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Hanover Area Council of Churches

One Body • One Spirit

COUNCIL NEWS — Dec. 2018/ Jan. 2019

www.hanoverareacouncilofchurches.org

Dec/Jan Special Needs

PAL

*Scalloped Potatoes
Sauerkraut
Sugar
Ketchup
Coffee
Coffee Creamer*

CLOTHING BANK

*Blankets (no crochet)
Towels
Sheets (Queen)
Family size Toiletries
Clorox Wipes*

CHANGING LIVES SHELTER

*Sweats M/F-M/L/XL
Hand towels
Liquid Soap
Hand Sanitizer*

RUTH'S HARVEST

*Entrees & Drinks
All single serving please!*

*We accept donations
Mon.-Fri. 8 am-12:30 pm
Saturday 8 am-11 am
or by appointment.
Call 717-633-6353 to
schedule a drop-off time.*

From the desk of Carol Hinkle (HACC Director)

As I sat around my table this Thanksgiving surrounded by my family, I couldn't help but feel so very grateful for the blessings in my life. My granddaughter nicely reminded all of us that we should count our blessings and give thanks each and every day. When I think of what I am most grateful for I definitely count the staff, volunteers and our church community that come together to help us be a blessing to those in need. Without each one, we would not be able to assist so many people that are hurting today.

This is a very generous season of the year, and we are fortunate here at the Council that there groups of people in our business community and in service groups and individuals who want to personally help meet the needs of the homeless, the lonely, the working poor, the disabled and others who are hurting.

Time, talent, and treasure: the essentials of stewardship. So many people

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From the desk of Rev. Nancy Warner (Council President)

At least once a year, Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his disciples that "they may be one so that the world may believe," (see John 17:21). Traditionally, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated between the feasts of St. Peter and St. Paul. On Sunday, January 27, 2019, we will come together as the Hanover Area Council of Churches for an ecumenical worship and prayer service celebrating our unity in Christ. However, the Hanover Area Council of Churches lives out Jesus' prayer for unity among his disciples 24 hours a day/365 days a year as we work together responding with help and hope to people in need through our many ministries.

In recent years, unity appears to be a memory or a dream and sometimes even impossible. Our eyes are quick to pick out our diversity. As true as that may be, it still does not diminish the unity we share because our unity comes as gift from God through our Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks for the miracle of unity! It is a miracle in

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that contribute to the work of the Council, who give so readily of each to the best of their ability have been the essential ingredient that the Lord provides to make this ministry based entity work. Without the vision and the desire to answer the needs of the community we as a group would not have survived fifty years. With total faith we move on to the needs of the community as they present themselves. The Lord has guided us through and provided for the ministries that we do; including the Clothing Bank, Meals on Wheels, Provide a Lunch, Changing Lives Shelter, Ruth's Harvest, the Hispanic American Center and the Case Management for both shelter and day time individuals. Sometimes, when we feel discouraged we can look at the blessings of the holiday season and the generosity of our community and know that there are caring hearts who the Lord has enabled to meet our needs. We give thanks for each and every person and each and every gift that comes our way.

For the hundreds of faithful volunteers, donors, the staff and all who come to us we wish a Blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Yours in Service,

Carol Hinkle

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its presence in our lives and in the amazing blessings that flow from our serving our neighbors together in the name of our Lord!

Thank you for another great year of ministry together! May the Lord continue to bless this work until it is needed no more... and won't that be a glorious day!

Rev. Nancy Werner



December Meetings

Dec. 3, 7 pm—Ministries Board at HACC
Dec. 6, 7 pm—Shelter Committee at HACC
Dec. 11, 7:30 am—Building Committee at HACC
Dec. 17, 5 pm—Finance Committee at St. Joseph

Weekly Prayer Requests

Week of Dec. 2: Public Worship Committee
Week of Dec. 9: Turning Point Ministry
Week of Dec. 16: HACC Volunteers
Week of Dec. 23: PAL Volunteers
Week of Dec. 30: Board of Directors

**ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS—
Your reports for the Annual Report are due
in the Council office by January 15.**

