

# Emmanuel Life

**EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

An Open and Affirming Congregation

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Rev. Peter A. Seiler Jr., Interim Pastor

September 2020

## Reverend Seiler joins us for search & call process

As Emmanuel embarks on the search for a settled pastor, the Rev. Peter A. Seiler Jr. joins us as Intentional Interim Pastor to provide pastoral leadership and guide us through the search and call process.

“I’m a bridge between the past and the future,” said Reverend Seiler, who felt a call to work with churches in transition.

One area of focus will be the church’s profile, which is a whole church project that requires accurate assessments and honest input to get a good match for a settled pastor.

“There’s a lot of discussion that goes on with the profile process,” he says, adding that the profile committee must realistically address the church and its circumstances.

In the meantime, worship services will remain much the same, as Reverend Seiler will encourage the congregation to continue with whatever ways they’re comfortable.

Reverend Seiler said he has always enjoyed visitation and will be looking forward to meeting some of our older and homebound members when feasible.

~ For more, read Reverend Seiler’s bio on Page 2. ~

### CONTACT

Reach Reverend Seiler by email or on his cell phone:  
pastor@eucchanover.org • 717-747-6748

### Meet & Greet

Come out to meet our interim pastor in person! Reverend Seiler will meet with small groups of five or six people at a time for about 15 minutes each. Please wear a mask or face covering.

WHAT: A socially-distanced meet-and-greet with Reverend Seiler.

WHERE: Under the pines in Emmanuel’s Reform Cemetery, on School Avenue behind Trinity UCC. Park in the lot at Trinity, 116 York Street, or along East Walnut Street (free on Sundays).

WHEN: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm on Sunday, September 13.

RSVP: Reserve a time slot by contacting the church office at 717-632-8281 or office@emmanuelucc.org.

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## Rev. Peter A Seiler Jr.

Consistory called the Rev. Peter A. Seiler Jr. to be Emmanuel's Intentional Interim Pastor beginning September 1. Reverend Seiler retired from the United Methodist Church after 32 years and comes to us from Zion UCC in downtown York, where he has served as part-time pastor for five years.

Reverend Seiler has diverse experience from a variety of settings throughout his career including pastoral leadership at several churches, as a college chaplain, as a resident life administrator at Normandie Ridge senior living community, and as a rehabilitation specialist and counselor with Geisinger Health Systems.

While at a church in the York area, he helped develop an after school program for handicapped children, which led organizers to offering a week-long church camp and weekend retreats for older disabled youth. He also worked with the Boy Scouts affiliated with that church to create a program to help handicapped boys move through the ranks of scouting.

Reverend Seiler was ordained by the United Methodist Church, as a deacon in 1973 and as an elder in 1978, retiring from full-time active service in 2008.

Reverend Seiler earned an associate's degree at Harrisburg Area Community College, a bachelor's degree at Messiah College in Grantham, and a master's degree at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. Continuing education included additional studies at Lancaster Theological Seminary and he completed interim ministry training through the Interim Ministry Network of Catonsville, Md.

He lives in Springettsbury Township, York County, with his wife, the Rev. Katherine Seiler.

## EUCC STAFF

**Interim Pastor** — Rev. Peter A. Seiler Jr.  
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717-451-7383 • dadled@comcast.net

**Daily Sextons** — Sandy Topper & Beth Loscomb

## Hanover Area Council of Churches

### **Special Needs for September**

**PAL LUNCH:** *Cooking spray, egg noodles, cream of chicken soup, canned or fresh carrots, dish soap, salad dressing, ziplock sandwich bags, black pepper.*

**CLOTHING BANK:** *Adult toiletries.*

**CHANGING LIVES SHELTER:** *Feminine hygiene products, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, sanitizing wipes with bleach; volunteer help at dinner hour, 4-7 pm.*

**RUTH'S HARVEST:** *Single-serving size entrees, cereal, vegetables, snacks, vegies and juice boxes.*

~ HACC accepts donations ~

at 136 Carlisle Street (rear), Hanover  
Monday-Friday 8 am-12:30 pm, Saturdays 8-11 am, or  
by appointment by calling 717-633-6353

## Read EmmanueLife online!

Did you know you can read the EmmanueLife on our website? Find it at emmanuelucc.org under the About EUCC tab.

SAVE PAPER! You can also sign up for our monthly email newsblast, which will contain highlights from the latest edition and a link to the newsletter.

► Sign up by emailing office@eucchanover.org.

