

EmmanuelLife

Newsletter of Emmanuel United Church of Christ



Rev. Kenneth D. Peterkin, Pastor

November 2023

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Calendar Highlights

Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30

*Weekly music rehearsals:
6 pm—Hand bells • 7 pm—Choir*

Thursdays, November 2 & 16

*1-4 pm—Afternoon of Games
in King Auditorium*

Sundays, November 5, 12, 19, 26

*8:30 am—Adult Learning Hour
10 am—Worship in person and
livestreamed on YouTube*

Sunday, November 5

6 pm—Mindfulness Seminar

Mondays, November 6, 13, 20, 27

1-4 pm—Compassionate Crafters

Sunday, November 12

*Community Concert Series
3 pm—Elma Strings String Quartet*

Sunday, November 19

11 am—Stewardship Potluck Fellowship

Thursday-Friday, November 23-24

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

COMPLETE CALENDAR, PAGE 11

From the desk of Rev. Ken . . .

We have come to the time of many events, many programs, many parties, many worship services, many dreams, many memories. It seems that the time from early November to the beginning of January we are in constant motion. We pack this time with the events listed above, and we watch programs on Streaming and TV about the holidays, we decorate our homes so much more than any other time of the year. It is all fitting, as for we Christians we are observing the Christ child's appearance, a birthday beyond any other.

I'll tell ya, I am a Hallmark Christmas Movie addict! I know, I know – they're cheesy and they are predictable, and they are schmaltzy! But what can I say? The sights they portray, the music, the sentiments are all endearing to me. Also, in the town we moved from, before coming to Hanover, was Essex, Conn. – a very beautiful and picturesque New England village. Several Hallmark movies have been filmed in our former village. If you ever watch one, usually you can see something to make you chuckle. As these movies are almost always made the same year they premiere, they are filmed in July! So, notice that the trees and bushes all have their leaves!! And walking through town for the week or so that they're there you have to make certain you don't trip over the fake snow they place all over the place (it's just fluffy white stuff like pillow stuffing). There's also a lot of "greenscreen" technology going on too.

So, I am enchanted by the Christmas season and when January comes along, I'm a sad boy because these movies stop, the lights come down from houses all around, and the jolly music is extracted from commercials. I've adopted strategies though, so that my heart doesn't sink. One is recording all the movies I can to watch at my leisure! But more wholesomely, I continue a ritual of prayers of thanks to Jesus for the love that has poured from his heart. These prayers start in mid-December and I carry them deep into January. I know that most people think that a minister would automatically carry on prayer time, and I do, but, this special time of prayerful thanks powers my prayers for the rest of the year. The heart that I place in my

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Stewardship Sunday

November 5

The church's call for faithful stewardship this year is focused on the theme *Because of You Our Church Changes Lives*. This theme boldly gives us hope, reminds us of our value and motivates us to be part of something larger than ourselves. It is also a simple reminder that your gifts make ministry happen. By choosing to give, we expand our quest to change lives – even our own.

Members received letters from the Stewardship team and we ask that you read them carefully and consider the spiritual practice of generosity.

Everyone is strongly encouraged to pledge your support this year and respond to the invitation to share your financial gifts as you are able.

We will celebrate your generosity on Stewardship Sunday, November 5, when we dedicate your pledges.



► **Potluck Fellowship:** As a thank you for your commitments, the Stewardship Committee will hold a potluck luncheon during Fellowship Hour on November 19. Please bring a dish to share. For last names beginning A to M, bring a main dish; names beginning N to Z, bring a side, salad or vegetable. Desserts will be provided. Sign up on the purple clipboard or contact the office.

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prayers of thanks is emotional, sometimes tearful, and always very patient. I marinate in the feelings of love, and I use that feeling of belonging to power myself in caring for others. Who knew Hallmark could be so Holy??

