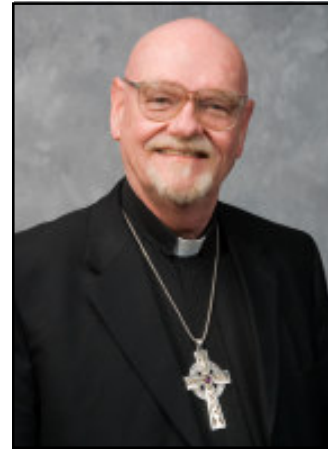


# Bishop B. Penrose Hoover



**Residence:** New Cumberland, Pennsylvania

**Birth:** Born: September 21, 1946  
Birthplace: Harrisburg, PA

**Family:** Married to: The Rev. Sharon F. Hoover  
Widower of Elisabeth Schuring Hoover of Germany  
Four adult children and five grandchildren

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts Gettysburg College 1968  
Master of Divinity Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago 1972

**Ordination:** Central Pennsylvania Synod, Lutheran Church in America 1972

**Elected Bishop:** June 9, 2007; took office September 1, 2007

**Installation:** October 27, 2007, St. Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

**Church Membership:** Grace Lutheran Church, Highland Park, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

<b>Pastoral Service</b>	1972-1974 - Pastor	St. John (Center) Lutheran Church	East Earl, Pennsylvania
	1974-1991 - Associate Pastor	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
	1991-2002 - Senior Pastor	Salem Lutheran Church	Lebanon, Pennsylvania
	2002-2007 - Senior Pastor	Grace Lutheran Church	Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

**Synodical Service:** Dean of the Lebanon Conference  
Committee on Church in Society  
World Hunger Committee  
Policy Council, Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania

**Other Service and Interests:** Pastor Hoover has served extensively on various community agency boards dealing with children and youth, domestic violence intervention, and family health services. He has written several plays that have been performed both in church and community settings. He enjoys reading, films, theatre, walking, and occasional cooking. He is fluent in German.