# Church to reopen for in-person worship

While we begin worshipping in person again on August 30, services will out of necessity be different from “normal.” We will have safety protocols in place, including wearing masks, to protect the congregants and participants and to prevent spread of Covid-19 in the community. Continue reading for details.

## MAKE A RESERVATION

We will include 25 people per week at Sunday worship. Priority will be given to members and regularly visiting friends who do not have internet access and who have been unable to view our livestream services. These folks should call by noon Wednesday to reserve a slot for the coming weekend, or a service up to a month ahead.

Those who have been able to view online, but want to attend in person can call or email the office from noon on Wednesday until 1 pm Friday for that weekend or a future service.

## WHAT TO EXPECT AT SERVICES

- No passing of the peace.
- No singing: To limit potential spread of the coronavirus, there will be no singing by the congregation including hymns and the Prayer Response, which will be spoken not sung.
- Wonderful music: There will still be special music as vocalists will continue to be recorded for presentation during services. Music Director Don Horneff will have selections on the organ, piano or Clavinova and the Emmanuel Ringers will be back in action soon.
- There will be bulletins and the order of service will be shown on the projection screen.
- The offering plates will not be passed, but there will be baskets in the sanctuary for your offerings. For information about donating electronically, visit our website or call the office. You can also donate by mail or drop-off at the office.
- Communion elements will be pre-packaged, or you may bring your own from home.
- No Sunday School for children or adults, and no nursery.
- There will also be no Fellowship Hour.
- There will not be hymnals or bibles in the pews.

- Structured dismissal to prevent crowding in the sanctuary.

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

We ask you to adhere to the following protocols:

- Masks: Wear your mask! A mask will be provided to you if you forget yours.
- Entering the church: Use the front doors of the church or the parking lot door. If you come in the back from the lot, take the elevator to the upper level to reduce use of high-touch areas including door handles and stair railings. Use the elevator one person or family at a time.
- Hand sanitizer will be located at sanctuary entrances and by the elevator.
- Social Distancing: Some pews are cordoned off to allow six feet between individuals or families, both front to back and side to side. We also ask that you not congregate in the Narthex or King Auditorium.
- Restrooms: Use will be restricted to one person at a time to reduce contact.
- The water fountains will not be in use for sanitary reasons. Bring your own water if desired, and please remember no beverage except water is permitted in the sanctuary. Small bottles of water will be available if you need one.
- Please stay at home if you are sick or are experiencing any coronavirus symptoms.

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Summer worship is at 9:30 am through September 6. Please remember the sanctuary is not air conditioned. Worship is at 10:30 am beginning September 13.

## REMOTE WORSHIP

We will continue to both livestream and record services so you can watch at home in real time or later at your convenience. Visit our website at [www.emmanuelucc.org](http://www.emmanuelucc.org) for links.

## CONTACT US

Office Hours: 9 am-1 pm, Monday thru Friday  
Visit: 10 am-12 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (wear a mask!)  
717-632-8281 • [office@eucchanover.org](mailto:office@eucchanover.org)

# Yard Sale organizers seek donations, volunteers

Your donation of household items and other good stuff from your closets, attic, garage and basement will benefit the Missions Committee.

The annual Yard Sale fundraiser supports two children through the Child Sponsorship Program, and also HACC's Changing Lives Shelter.

The Yard Sale will be October 1-3 at 2596 Hanover Pike, Hanover (Route 194 South).

Organizer Estelle King encourages donors to contact her and bring items early. No TVs, computer equipment or



**A recent "Zits" Sunday comic considers the humor in social distancing at a yard sale.**

clothing, please. Do not bring any items to the church.

Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, Sept. 30, for set up, then to run the sale and pack up the remainders. Contact Estelle at 717-487-1906.

**SALE HOURS:**  
 Thursday, October 1  
 7 am-5 pm  
 Friday, October 2  
 7 am-5 pm  
 Saturday, October 3  
 7 am-12 pm:

## Phurbu moves up a grade, celebrates Losar

March 17, 2020

Dear Sponsor,

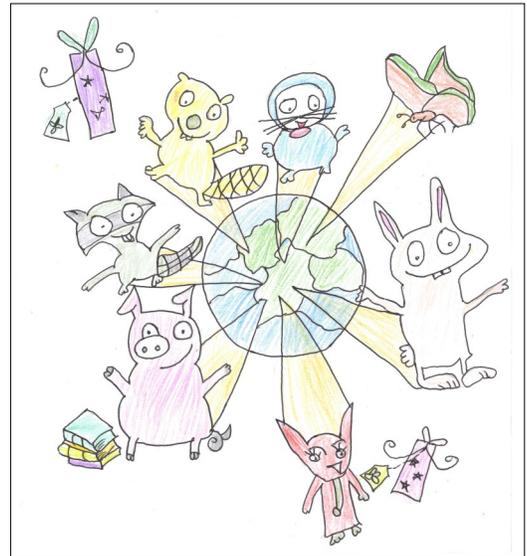
Firstly I would like to say that Thank you for your sweet letter and beautiful Christmas card. I really enjoyed reading about the celebration of Christmas festival. I liked the card very much which I put on my study table. Thank you.