But first things first – our request to the membership is sent out now in a Call to Stewardship. Being a Steward is being a Keeper – and in our case we are keeping the church building and its ministries. Let me remind you – NO ONE BUT WE OURSELVES PAYS FOR THE CHURCH! We aren't funded by the national or regional church, and so to plan ahead we ask each of you to tell us now what we can expect from you to fund this

gathering. If you don't pledge currently, please do so starting this year. And please, give of your "first fruits" plan generously and from year to year give a little more, say 10% more than last year. That really is not that much more, and, if all do, we can keep ahead of rising prices everywhere. My spouse and I started giving generously, and each year we work towards eventually "tithing," and we do so at both churches we serve (my wife is an interim pastor elsewhere). Because we are intentional about our giving, we find ourselves with plenty of money and are never struggling. It's actually a great tool to aid in how we spend elsewhere. Please think generously and know that it will pay off in the world and in your heart.

With a Thankful heart, growing more so every day,
Rev. Ken

Electronic giving

Did you know that more than 30 percent of giving to EUCC is by electronic donation?



Electronic giving through our website is secure and convenient. You can make a one-time donation or schedule offerings in weekly, semi-monthly or monthly installments. Pay directly from a bank account or by credit card.

Visit www.emmanuelucc.org, find the Giving tab and click on DONATE NOW. Set up recurring donations and manage your giving here.

But you don't have to "be online" to give electronically. Just complete an Electronic Giving Authorization Form and return it to the church office. For technical assistance, forms, questions or more information, contact Maria in the church office at 717-632-8281 or office@eucchanover.org.

Reach Rev. Ken at
860-581-0869 or
pastor@eucchanover.org



GIFT CARD BINGO

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

5:30 PM: FOOD—FUN—FELLOWSHIP

7 PM: 20 GAMES OF BINGO—SPECIALS—RAFFLES

TICKETS: \$12 AT THE DOOR

The event benefits the Salvation Army Hanover Service Unit and Emmanuel's building fund. For info or to volunteer, contact Mary Bair at 717-870-5597.



Gift Card Bingo Donation

Want to sponsor a game for \$25? Use this form:

Name _____

will sponsor # _____ gift card prizes at \$25 each.

Total enclosed \$ _____ (Please make checks to EUCC)

Please return to the church office **by November 10.**

Volunteer to fight hunger

Join the Missions Committee to volunteer at the Hanover Against Hunger Meal Packing event on Sunday, November 5. The organization aims to pack 200,000 meals to be distributed worldwide.

The two-day event is 6 am-4:30 pm on Saturday, November 4, and 12:30-2:30 pm (or until finished) on Sunday, November 5, in the fellowship hall at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 30 W. Chestnut St., Hanover.

On Nov. 5, have a light lunch at Fellowship Hour and then join the Missions Committee at the Meal Packing.

See Carol Giesey, sign up on the black clipboard, or register online to volunteer at hanoveragainsthunger.org/participation.



Photos wanted for Veterans' Day

EUCC will honor living veterans with a photo presentation during worship on November 12, when we will observe Veterans' Day. Email digital photos to Alec Sivel at alecsivel@hotmail.com. For actual photos, place in an envelope and bring to the church office. The deadline for submissions is November 6.

Events & Activities

Coffee ER

9:15-10:30 am Fridays

Join Rev. Ken for an informal gathering every Friday from

9:15-10:30 am at The Reader's Café, 125 Broadway.

Grab coffee, tea or breakfast.

Coffee ER's name pays homage to Emmanuel's Evangelical and Reformed roots.



Afternoon of Games

1:30-4pm, November 2 & 16

The group meets for Scrabble, cards and more games and snacks first and third Thursdays in King Auditorium. For info, call Carol Giesey at 717-632-2665.

Monthly Mindfulness

6 pm, First Sundays

Join Karen Jones November 5 and every first Sunday for a 45-minute Monthly Mindfulness Drop-In session in Bowers Chapel. The stress-reduction practices are open to everyone. Use the courtyard door. For a Zoom link or questions, email Karen at kjones@mindfulnessandmotion.com.