January Meetings

Jan. 3, 7 pm—Shelter Committee at HACC
Jan. 7, 7 pm—Ministries Board at HACC
Jan. 8, 7:30 am—Building Committee at HACC
Jan. 21, 5 pm—Finance Committee at St. Joseph
Jan. 24, 3 pm—Community Needs at HACC

Weekly Prayer Requests

Week of Jan. 6: Building Committee
Week of Jan. 13: Changing Lives Shelter Staff
Week of Jan. 20: Clothing Bank Ministry
Week of Jan. 27: Community Health Ministry



FROM OUR PAST TO OUR PRESENT

We have spent the last year looking at the beginnings of the Hanover Area Council of Churches and hearing from past volunteers. We have looked at how the ministries have changed as the community needs have changed. We have been blessed by individuals and groups who saw the need and approached the Council to provide a means to meet the need.

Foremost was the Cold Weather Shelter (2001) that after only six winters became a year round shelter: Changing Lives Shelter (2007). This is also the only ministry that we operate that requires paid staff as well as volunteers since the shelter is open 22 hours per day, every day of the year. We have emerged through a strictly emergency shelter to a working shelter that allows people to stay longer than 30 days if each one is doing everything necessary to change their situation.

Ruth's Harvest which is weekend meals for elementary children in the Hanover School District who are eligible for free or reduced lunches was started through a "partnership grant" with Community Aid. We have been very grateful to the community for its generosity and gratified to know that children are not going hungry on weekends.

The Hispanic American Center of Hanover has also in the past 3 years been added to our umbrella. This ministry holds a Kid's Day each year and a Diversity Summit, it assist with citizenship, translations and more. It has brought a PAL team to prepare breakfast and lunch the first Saturday of the month the Hispanic congregation which meets at Covenant Life Church Iglesia Pacto de Vida. This is a marvelous way to experience a different culture.

As we move forward we will be forming a new Long Range Planning Committee after the first of the year. We welcome all who would like to be a part of this important work. We will evaluate what we do and how we do it. We will look at the immediate needs of our community and search for means to meet it if not already being met. We will be calling on the public to help us in the endeavor and urge you to be willing to participate.

We are very grateful to all who have volunteered with us past and present and with God's help we will be able to continue for as long as we are needed. Thank you for 50 years!!!

EMMANUEL UCC — ABBOTTSTOWN



Live Nativity
Sunday, December 16
Monday, December 17

Grace United Church of Christ & Acts of Kindness Theater Company 9th Annual Hanover Has Talent - Saturday, Feb. 2, 2018 (snow date Feb. 3)

Applications are now being accepted for what has become one of Hanover's favorite annual traditions. (deadline for applications will be Dec. 27, 2018)

Sponsored by Grace United Church of Christ and Acts of Kindness Theater Company, Hanover Has Talent X 9 is set for Saturday, February 2, 2018, at Eichelberger Performing Arts Center.

For more information on this wonderful community event, please contact the Church at:

CHURCH EVENTS

If your church has an event that it would like to publicize to the larger community email your article to adminhacc@comcast.net (no more than 1/4 pg. size—unless preapproved by HACC).

Deadline to include articles in the February newsletter is January 18th.



ST. JACOB'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018

10 A.M. – UNTIL SOLD OUT

11TH ANNUAL COOKIE WALK

& ADVENT FAIR

Homemade Cookies - \$15 per Container

(Cookie containers provided)

Gluten & Sugar Free available (Organic natural sweetener)

Chicken Corn and Ham & Bean Soup, bowl or quart

Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Pretzel Sandwiches, Hot Dogs

Proceeds benefit World Hunger and church mortgage



Advent Market:

Advent Wreaths, Ornaments

Books, DVDs, etc., Live Nativity

Other Items:

Apple Butter Candy

Door Wreaths Cheeseballs

Church Cookbook

TRAINS and Cookie Decorating

Gingerbread Houses

Food Available: Eat in or take out:

EMMANUEL UCC — ABBOTTSTOWN

Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 8th

9:00 a.m.—until ?