How are you? I hope you are fine. And how is the weather over there? Here the weather is good as well as the temperature. Our winter vacation is already finished and therefore the temperature of our area is going up. Our annual exam of Class I is also finished and I worked very hard during my examination. And now I am in Class II.

Our winter vacation was from 13 December to 2nd February. During this period I enjoyed very much. After vacation, I again come to my school then after 13 or 14 days again we got Losar\* holidays for 4 days. These 4 days I felt very happy. Losar is very special occasion for me. I celebrated it very joyfully.

At last, take care of your self and your family.  
 From — Phurbu Dolma

*\*Losar is a Tibetan Buddhism New Year's festival.*



**Phurbu sent this drawing.**

*Phurbu Dolma, age 7, is a Tibetan refugee in school in Kalimpong, India. She is one of two sponsored children EUCC supports through the UCC's Global Ministries Child Sponsorship Program.*

## **Events and Activities**



**Afternoon of Games** players last month included Sharon Narushoff, Phyllis Terrana and Pat Freed (at back table), and Carol Giesey, Beaty Garvick, Peg Hull and Jean Williams. ~Photo by Peg Moulton

### **Afternoon of Games group tallies up fun**

*1:30 pm, First and Third Wednesdays*

A happy math equation: 8 people + 2 tables on the terrace at the South Hills Bar and Grill + a few hours of playing Scrabble = pure heaven for the Afternoon of Games group at Emmanuel. If you would like to be part of the equation, contact Carol Giesey at 717-632-2665. The gamers will meet September 2 and 16, place TBD. ~Carol Giesey

### **PAL Lunch volunteers needed**

*9 am-1 pm, September 29, at HACC*

Emmanuel UCC volunteers will prepare the PAL Lunch ministry at HACC, 136 Carlisle St., Hanover, on Tuesday, September 29. Distribution is still done with social distancing. Workers are needed for two-hour shifts, 9-11 am or 11 am-1 pm. To sign up, contact Estelle King at 717-487-1906.

### **Hartman Center closing with day-long celebration**

*10 am-9 pm, September 12, in Milroy, Pa.*

Join Hartman Center friends and family for a day of auctions, giveaways, crafts, worship, fellowship, songs, campfires and more as they bid a prayerful farewell to the beloved Sunshine Place. Bring your own chairs, a picnic lunch, photos and memories. Face masks and physical distancing are required.

The Penn Central Conference outdoor ministry site is closing after this season. The center is at 5725 Old US Highway 322 in Mifflin County, 20 miles southeast of State College. For more information, visit @hartmancentercamp on Facebook.



### **Neighbors in Need—October 4**

Neighbors in Need is the third of the four annual United Church of Christ all-church offerings.

The funds are given as grants to UCC congregations for justice and compassion ministries in their local neighborhoods for hunger, homelessness, education, advocacy, the environment, and sharing God's love with our neighbors in need.

One-third of the funds support similar projects with the UCC's 14 Lakota (Sioux) Churches, primarily in South Dakota, through the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM).

Envelopes will be provided on two consecutive Sundays in the church bulletin and offerings will be accepted by mail or drop off at the church office. The Missions Committee will match the congregation's contributions.

Please be generous as you respond to the 2020 Neighbors in Need offering. Thank you!

# Music

## A Message from the Music Department

Hi, Folks!

As we begin a “new year” of our new normal, I would like to thank all those who have contributed their time and talents in the “great transition” from no church to recorded services, to Zoom worship, to online worship and slowly toward in-person worship while continuing to Live-stream. It has taken a great deal of time and cooperation of many people to accomplish this enormous task - from the supply pastors who graciously plan ahead in order that hymns and PowerPoints may be prepared in time for Sunday worship to all who have shared their musical talents, to Consistory and church committees who have spent extra time planning, preparing and in meetings, and our sextons, Larry, Sandy and Beth, who have kept things ready for the time when we join together in the sanctuary. A special thanks to Maria, whose hard work and unending support and efforts have been invaluable in this transition. Last, but not least, a big thanks to Jamie, whose knowledge has been essential in the processes required when moving through three different technical forms of worship in the last six months - a daunting task!

