaritan Services and Bridge of Hope

To post a prayer request, to receive prayer requests that have been posted, and to receive the weekly *Prayer Focus*, email Joan Stanford at jostnfrd@ptd.net

Lenten Daily Devotional booklets are available in the main lobby and Chapel Narthex.

Please be in prayer for our **Haiti mission team workers** this week as they are Hopewell's hands and feet of God on the ground in Haiti:

Dawn Barringer, Becky Bennington, Marti Buller, Gail Corbett, Jeff Dodds, Cathy Heald, Valerie McAuley, Cheri Miller, Julie Pook, Sandy Ruth, Emmy Shapard, Michelle Shields, and Leslie and Peyton Wildermuth.

Dear Hopewell friends,
Thank you for all your support concerning Glenn's recent surgery. Your cards, calls, and prayers were greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Glenn and Mary Ellen Mull

A **glider rocking chair** is available in the rear of the sanctuary (lobby side) for soothing little ones during worship.

Worship

This Weekend

Saturday, February 17
Sunday, February 18

All Services
First Sunday in Lent
Holy Communion

"After 40 Days: What Do You See?"
Numbers 13-14
Pastor Steve, preaching

Next Weekend

Saturday, February 24
Sunday, February 25

All Services
Second Sunday in Lent

"Celebration of Beyond the Walls"
Testimonies of Praise



The rosebud on the altar in Bower Chapel celebrates the birth of Beau William Patton. Parents are Stephen and Stephanie Patton and proud grandparents are Carol and Scott Patton.

Ash Wednesday Worship

The Hopewell sanctuary was filled with 207 worshippers Wednesday evening as we gathered for Ash Wednesday service to kick-off the Season of Lent. This year's Confirmation Class provided the ashes. It was terrific to see the house of the Lord visited by such an intergenerational group of worshippers! Through corporate worship and individual acts of piety, let's continue to keep a holy Lent right until Easter Day!

Tuesday Time Apart

February 20th 7:00pm

After 40: Ready for Action

Join us in the Bower Chapel for the first in a series of Tuesday Time Apart worship services. During this Season of Lent, let's empower ourselves for action, that together we might be bold witnesses *to His resurrection!*

Scripture, song, silence in soft candlelight. All welcome! Led by Pastor Vicki.

This Week's Calendar

<p>Sunday, February 18 8:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Traditional Worship Sunday School Lenten Study 10:45am Youth Handbells 10:55am Contemporary Worship Junior Church/Nursery Lenten Study 1:30pm Men's Basketball 5:00pm Confirmand/Mentor Meeting 6:00pm Children's Choirs & Fellowship Sunday Night Youth Lenten Study</p> <p>Monday, February 19 Office Closed 6:15pm Yoga 7:00pm Cub Scout Pack 8</p> <p>Tuesday, February 20 9:00am Hopewell Christian Preschool 12:30pm Hopewell Christian Preschool 4:00 pm Christians w/ Cancer Art Therapy 4:30pm Girl Scout Troop 40 6:00pm Celebrate Recovery @ The Well 7:00pm DACSL Basketball Tuesday Time Apart</p> <p>Wednesday, February 21 9:00am Hopewell Christian Preschool 12:30pm Hopewell Christian Preschool 6:00 pm C.L.I.C.K. 7:00pm Praise Team</p>	<p>Thursday, February 22 9:00am Hopewell Christian Preschool 9:30am Lenten Study 12:15pm Spiritual Formation 12:30pm Disciple IV 5:15pm Upward Practice 6:00pm Wesley Ringers 6:30pm Disciple I Fast Track 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p> <p>Friday, February 23 6:30am Lenten Study 9:00am Hopewell Christian Preschool 12:30pm Hopewell Christian Preschool 5:15pm Upward Practice</p> <p>Saturday, February 24 8:30am Lenten Study Upward Game Day 5:25pm Contemporary Worship</p> <p>Sunday, February 25 8:00am Traditional Worship 9:30am Traditional Worship Contemporary Worship Sunday School Lenten Study 10:45am Youth Handbells 10:55am Contemporary Worship Junior Church/Nursery Lenten Study Coffee with the Pastors 1:30pm Men's Basketball 5:00pm Mosaic Fundraiser Team 5:45pm Cantata Rehearsal 6:00pm Children's Choirs & Fellowship Sunday Night Youth Lenten Study</p>
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Acolytes for this weekend include: 5:25pm Rachel Ruch, 8:00am Kaitlyn Alexander, 9:30am Amanda Dodds, Bower Chapel, 9:30am Sophie Compton, Sanctuary, and 10:55am Emily Bishop.

