

HANOVER VALLEY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 1, 2026

Clint Watkins
Grieving with Hope

WELCOME TO HANOVER VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our purpose is to become an **authentic** community that knows **Christ** and makes His **grace** and **truth** known with such power and glory that **lives** are **transformed** by the **gospel**, multiplying worship and praise to God throughout **Hanover** and the world.

Welcome. We're glad that you're with us. We hope you'll find joyful worship that engages both your heart and mind, as well as genuine friendship and a caring atmosphere. Please take advantage of any of the opportunities offered here. If we can serve you in any way today, simply speak to one of the ushers.

Children are encouraged to stay in the service, but if you prefer, quality childcare is provided throughout the service for children from infants to kindergarten aged. Please speak to one of our ushers for locations.

This bulletin will guide you through the service - just start on the next page and continue as the pastor leads. (Moments when you should stand are noted).

As a courtesy to you and those around you, we ask that you please mute cell phones during the worship time.

REFLECTIONS

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire victory;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
And to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and
offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

SUNDAY WORSHIP

November 1st, 2026

Prelude

Call to Worship

13 Your ways, God, are holy. What god is as great as our God? 14 You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the peoples. 15 With your mighty arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph. Psalm 77:13-15

Gathering Songs

(Please Stand)

Here in This Place

Lay your burden down, every care you carry
And come to the table of grace, for there is mercy
We come just as we are, though we're all unworthy
To enter Your presence, Oh Lord, for You are holy.

Chorus: We lift our heart, we lift our hands,
We fall on our knees and pray
To the King of Kings for the love You bring
Is here, in this place
We raise our voices, raise our song,
We offer You our praise,
You're the King of Kings and the joy You bring
Is here, You are here in this place

Fill our lives with praise, show us Your forgiveness
And give us the faith to believe that You've redeemed us
You are Lord of all and we give You glory,
All honor and power and praise, for You are worthy **Chorus**

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Before the Throne of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong, and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in Heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
And tells me of my guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free;
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him There! The risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless righteousness;
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of Glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before you, my God and Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and other sinful affections, as you, my Lord and God, know well, and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask you for mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement

13 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you[a] alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14 having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.
Colossians 2:13-14

Corporate Prayer of Confession- From the 1585 Reformed Liturgy of the Palatinate
Confession of Faith- WSC Q. 35

Confession of Faith

Leader: What is sanctification?
Congregation: Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

Song of Assurance

(Please Stand)

Hosanna

Let the weak say "I am strong." Let the poor say "I am rich"
Let the blind say "I can see," it's what the Lord has done in me.
Let the weak say "I am strong." Let the poor say "I am rich"
Let the blind say "I can see," it's what the Lord has done in me.

Chorus: Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.
Hosanna, hosanna to the Lamb that was slain.
Hosanna, hosanna, Jesus died and rose again.

Into the river I will wade, there my sins are washed away.
From the heaven's mercy stream of the Savior's love for me.
I will rise from waters deep into the saving arms of God.
I will sing salvation songs. Jesus Christ has set me free. Chorus

Jesus died and rose again, Jesus died and rose again.

Welcome of New Members

Covenant of Baptism

Announcements & Prayers of the People

Special Music & Offering

Scripture

John 11:17-53

Sermon

Grieving with Hope

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Song of Reflection (Please Stand)

Mercies Anew

Ev'ry morning that breaks there are mercies anew.
Ev'ry breath that I take is your faithfulness proved,
And at the end of each day, when my labors are through,
I will sing of your mercies anew.

When I've fallen and strayed there were mercies anew.
For you sought me in love and my heart you pursued.
In the face of my sin, Lord, you never withdrew.
I will sing of your mercies anew.

Bridge: And your mercies they will never end;
For ten thousand years they remain.
And when this world's beauty has passed away,
Your mercies will be unchanged.

And when the storms swirl and rage, there are mercies anew.
In affliction and pain, you will carry me through.
And at the end of my days when your throne fills my view,
I will sing of your mercies anew.

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Invitation to the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament; those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. Note About the Supper: Wine is used. However, the outer ring of the tray contains non-alcoholic grape juice. Please hold the elements so that we may all partake together.