Unfortunately, choir is still delayed. We plan to continue recording soloists and small groups for hymns and special music until it is deemed safe to sing in person. If you are interested in participating, either singing or playing an instrument, we would love to have new people involved! Please make us aware of your interest. Emmanuel Ringers will be starting in smaller groups to present special music in the near future. We are also looking at what is safely possible for Emmanuel Jam and Voce a cappella.

The Concert Series is still on hold because of the Coronavirus. We realize that small groups are hesitant to rehearse long hours in close proximity to prepare for concerts. As new opportunities arise, we may consider different ideas or online possibilities.

I look forward to seeing you all in church as we continue our journey toward in-person worship! Until then, stay safe.....and smile!

~Don

### Emmanuel's Music Program

Emmanuel has a diversified music program with opportunities for people of all ages, abilities and musical interests. If interested, see Don Horneff or Jamie Brown at church, or contact Don at donaldhorneff@gmail.com or 717-634-5122.



**Join the Choir...**  
**You'll Be Glad**  
**You Did!**

#### Chancel Choir

*Open to high school students through adults*  
Rehearsals: Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm  
Provides a variety of music for worship on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays and special services

#### Women's Choir

*Open to women of all ages*  
Rehearsals: 1st & 3rd Sundays, 12-1 pm  
Sings at worship on the 2nd Sunday

#### Voce a cappella Choir

*Open to high school students through adults*  
Rehearsals: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 12-1 pm  
Sings at worship on the 3rd Sunday

#### Emmanuel Ringers—Handbell Choir

*Open to high school students through adults*  
Rehearsals: Thursdays, 6-6:50 pm  
Rings at worship on 4th Sundays and holidays

#### Emmanuel Jam—Praise Band

*Open to anyone who enjoys playing and/or singing contemporary music*  
Rehearsals: 1st & 2nd Sundays,  
9:15-9:45 am  
Provides music for worship on 2nd Sundays

#### Children's Ring & Sing

*Open to all children ages 4 to 12*  
Rehearsals: During Sunday School with ringing handbells and singing  
Rings and Sings on 5th Sundays

## **CONSISTORY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

### **Consistory Minutes – June 15, 2020**

- Treasurers Report for May 2020: Brian Frederick gave explanation of current state. Treasurer report given to Consistory members in advance of meeting to review. Ann Kress made motion to accept Treasurer's report subject to audit. Alec Sivel seconded, no objections, changes or discussion.
- Don Horneff presented equipment needed for live streaming worship services. Brian Frederick made motion to accept cost of approved equipment (\$8,500) to be purchased using money in the Combined Memorial Fund.
- Church Reopening Task Force: Brian Frederick made motion to open the church Sunday, July 19, for worship, streaming technology should be in place for those that feel that they are not ready to enter the physical building for worship. Opening includes all groups that utilize the church following CDC guidelines.
- Old Business: Recommendation to move Children's/Family (Early) Christmas Eve Service to the last regular Sunday Worship Service in Advent. Motion made by Chuck Siegel to move the children's Christmas Eve service to the Sunday prior to the holiday, Tom Daryman second, passed with no discussion or objections.
- New Business: Gitt Service, August 23: Worship and Music to accept cost associated with holding the event at Gitt Mansion. No pot luck – members will be invited to bring their own lunch for social time after the service as well as their own chairs.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Missions Committee — August 13**

- We welcomed Jody Adelsperger as a new member of our committee.
- The collection for Strengthen the Church ended in July and totaled \$70, which was matched 1:1 with Missions funds to total \$140.
- Spending from Missions funds in 2020 totals \$12,270, leaving about \$7,730 for fall donations and other possibilities.
- We voted to donate \$500 from Missions funds to support Homewood's Heroes Day, which celebrates heroic employees at Homewood and offers tuition grants to Homewood co-workers and their families.
- The next PAL Lunch for Emmanuel is Sept. 29. At this point box lunches are delivered to clients at the door. If you would like to volunteer, contact Estelle King.
- HACC currently has a budget shortfall of \$87,000. We will continue to keep them in mind as we disperse our remaining funds.
- At this point, Emmanuel's yard sale is scheduled for Oct. 1, 2 and 3.