Discipleship

The following verbal announcement was shared in worship

On behalf of Bishop Peggy Johnson, I am pleased to announce the appointment of the Reverend Edward Locke Cameron to Hopewell United Methodist Church, serving as Associate Pastor, effective July, 1, 2018.

Pastor Eddie is an ordained deacon in the United Methodist Church and has served First United Methodist Church in Lancaster since 2009 in many capacities. He currently serves as Pastor of Administration and Discipleship, focusing on finances, property, and discipleship. As a deacon, Eddie is called and committed to share the good news in word and service to the poor, neglected, oppressed, and discouraged; to provide ministries of mercy; and to invite Christians into these ministries. He is particularly excited about Hopewell's global mission work in South Africa and Haiti and local mission efforts at The Well and beyond.

He currently serves on the Board of Ordained Ministry for the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church where he met Pastor Amy who then developed great respect for his character and leadership.

Eddie has earned a Master of Arts in Biblical Studies from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Arts in Religion from Campbell University. He's an avid baseball fan and an Apple product geek.

On behalf of all members of the Staff Parish Relations Committee, I ask all of you to lift Eddie, his beautiful wife Lisa, and their adorable son James in your prayers-as they prepare to join our team.

Becky Brain,
SPRC Chairperson

Hopewell Christian Preschool Alumni

Did you attend HCP between 2003 and 2008? Do you love to sing? We are looking for alumni to help us celebrate HCP's 15th Anniversary by performing a song at the 9:30 service on April 8th. If you are interested, please email Kim Lloyd, youth@hopewellumc.org.

Cemetery Clean-up scheduled for February 24th

In our ongoing effort to keep our cemetery clean and beautiful we are having a Cemetery clean-up day, Saturday February 24th beginning at 10am weather permitting. Everyone is invited to join us for this annual event. All seasonal/holiday decorations that are not removed prior to this date will be removed and discarded. To volunteer please contact Sandy Lammey, salammey@aol.com.

Discipleship

Adult Mission to Crisfield, MD!

Long Weekend Trip Dates: April 26 - May 1

No prior mission trip experience necessary!



TRIP SCHEDULE: Departure evening of Thursday, April 26; returning Tuesday afternoon, May 1. Participants are NOT required to be in Crisfield for the full mission. Arrive when you can, and depart when you must.

TASKS: for every skill level.

COST: Funding has been provided to cover room-and-board expenses for the team.

BONUS: Stunningly beautiful sunsets every evening from the waterfront deck of our HQ at Janes Island State Park.

GETTING IN ON THE FUN: Pick up your Information Packet and Sign-Up Form in the church office on the counter along the outside wall, or contact Boyd (boyd@hopewellumc.org).

Making Connections in the North District

Two of the clergy presenters in the new Lenten Bible Study curriculum "After 40" being used at Hopewell and all around the Annual Conference are former members of Hopewell UMC, now currently serving as lead pastors on the North District:

Bern Kefer - Clarks Grove UMC, and
Jenny Sauerbrun Freymoyer - Bethlehem:
Epworth UMC

Pray for Pastor Steve as he begins his ministry as District Superintendent of the North District on July 1st.



***Hopewell**

Discipleship

HUMC Strategic Map



Goal: Increase the number of people engaged in local, national and international outreach

Result: We praise God for Hopewell's Haiti mission team, departing mid-week for its work in this impoverished country—providing medical care to the people of Leveque. Pray for this ministry and our mission team as they bring hope and healing in Christ's name to the people of Haiti.

Celebrate Recovery
is turning **TEN!**

Let's Celebrate!



Join us in our new home at
on Tuesday, March 6th!



Food/Fellowship: 6:00
Program: 6:30

Come rejoice with us as we celebrate the 10th anniversary of Hopewell's **Celebrate Recovery** outreach! This growing, vibrant program has touched many in our church community and the community at-large, especially now that we are at **THE WELL!**

Celebrate Recovery offers a way for anyone dealing with hurts, habits or hang-ups — anything in life that keeps us from being all we could be— to find a path to recovery fueled by the loving power of Jesus Christ. We meet at **The Well** on Tuesday evenings at 6PM for food & fellowship followed at 6:30 by worship and a lesson or testimony.

