



# *Hopewell*

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Helping Christians Grow & Helping Grow Christians

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## **Worship Schedule**

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

**Weekend of August 19 & 20, 2017**

## Prayer Notes

### Circle of Concern

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

Grieving a loss:  
Berger family

Hope and Healing:  
Sue Leiby  
Joanne Hutton  
Carey Burke's mom, Carol  
Steve Carr

### This Week's Prayer Calendar:

Sunday -	Celebrating God's amazing grace
Monday -	Those returning to college
Tuesday -	For an abundance of joy
Wednesday -	For elected government officials
Thursday -	For hearts full of anxiety
Friday -	Sharing the gospel with others
Saturday -	Greeters and ushers

### South Africa Mission Trip

Please keep the following people in your prayers:  
Tony, Cammy, Matt & Seth Brantzeg, Stephanie Martin, Jim Osborn,  
Dick & Vicki Pry, and Patty Wiehler.

Dear Hopewell United Methodist Church,

We, at 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest, would like to thank you for your generous donation of \$2,500.00. The beneficiaries of these funds are the underprivileged and hungry persons in communities in the Paarl Valley area. We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,  
Mark Maingard  
Managing Director

*2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest in Paarl, South Africa is offering job training in the culinary and hospitality fields while also providing meals for hundreds of children and adults each day. This gift is a combination of proceeds from the May 12 Empty Bowls Event at Hopewell and Beyond the Walls funds. Thank you for your generosity!*

## Worship

### This Weekend

Saturday, August 19

Sunday, August 20

**"Let's Meet in the Middle"**

Luke 3:1-6

Pastor Keith, preaching

### Next Weekend

Saturday, August 26

Sunday, August 27

**"People Who Need People"**

Ecclesiastes 4:7-12

Pastor Dan, preaching

Busy all day Sunday? Please join us for Saturday 5:25pm worship this summer!

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**9:30am – Sunday School** is offered during this worship service for children age 3 to entering 6th grade. *We are combining classrooms during the summer months. These classrooms are for the grade the child will be entering in the fall:*

Pre-school – Room Luke

Kindergarten to 2nd – Room Deborah

3rd to 6th – Room Adam

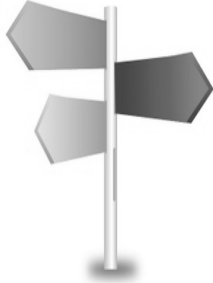
**10:55am - Junior Church** is offered during this worship hour for all children age 3 years to entering 6th grade. Children should proceed to worship with their families and then join our Junior Church leaders at the specified time in the order of worship. Children can be picked up after worship in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

**Senior Pastor Away** The Mortons are in Tenant's Harbor, Maine this weekend as Pastor Steve enjoys the first of his five (5) vacation Sundays for the 2017-18 Annual Conference year. They will return to Downingtown on Friday of this week.

## This Week's Calendar

<p><b>Sunday, August 20</b>              8:00am Traditional Worship              9:30am Outdoor Worship                      Sunday School              10:55am Contemporary Worship                      Junior Church/Nursery              12:00pm Youth 2018 Mission Planning              1:30pm Men's Basketball</p> <p><b>Monday, August 21</b>              6:30 pm Haiti Team</p> <p><b>Tuesday, August 22</b>              6:00pm Celebrate Recovery              6:45pm Trustees              7:00pm Youth Council</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, August 23</b>              6:30pm Volleyball Practice              7:00pm Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p><b>Thursday, August 24</b></p> <p><b>Friday, August 25</b>              6:30am Men of Faith</p> <p><b>Saturday, August 26</b>              8:30am Men of the Sabbath              5:25pm Contemporary Worship</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 27</b>              8:00am Traditional Worship              9:30am Outdoor Worship                      Sunday School              10:55am Contemporary Worship                      Junior Church/Nursery              1:30pm Men's Basketball</p>
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### HUMC Strategic Map



**Goal:** Encourage all efforts that expand Hopewell UMC's "face" (presence) in the community

**Result:** What a joy it is for us to have had a presence at the 2017 East Brandywine Township Community Day on Saturday, August 26. Taking the love of Jesus Christ out beyond these walls and sharing it with the community is what we are called to do, and we are grateful for the Welcoming Team, CR, and others who participated as "the face" of Hopewell UMC in the park!

### MUSIC NEWS!!

Do you enjoy singing? Do you enjoy worshipping? Did you know that singing in the Chancel Choir combines both? Come and join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> choir rehearsal of the fall!