\$8.00 per pound



Clothing Bank Hours

Open to the Public:
Thursdays 9 am—12 pm
Rummage Sale 1st Saturday
of each month 9 am—12 pm

Open to
Certified Clients Only:
Tuesdays 9 am—12 pm

Certified clients must make an appointment and fill out an application which includes a copy of a valid Photo ID, Social Security card, and proof of income (at 200% of the poverty level). Interested persons can contact the Council office at 717-633-6353 during office hours.

*We accept Clothing Bank donations Mon.-Fri. between 8am—1pm. ,Sat. 8-11am or by appointment. Call 717-633-6353 to schedule a drop-off time.
 Thank you for your support!*

Hanover Area Council of Churches

Needing Volunteers:

Receptionist Front Desk

9:00 am —1:00 pm

Drivers

- * Weis Mkt- Every 1st Saturday of the month
 - * Amish Mkt. Pick up every 5th Saturday only
 - * MOW Packers - Friday 10am—11am
- Team: Drivers/Runners & Substitute 10:30– 11:45 am

Clothing Bank

- * M–W–F sorters and organizers
- 8:30 am –1pm. (any time between these hours)

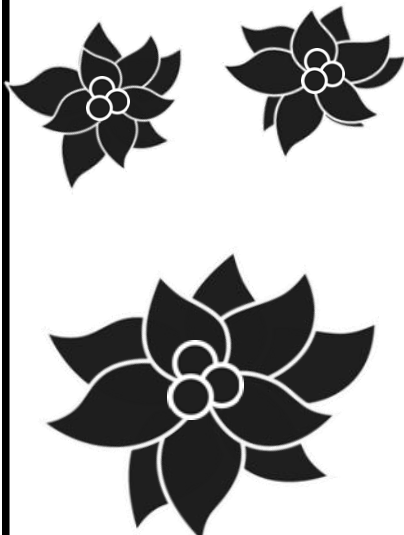
Provided-a-Lunch

- * Sunday Worship Leaders 10:30-11am

Changing Lives Shelter

- * Weekends all shifts available

Thank You & Have a Blessed Day!



ALL SAINTS ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR

890 McCOSH STREET

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

9AM-2PM
9AM-noon

Handmade candy light and dark chocolate:
Peanut butter cups, Italian cream, apricot cream and coconut cream
Come and shop for delicious homemade baked goods, handmade crafts,
floral decorations for your home, and new to you Christmas items.
Breakfast sandwiches, lunch and drinks are available from our kitchen.

*The Night That Changed
Everything.
Come Celebrate with us!*

*St. Paul's Lutheran Church
127 York Street, Hanover
717-637-5941
www.stpaulsyorkst.org*

December 16th

Live Nativity (outdoors)

Shows at 6:00 & 7:30 PM (light refreshments follow each show)

December 24th

Christmas Eve Worship with Holy Communion

7:00 PM - Candlelight Service with Children and Youth Choirs

10:30 PM - Candlelight Service with Adult and Bell Choirs

December 25th at 10:00 AM

Christmas Day Worship



**HACC Now
Accepting Donations
for
JJ's Christmas Shop
Opens in December**

Toys & items (ages infant-18) Baby dolls & Barbie dolls (ethnic diversity), action figures, cars/trucks, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, games, puzzles, books, crafts & gift cards are all welcome.

Donations or information
Please call the HACC office Mon-Fri
8am-1pm
717-633-6353

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PRESENTS

THE YORK COUNTY GOSPEL CHOIR

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2018 --
4 P.M.**

NO TICKETS REQUIRED – FREEWILL OFFERING

Donate to HACC Each Time You Shop at Amazon.com

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Strathmeyer Christmas Tree Sale

Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church
1398 Moulstown Rd. North Hanover, PA

Date and Times of Sale:

Friday, November 23 2:00pm- 6:00pm

Saturday, November 24 10:00am- 6:00pm

Sunday, November 25 11:00am- 5:00pm

Saturday, December 1 10:00am- 6:00pm

Sunday, December 2 11:00am- 5:00pm

Saturday, December 8 10:00am- 6:00pm

Sunday, December 9 11:00am- 5:00pm

Saturday, December 15 10:00am- 6:00pm

Sunday, December 16 11:00am- 5:00pm



** Service of Prayer for Christian Unity **
January 27th 3:00PM

at

Hanover Church of the Brethren
601 Wilson Ave, Hanover

To Start A New Year. Anonymous

"A new year is unfolding—like a blossom with petals curled tightly concealing the beauty within.