All are welcome . . . Come As You Are!

Discipleship

Noontime Lenten Services for the Community

Worship: 12noon - 12:30 pm

Lunch will be served after the service.

Please come and enjoy the worship and fellowship.

Wednesday, February 21st

St. Joseph Catholic Church

338 Manor Avenue, Downingtown 610-269-8294

Msgr. Joseph McLoone

Wednesday, February 28th

Downingtown United Methodist Church

751 E. Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown 610-269-1496

Rev. Charlie Cole

Wednesday, March 7th

Downingtown Friends Meeting

800 E. Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown 610-269-4223

Jody Kinney

Wednesday, March 14th

St. James Episcopal Church

409 E. Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown 610-269-1774

Father John Symonds

Wednesday, March 21st

Central Presbyterian Church

100 W. Uwchlan Avenue, Downingtown 610-269-1576

Rev. Emily Chudy and Rev. Timothy Black

Support Groups

Art Therapy Cancer Support

Tuesdays, 4:00pm

Café annex room

Sandy, dgarland9@verizon.net

Celebrate Recovery

Tuesdays, 6:00pm

The Well

Becky, rbennington62@aol.com

Sue, suzranadams@gmail.com



After 40 Ready For Action

A *NEW* Bible Study for Lent

All those stories in the Bible where the number 40 is a prominent feature... forty days and forty nights of rain in the time of Noah... the Israelites wandering in the wilderness for forty years... the resurrected Jesus seen alive for forty days. Somebody goes through something hard in order to be prepared for something better in the kingdom... periods of testing or temptation or rigorous effort by God's people in order to equip them for some new adventure in ministry. During this Season of Lent, let's empower ourselves for action, that together we might be bold witnesses *to His resurrection!*

Curriculum, Project Development and Session Introductions by
Pastor Steve

Session Presentations by EPAUMC Elders, all of whom are
the favorite sons and daughters of Hopewell UMC

This Season of Lent, study the Word in any of these small groups:
Sundays - 9:30am In Adult Ministry B with Dr. David Frame and Peyton Wildermuth
Sundays - 10:55am in the Lounge with Joe Lisowski
Sundays - 6:00pm In Adult Ministry A with Pastor Amy
Mondays - 7:00pm In Adult Ministry A with Ellen Faller
Tuesdays - 10:00am in Adult Ministry A with Pastor Steve and Rob Chapman
Tuesdays - 6:00pm in Room Adam with Pastor Steve and Rob Chapman
Thursdays - 9:30am in Adult Ministry A with Jill Loschiavo and Pastor Amy (Women's Group)
Fridays - 6:30am in the Lounge with Allen Puy (Men of Faith)
Saturdays - 8:30am in Room Adam with Rob Chapman and Pastor Dan (Men of the Sabbath)

**Joining Hopewell in After 40: Ready for Action are 97 churches,
with 169 classes being offered throughout the EPAUMC!**

For more information, contact Deb Boyd, boyd@hopewellumc.org

Discipleship

Wesley's England

*with the Rev. Steven Morton and the Rev. Dr. David Frame
June 19–29, 2018*

Tour Price: \$3,960 per person (double room)

Single Supplement: \$785

Payments: A \$500 per person is due at time of registration.

Final payment is due April 20, 2018

The registration website is up and running! Deposits (\$500.00 minimum) may be made at any time prior to March 14, 2018. Early registrations are encouraged since we need to secure twenty-five (25) persons to lock in!

Here is the website link specifically for our trip: <http://www.cvent.com/d/r5qvz8> .
(A suggestion: go to our Quicklinks "weekly bulletin" at www.hopewellumc.org in order to find a live connection to this registration site.) Tour brochures are available in the church office!

A Lenten Opportunity for Study and Practice ~ Fasting 101

FASTING has been a part of the Judeo-Christian tradition for centuries and the Scriptures are filled with examples of people who fast for various reasons. However, fasting is a discipline that is sometimes misunderstood when placed in the context of our 21st century lives. Are you curious? Would you like to learn more about this Spiritual Practice? These opportunities for study are available to our congregation across this holy season of Lent.