Lunch Bunch

Second Sundays

The group will gather for food and fellowship after worship at 11:45 am on November 12 at McAllister's on York. RSVP to Sandy Rebert, 717-586-2136.



Compassionate Crafters

1-4 pm Mondays

All crafters are welcome to bring a project, swap techniques and enjoy fellowship. For info, call Sandy Rebert at 717-586-2136.

Community Concert Series 25th anniversary season

Emmanuel has welcomed the community to enjoy music in our beautiful sanctuary for decades. Join us this 25th anniversary season for six Sunday concerts featuring diverse programs from world-class musicians and regional performers.

Stay after each concert for a dessert reception to meet the performing artists. All events are free thanks to our generous sponsors. Support the series by using the form on page 5.

Elma Strings *String Quartet*



3 pm – Sunday, November 12

Enjoy a program of Mozart, Borodin, and more from ...

Diana Sanchez *Violin*

Robert Sorel *Violin*

Sarah Kheel *Viola*

Teresa Shirley-Quirk *Cello*

Concert Sponsored by Judy Morris

113th Annual Carol Sing

A Hanover Tradition

Sunday, December 17, 2023 – 7 pm

Join in this Christmas carol singalong, with stories of the carols narrated by Steve McKonly and Landy Grimm, accompanied by a live 30-piece community orchestra.

Sponsored by Linda & Steve McKonly



L'abri Trio

Saxophone, Cello & Piano

April 7, 2024 – 3 pm

With a varied program from Classical to Jazz to Modernist, this trio includes world-renowned Saxophonist, Musician and Educator Dr. Kenny Baik, Cellist Dr. Vasily Popov and Pianist Dr. Bonghee Lee. *Sponsored by Sam S. Lee*



Susquehanna Slide Express

Trombone Quintet

Sunday, March 10, 2024 – 3 pm

This ensemble of four horns and percussion has an extensive repertoire of marches, jazz, patriotic, show tunes, sacred and Renaissance/ Baroque/ Classical music.

Sponsored by Sandy Rebert



Grace EunHye Oh

Organist


Sunday, May 12, 2024 – 3 pm

Grace EunHye Oh will present a program of Mendelssohn, Widor, Rameau and more on our magnificent 1930 E.F. Skinner organ. Oh earned a master's degree at Westminster Choir College and has been performing and teaching internationally for many years.



HOLIDAY GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

New date for Harvest Home: Nov. 5


This year's Harvest Home collection will be Nov. 5, held in conjunction with our first  Sunday Communion Gifts offering. Bring foods for holiday meals as well as any pantry items, hygiene products or cleaners, which will be shared among New Hope Ministries' food pantry, the Hanover Area Council of Church's PAL Lunch program and God's Meal Barrel.

Bring canned and packaged items to church or the office now through November 5. Suggested items include: cans of white or sweet potatoes, other vegetables, fruit, cranberry sauce and pie filling; boxes of stuffing and scalloped potatoes; gravy; salad dressing; soups; pasta and spaghetti sauce; and cereal. HACC prefers #10 restaurant-sized cans, but all sizes are welcome.

Christmas Blessings Express

New Hope will host its Christmas Blessings Express "shoppers room" where clients can get gifts for their entire family. For a complete list of requested toys, games, clothing and household items, visit the church office or nhm-pa.org. Unwrapped items will be accepted now through December 1. Drop off gifts at 135 Baltimore Street, Hanover, 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday.

Hoffman Homes Holiday Gift Program

Emmanuel will again support the Hoffman Homes for Youth Holiday Gift Program.  There are 12 gift tags each with the name of a child and their wish list. Gifts should be under \$40. Make your purchases and attach the tag to the unwrapped gift. The deadline to return gifts is November 30. To participate, call Estelle King at 717-487-1906.