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## **2020 CONSISTORY OFFICERS**

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<b>Secretary</b>	Ann Kress 717-637-5141 annkress31@aol.com
<b>Treasurer</b>	Brian Frederick 717-451-3977 brianfrederick44@gmail.com

## **CONSISTORY MEMBERS**

Jess Beavers, Andy Crone, Tom Daryman,  
Cheryl Fritz, Susan Hoke, Laura Kemp,  
Judy Morris, Chuck Siegel

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Chris Moore 717-451-3860
<b>Caring</b>	TBD
<b>Christian Education</b>	Cheryl Fritz 717-698-1153
<b>Church Growth</b>	Alec Sivel 717-451-3450
<b>Fellowship</b>	Mary Bair 717-870-5597 Elaine Weaver 717-637-9015
<b>Investment</b>	Brian Frederick 717-451-3977
<b>Missions</b>	Carol Giesey 717-632-2665 Estelle King 717-487-1906 Consistory Rep: Laura Kemp
<b>Pastor/Parish Relations</b>	Sandy Rebert 717-586-2136 Consistory Rep: Ann Kress
<b>Personnel</b>	Lisa Moore 717-515-1033
<b>Property and Safety</b>	Linda McKonly 717-632-6379 Consistory Representatives: Andy Crone and Laura Kemp
<b>Stewardship/Finance</b>	Judy Morris 717-968-6998
<b>Worship and Music</b>	Brian Frederick 717-451-3977

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- Neighbors in Need collection this year falls on Sunday, October 4. A major focus is the support of Native Americans. More info will be forthcoming.
- Crop Walk: At this point we have received no new info about a fall Crop event.
- New Hope Ministries needs volunteers for a back-to-school backpack and school supplies distribution. Contact New Hope at 717-432-2087.
- New Hope also expressed a need for canned goods for their food bank. Missions voted to use \$500 of Missions funds to purchase canned fruits and vegetables and deliver them to New Hope in the next few weeks. Contact Estelle King.
- Hoffman Homes is planning an online fundraising gala on Nov. 6. We will have more details at our next meeting.
- We voted to send an additional \$100 to support the grocery program for downtown residents, sponsored by St. Paul's Lutheran.
- Estelle will contact Penn CC about a possible donation of combs for hygiene kits in their partnership with Mission Central.

**Personnel Committee — August 14**

- We have started the annual evaluation process of our paid staff. The Committee will meet soon to review results and recommend increases prior to budget preparation.

**Property Committee — July 16**

The committee met in person on July 16. We reviewed tasks undertaken since our last meeting, which occurred in March. We also talked about the current challenges connected with COVID-19.

- Replacement of the five HVAC units, bringing us to all new or newer units at Emmanuel.
- Work on the slate roof of the sanctuary, leaving the roof in good condition. It will be inspected annually.
- Parking lot resurfacing – no word from the contractor yet. Projects such as this have been put on hold for an extended time by the contractors due to the virus. We'll followup with the contractor.
- Exterior painting – also has been delayed due to prohibitions on working during the lock down. Some of the lower windows on the sanctuary were done while the painter was refinishing the front doors of the sanctuary, but the high work remains.
- Reopening the sanctuary to live services – we are ready, with precautions in place. The Governor's reinstatement of some precautions this week will probably delay the resumption of live services, but we're mostly prepared. We're just waiting for the arrival of touchless hand sanitizer stations for the entrances. A member of this committee has participated in the task force dedicated to safe reopening.

- We are waiting for the regional supervisor of the Salvation Army to inform us of when they will resume in person services.
- The Borough of Hanover has informed us that the water main on Broadway will be replaced within the next few weeks. While the work is in progress, the street will be limited in allowing traffic and parking. In addition, there are cones on the sidewalk labeled "Columbia Gas," so work by that company may begin soon. We have not been notified of that work, but it stands to reason. Columbia has been working on Borough streets for at least four years and hasn't done work on our part of Broadway yet. If the street and sidewalk are impacted by work from both entities, we will issue other guidelines for access to the office and sanctuary, if we have resumed live services.
- The phone service has been dropping calls and that has had an effect on the alarm system. The modem has been replaced by Comcast and that seems to have helped. The company formerly known as LAW Security, WFX, will be installing a hardwired internet connection in the sanctuary to allow for live streaming.