Beginning **WEDNESDAY** FEBRUARY 28TH at **8:30 a.m. OR 7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday March 7th ~ Wednesday March 14th ~ Wednesday March 21st

OR

Beginning **FRIDAY** MARCH 2nd at **9:00 a.m.** and meeting on: March 9th, March 16th and March 23rd.

In the case of all three groups, there will be a 5th meeting (closing) for the class. Participants may also choose to participate in the annual Holy Week Fasting opportunity that begins on the evening of Maundy Thursday (March 29th). More to follow on that.

If you're interested, please contact Pastor Vicki (vicki@hopewellumc.org) or Cammy Brantzeg (cammybrantzeg@verizon.net) to let them know that you'll be a part of one of the groups!

Discipleship

Pastor Steve will be in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina this week, attending the annual Clergy Benefits Academy sponsored by Wespath (formerly The General Board of Pensions and Health Benefits). This three-day event offers instruction about both local church and individual clergy financial matters (estate planning, tax laws, investment options, etc.). This will be helpful to Steve personally, and certainly in his future work among United Methodist clergy and congregations on the North District. He will return home on Friday, February 23.



Children's Everything Sale

Benefiting the
Hopewell Christian Preschool

The Hopewell Preschool Children's Everything Sale is Friday, March 16th and Saturday, March 17th. We are looking for volunteers for Friday night and Saturday morning. We need a lot of help to make this event a success for the preschool. We also need members for the sale committee, which does the planning and setting up for the sale. If you are interested in either volunteering for this sale or the committee please contact Karen Price at Rysakayla@aol.com, or Danielle Civitella at dmc9598@verizon.net.

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH - Hopewell's Crocheters

We are grateful to Hopewell's Crocheters, the ministry that transforms yarn into blessings, including prayer shawls and prayer squares. With appreciation for the time and energy with which they are serving, including seasonal outreach to those in need in our community, *thank you, Crocheters!*

(Pictured): Hope Sunderland, Susan Walker, Suzanne Knight, Cammy Brantzeg, and Deb Collins. (Not Pictured): Diane Krusen, Marsha Hodge, Sandy Garland, and Sue Adams.



Discipleship

Deb Boyd, boyd@hopewellumc.org

LUNCH BUNCH INVITATION!

ALL are most welcome to join us for our monthly gathering at Cracker Barrel. On Tuesday (*always the third Tuesday*) February 20th at 11:30am we'll come together to enjoy good food and time with friends, both old and new. Simply call Peggy Puy (610-363-8857) or email Peggy, PeggyPuy@verizon.net before 9:00am that morning to say you'll come. In this season of thanksgiving, we lift up gratitude to God for this wonderful opportunity for fellowship! This gathering is sponsored by Hopewell's Older Adult Ministries.

women's
ministry  Invites you to attend
Hopewell United Methodist Church



Saturday, March 3 at West Chester UMC
8:30—Breakfast 9 'til Noon—Program



There is no charge for the retreat, but you must register to reserve your spot!
<http://www.hopewellumc.org/time-away-registration>

Mission and Ministry

Tools for Ministry 2018 for the South District

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Saturday, March 10th – 8:30am to 12:30pm

The annual Tools for Ministry event is always a superlative opportunity to learn and to grow our ministry leadership skills. This year's session will be just up the road at Camp Innabah. Nineteen (19) workshops on a variety of valuable topics, one being led by Pastor Amy, are available to select among. For more information about the individual workshops and to get registered, contact Deb Boyd at boyd@hopewellumc.org. *Come, learn, and grow!*



If you are thinking about membership at Hopewell UMC, are a newcomer, or someone seeking a church home ...

Join Pastor Steve for coffee and informal conversation, where you can learn more about Hopewell and what is involved regarding membership

Please let Lynne know you are attending at lynne@hopewellumc.org

**Sunday, February 25th
10:55am
Ladd Board Room**

Hopewell Members - let's all take this opportunity to again demonstrate how newcomers and guests are a top priority at this church. Invite someone to the Coffee with the Pastors!

Mission and Ministry

GRIEFSHARE is back...