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2023-2024 CONCERT SERIES Sponsor

Name _____

Address _____

Level of Support:

- _____ Friend (\$25-\$49)
- _____ Benefactor (\$150)
- _____ Patron (\$50-\$99)
- _____ Sustainer (\$250)
- _____ Grand Patron (\$100)
- _____ Donor-Named Concert (\$500)

Please make checks to EUCC.
Place this form in the offering,
drop off at the office or mail to:

Emmanuel UCC Concerts
124 Broadway, Hanover PA 17331

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► **THANK YOU** to all who attended the Vocal Recital last month. There were 74 attendees and a free will offering of \$168.

Thank you, concert sponsors!

We are truly grateful for the members and friends of Emmanuel for supporting our 2023-2024 Concert Series:

Donor-Named Concert Sponsors

- The Elma Strings – Judy Morris*
- 113th Annual Carol Sing – Linda & Steve McKonly*
- Susquehanna Slide Express – Sandy Rebert*
- The Presence Trio – Sam S. Lee*

Sustainers

- Estelle King
- Henry & Jean McLin
- Peter & Vicky Robinson
- Bill Wertzberger

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- Charlotte Pinette
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- Carole Rhoten
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- Carole G. Zinn

CONSISTORY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Consistory Minutes — September

September minutes were approved Oct. 16.

- Treasurer's Report: Received via email prior to the meeting. Brian Frederick elaborated on the normal documents that were sent prior to the meeting. Ann Kress made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Cheryl Fritz second. All in favor. Vote passed.
- Budget: Brian explained the budget cycle. A date for pledge Sunday needs to be chosen. The Stewardship Committee has not met yet.
- Music Fund to be moved into General Operating Fund, monies staying within the Music program and a report will be run quarterly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Christian Education Committee — October

- Children's Sunday School began on September 17. We are doing a follow up discussion on the Children's Message then we look at the Gospel reading for the week. After that we have been making cards for shut-ins and the children that our church sponsors to show the children the importance of showing Christ's love by reaching out to others.
- There are 1-4 children attending each week. We continue to face the ongoing challenges of an inconsistent number of children and scheduling.
- I am following up with volunteers that regarding safe church clearances that will soon expire or have expired.

Church Growth Committee — October 10

Updates:

- Nancy's Talk: Charlotte asked for any comments or feedback and announced that there had been 223 views online. Nancy reported that she has a wait list from the attendees from the event. Jean suggested that she do this type of event annually.
- Diversity Festival: Nancy asked if the event was well attended. Ken reported that there was a steady flow throughout the event. He indicated that folks were receptive and that we did have 1 church attendee the next day from exposure at the event.
- New Bulletin Board: Charlotte reported on the board in the hallway that has not been changed since 2017. She took down all that had been on it and placed flyers and paperwork showing the causes we support.
- -Chapel: Charlotte reported that there is a new sign that Rev Ken will put up out front every Wed. on the railing in the hopes to draw more attention and

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Laura Kemp, Judy Morris, Charlotte Pinette,
Bill Wertzberger

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Stewardship Judy Morris 717-968-6998

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Chuck Siegel 717-969-5550

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people to the Open Chapel hour. There have not been any attendees in the recent months.

- Greeters: Charlotte reported that the sign up clipboard is back but Chuck has been doing the bulk of the greeting himself and will continue to do so. But we are seeking new faces to fill in as needed and as back up.
- Social Media: Charlotte discussed that she has talked to Abe Peterkin about having him take over creating and posting on Facebook and Instagram.

Fellowship Committee — October

- Coffee hour has continued but needs more volunteer sponsors. The first concert was held October 8. We had 74 attendees and served little sandwiches, fruit and veggie tray, chips, cookies and other finger desserts for the reception. Thanks to all who have helped with all events.

