

Hanover
The HERALD

**Hanover Presbyterian Church
Wilmington, Delaware**

October 2022



**“Hanover
Through the Arts”**

Sunday, October 16, 2022

11:00 AM

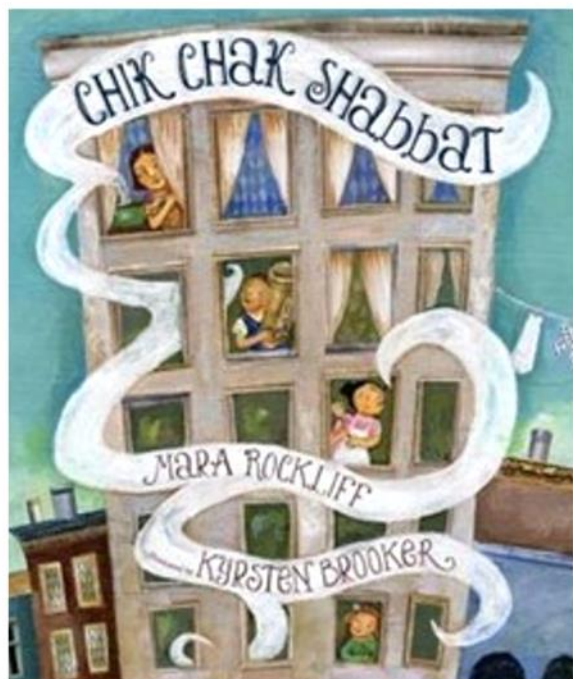
This will not be an ordinary worship service—it is filled with all of the ways that we worship through art, music, dance, and our voices—come and join us for a festive celebration!

Guests include: SsAM Drumming Circle
The Melodic Dancers
Peace Art from Pacem in Terris
Gus Mercante
Martin Hargrove
Sharon Moore
The Hanover Choir

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Celebrating Community!

Join the Discipleship Team for a special World Communion/Peacemaking/Celebrating Sabbath Community Sunday on this Sunday, October 2 at 9:30am. They even found a children's story that sums up all three celebrations in one fun story—*Chik Chak Shabbat* by Mara Rockcliff. Every Friday, Goldie Simcha makes her grandmother's recipe for *cholent*, a Jewish beef stew, and shares it with everyone in the apartment building. For that is the purpose of Shabbat: togetherness. But when Goldie falls sick one week and cannot make cholent...(come on Sunday to hear the rest of the story!) We will celebrate Sabbath, community, and diverse traditions with this lively story, illustrated with lovely and whimsical pictures.

Let's gather together in the Sunday School Hall for a story that is sure to delight young and old alike. The intergenerational conversations and activities around the tables are what makes Community Sunday gatherings so special. Then be sure to stay for fellowship hour after worship to sample Jeff and Nancy's version of Goldie's famous cholent.



On Sunday, September 11th, we had a very interesting discussion about *Invisible Child* by Andrea Elliott. Our next book discussion will take place after church on November 20th. We will be discussing **The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row** by Anthony Ray Hinton and Lara Love Hardin, with a foreword by Bryan Stevenson.

Anthony Ray Hinton was arrested in 1985 for a murder he didn't commit.

He was sentenced to death by electrocution. He spent his first three years on Death Row at Holman State Prison in agonizing silence—full of despair and anger. But as Hinton accepted his fate, he resolved not only to survive but to find a way to live on Death Row. For the next twenty-seven years, he was a beacon—transforming not only his own spirit, but those of his fellow inmates, fifty-four of whom were executed mere feet from his cell. With the help of civil rights attorney and bestselling author of *Just Mercy*, Bryan Stevenson, Hinton won his release in 2015.

Two copies of this book are available in the church office. Please join us for a discussion of this powerful and inspiring story.



Dear Hanover Saints,

Here's a summary of the behind-the-scenes work that has happened since last month's "Pastoral Transition Update."