Choir is open to anyone in youth to age 99! Rehearsals will begin on **Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm** in the Thompson Music Room. Contact Rebecca Gamble: [rebecca@hopewellumc.org](mailto:rebecca@hopewellumc.org) with any questions. We look forward to seeing YOU!

## Discipleship

### Staff News

Pastor Steve and the Staff-Parish Relations Committee are pleased to announce the expansion of Jen Lisowski's role as Faith Community Nurse, beginning September 1, 2017. She has agreed to add four-to-six hours to her current workload, all of which will be an extension of Caring Ministries at Hopewell UMC. Jen's new responsibilities will be in enrolling and equipping gifted lay persons to serve in the Caring Ministries team. The combination of duties Jen's fulfills in Caring Ministries, as Assistant to the Director of Youth Ministries, and as staff support at The Well will now make her a fulltime employee of Hopewell UMC. We are delighted by this news, at every level!

### 21st Annual Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 3rd  
2:00 to 4:00 pm  
at the Parsonage



Join us for fellowship and food at the Mortons' home at 361 N. Buck Road. This has been a marvelous, intergenerational activity over the last twenty years for long-time members and newcomers to Hopewell. Each year, around 200 people attend. There will be bouncing castles and games for the kids.

Music! Popcorn!  
Antique Cars! Face Painting!  
**New feature: the Octopus Challenge at 3 pm !**

Remember: park at the church and ride the shuttle.  
Bring your lawn chairs too!

### UMW's Day Apart

September 13th, 9:15 am to 2:30pm  
Camp Innabah  
"Each One Reach One" (John 1:35-46)  
Guest speaker, Pastor Vicki Pry  
Cost is \$8.00 per person  
Bring a friend.  
Write a prayer for our nation!  
Contact Ellen Faller, 610-363-7318 for more information.

### Bishop's Day on the District at Hopewell - September 13th

Let's give a warm welcome to our Bishop, Peggy Johnson, and our District Superintendent, Dawn Taylor-Storm on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM here at Hopewell (with pre-registered dinner beginning at 5:30 PM). In addition to celebrating the formation of the new South District (totaling 106 United Methodist churches), Bishop Johnson will give a presentation on Christian leadership and key Conference staff will provide updates and reports. Join us for an evening of worship, fellowship, and discussion. Registration will be available shortly.

## Mission & Ministry

### *Announcing The Afters, Jason Gray & David Dunn - coming to our own Hopewell Amphitheater!*

Friday, September, 15th at 7pm

\$16 General Admission

\$25 VIP (Artist Testimony, Q&A Session, Premium Seating Choice)



Tickets are on sale @ [https://www.showclix.com/event/liveonforever\\_091517](https://www.showclix.com/event/liveonforever_091517)

If you are interested in volunteering for any open positions to support the concert on the day of the event and have free entry to the concert, please email Paul Taylor ([taylor.paul.a@att.net](mailto:taylor.paul.a@att.net))



We understand how deeply grief and loss hurt people and families, and we simply wanted you to know about our GriefShare group. It's a place where many people have found they can begin putting their lives back together again. GriefShare will meet at Hopewell UMC starting on Thursday evenings, September 7th at 7pm in the Adult Ministry Lounge. For more information please contact Tom and Marsha Rupert, [tlrupert@aol.com](mailto:tlrupert@aol.com) or the church office, 610-269-1545.

### **Recognizing Hopewell's Newest Christ Servant Ministers**

At last week's EPAUMC Academy for Laity, four Hopewellians completed the special training and became certified as Christ Servant Ministers: Becky Brain, Brendan Murphy, Cheryl Sabb, and James Sabb. The goal of CSMs is to give the body of Christ, through a congregation, tools for effective ministry.

## Mission & Ministry



### UPCOMING WORKDAYS:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> - Labor Day

*No matter your skill level, no matter your expertise relative to building renovation, there will be a job YOU can do on these upcoming workdays at The Well. If you can help, even if just for a few hours, please email Boyd (boyd@hopewellumc.org), and let her know what day(s) and what time(s) to expect you. The Well is located at 107 West Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown. Y'all come!*

14th Annual

Planting Seeds for Ministry Growth  
Saturday, September 30, 2017

Registration is now open!