Benediction

16 May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, 17 encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.
2 Thessalonians 2:16–17

Parting Song of Praise

Mercies Anew

And when the storms swirl and rage, there are mercies anew.
In affliction and pain, you will carry me through.
And at the end of my days when your throne fills my view,
I will sing of your mercies anew.
I will sing of your mercies anew.

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SCRIPTURE

John 11:17-53

17 On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. 18 Now Bethany was less than two miles[a] from Jerusalem, 19 and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. 20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home. 21 "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?" 27 "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." 28 After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." 29 When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. 30 Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. 31 When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there. 32 When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. 34 "Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. 35 Jesus wept. 36 Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" 38 Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. 39 "Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days." 40 Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go." 45 Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. 46 But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. 47 Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. "What are we accomplishing?" they asked. "Here is this man performing many signs. 48 If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation." 49 Then one of them, named Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, spoke up, "You know nothing at all! 50 You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish." 51 He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, 52 and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one. 53 So from that day on they plotted to take his life.

NOTES & OUTLINE

I. His presence in our sorrow (v17-37)

II. His power over the grave (v38-44)

III. His sacrifice in our place (v45-53)

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who You are. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that You Proclaim. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead as proof of your power to conquer sin and death, I turn from my sins and recieve You as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverence the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfector of my faith. Amen

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your Church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with Your people and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen

COMMUNITY & CHURCH LIFE

Parking on Sundays

We're glad you're here today! There is a map available on our website (www.hanovervalley.org), highlighting available local parking. There's plenty and it's all less than a block away. There is also a parking lot, especially for guests, next to our building outside the Railroad Street Entrance. All public, metered, on-street parking is free on Sundays.

Sunday Morning Childcare

We have childcare for children up to the age of four during our 10:00am worship service.

Children's Sunday School

Sunday school starts on **September 13th from 9-9:45am**. We offer a class for students 3yo-1st grade taught by Becky Derreth and Sarah Schwarz and another class for students in 2nd-5th grade taught by Steve and Jill Kirkpatrick. These classes meet on the upper level of our building.

Upcoming Adult Workshop

Join us for our next adult workshop beginning on **October 11th from 9-9:45** in the Dock Room as we begin a four week series on grief using Paul David Tripp'
s booklet on Grief.. Adults and students in 6th-12th grades are encouraged to join us. Weeks 1-2 we'll consider how to think about grief when death enters our world. Weeks 3-4 we'll consider practical ways to process our grief. Each session will also include a time where individuals will join us to share about their personal experience with grief.

Round Table Disussion & Luncheon

On November 1st following the worship service, we'll gather for a time of fellowship followed by a time of discussion about the mission and vision of our church. The session will lead a time of discussion using questions designed to help the members reflect on the vision and mission of our church. The session will use the discussion from this time to help us have better discussions as we look ahead to the next season of ministry at HVPC.

Operation Christmas Child,

Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, is collecting gift shoe boxes to be delivered by local pastors and churches in hard to reach remote areas of the world. There are boxes and literature with gift ideas available by the donation bin outside of the kitchen. Boxes should be returned to our church by November 15th.

We can arrange for pickup of your boxes if you need some help. Questions-Contact Bruce Schwarz 717-357-0973.

PRAYERS

Please pray for Missy Anderson Casper. She had a doctor's appointment in Lancaster this week, and they discovered that the infection in her heel is still present and has spread closer to the bone. They instructed her to go to the hospital for further evaluation and treatment. Please pray for wisdom for her doctors, effective treatment, and healing

Please pray for Debbie Trask's sister, Susan Baker, she was diagnosed with advanced colon and liver cancer. She has started chemotherapy.

Please pray for Tom Simon and his family. Tom is still doing palliative chemo treatments and the cancer has significantly shrunk! His tests have been very positive. Pray that the treatments continue to go well and for the weariness that each session has on the family.

Pray that Andrew Hauser will continue to remain clear of any rejection of his new organs and for safety as he travels to and from Pittsburgh for his tests. Pray that we would recognize God's hand in our lives and the lives around us.