Transitional Pastor Process

At its Sept. 20th meeting, Session approved the "Transitional Pastor's Responsibilities" list. This list is the result of Elders' questionnaire answers & discussion input over the last couple of months re: what characteristics, abilities, etc., Hanover is looking for in a transitional pastor.

On Sept. 21st, the "Responsibilities List" was submitted to New Castle Presbytery. The Presbytery's Committee on Ministers & Congregations (COMC) will review this list and then suggest to Session the names of candidates who may be a good fit as Hanover's Transitional Pastor. After that, Hanover's Session will begin interviewing transitional pastor candidates. As of Sept. 28, Session has not yet received any candidates' names from the COMC.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or any of the Elders. Let us continue to pray and work for the good of our Hanover community as we celebrate and discern the Spirit of God working in our midst!

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Information about voting in Delaware

General Election November 8, 2022



A good way to get voting information is the state elections website iVote.de.gov

Voter Registration Information will let you look up your current registration. If you have changed your name or mailing address since the last time you voted, correct your registration information so that the Dept. of Elections will be able to mail your Polling Place card to you.

Delaware now has same-day registration, so you can register when you go to vote. You will need a document or two to prove your correct name and mailing address.

You can also request an Absentee Ballot, which requires a valid excuse. Vote by Mail is mentioned, but for reasons explained later in this article, is not available at the time this is being written.

Early Voting will be available for the first time in Delaware. Voting locations called Vote Centers will be open for early voting at least 10 days before the election, ending on Sunday, November 6. DE voters may choose to vote at any Vote Center within the county in which they live. In New Castle County, the Vote Centers are:

Gunning Bedford Middle School, 801 Cox Neck Rd., New Castle DE 19720

Claymont Community Center, 3301 Green St., Claymont, DE 19703

Dept. of Elections – Warehouse (New Castle), 220 Lisa Dr., New Castle, DE 19720

Hudson State Service Center, 501 Ogletown Rd., Newark DE, 19711

Shipyards Shops, 912 Justison St., Wilmington DE, 19801

Find the Vote Centers in Kent and Sussex Counties at State of Delaware, Dept of Elections, Voting Locations

2022 dates and times of early voting:

Friday, Oct. 28—Tuesday, Nov. 1 11 AM – 7 PM

Wednesday, Nov. 2—Sunday, Nov. 6 7 AM – 7 PM

November 8 is considered to be Election Day. If you vote on November 8, your polling place card shows your assigned polling place. You can also check your record at iVote.de.gov to find where you vote, or contact your county elections office.

Vote by Mail was passed by the legislature and signed into law by Governor Carney. The law was overturned by Delaware Chancery Court on constitutional grounds. As of this writing, Vote by Mail is not available in Delaware. Watch your local news to find out whether Vote by Mail prevails in an appeal in time for the November 8 election.

~ Alice Davis



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

6	Isheta Smith
8	Charlotte Andrews
13	Tim Arnold
15	Jordan Dorsey
16	Greg Zankowsky
19	Beverly Lehman
21	Janette Dally
26	Art Werner
28	Jacqueline Howard
29	Irene Turner

What's Happening with



THE FOOD PANTRY: As Fall kicks off, our Food Pantry is also "taking off." The month of September has seen a fairly large increase in the number of families we are serving, Our shelves are not as full as they have been. We are receiving less donations from Giant, as well. Any donations are welcome and appreciated!

JB'S CAFÉ: JB'S continues to be busy every Tuesday from 8-1. We have added a few new items to our menu for the fall. Stop by and see what they are. Please note that on Tuesday, October 4 we will have live music out on the street. The Dixie Ramblers will be playing for us. Come on over and enjoy toe-tapping entertainment and lunch at the same time! We'll save a place at the table for you!



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

If you would like to sign up to host this time for Fellowship, the list is on the bulletin board in the Sunday School Hall. This does not have to be a meal, simply cookies and coffee or tea would be fine. It's more about the fellowship than the food!

