



# People's to People

*The Newsletter of the People's Church of Dover  
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*Under the Bell Tower*

**JULY 2019**

Dear Friends,

My daughter, Erika, sent me a picture of my grandson Wyatt when he was 4 sitting on a lawn. He looked perfectly content. Maybe he was watching clouds. Maybe he was watching a bird. Maybe he was just day dreaming.

That picture made me think of my retirement. Not because I was going to sit on a lawn day dreaming - but because I was afraid I would not be able to sit on a lawn and day dream. I would have to mow the grass, kill a weed or two, you know - be busy - productive. Be doing something!

Since I saw that picture I have been practicing doing "nothing." It is sometimes very hard for me to do nothing. I get so much of my value as a human by the things I have "done". I need to practice new skills if I am to successfully transition from my old self to my new self.

There is a saying, "What you practice, you will get good at". I think our church family needs some new skills. I think we need to be practicing what we want to get good at. I was interested in what Gregg Carlson was hearing from his meetings with us - relationships are very important in our congregation. And we may need to find new skills in developing and then maintaining strong and genuine relationships with one another.

But before all that "work" begins...we need to sit on the lawn and just watch and breathe and wonder and enjoy. This summer, let's sit on the grass - tomorrow is going to come. We will best be ready if we are up to the task, if we are refreshed and rested, if we remember how to breathe.

We will not fail. We have seasoned guides in Freeman Palmer, our Conference Minister, David Popham, our Associate Conference Minister and Gregg Carlson, from Progressive Renewal who have been where we are thinking of going. They know the way - but not all of the places we may want to visit. They know the way, but not how long we need to be at each destination. They know the way.

Moving forward, David Popham or Freeman Palmer will be visiting us sometime in July. David Popham recently accepted a new position in Hawaii, so I am not sure if he will be here or Rev.

Palmer. I am going to form an executive committee which will work with Gregg Carlson. This committee will be the group who will meet with Gregg and help us find our next pastor. There is a new type of pastoral position: Designated Term Pastor. This individual commits to three years of service to a church as a pastor. At the end of three years if mutually agreed by congregation and Pastor, they can stay on as the Pastor, or they can leave at the end of their term.

Please let me know if yo have any questions, concerns or ideas.

Thank you,

Joe Zingaro  
Moderator

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT THROUGH – June 30, 2019**

Annual Church Budgeted Income	\$114906.00			
	<b>Budgeted YTD</b>	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Difference YTD</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Income Weekly Budgeted	\$2210.			
Income Received from Members	56757.61	47,400.04	-9,357.57	Under donated
Transfer from Invest. Savings		45,000.00	<b>45,000.00</b>	Taken more than budgeted
Total Income	<b>56,757.61</b>	<b>92,400.04</b>	<b>35,642.43</b>	
Expenses to Date	<b>104,714.04</b>	<b>-100,714.29</b>	<b>-3,939.75</b>	Overspent
Net Difference	<b>-47,956.43</b>	<b>-8,374.25</b>	<b>39,582.18</b>	

**ATTENDANCE FOR June 2019**

<b>06/2018</b>			<b>06\2019</b>		Offerings
06/03	44		06/02	47	2,540.00
06/10	46		06/09	41	1,166.50
06/27	49		06/16	43	2,215.96
06/24	35		06/23	41	957.80
			Savings		20,000.00
	<b>174</b>			<b>172</b>	<b>\$ 26,880.26</b>
Monthly AVERAGE	<b>43</b>			<b>43</b>	<b>\$ 1,720.06</b>
Y T D BUDGETED					<b>\$56,757.61</b>
OVER BUDGETED					<b>\$ 35,642.43</b>

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## JULY BIRTHDAYS 2019

07/01	B. Lance CAULK	07/01	Aubrey HEALEY-RAKSNIS
07/03	Jordan ALLBEE	07/04	John W. CLENDANIEL
07/05	Robin Hinderer	07/07	John Downs, Jr.
07/08	Patricia BROWN	07/09	Richard L. JOHNSON
07/10	Frederick HOTCHKISS	07/14	Jocelyn JONES-TERRANOV
07/18	Mark BIDDLE	07/18	Jean HITCHENS
07/18	Betty Ann WHARTON	07/19	Christopher RUMBLEY
07/23	Winona FLYZIK	07/25	Gladys CALDWELL

*May God Bless You on Your Birthday*

If we missed anyone, please notify the church office to get your name on the list.



## The Prayer List for Members & Friends of the Church

The list is kept current. For a copy please call the church office: 674-4177; [office@peopleschurchofdover.org](mailto:office@peopleschurchofdover.org)

### PRAYERS FOR MEMBERS

Mary Johns

Amanda Middleton, she is recovering at home

Rose Mary Ressel,

Conner Rumbley, recovering from leg surgery

Cleah Muntz and Family upon the death of her sister-in-law, Brenda Schrantz

Jeff Reed – had heart surgery is recovering at home

Sarah Sheppard,

Lily Stewart – Betsy Stewart's great granddaughter

Betsy Stewart

Ron and Jane Zink (Ron and Jane are both in Westminster Village, room #207.)

### PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS

Gary Cole, recovering from a lung transplant

Jessie Gillespie, Roberta Klees' sister, recovering from health issues

Roberta Klees, Kathy Hanebutt's mother

Barbara Moore - Carol Skadsberg's mother, healing for many health problems

James E. Smith - Carol Skadsberg, adopted Dad in State Street Assist. living

### PRAYERS FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Willard Irwin – Lyn Arnold's colleague

Pat Morrison - friend of John Downs, Jr.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

<b><u>Flowers</u></b>		<b><u>Liturgist</u></b>	
07/07	Vicky Healey	07/07	Vicky Healey
07/14	Fred & Cynthia Hotchkiss	07/14	Jennifer Childears
07/21	Lyn Arnold	07/21	Maria Myer
07/28	Cheryl Goldsmith	07/28	Jean Hitchens
If anyone would like to donate the flowers or a Sunday or two during the year , Please call the office to give the details. Thank you.			

## **BOARD OF DIACONATE**

The Diaconate met in June and did worship planning for the summer since we will not meet again until September. Part of this planning included arranging people to lead worship following the departure of Pastor Ellen. This list is included in the newsletter.

We enjoyed celebrating the baptism of Colby and the high school graduation of Maria in June. Congratulations to both of these fine young people.

Following our first Sunday meeting in the chapel it was decided that worship services would be held in the chapel during the summer except for the first Sunday of the month when we will meet in the sanctuary for worship with communion.

We continue to need help in providing transportation to church for some of our members who are unable to drive. If you are able to help in anyway please contact a member of the diaconate or the church office.

Videos of the Sunday sermons are posted on the Facebook page when we meet in the sanctuary but not when we meet in the chapel. Come join the congregation online if you aren't able to attend in person. You may also post a photo or comment of interest to your fellow members, post a prayer or word to praise, or just come and see what everyone else is up to. If you would be interested in assisting with the videography please contact Sally Childers.

We look forward to your continued support and ideas as we strive to make this the church we need to be for this community.

## Preaching Schedule July - September 2019

July 7	Warren Bouton	August 4	Serena Leiser
July 14	Serena Leiser	August 11	Warren Bouton
July 21	Warren Bouton	August 18	Jim Caldwell
July 28	Judy Zingaro	August 25	Jim Caldwell
September 8	Serena Leiser	September 15	Jim Caldwell
September 22	Judy Zingaro	September 29	Serena Leiser

## **BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Happy Summer from the Board of Christian Education!

If you are interested in helping our board, please see any of our members. We love volunteers and there is a lot to be done!

Any questions, comments or suggestions should be directed to Jennifer Childears in person, by email at [jenniferchildears@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferchildears@yahoo.com) or by phone/text 302-535-2988.

### THE PURPOSE / MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S CHURCH OF DOVER UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

#### The purpose of this church shall be to worship God who embraces all people;

to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ as our Revealer, Lord and Savior; to celebrate the sacraments; to facilitate spiritual growth;

to practice Christian fellowship and unity within this church and the Church Universal; to proclaim the Bible as the story of our faith and to educate and nourish that faith among all ages; to render loving service towards humankind; to be faithful in our stewardship responsibilities with our time, talent and treasures; and to strive for righteousness, justice, and peace.

**Church Office – 302-674-4177, Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. hours**

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Worship Service 10:00 AM

Kathy Hanebutt Organist

Randal Revay Sexton

Cheryl Goldsmith Head Usher

Dr. Paul Hanebutt

Robin Hinderer

Cynthia Hotchkiss

Choir Director

Treasurer

Adm. Assist.

#### Board Chairpersons

Joseph Zingaro - Moderator

Judy Zingaro - Diaconate

Robin Hinderer - Management

Sue Hunt - Mission and Outreach

Jennifer Childears - Christian Education

Lyn Arnold - Finance

**\*\*DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 2019 NEWSLETTER IS JULY 20, 2019\*\***

### COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR SCHEDULE

<b>January</b>	<b>Diaconate</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Diaconate</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>Management</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>Management</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>Finance</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Finance</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Christian ED</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>Christian ED</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Missions</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>Missions</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>Women's Fellowship</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>Women's Fellowship</b>

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 12:15 PM-NA - MESSAGE OF HOPE	<b>2</b> 07:00 PM-AA 6:30 PM- Meditation Class	<b>3</b> 12:15 PM- NA - MESSAGE OF HOPE	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 12:15 PM-NA MESSAGE OF HOPE 07:00 PM-AA	<b>6</b> 01:00 PM- C. O. D. A.
<b>7</b> 10:00 AM-Worship <b>Holy Communion</b> 11:00 am – Coffee – Diac. 11:10 AM-Board of Christian ED <b>11:30 AM-Victory Church</b>	<b>8</b> 12:15 PM-NA - MESSAGE OF HOPE  07:00 PM-NA	<b>9</b> 07:00 PM-AA 6:30 PM- Meditation Class	<b>10</b> 12:15 PM- NA - MESSAGE OF HOPE	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 12:15 PM-NA MESSAGE OF HOPE  07:00 PM-AA	<b>13</b> 01:00 PM- C. O. D. A.
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