Order of Worship

August 3, 2025

Gathering Call

Preparing our hearts and minds for worship

Gathering Song*

Responding to God in praise

Song of Worship, Hymn #304, Crown Him With Many Crowns* Responding to God in praise

Scripture Reading, Hebrews 10: 1-18 *Hearing the word of God*

Song of Worship, Hymn #446, Blessed Assurance* Responding to God in praise

The Apostles' Creed

Confessing the faith with the family of God

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

The Lord's Supper

Partaking in Christ's Salvation together

Leader: Christ has died.
People: Christ is risen.
Together: Christ will come again.

Congregational Prayer

Praying together in the Presence of the Holy Spirit

Our Father who is in heaven
Hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come, your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil
For yours is the kingdom and power and glory forever. Amen.

Offering
Giving to God as an act of trust and worship

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. Doxology*

Announcements

Hearing the news of the church

Sermon, Guest Preacher Michael O'Leary Drawing closer to God through His word

Respond and Reflect

Making room for God to speak to our hearts

Song of Worship, Hymn #81, He Leadeth Me* Responding to God in praise

Benediction*

Receiving a blessing as we leave to be a blessing to the world

Postlude

Michael O'Leary, Guest Preacher Laurie Wadsworth, Lay Reader Marjorie Rose, Prayer Leader

Prayers

Prayers we have received

- Norma, who celebrated her 80th birthday last week
- Rosie Pelletier, who is having surgery on his foot
 Donna and Mike Clarke, as they await the birth of their child
- Caroline and Mike Tischbein
- All those who are struggling with longterm illnesses

Announcements and Coming Events

For more information, check out our events calendar at www.etnahanovercenterchurch.org/events

THANK YOU! to everyone who helped, in any way, to make our 8th annual Band Concert such a huge success. God blessed us with a beautiful evening. More than 200 friends, neighbors, families and band members enjoyed the wonderful music, fellowship, and pie and ice cream. It was truly a joyous evening of sharing our Christian love with our community. We received \$636.00 in donations, which will be used for more Christian outreach in our community. Many thanks, Norma

Congregational Meeting: The Etna Baptist Church will have a short meeting after worship next Sunday, August 10, for a confirmation vote on dissolving the yoke and moving to a unified open membership.

Celebration of the Yoke: The Hanover Center Congregational Church warmly invites our entire church family to come together for a special celebration of our time together at 9 a.m. Sunday, August 31, at the Congregational church at 6 Parade Ground Road, Etna. Let us send one another forward with love, gratitude, and hope.

Bible Discussions: Bible Discussions: Our Sunday morning Bible discussion group is on hiatus until September, when it will return at 9 a.m. Sundays.

Our **Wednesday morning** Bible discussion group meets weekly at 10 a.m. in Trumbull Hall to talk about Sunday's scripture reading and sermon.

Our Bible discussions are lively, provocative, and Spirit-led. They also offer coffee and snacks! Please join us whenever you are able to do so.

No previous experience required!