

HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT



St. Matthew
LUTHERAN CHURCH *of* HANOVER

June 14 - 21, 2026

- Sun. Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion (Parking Lot)8:30 a.m.
SoulFire Rehearsal.....9:45-10:20 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion (Nave)10:30 a.m.
Acting Troupe Rehearsal.....12:14 – 1:15 p.m.
- Mon. All Saints Confirmation Camp
Seniors Hang Out (Fellowship Hall).....10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Tue. All Saints Confirmation Camp
Girl Scouts.....6:00 -7:30 p.m.
- Wed. All Saints Confirmation Camp
Boy Scouts.....7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- Thur. All Saints Confirmation Camp
- Fri. All Saints Confirmation Camp
- Sat. Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast.....8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Worship with Holy Communion (Fellowship Hall).....5:00 p.m.
- Sun. Outdoor Worship with Holy Communion (Parking Lot)8:30 a.m.
Worship with Holy Communion (Nave)10:30 a.m.
Youth Group.....6:00 – 8:00 p.m.



**Our Dinner Theater Was a
Success!
Thank You to Everyone who
Came Out to Support Our
Youth Mission Trip
Fundraiser.**

FAREWELL TO PASTOR KATHY

As Pastor Kathy's final service before her retirement approaches, we want to remind everyone that there will be **no Saturday service on June 27, and only one service on Sunday, June 28 at 10 a.m.** Following the service there will be a farewell reception held in Fellowship Hall. Anyone wishing to contribute to a farewell gift for Pastor Kathy should make a check payable to St. Matthew with *Pastor Kathy's gift* on the memo line and have it in the church office by June 22.

JUNE & JULY COLLECTION FOR SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE

We are mixing things up a little bit this month. The last two Sundays in June, 21 and 28, the Social Ministry Committee will be collecting items for the women's shelter. Items needed are:

- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Baby Wipes
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Baby Lotion
- Razors/Shaving Cream
- Baby Shampoo/Conditioner
- Body Wash/Lotion
- Baby Bath Soap
- Deodorant
- Kids Activity Books
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Crayons
- Diapers (Newborn to Toddler)

We will have collection bins in the gathering area and by the elevator door. Thank You in advance for helping this ministry and the guests in the shelter.

VBS VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!



We still need a few volunteers to help make Illumination Station a huge success this year! If you are able to help, even part time, we have a place for you. VBS runs from Monday, June 22 to Thursday, June 25 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Please fill out our volunteer form through the QR code provided.

If you have any questions, please contact Missy at msmith@stmattlutheran.org.

FINANCIAL GIFT FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Our congregation is invited in giving an *above and beyond financial gift* to help alleviate the heavy burdens placed on children in crisis. Could we raise \$10,000 to specifically help the children in Lebanon and Ecuador? Up to \$5,000 from the outreach account will be matched to your gifts.

As we are faced with the devastation of war, the tragedies of disasters and the persistent poverty in the world, we often feel helpless. In this case we have the trusted avenue to help through Lutheran World Relief. All of these gifts go directly to the places in need.

To give and to have your gift matched, please designate the gift to St. Matthew with *LWR-children* in the memo line, or go to www.stmattlutheran.org and give online.

Upcoming Seniors Hang Out

Monday, June 15 and Monday July 20 from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Please join us for cookies, coffee and fellowship.

DISCOVER. ADVENTURE. FRIENDSHIP. YOU.

Be yourself. Be a Girl Scout.

All are welcome!
Kindergarten through 12th grade
Come see what Girl Scouts is all about!

DO CRAFTS

LEARN ABOUT GIRL SCOUTS

MAKE MEMORIES

FREE RITA'S
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

Try something new.
Build confidence.
Change the world.

JUNE 16TH

6:00 - 7:00 PM

St Matthew's Church
32 W Chestnut St
Hanover PA

GIRL POWER

Ready for friendship. Ready for fun. Ready for you.

POVERTY SIMULATION

What's it like to walk in the shoes of someone living in poverty?

Join Hanover community leaders for an interactive Poverty Simulation on **Thursday, June 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** at the Hanover Borough Municipal Building.

This hands-on learning opportunity for community leaders is extended by special invitation! Step into the shoes of a low-income family and engage with real-time opportunities to get to work, care for your children, connect to resources, and navigate the unexpected. Registration is required. Register at the link: bit.ly/PovertySimHanover.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Contact Tim Peck for more information, youth@stmattlutheran.org

YOUTH GROUP

We gather for fun, faith, and community.

- Meets the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month from 6:00- 8:00 p.m.
- Youth Building, 3rd floor - room 304 (Youth Suite)
- Open to all youth entering 6th - 12th grade

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Contact Missy Smith for more information, msmith@stmattlutheran.org.

VBS: Illumination Station

June 22-25 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Rising PreK-5th Graders - *Preschoolers must be at least 4 years old by Sept 1, 2026 AND be potty trained.*

Cost: Free! Lunch is provided. Through engaging stories, songs and activities, children will encounter a powerful Gospel message that brings them into the light of God's truth. For more information, contact Missy Smith at 717-637-7101 ext. 232.





Music Camp

August 3-7 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Rising K-5th graders

Cost: Free!

Join us for a week of music, creativity and faith! Through singing, dancing and performance, children will explore the story of God's love and bring it to life on stage. All

summer campers will rehearse and perform in a faith-based musical this September — a joyful celebration of the gifts God has given us and has called us to share! For more information, contact Deb Smith at dsmith@stmattlutheran.org or at 717-637-7101 ext. 236.

INFORMATION UPDATE FORM

Please fill out the pertinent part(s) for you, tear off this page and put in the offering basket or email the church office at info@stmattlutheran.org.

_____ I'd like to receive _____ e-mail updates and/or _____ newsletter in the mail. (Provide name, e-mail, and/or mailing address)

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