Missions Committee — October

- Current Missions funds total \$6,001.40. This includes proceeds from the September Yard Sale of \$1,038.40.
- Missions recommended an allocation of \$20,000 for Missions work in the 2024 budget.
- God's Meal Barrel is serving 40 to 50 families at the new location at 240 Frederick St. Missions agreed to donate \$500 for Thanksgiving dinners, as we did last year. Donations of sleepers for older children are needed for Santa's Sleepers. Contact GMB.
- Missions agreed to donate \$1,000 to the CROP Walk, as we did last year. We thank Andy Crone for steering this effort at Emmanuel.
- Judy and Dwight, Emmanuel's reps to HACC, report that a community Cleanup Day is scheduled for Oct. 21. Gifts are needed for Adopt A Child/Family for the holidays. Pick up gift tags Nov. 1-10 and deliver gifts by Nov. 27. Missions will donate \$200 in gift cards for JJ's Toy Shop, which runs the first week of Dec.
- Hoffman Homes for Youth will provide us with 12 gift tags for children's Christmas gifts. Contact Estelle. Marilyn Van Lenten has created a quilted holiday table runner for the November Gala.
- New Hope Ministries is requesting holiday food donations by Nov. 10. Suggestions include canned cranberry sauce, corn, green beans, gravy, and boxed potatoes and stuffing mix. The Shoppers Room continues this year, where needy shoppers can select gifts for their families. A list of suggested items to donate is available in

BELL RINGERS WANTED

The Missions Committee is again helping organize volunteers for The Salvation Army Red Bucket Christmas Campaign. Bell ringers are needed for the Hanover Market on Chestnut Street Saturday mornings November 4 to



December 23. All funds support local program needs. To help, contact Estelle King at 717-487-1906 or estellebking@icloud.com.

the office. Items are due by Dec. 4. New Hope is providing vehicles and rides to families in need. To volunteer, contact New Hope.

- The Membership Drive for the Homewood Auxiliary will occur through the month of November. We will write Christmas messages to residents during Fellowship Hours. Prizes are needed for Bingo at Homewood. Contact Peg.
- The Hanover Against Hunger meal-packing event takes place the weekend of Nov. 4-5 at St. Matthew. About 15 members of Emmanuel are currently signed up for the Nov. 5 time slot of 12:30-2:30 pm.
- The collection for Fisher House, to benefit hospitalized vets and their families, will take place Nov. 12.
- Hanover United for Refugee Resettlement has assisted the family of Furaha Aline for a year. We thank everyone at Emmanuel who helped her with transportation, errands, learning English, babysitting, and more. This week Furaha and her 3 sons safely arrived in Columbus, Ohio, at the invitation of a Swahili-speaking family. The HURR Committee will continue to meet as needed.

Worship & Music Committee — October 3

- The need to replace a faulty UPS power supply that has been interrupting internet service was discussed.
- The committee voted to discontinue the Sunday email that is mailed each week prior to worship.
- The donation of a Steinway baby grand piano has been offered to the church by the McLin family. The instrument has recently been tuned and pending a recommendation from the Music Director, arrangements will be made to move the piano to the church.
- The committee received a request to have the Concert Series livestreamed. Action was tabled because of copyright issues.

Stamina, compassion, thanks: A tribute to Jin Marie

Inspired by our sponsor child Jin Marie Dequito, Missions Co-chair Carol Giesey wrote this letter to the UCC's Child Sponsorship Program. The response from the UCC follows.

Through the Global Ministries Child and Elder Sponsorship Program, Emmanuel UCC in Hanover, Pa., had the pleasure of sponsoring Jin Marie Dequito, who attended the Dumaguete Kalauman Center for Development in the Philippines. The word *development* seems especially appropriate, since we saw her grow from an 11-year-old child to a young woman of 18, when she graduated out of the program.

We want to see all children have the stamina to get through tough times. During Covid Jin Marie wrote, "it was difficult for me, because the class was not face to face...but I tried my best and I submitted projects, P.E. exercise, dance, songs, and an improvised instrument I made. I'm glad because I made it and I will be promoted to grade 10." During this time she also did her part in supporting her family: "During lockdown I helped my mother in doing the household chores like cleaning the house, washing the dishes and helped in taking care of my niece."