RELISH, ANYONE? Fall always means Peg's Relish! We just happen to have her recipe and would like to invite anyone who would like to help make relish in honor of Peg Showalter to let Becky or Ellen know. We will be selling it at the Fling in November.



FAMILY PROMISE: You are invited to attend Family Promise of Northern New Castle County for their annual "Pathway to Home" breakfast on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 7:30 a.m. to 9. You may attend in person or join virtually. Family Promise provides temporary, emergency housing for families experiencing homelessness. This breakfast will highlight their progress over the last year and offer you an opportunity to support this important work. To register, please call: (302) 998-2222, Ext. 105.

ECO-PLASTICS RECYCLING: Eco-plastics is not accepting plastic at this time, so please do not bring your plastic to church until they begin collecting again. You can continue to save plastic at home or put it in your regular recycle can. Please continue to save plastic bags at home. They don't take up much room and cannot be put in your recycle can.



Hanover's New Look from 18th Street



Some of you may remember an article in the March Herald about plans to remove the Lexan covering from the chancel window looking out on 18th Street. In that article the property committee said "stay tuned" for more news. We expressed hope that we could share the beauty of the chancel window with those worshipping inside the church, and with the greater community outside the church, before our final 250th Anniversary celebration. The property committee (Chair Bill Balascio Herman Pulliam, Bill Tudor, Karen Hudson, and Ellen Casson) has delivered. The yellow, cloudy Lexan is gone!



Many thanks to everyone on the committee. There were lots of logistics involved. Special kudos to Herman Pulliam, who did the heavy-duty labor to remove the plastic. There is more work to be done. Herman and Bill Tudor did some scraping of old paint and evaluated the wood frame and the stability of the glass and the lead. We want to share details with Willet Hauser Architectural Glass, Inc. and get their advice on the next steps. We have purchased the paint and are looking forward to putting the finishing touches on this historic work of art. ~ *Ellen Casson*



Party on Jefferson Street

There was a "grand party" on Jefferson Street on Saturday, September 24th. [Jefferson Street Center](#) (JSC) was the sponsor of the party, in partnership with [Hanover Presbyterian Church](#). It was a beautiful day; there was great food, music, games, all kinds of fun for kids, and service vendors providing helpful information to the community. Mother Goose (Maggie Alexander) was present for reading stories. Zumba exercise class was held in the gym, followed by Yoga, and then open basketball time. The Melodic Dancers put on a beautiful performance in Gathering Place.

There was also a press conference featuring Mayor Mike Purzycki, at-large Councilman James Spadola, Executive Director Amanda August and President of the JSC Board Willie Patrick. JSC will be receiving funds from the City of Wilmington for improvements to the hub and for seed money to support small businesses and beautification projects in the neighborhoods.

Lots of planning and lots of hard work went into this extraordinary party. Hanover volunteers and JSC board members and friends worked side by side to make this event happen. Special thanks to Twyla Evitts, who worked hard behind the scenes with the planning committee, Herman Pulliam, who was on hand for setting up on Saturday morning, and to Amanda August, who was the lead organizer. JSC and Hanover are having fun together and working together to support the neighborhoods surrounding the church. There is a "new thing" happening! ~ *Ellen Casson*

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Celebrating 250 Years

2022

"Behold, I will do a new thing in you . . ." Isaiah 43:19

"Hanover History—Part II"

Tim Arnold, 250 Committee

This month, on Sunday October 23, 2022, Hanover will celebrate 250 years as a Presbyterian Church. Last month I offered thoughts on Hanover at its founding. Today, I offer some thoughts on Hanover 100 years ago.

The 1920s will be a different world from the 1770s, and a long way from 2022.

The United States has 48 states and goes from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It also has a number of territories, including Alaska and Hawaii. The population has grown from 2 ½ million. It was just over 106 million in 1920 and just under 123 million in 1930. Life expectancy has also increased from 35 to 45 years to around 53.6 years for men and 54.6 years for women.