Ann Kerrison, a friend of Debbie Stapf, was recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. Pray for Ann and her family as they navigate this challenging time, both physically and emotionally. Please pray for strength and healing while she is on chemo, which is making her very sick.

Please pray that Debbie Stapf's doctors can find the right medication to work for her as she continues to live with Parkinsons.

Please keep Alec Speights, friend of the Schwarz family, in your prayers as he recovers from a serious brain injury. Pray for God's healing, strength, and peace for Alec, as well as comfort and encouragement for his family during this difficult time.

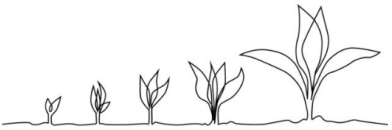
Keep Becky Derreth and her family in your prayers. Becky's father recently suffered a stroke. Please pray for continued healing and recovery, that he would regain his strength and abilities, and that he would be able to return to his former level of independence.

Please keep Rob Warzyniak's cousin, Victoria, in your prayers. She has been diagnosed with a rare and incurable blood cancer. Also, Victoria's father, Rob's uncle, passed away this week. Please pray that God would give Victoria and her family strength, comfort, peace, and hope during this difficult time.

Marty Adams has a close family member who is 5 months pregnant and a recent test revealed that her baby has severe physiological and neurological issues. More tests are scheduled. Please pray for wisdom, emotional support and God's mercy for them and the family as they navigate difficult upcoming decisions

We want to share your concerns and praises. If you have something to include here please contact Sarah Trask; Call or text 443-277-0110 or email office@hanovervalley.org Nothing is included here without express permission

GROWTH GROUPS



No one can thrive with just a Sunday morning connection. We all need a place to develop genuine friendships, ask honest questions, and discover the applications of the Gospel to real life. Growth Groups are where that happens most authentically. They are the primary place for pastoral care. They are open groups led by trained lay leaders designed for the curious, the skeptic, the struggling, the experienced, the new and the old - people all along their spiritual journey. They are the very lifeblood of the church. Contact the pastor or one of these Growth Group leaders to discuss getting involved. Every group is always open to all.

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We are so grateful for the many ways everyone supports Hanover Valley! While we do collect offerings on Sunday morning, we also have online giving with options for automatic weekly or monthly donations. The QR code to the right makes it easier to get to our website giving page.

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VISITOR INFORMATION

If you're a guest, please let us know you were with us today by completing the form below. We'll add you to our mailing list so you can recieve church information and updates. You can also use the space below to share any questions, ideas or prayer concerns you may have.

NAME: DATE:

SPOUSE & CHILDREN:

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

I AM A: ◯ FIRST-TIME GUEST ◯ RETURN GUEST

◯ OUT OF TOWN GUEST ◯ REGULAR ATTENDEE

TELL ME MORE ABOUT: ◯ GROWTH GROUPS

◯ CHILD CARE ◯ PASTORAL VISITS ◯ HOSPITALITY

◯ MUSIC MINISTRY ◯ SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEER

◯ OTHER:

THIS WEEK (11.1-11.8)

SUNDAY — November 1
Children's Sunday School- 9:00–9:45 AM
Adult Workshop- 9:00–9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship- 10:00 AM
Youth Group-6:00–8:00 PM — 6th–12th grade
Kids Group- 6:00–7:30 PM — 1st–5th grade

MONDAY — November 2
No scheduled events

TUESDAY — November 3
Nurturing Faith- Mom's Group- 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY — November 4
Young Adult Group 6:30–8:00 PM — Ages 18–30

THURSDAY — November 5
No scheduled events

FRIDAY — November 6
No scheduled events

SATURDAY — November 7
Ladies' Bible Study 10:00 AM — Dock Room

SUNDAY — November 8
Children's Sunday School- 9:00–9:45 AM
Adult Workshop- 9:00–9:45 AM
Sunday Morning Worship- 10:00 AM
Youth Group-6:00–8:00 PM — 6th–12th grade
Kids Group- 6:00–7:30 PM — 1st–5th grade

Financial Report September 2026	Actual	Budget
Giving/Income	$219,955	$261,725
Expense	$238,622	$263,075
Total	-$18,667	$0

Please contact Growth Group leaders for specific dates and times. (page 12)

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