**Stewardship Committee — August 4**

- The Stewardship Committee met on August 4, 2020, at 7 p.m. Present were Judy Morris, Brian Frederick and Lisa Moore.
- This year's Pledge Sunday will be on November 8, 2020. Around October 10, we shall send out our first Stewardship letter with a pledge card. We shall have speakers from the congregation sharing what EUCC and giving means to them on October 18, October 25 and November 1. This can be done by taping the presentations if we are still having restricted services.
- Judy will speak with Maria to see what the UCC theme is this year.
- We recommend that we have a moment in our Sunday streaming service for the offertory. We also recommend that we continue to encourage giving on a regular basis. Finally, we recommend providing some type of offertory at the Gitt Service.

**Worship & Music Committee**

**June 2**

- In lieu of an agenda, Brian Frederick distributed copies of an overview of the progression of the various phases we can be expected to go through to reopen the church in light of the pandemic.
- Sometime in July, Brian said there is a need to be able to livestream through the internet. To accomplish livestreaming, Don and Jamie have been checking prices and availability of the equipment needed including cameras. Services will

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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

- 1—Emily Groft
- 2—Theresa Giesey
- 3—Amy Anderson
- 4—John McLin
- 6—Beth Loscomb, Glenda Robinson
- 9—Janet Bamford
- 10—Brian Frederick
- 13—Steven Garrett
- 14—Barbara Green
- 18—Gregory Bair II, Ryland Rhodes
- 21—Susan Wright, Kathy Auchey
- 24—Debbie Teal, Alec Sivel
- 27—Mike Fritz
- 28—Michael Gessner
- 29—Estelle King, Jane Cooper
- 30—Brynt Little

## Remembering ♦ Caring ♦ Reaching Out

**Terri Alcott (Care South)**  
**Pat Sheaffer (Creekside #1112)**  
**Janet Starr (Care Central #201)**  
**Ginny Stieglitz (Terrace)**  
**Elinor & Franklin Williams**

Homewood, 425 Westminster Avenue,  
Hanover, PA 17331

**Joanne Frock**  
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**Merle & Margaret Forney (Apt 118)**  
610 Harmony Drive, New Oxford, PA 17350

**Audrey Fuhrman**  
Fair Havens Assisted Living  
3101 Grandview Road, Hanover PA 17331

**Ross Sipe**  
600 W. Hanover Street, Hanover, PA 17331

**Bonnie Stick**  
Brookside, 225 Village Drive, New Oxford PA 17350

## Christian Sympathy and Heartfelt Prayers

Please extend sympathy and prayers to...

- The family of Zola Harner, who died August 4 at age 96. She was the mother of Carol Giesey.

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- be recorded for later viewing.
  - Further discussion centered on what is needed when we reach the final phases and move into the church for worship.
- July 7**
- Several ongoing items were tabled including: Old choir robes, Sacristy cleanup, Assistive hearing devices, Concert series and a discussion of the committee's role in the church.
  - Brian reported the Consistory approved a change in the Children's Christmas Eve program which will be held during the regular Sunday service on the last Sunday in Advent for 2020. The later Christmas Eve service time will be unchanged (9 p.m. for special music and worship at 9:30 p.m.)
  - A task force for reopening the church has been working on the logistics for safe in-person worship. Items considered include pew configuration, availability of masks and hand sanitizer, no choir, and following other UCC reopening guidelines.
  - Progress is continuing on long-term livestreaming of the weekly worship services. Some equipment has been received and a few necessary items are still on order including a camera and the installation of the internet.

### **August 4**

- The Live-Stream Only Services will continue indefinitely with no end date in sight. Don Horneff and Jamie Brown, who have been working on the system, said refinement will continue to be made. A slight problem involving the sound has been corrected. Work continues on staging.
- A concern for people who do not have access to the internet was expressed. Discussed was the possibility of allowing a limited number of people to attend services. Under current Covid-19 guidelines indoor activities are limited to 25 people. With service participants, 20 people could attend church, which social distancing, and by appointment. Frederick said the idea will be presented to Consistory.

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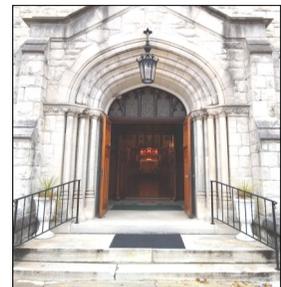
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**Church reopening for worship**

Emmanuel is now open for in-person  
worship, with a capacity of 25 people  
per week. Call or email for reservations.

Services will continue to be  
livestreamed and recorded.

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• Our church is an OPEN AND AFFIRMING congregation •