The world has survived the "Great War" of 1914 to 1918 and a huge pandemic that killed millions. Women have finally gotten the vote and alcohol may no longer be sold legally in the United States. Universal education is the theory, but there are pockets where it is not present.

The country has grown "isolationist", but is finding a growing influence from its experience in Europe. It still faces racism in the form of Jim Crow laws and groups such as the KKK. The doctrine of "separate but equal" will be challenged, but the biggest changes await the 50s and 60s.

Agriculture is still a huge part of the employment picture, but factory jobs are growing especially because of the Auto Industry. There are a growing range of jobs not imagined in the 1770s that now exist. There is a divide in occupations. Women are usually teachers, nurses, and maids, while men were mostly farmers, doctors, lawyers, and bankers. Economically, things seem amazingly positive, but The Great Depression will hit in October 1929 and last throughout the 1930s.

Electricity means light at night and activity outside the home in things like dance clubs. Radio is the big form of entertainment. T.V. will soon be developed, but movies are the growing source of things to watch. Computers do not yet exist except as concepts. Telephones are appearing everywhere, but only as landlines and many places only have 1 or 2 to a town. When Vice-President Calvin Coolidge is called to be told he is now President, he has to go to the General Store to take the call.

Religion is losing some of its importance as people find other activities outside the home on Sundays.

People would feel things are so much better than 150 years earlier. But 2022 would surpass science fiction in most people's minds.

In another 100 years we have reached 50 states and a population of almost 330 million. The U.S. has come through the 20th century with two major World Wars, a "Cold War", and numerous other wars. It has become one of the world's most powerful countries whether it likes it or not.

Hanover has grown, moved, changed over these 250 years and faces an uncertain future. It is both scary and potentially terrific. I have offered these two "pictures" of times we no doubt found very scary in some ways. But, people did more than just get through them. They took the steps that helped lead to today.

Next month, I will attempt to offer some of those possibilities not just for Hanover, but for organizations like JSC that will walk with Hanover in the time ahead.

October Anniversary Celebrations

Sunday, October 16, 11:00am: Hanover Through the Arts

Saturday, October 22: The 250th Celebratory Banquet at Oliver's

Sunday, October 23, 11:00am: Guest Speaker: Rev. Cindy Kohlmann "What is Yet to Come..."



"Ah, lovely October, as you usher in the season that awakens my soul, your awesome beauty compels my spirit to soar like a leaf caught in an autumn breeze and my heart to sing like a heavenly choir."
~ Lorin Morgan-Richards

Weekly Happenings

Prayer Circle—Mondays, 9am
 JB's Café—Tuesdays, 8am - 1pm
 Pickleball—Wednesdays, 10am - 11am
 Clothing Closet—Wednesdays, 10am -12:30pm
 Choir rehearsal—Wednesdays, 7pm—8:15pm
 Food Pantry—Thursdays, 8-10am
 Yoga—Fridays, 6:15pm - 7:30pm

October Meetings & Events

Deacons: Tuesday, October 4, 6pm Zoom
 JSC Board: Tuesday, October 4, 7pm
 Peace Week Delaware—October 8—16
 Worship Committee: Tuesday, October 11, 1:15pm
 Faith in Action: Tuesday, October 11, 5pm
 "Hanover Through the Arts" program:
 Sunday, October 16, 11am
 Session: Tuesday, October 18, 7pm
 Staff meeting: Wednesday, October 19, 12pm
 Anniversary dinner: Saturday, October 22, 5:30pm
 Final 250th Celebration Service:
 Sunday, October 23, 11am
 November "Herald" deadline: Friday, October 28

Looking ahead in November. . .

All Saints Celebration—Sunday, November 6 Native American flutist C. Karen Covey Moore

Fall Fling! - Saturday, November 19 we will be having our final fund raiser of the year. It will feature Christmas items, baked goods, Super Sale items, some furniture and much more. If you have things to donate, please let us know. We'll also be looking for volunteers to help with set up and on the day of the sale. *Ruth, Ellen and Becky*



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