

Hanover
The HERALD

Hanover Presbyterian Church
Wilmington, Delaware

February 2023



2023 Black History Month Celebrations

February 5, 12, and 19

February 5: The Rev. J.B. Redding
Soul Food Luncheon following Worship

February 12: Sharon Moore

February 19: Rev. Brooke Scott
Gospel Vespers—3PM

Guest Artists: Shannon Booth-Johnson, Gus Mercante,
Brian Gray, Michael Hunter, Rev. Brooke Scott,
and The Hanover Choir

Lent in February

Mardi Gras Sunday—Sunday, February 19, 11am

Guest musicians—The Ramblers

Rev. Brooke Scott and The Ramblers will be leading us on the last celebration before Lent begins. Join us in worship for a rousing service with beads, masks, and cool New Orleans-style jazz music.



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 22

6:30pm

A simple service of imposed ashes to begin the season.



The First Sunday of Lent

**Sunday, February 26,
11am**

The journey begins with the temptation of Jesus in the desert and how we connect that with spirituality, sacrifice, and service.



**Jeremiah's
Coffee
House**

Hanover Presbyterian Church

Saturday, February 25, 2023

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Open Mic — Free Admission
Join Neighbors and Friends for Food,
Conversation, Music, and Readings

"And seek the well-being of the city in which you dwell . . .
and pray to the Lord for it, for in its peace you shall find peace."
— Jeremiah 29:7



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Dear Hanover Saints,

The Transitional Pastor Search Committee met on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Having expanded the search by using the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s Church Leadership Connection database, the committee received 11 résumés and reviewed these prior to the meeting.

During the meeting, the Committee members shared their comments about the candidates' experiences, qualifications, etc., and then prioritized the résumés according to the qualifications Hanover is seeking.

Becky Arnold, Chairperson of the Search Committee, will contact the top five candidates identified by the Committee and begin the interview scheduling process.

Thank you for keeping this "journey of hope" in your prayers. May we continue to be open to the Spirit in the day-by-day revelations we receive!

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February 2023

52 Ways to Care for Creation

Week 6

Read Books by Black Authors

It's Black History Month! Enjoy books written by black authors, theologians, and ecologists. Check out *The Intersectional Environmentalist* by Leah Thomas and *Undrowned: Black Feminist Lessons from Marine Mammals* by Alexis Pauline Gumbs.

Week 7

Lenten Resource

The Lenten season continues, and our 2023 Lent Resource features a daily practice to reflect on and care for the earth. Download the action-calendar on our website!

Week 8

Ash Wednesday

As we enter the season of Lent, how can your Lenten practices honor creation? You could challenge yourself to give up single-use plastics. You could aim to eat less meat, drive less, or find ways to waste less water. If your church hosts a fish fry, encourage sustainable seafood options!

Week 9

Earth Day Sunday Resource

It's almost Earth Day! Check out the 2023 Earth Day Sunday Resource on our website. Use our sermon-starters to write a sermon for Earth Day Sunday! You'll also find an earth day bible study guide, stories, liturgical resources, and more.

Find more theological & educational resources at creationjustice.org/resources



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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

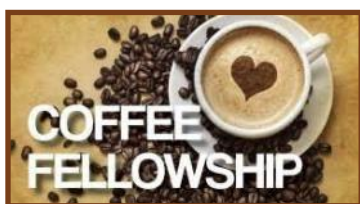
- 1 Lee Buckley
- 1 Sean Simpson
- 3 Nancy Long
- 3 Jurgens Van Rooyen
- 4 Hope Alexander
- 4 Twyla Evitts
- 6 Nathaniel Arnold
- 6 Andy Moore
- 7 Tracey Lewis
- 8 Doris Murphy
- 9 Andrew Long
- 15 Gabrielle Murphy
- 16 Jean Gross
- 16 Sean Howard
- 17 Maggie Alexander
- 17 Jacob Arnold
- 21 Tom Davis
- 21 Mike Kirylik
- 22 Nancy Palmer
- 24 Melvin Matthews, Jr.
- 24 Irene Turner
- 25 Stuart Bailey
- 26 Chris Simmons
- 26 Larry Smith
- 26 Brian Zankowsky

What's Happening with



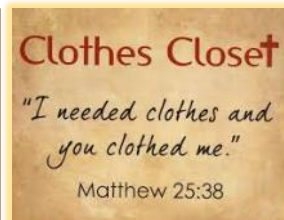
FOOD PANTRY: The Food Pantry has been busy in December. We gave everyone laundry detergent as a Christmas gift. Seems a little thing, but was much appreciated by our clients! In the New Year we would greatly appreciate those personal items that you have all donated before. Toilet paper, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo etc. all fly off our shelves as soon as they are put out. Thanks in advance for your help!