GriefShare is a special seminar and support group for people grieving the loss of someone close. This group will be facilitated by Tom & Marsha Rupert, and Emmy Shapard, folks who understand what you're experiencing and want to offer comfort and encouragement during difficult times. Each **GriefShare** session includes a video featuring top experts on grief and recovery subjects. If you (or someone you know) needs grief support, please consider joining us for this valuable time of sharing and healing.

WHEN ~ Fridays, beginning March 2nd (thirteen sessions)

TIME ~ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

TO REGISTER, please contact ~ Tom and Marsha Rupert (TLRupert@aol.com) or call the church office at 610-269-1545.

Assist with Tutoring at The Well's After School Program

Hopewell's After School Program at The Well is flourishing, and with its growth is looking for volunteers to assist with tutoring/mentoring our special children. Volunteers are required to have several clearances including safe sanctuary training, criminal record check, and child abuse clearance. If you have a love of children and willingness and patience to tutor and mentor our children, contact Darlene Alleger at curlyfries48@hotmail.com. Jesus said: *"Whoever welcomes a child... welcomes me"* (Matthew 18:5)

Financial Peace University - 2 upcoming opportunities!

This 9-week course from Dave Ramsey is life-changing, teaching how to make the right decisions with your money and practical skills to achieve your financial goals and experience true financial peace. The proven curriculum goes step-by-step to show how to create a budget, pay off your debt, make wise spending decisions, and save for the future.

Sundays, 6:00-8:00pm - Sessions beginning February 18

Thursdays, 7:00-9:00pm - Sessions beginning February 22

Classes at The Well

107 West Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown

Contact: Simon Brain (thebrains2@Verizon.net)

Mission and Ministry

Special thanks to everyone who led and attended this year's InterGenerational Retreat (IGR). With 125 people on site at Black Rock Retreat Center and the Book of James opened before us, we had an amazing time of learning and fellowship. Here are just a few celebrations from the weekend.

Having been to the IGR frequently during its 30+ year tenure, I always look forward to another opportunity to gain new insight into interpreting and applying the wisdom of the Bible in today's world. This year's retreat provided another example of the value of sharing the study of the Word with fellow Christians, most from our Hopewell family but also some from other congregations. Through Pastor Amy's expert guidance, combined with the questions and perspectives of our discussion groups, I was able to understand and appreciate the message presented in the book of James and how to begin to apply it in my daily life. Of course, the weekend also provided the opportunity to enjoy time for conversation, peaceful reflection, and good food in a lovely secluded setting time with so many wonderful friends. Thank you Amy and everyone who worked so hard to coordinate this event for another exceptional event. Peyton Wildermuth

My name is Lisa Diewald. My husband Ted and I attended the IGR this past weekend and I must say I was thrilled we decided to attend. As new members, I couldn't help but feel nervous going into the weekend—well, very nervous, actually! There were so many new faces, but from the time we arrived, we felt a kind and welcoming spirit from every single person we met. My nervousness quickly subsided and I was in a place where I could focus on what God was saying to me through the sessions on the book of James, so wonderfully presented by Pastor Amy. An added bonus was being invited by Mike Banka to co-present one of the youth sessions, which truly warmed my heart. Thank you to all who so tirelessly worked to make the IGR happen...and for the efforts by all to make the "newbies" like us feel so welcome and loved.

We had always heard enthusiastic endorsements of IGR from everyone we talked to who had attended. Despite that positive feedback we had always viewed this annual event with some uncertainty. This year we were encouraged by a friend to attend and are very glad we did. It was a great weekend with a broad swath of Hopewell humanity some of whom we know and some of whom we didn't. There was a study of James led by Pastor Amy who always provides fresh perspective that really brings the Bible into our lives. There was great fellowship, including organized games thanks in great measure to Mike Banka, and plenty of time for discussion and/or quiet time. The facility and food were awesome. I'd encourage all to attend in the future. Rob Chapman, IGR class of '18

Children's Ministries

Cheri Miller, cheri@hopewellumc.org
Katy Garner, katy@hopewellumc.org
Heather Compton, heather@hopewellumc.org

Children's Sunday school is during the 9:30am worship hour. Check hallway signs or information desk for room assignments.

Junior Church is offered during the 10:55am worship hour for all children age 3 years to entering 6th grade. Children should proceed to worship with their families and then join our Junior Church leaders at the specified time in the order of worship. Children can be picked up after worship in Room Adam (the church library.)