We want to see all children develop compassion for themselves and others, while they push themselves to take risks and expand their worlds. In a more recent letter she wrote, "I am happy to tell you that I tried something I've never done before. Last May 2022 I joined a beauty pageant, and since it was my first time, I got so nervous to be seen by a lot of people." She went on to win 2 awards. "I am proud to myself that I am now slowly going out of my comfort zone and trying new things." In July of 2022 she graduated from Junior High School. Later that year she wrote, "I am now a Senior High School student taking up ABM (Accounting and Business Management.) I know that this strand is hard but I'll keep trying my best to go through the hardships and make myself proud."

Jin Marie's compassion for all people was expressed in a letter sent at Christmas, 2022: "All I wish for this Christmas is that our world get healed, the virus to vanish, and better surroundings for all of us."

We wish our children to be grateful, to God and to others. Jin Marie expressed this in a 2021 letter, "I thank God for guiding me always. I thank also my family, who is my inspiration to study harder. And big thanks to all of you who continued supporting me in my studies financially."

Our congregation is also thankful – that we had the honor and pleasure of getting to know and support a young woman who embodies the wishes we have for all young people. We hope that many congregations will be blessed in supporting other young people who need and deserve their help.

Thank you from the UCC

Hi Carol,
Although Jane Duncan is no longer with the program, I am so appreciative that she invited you to share. I will use the letter and thank you all for taking the time to write and submit it.

With your permission, I will share this with my colleagues at Kalauman. I will also try to get a photo of Jin or of Kalauman and share your story further. I will need to edit it slightly, but this is lovely. I'll share what I do with it with you too!

Rev. Phyllis Y. Richards
Program Manager,
Child and Elder Sponsorship Program
Global Ministries of the UCC

Christmas Poinsettias & Pastor's Care Fund



To purchase flowers to decorate the sanctuary at Christmas, please complete this form and return to the church office or drop in the offering plate.

_____ Plants at \$15 each

Flower total \$ _____

Pastor's Fund Offering \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Your Name _____

Please circle one:

In ~ Memory ~ Honor ~ Appreciation ~ of

The flower order deadline is Monday, Nov. 27.

Make checks payable to Emmanuel UCC.

Thank You

Thank You for Yard Sale support

Thank you to the many members and friends who contributed to the Missions Committee fall Yard Sale by donating items, helping with set up, running the sale and aiding in cleaning everything up afterward. These supporters helped make it happen:

AnnaMae Frederick	Carol Giesey
Phyllis Egger	Pat Freed
Linda McKonly	Jody Adelsperger
Cathy Reck	Vicki Robinson
Roy Evans	Pete Robinson
Gale Bernal	Elaine Weaver
Karen Van Duzer	Bob Larsen
Larry Dubs	Peg Moulton
Donna Bair	Sandy Rebert
Jim McLin	Judy Morris
Sharlene Davis	Maria Shea
Mary Bair	

Thanks also to our generous shoppers who helped us to raise \$1,038! These funds will be used for the education of two students in India and the Philippines through the UCC's Child Sponsorship Program. Thank you to all!

Estelle King

Missions Co-chair and Yard Sale Organizer

► **Thanks for supporting CROP Walk**

Thank you to the EUCC walkers who participated in the 47th Annual CROP Walk on October 15 and to Andy Crone for organizing Emmanuel's efforts. Thanks also to the CROP Walk donors who gave \$115, and to the Missions Committee which contributed \$1,000. The event benefitted the Hanover Area Council of Churches and hunger relief in 10 countries worldwide.



► **Thank you for Neighbors in Need**

Thank you for contributing \$475 to the UCC's Neighbors in Need offering for justice issues, which focused this year on the environment. The Missions Committee contributed an additional \$525 for a total offering of \$1,000.