JB'S CAFÉ: Our breakfast business has been picking up so we are busy pretty much of the time between 8am and 1pm. Come and see what's new on our menu - we may add omelets for breakfast, fish tacos, salmon burgers, chili, and soups at lunch. Come on in out of the cold and join us!



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!

CLOTHING CLOSET: We are collecting all things winter: coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Please bring any donations with you to church or you can drop them off during the week from 8AM—12PM. If you prefer, you can make a monetary donation—simply as a check or you can go through PayPal on our website. The need for warm clothing and outerwear is here, and your generous gifts will help out many people in our community.



FEMALE HARMONY SOCIETY'S LITTLE FREE LIBRARY: Our Little Library at 19th and Jefferson has been getting lots of use. When folks take adult books, they usually leave one in its place. However, when they take children's books, they often don't. As a result we need children's books for our Little Library. If you or your friends have any to donate, please leave them on the table in the Church School Hall with a note. If you need to have them picked up, e-mail me at MaggieA10@verizon.net. Thanks for your help. ~ Maggie Alexander



UNGIFT TOTALS FOR 2022

The article about UnGifts in the previous Herald did not reflect all of the donations. This year the total donated was \$1650 (an average of \$110 per donor), which will support four projects:



Water for Life provides people in developing countries with a portable filter that enables them to have safe drinking water - \$275.

Branches to Chances trains unemployed, underemployed, and/or formerly incarcerated people in landscaping skills and other skills helpful in the workplace such as computer literacy. - \$425

Read In – Read Out helps imprisoned parents stay connected with their children by making recordings of books, which are sent with the recordings to the child. - \$475

Donations to *Hanover's Clothing Closet* will help with the purchase of coats for the winter season. - \$475



ECOPLASTIC COLLECTION WE'RE BACK IN BUSINESS!

DNREC is allowing EcoPlastic to resume collection. We know that everything we donate gets recycled into usable products and won't end up in the ocean or a landfill. Since it's been a while since we collected plastic, let's review how to do it.

Bring your plastic to the Church School Hall and place it in the correct bin. Make sure it is CLEAN and DRY.

Plastic: Only #2 and #5 plastic, will be accepted. The number indicates the type of plastic. If you don't find a number, there may be letters indicating the type of plastic. #2 (HDPE), and #5 (PP).

Bags: #2 (HDPE) and #4 (LDPE) can be recycled, as can most other plastic bags (see below), but they must be bags and not random pieces of plastic wrap. Exceptions are bubble wrap and some plastic around large items such as paper towels.

plastic shopping bags (from any store – remove receipts, etc.)

Ziploc-type bags for packaging food

bread bags

produce bags

dry cleaning bags (remove staples, receipts, hangars)

plastic newspaper wrapping

product wrapping (such as covers a case of water bottles or paper towels)

bubble wrap and air pillows (popped)

plastic shipping envelopes (remove labeling)

Plastic bottle caps: Most plastic bottle lids can be recycled, even if they come from a #1 bottle.

Since we started collecting, we have recycled over 85 pounds of plastic which has been made into usable items.

We also need volunteers to take the plastic to Eco-plastics on Thursdays.





“If January is the month of change, February is the month of lasting change. January is for dreamers. February is for doers.”

– Marc Parent

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

February Meetings

Deacons: Tuesday, February 7, 6pm
 JSC Board: Tuesday, February 7, 7pm
 Worship Committee: Tuesday, February 14, 1:15PM
 Faith in Action: Tuesday, February 14, 5pm
 Staff meeting: Wednesday, February 15, 12pm
 Session: Tuesday, February 21, 7pm
 February “Herald” deadline: Friday, February 24

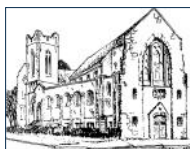


Hi, I'm Maricela, I'm a Girl Scout Cadette from troop 60. I'm selling Girl Scout cookies to support my troop. My troop plans to use the money to earn badges, do service projects, go camping, and go on an exchange trip in the future. My goal is to sell 500 boxes of cookies this year.

If you would like to order cookies from me, please click this link: <https://digitalcookie.girlscouts.org/scout/maricela328543>

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 Katie Leep, Walter Scott, George Turner