[www.hopewellumc.org/planting-seeds](http://www.hopewellumc.org/planting-seeds)



**Hopewell Christian Preschool** is looking for narthex greeters during our upcoming school year. If you could spare a few hours during the week, we can use your help. The morning schedule is from 9:15 to 11:15am. The afternoon schedule is 12:45 to 2:45pm. We are in need of greeters for Tuesday morning and afternoon. You can also volunteer to be a substitute. Feel free to bring your reading, crossword puzzles and Sudoku with you. There may be some preschool arts and crafts projects for you to assemble if you choose. Please contact Kathy in the office to volunteer or for more information: [Kathy@hopewellumc.org](mailto:Kathy@hopewellumc.org) or 610-269-1545



## Mission & Ministry

### ***One VERY Special Session with Dr. Dave!***

#### **Sunday, September 17 at 9:30am in Adult Ministry B**

Mark your calendars so that you do not miss this extraordinary hour when Dr. Dave will be presenting "Religion in the Andes: a Brief Tour of Peru and Bolivia." Dr. Dave will share slides from his recent trip and speak about the mixture of Catholicism and native religion in this region.

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#### **Coatesville Kids to College currently has two job positions available:**



Administrative Assistant – 10-12 hrs a week  
Director of Elementary Programming – 28-32 hrs a week

Please contact Pastor Keith at [keith@hopewellumc.org](mailto:keith@hopewellumc.org) or at 610-716-6999 for more information.

## Men's Ministries

### ***Holy Smoke!* NEW STUDY GROUP meeting at *Cigar, Cigar* in Thorndale Thursdays, 6:30pm, starting September 7th**

An 8-week study based on the book "An Ordinary Day with Jesus" by John Ortberg and Ruth Haley Barton. The heart of spiritual life is to do everything with Jesus, in His name - the way He would do it in our place. Weekly handouts will be provided so no book purchase is necessary. Facilitator: Kevin Putt ([KevinP@rvii.com](mailto:KevinP@rvii.com))

#### **CURRENT STUDY GROUPS - New participants are always welcome!**

##### **Men of Faith - Fridays, 6:30am, in the Lounge**

##### ***Serendipity House: Miracles-Signs & Wonders***

Facilitator: Allen Puy ([allen.s.puy@lmco.com](mailto:allen.s.puy@lmco.com), or 610.505.36260)

##### **Men of the Sabbath - Saturdays, 8:30-10:00am, in Room Adam**

##### ***Battlefield of the Mind: Winning the Battle in Your Mind***

Facilitator: Rob Chapman ([rob.chapman627@gmail.com](mailto:rob.chapman627@gmail.com))



## Mission & Ministry

### Become a Volunteer Tutor for the Volunteer English Program in Chester County

Tutors provide one-to-one English language instruction to meet the needs of adult immigrants or refugees in Chester County. No teaching experience is necessary, but training is required. Training dates are September 5th, 6th and 11th (3-day program; 9-hour training), 6:00-9:00pm each evening, at Phoenixville Hospital. A one-year commitment of approximately 3 hours a week is requested. For information about this exciting and rewarding volunteer opportunity, contact Deb Boyd ([boyd@hopewellumc.org](mailto:boyd@hopewellumc.org)).

*Change someone's life, and see how it changes yours.*

### Bridge of Hope Merges with Good Samaritan Shelter

Bridge of Hope Lancaster and Chester Counties, based in Coatesville and Lancaster, and Good Samaritan Shelter, based in Phoenixville and Ephrata, are merging to offer a range of progressive services that will make an even greater impact on ending homelessness. These two established non-profits that serve the homeless population will be providing emergency shelter, rapid re-housing and permanent housing for homeless men, women and children. To celebrate the merger, there will be a ***Together For Good Gala*** on Friday, September 22nd at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Reservations for the Gala can be made at <https://www.goodsamshelter.org/gala>.

## Young Adults/College Ministries

Amy Banka, [amy@hopewellumc.org](mailto:amy@hopewellumc.org)

**College Students** Our College Ministry Team welcomes our college students back to school. We're praying for you daily, asking God to bless you with wisdom, passion, and purpose and to keep you safely in His arms. Help us to stay in touch with you throughout the year by providing your updated address. Visit [HopewellUMC.org](http://HopewellUMC.org) and click the link marked "College Ministry"

**Thank you** to Sarah West for providing such exceptional and enthusiastic leadership this summer as the Young Adult Intern. We so appreciate your creativity, initiative, and heart—and we ask God's blessing on your growing leadership.

**Join us on Facebook or Instagram** for updated information about what's coming up next. Visit [Hopewell@College](https://www.facebook.com/Hopewell@College) on Facebook and [Hopewell Young Adults](https://www.instagram.com/HopewellYoungAdults) on Instagram.