Sunday Night Fellowship All children, Kindergarten to 6th grade, are invited to join us each Sunday night from 6-8 pm. Each week the children gather for a time of prayer, topical discussions, hands-on missions, games and recreation. Choir participants can join in at 7pm. Stop in any Sunday and bring a friend.

Look for registration forms in the church lobby, or on-line!!

C.L.I.C.K. on Wednesday nights C.L.I.C.K. stands for '*Children Learning in Christ's Kingdom.*' All children age 3 (by 9/1/17) through 6th grade are invited to join us for this time of Bible storytelling, fellowship & fun. This program's goal is to help children lead Christ-centered lives.

Time: 6:00 to 7:30pm Cost: \$20 per child
Optional: Family dinners at 5:30pm in the FLC

2nd, 3rd & 4th Grade Retreat Join us for an overnight of fun, Bible stories, missions and more on Friday, March 9th into Saturday, March 10th. Drop off will be 7:00pm. Pick up will be 8:00am. Registration forms can be found in the church lobby or on-line at <http://www.hopewellumc.org/special-events>. Contact cheri@hopewellumc.org with questions.

'Screenagers – Growing Up in the Digital Age' Movie Join us for this community event geared towards upper elementary & middle school kids and their parents. Hopewell Children's and Youth Ministries are sponsoring the showing of this movie to help us all have better conversations about screen time. The movie will be shown in the Sanctuary on **Thursday, March 8th at 6:30pm**. There is no cost to attend; a free will donation will be taken. To register, email katy@hopewellumc.org with the number attending. To learn more about the movie, go to www.screenagersmovie.com.

Spring Event Dates

Easter Missions Festival

Saturday, March 24th, 6:30 to 8:00pm

Journey Through Holy Week

Sunday, March 25th, 9:30 to 10:30am during
Sunday school

Youth Ministries

Grades 7-12

Mike Banka, mike@hopewellumc.org

Kim Lloyd, youth@hopewellumc.org

Sunday School Middle School meets in the Upstairs Youth space, High School meets in the Café.

Youth Group is back Sunday for blocks at 6pm, followed by Worship and Small Groups.

High School Life Groups Boys meet every Wednesday from 6:30-8pm at The Well with Mike and Berdy. Contact Mike at mike@hopewellumc.org to RSVP or with questions. Girls meet every Thursday from 6:30-8pm at The Well with Ashley Judge and other female leaders. Contact Ashley at 13ajudge@gmail.com to RSVP or with questions.

Kalahari Waterpark Weekend March 2nd-4th. We will leave Hopewell at 5pm Friday evening, spend all day Saturday at the Kalahari indoor waterpark, and return Sunday afternoon following worship at Faith UMC. We will sleep at Faith UMC as well. Cost is \$100 which includes everything for the weekend!! Scholarships ARE AVAILABLE!! Register on the Youth page. PAYMENT AND REGISTRATION ARE DUE NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 23rd!!!

SUMMER SCHEDULE Mark your calendars!

Short-Term Missions	June 18-21
Bike Trip	June 27-July 1
The Philadelphia Project	July 8-14
Long-Term Missions	July 22-28
Middle School & High School Henlopen Retreat	August 4-8

Registration is Now Open for Summer Mission & Trips ALL Summer Missions & Trip registration is ONLINE!! Please visit www.tinyurl.com/18humcyouth to register AND pay for all of your summer activities. Questions about service/fundraiser hours? Contact Kim Lloyd: youth@hopewellumc.org. Questions about trip details? Contact Mike: mike@hopewellumc.org

Youth Internship The application for the Youth Summer 2018 Internship is now up on Hopewell's website. Deadline to apply for this PAID position is March 1, 2018

THANK YOU!! Thank you to everyone who supported Parent's Night Out, either by sending your children or helping to staff! Youth Ministries is so grateful to our congregation for supporting our Summer Missions fundraising efforts!

Finance

Socks 4 the Savior Update:

325 pairs of socks were so generously donated in January. They will be delivered to Bridge of Hope, CYWA (Children, Youth and Women's Shelter) and City Gate (a men's shelter) - all agencies in Coatesville. What a great way to honor the Savior!