Homewood Auxiliary 2024 Membership Drive

The Homewood at Plum Creek Annual Auxiliary Membership Campaign begins continues through December 3. By joining or renewing your membership, your dues are used to purchase Wish List items for nursing and personal care residents, supplementing what Homewood provides.



Some of the items purchased in 2022 include large screen TVs for common areas, comfortable outdoor furniture and a canopy for the memory care sensory garden and many other items to enhance the quality of care already provided to residents.

Dues for 2024 remain at \$3 per individual, and \$5 per couple. Additional donations are graciously accepted, and may be paid in cash or by check made payable to EUCC with notation "Homewood Auxiliary."

Please contact Peg Moulton, your Homewood Auxiliary representative, for more information at 443-904-0234 or peggym2@comcast.net.

Gift Cards for the holidays

Consider making your Christmas and holiday gift card purchases through EUCC! Your purchase through Emmanuel helps support the church, which receives a percentage of all gift cards sold.



An order form with featured retailers and restaurants can be found on Page 10, at www.emmanuelucc.org or in the church office. You can get just about any card, but if the one you want is not on the order form, visit RaiseRite.com or contact Mary Bair at 717-870-5597 or mary.bair12@gmail.com. Orders are typically delivered in a week. For Christmas delivery, the order deadline is Monday, Dec. 11.



★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

The following members and friends of Emmanuel celebrate birthdays in **November**. We extend to each of you best wishes and many happy returns. May God bless you!

- 1—Lisa Pratt
- 2—Andrew Giesey
- 4—Bill Wertzberger
- 5—Nathan Kemp, Allesyn Crone
- 12—Carole Zinn, Mitchell Groft
- 13—Gina DeLorenzo
- 15—Jeanne Bowers, Henry McLin, Gail Holm
- 17—JJ Dugan
- 18—Nancy Daniel
- 20—Laura Kemp
- 22—Thomas Whisenand
- 25—Suzanne Bourdess
- 28—Dwight Dubs
- 29—Steve McKonly
- 30—Khanyi Chiliza

Remembering ♦ Caring ♦ Reaching Out

Terri Alcott (Care South)
Julia Greth (Terrace E371)
Arlene Marks (Terrace 370)
Pat Sheaffer (Care South)
Ross Sipe (Care South)
 Homewood, 425 Westminster Avenue,
 Hanover PA 17331

Audrey Fuhrman
 Tree of Life Personal Care (new name, same facility)
 3101 Grandview Road, Hanover PA 17331

Becci Little
 2990 Carlisle Pike, Room 4528, New Oxford PA 17350

Doris Unger (Room 214A)
 Hanover Hall, 267 Frederick St., Hanover PA 17331

► **Have some news?** New email?
 Change of address? Let us know!
 office@eucchanover.org
 124 Broadway, Hanover PA 17331



November 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 8:30 am—Adult SS 10 am—Worship Children's SS	30 1-4 pm—Crafters in the Pastor's Parlor	31 9am-1pm PAL Lunch @ HACC	1 12-1 pm Bowers Chapel Open	2 1-4 pm— Afternoon of Games 6 pm—Hand bells 7 pm—Choir	3 9:15-10:30 am Coffee ER @ The Reader's Cafe	4
5 Harvest Home, Stewardship Sun. 8:30 am—Adult SS 10 am—Worship w/ Holy Communion 6 pm—Mindfulness in Bowers Chapel	6 1-4 pm—Crafters in the Pastor's Parlor	7 4 pm—Worship & Music Committee	8 12-1 pm Bowers Chapel Open 1 pm—Missions Committee	9 7 pm—Property Committee meeting 6 pm—Hand bells 7 pm—Choir	10 9:15-10:30 am Coffee ER @ The Reader's Cafe	10
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■ **Concert Series**

The Elma Strings string quartet will perform November 12. ~See Page 4



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