## Children's Ministries

Cheri Miller, [cheri@hopewellumc.org](mailto:cheri@hopewellumc.org)  
Katy Garner, [katy@hopewellumc.org](mailto:katy@hopewellumc.org)  
Heather Compton, [heather@hopewellumc.org](mailto:heather@hopewellumc.org)

**Back to School Blessing** As we prepare to send off our children, consider joining us Sunday, August 27th, during the 9:30 or 10:55 worship service for a back-to-school blessing. Children should join their parents in worship at both services. The blessing will happen at the beginning of both services. Children going to Sunday school during the 9:30am service can then proceed to their classrooms after the blessing.

**Sunday School Teacher Needed** If you have a heart for children, consider being a Sunday school teacher during the 9:30am worship hour this fall! Both lead teachers and helpers are needed. Please contact Cheri if you are interested.

## Youth Ministries

Grades 7-12  
Mike Banka, [mike@hopewellumc.org](mailto:mike@hopewellumc.org)  
Jen Lisowski, [jen@hopewellumc.org](mailto:jen@hopewellumc.org)

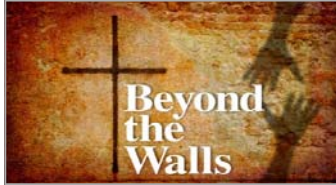
Join us at the Turner/Koppenhaver home for a **Luau Pool Party** on Sunday, August 27th from 12:30-3pm! If you need directions, please email Jen at [jen@hopewellumc.org](mailto:jen@hopewellumc.org).

**Parent Gathering** Parents, please make every effort to attend a parent meeting on **Sunday, September 10 at 12:15pm** in the Sanctuary. We have some new information to share about the year and we want to hear from you!

Save the date! Our annual **Mission Celebration Service and Stockholder Breakfast** will be on September 17th. Join us for worship in the Sanctuary at 9:30am and then help serve breakfast to our congregation as a thank you for their support of our summer missions.

The **2017-2018 Confirmation** journey (for students in 7th grade and older) will begin this October. Interested parents **and** students must attend one of the two **mandatory** information meetings held on Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00pm in the sanctuary and on Sunday, September 17th at 12:15pm in the Cornerstone Cafe. Students will be registered for the program **at or after** those meetings. For more information, please check the confirmation program guide in the lobby or email Pastor Amy at [Amy@HopewellUMC.org](mailto:Amy@HopewellUMC.org).

## 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:** TBD

**Annual Goal:** \$319,000

**Total Received:** \$164,649

### August Designated – Facelift for Ecclesiastes

A wish and a dream for many years has been to provide more storage space in our building. The Trustees along with Hopewell Christian Preschool are working together to provide much needed storage in Ecclesiastes. Plans are to replace the current storage unit (dating back to when this space was the church office) with upper and lower cabinets almost doubling the amount of useable storage for Children's Sunday school, church and preschool music programs. Freshening the look of the room while retaining the beautiful murals will be an added plus. The anticipated cost for this upgrade is \$1500. Your August Designated gifts will help to turn this dream into reality. Received to date: **\$150.00.**

#### Connectional Ministries Fund (CMF)

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

Special CMF Challenge Goal for 2017: \$11,000  
(toward our total commitment in 2017 of \$130,144)

Total received Year-To-Date: **\$5,709**

Thank you to everyone who participated in Monday's Blood Drive.  
Forty Four pints were collected!



## Donation Station

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

### **Annual Collection of BACKPACKS and SCHOOL SUPPLIES** **224 backpacks donated!! We are almost there!** Thank you for all the donations so far!

#### **MOST NEEDED - Plain backpacks for teens (black, navy, grey, dark green)**

We will be collecting backpacks and school supplies this weekend and next. Our supply list has changed slightly as the items below are currently most needed.



Pencils  
Black and Blue Pens  
2 pocket folders  
Crayola broad line markers (10 per box)  
Rulers  
Notebook paper (lined and 3-hole)

### ***August is Undies-Sundays Month!*** **UNDERWEAR FOR BOYS AND GIRLS**

We are collecting new underwear for both boys and girls for this school year. All donations of new items will be distributed through CYWA (Community, Youth, and Women's Alliance) and Bridge of Hope. Please help our neighbors prepare their children with this most basic necessity. For more information contact Sue Lehman, 610-942-9364.

Don't forget to take the extra vegetables from your garden to the **Chester County Food Bank**, 650 Pennsylvania Drive, Exton, where donations are received Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm.

#### **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*