Baked Potato Bowl Game Wrap-up:

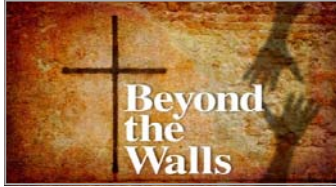
Thanks to all who offered up their God given gifts and talents to make the Baked Potato Bowl a super success. Fun, fellowship and good food was the name of the game! **\$3,000.00** was so generously donated to help support Downingtown's the Lords Pantry and the Honeybrook Food Cupboard. To God goes all the Glory! Sincerely, Mrs. Potato head.

**Total missions dollars raised through
the Beyond the Walls campaigns
since their inception (April, 2008):
\$2,311,090.00**

Praise the Lord! We have hit our goal.

*Year Ten of our annual capital campaign for missions reached its financial goal approximately six weeks ahead of the targeted end date! Even though we increased the goal by \$40,000.00 from the prior year, generous Hopewell donors and friends responded with exuberant generosity and today we are within reach of the full \$319,000 current goal. Because of this tremendous success, our plan is to direct gifts to "Beyond the Walls" received after February 28 to the next year's campaign...i.e., the **Beyond the Walls XI** campaign which begins at Easter. If you wish to have your particular BTW gifts in the months of March deposited toward the current year's effort (**Beyond the Walls X**), please notify Diane in the office, 610-269-1545, or diane@hopewellumc.org, and we will surely honor that request. Otherwise, we will pool gifts together over the month of March and create a nice financial jumpstart to the **Beyond the Walls XI** campaign after April 1st.*

Finance



Beyond the Walls - Year X

A Capital Campaign *with a twist*

"I will change their shame into praise." (Zephaniah 3:19c)

Local: Bridge of Hope
Coatesville Kids to College
Camp Innabah

Good Works
Safe Harbor
The Well

Global: South Africa and Haiti

Building: Our Worship spaces

National: Hurricane Relief Workers

Annual Goal:	\$319,000
	(through Easter 2018)

Total Received:	\$320,017
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Connectional Ministries Fund (CMF)

Supporting United Methodist missionaries, schools,
and hospitals all around the world!

Special CMF Challenge Goal for 2018: \$11,000
(toward our total commitment in 2018 of \$123,870)

Total received Year-To-Date: **\$385.00**

February Designated Giving

Hopewell's Intergenerational Retreat held at Black Rock Center in Lancaster County will meet the month for its 31st year! Using the Book of James as its basis, participants will spend time learning to put "our" faith into action to best live out our Christian beliefs. This February tradition is always a highlight in our year, and participants receive a significant discount on their registration costs because of fundraisers throughout the year and February Designated Giving. As has been our tradition, your generosity this month will allow Hopewellians, new to us and longtime members, to participate in the 2019 Intergenerational Retreat. Received to date: **\$195.00.**

- **Did you know** that there are 20+ parking spots available in the cemetery for use each and every day?
- **Did you know** that there is a Helping Hands closet downstairs under the Bower Chapel? This closet is filled with medical items that can be loaned out while recuperating. Wheelchairs, crutches, canes, are just some of the medical items available for your use.
- **Did you know** that we recycle ink cartridges and cell phones in the office?
- **Did you know** that we **no** longer recycle household batteries or pill bottles? Please dispose of these in your local trash.
- **Did you know** that you can use On-line giving to tithe?
- **Did you know** that you can send prayer requests to Joan Stanford at jostnfrd@ptd.net?
- **Did you know** we have a library in room Adam based on the honor system?
- **Did you know** that we have a glider rocker in the sanctuary?
- **Did you know** that we have a labyrinth available for prayer?
- **Did you know** that we have a team of volunteers at the Chester County Food bank on the 3rd Friday of every month?
- **Did you know** that prayer squares are available in the narthex?
- **Did you know** that the chapel bell that was gifted to Hopewell in 1914 by the Women's Temperance League?

Donation Station

*Please place your donations downstairs by the
Family Life Center at the Donation Station.
THANK YOU!*

Chester County Food Bank Shopping List

Small cans or pouches of tuna, chicken or beef	Small jars of peanut butter
Fruit cups packed in 100% juice/apple sauce cups	100% fruit juice boxes
Healthy cereal (12-16 oz.)	Macaroni & Cheese
Pouches of Pasta Sides	Pouches of Pasta Meals
Ready Rice boxed grains	Shelf-stable milk

Clip box and take along when you food shop