Lord, let this year be filled with the things that are truly good—with the comfort of warmth in our relationships, with the strength to help those who need our help and the humility and openness to accept help from others.

As we make our resolutions for the year ahead, let us go forward with great hope that all things can be possible—with Your help and guidance."

**Please remember the Hanover Area Council of Churches in your will or estate plan.
If you need additional information on how to word it, call the Council office 717-633-6353.**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>Seasons greetings and happiness to you and your loved ones. May your home be filled with love and laughter.</div>						1 Rummage Sale NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
2 AA Mtg.—8am Worship 10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	3 Ministries Board 7pm @ HACC Hanukkah	4 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 10:30am-12pm	5 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	6 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon	7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day	8 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
9 AA Mtg.—8am Worship 10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	10	11 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Building Comm. 7:30am—HACC	12 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	13 Shelter Comm. 7pm—HACC Clothing Bank 9am-Noon	14	15 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
16 AA Mtg.—8am Worship 10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	17 Finance Comm. 5pm—St. Joseph	18 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 10:30am-12pm	19 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	20 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon	21	22 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
23 AA Mtg.—8am Worship 10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	24 Christmas Eve OFFICE CLOSED CLOTHING BANK CLOSED	25 CLOTHING BANK CLOSED Christmas Day PAL opens at 11:00	26 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm CLOTHING BANK CLOSED	27 CLOTHING BANK CLOSED Kwanzaa begins	28 CLOTHING BANK CLOSED	29 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC CLOTHING BANK CLOSED
30 AA Mtg.—8am Worship 10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	31 New Year's Eve	<div>hello january</div>				

JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 OFFICE CLOSED PAL opens 11am NEW YEAR'S DAY CLOTHING BANK CLOSED No Medical Clinic 10:30am-12pm	2 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	3 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon <i>Shelter Comm. 7pm—HACC</i>	4	5 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC <i>Clothing Bank Rummage Sale</i>
6 AA Mtg.—8am Worship—10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	7 <i>Ministries Board Mtg. 7 pm HACC</i>	8 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon <i>Building Committee Mtg. 7:30 am—HACC</i>	9 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	10 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 6-8pm HACC <i>Changing Lives 7pm—HACC</i>	11	12 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
13 AA Mtg.—8am Worship—10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	14 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	15 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 10:30am-12pm	16 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	17 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 6-8pm HACC	18 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	19 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
20 AA Mtg.—8am Worship—10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	21 <i>Finance Comm. 5pm—St. Joseph</i> Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	22 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon <i>Executive Comm. 4:30—HACC</i>	23 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm	24 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon Medical Clinic 6-8pm HACC <i>Community Needs 3 pm—HACC</i>	25	26 NA Mtg. 7pm—HACC
27 AA Mtg.—8am Worship—10:30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm Service of Prayer for Christian Unity 3:00pm	28	29 Clothing Bank 9am-Noon	30 Smart Recovery 7:30-9pm			



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- Tune your radio to WHVR (1280 AM) The Peak (98.5 FM) to get all the information about



COMMUNITY HEALTH

FREE Medical Clinic at
Hanover Area Council of Churches
136 Carlisle St.,
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Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday
10:30 AM—12 noon



Annual Carol Sing will be Dec. 16

**Emmanuel United Church of Christ, 124 Broadway, Hanover,
will host the Annual Carol Sing, a Hanover tradition in its 108th year.**

All are invited at 7 pm Sunday, Dec. 16, to sing Christmas carols and hear their stories re-told. The singing will be accompanied by community orchestra under the direction of Emmanuel's Choir Director, Jamie Brown. A desert reception will follow in King Auditorium.

Admission is free and no tickets are required.

A free-will offering will be received.

The Carol Sing is part of Emmanuel's 2018-19 Community Concert Series. For info, call the church office at 717-632-8281.

