



165th

Church Anniversary

of

Hope Church, Mannheim

On October 19, the congregation of Hope Church will again remember and celebrate the history and the persons who were instrumental in the establishment, building, and expansion of this exquisite country church and its surroundings. The current rector is The Reverend Tim Small. The speaker for the day will be the Rev. John Emerett. Special music will be offered by the choir. A continuing celebration and covered dish social will be held in the parish hall after the service.

Hope Episcopal Church was the sixth Episcopal Church established in Lancaster County and is the fourth oldest still in existence. The Grubb family of nearby Mount Hope Estate was responsible for the establishment of Hope Church. The church building at Mount Hope was founded and built by Harriet A. Grubb. The Church was consecrated on Saint Luke's Day in October of 1849 by Bishop Alonzo Potter and named Hope Church. Originally built as a fairly simple structure, it was enlarged and extensively remodeled at the turn of the century by Daisy Grubb. A cemetery containing many old tombstones, a columbarium, and the Grubb family vault surrounds the building.