

The Parish Press

OF

PINE STREET EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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NEWLY ELECTED BISHOP OF THE UPPER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD

THE REVEREND BARBARA JEAN COLLINS
WAS ELECTED THE THIRD BISHOP OF THE UPPER
SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 18 AT
SYNOD ASSEMBLY. SELINGROVE.

BISHOP-ELECT COLLINS WILL BEGIN HER DUTIES AS
BISHOP ON SEPTEMBER 1, AND WILL BE OFFICIALLY
INSTALLED ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 BY
PRESIDING BISHOP ELIZABETH ETON IN ZION
LUTHERAN CHURCH, SUNBURY.

BISHOP ROBERT DRIESEN WILL FINISH SERVING AS
BISHOP ON AUGUST 31. HE WILL REMAIN IN OFFICE
UNTIL THAT DATE AND HELP IN THE TRANSITION OF
THE OFFICE OF BISHOP.

A CELEBRATION OF HIS MINISTRY WILL BE HELD ON
JULY 16 AT MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH IN SOUTH
WILLIAMSPORT. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND BOTH
CHURCH CELEBRATIONS.

Celebration of Ministry of Bishop Driesen July 16

A celebration of Bishop Robert Driesen on
the occasion of his retirement will be held on
Saturday, July 16, 2016, at Messiah, South
WilliamSPORT. A worship service is scheduled
for 2:00 p.m.

There will also be a dinnertime meal at 4:30
p.m., following the service. Tickets are now
available for the dinner. Tickets are \$20 each
and can be RESERVED by calling the church
office at 570-326-9171. Ticket quantity is
limited so please reserve your tickets early.
The dinner will be buffet style with the main
dishes being roast turkey and beef burgundy.

Joint Outdoor Worship and Picnic Sunday, July 24 At Trinity Oak Grove's Pavilion At 10:00 AM

Trinity members are being very generous in
supplying food for the picnic from
their Festival on July 23rd!

WE THANK YOU!

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for Summer

July, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

We have entered the 'green' time of the Church Year. The paraments and the pastor's stole are green, we sometimes refer to these colors as 'the color of the day'. The green color signifies 'growth', and indeed for us in the Northern Hemisphere, it is a time when creation bursts with growth.

But the reference to growth and the color green come from the texts we read during this time after Pentecost, from Trinity Sunday until the first Sunday of Advent. The texts which are read on Sunday mornings speak to our growth in Christ, our growth as his disciples living our calling to ministry.

The accent on this, the second half of the church year, has to do with how we respond to Christ. What do we do with our lives because of his birth, his calling of disciples, working of miracles, healing, teaching, preaching and finally the giving of his body and blood, his death on the cross, his resurrection, ascension and sending of the Holy Spirit. What do we do in response to all that ?

During this 'green' time, we are called to grow, to deepen our faith and our faithfulness. This is the time for preparing for the Church Festival, the time for planning Confirmation Class and Youth Group in the Fall, this is the time for picnics, for relaxation, for renewal.

We, in the Upper Susquehanna Synod, have just elected a new bishop, the third bishop of this Synod. This country will elect a new President in November, and at the nominating conventions this summer, there will be a greater emphasis on political speeches and promises. This summer, there is much to ponder, much to pray about, in our church life, and in our country's life. The important point to remember is that we live together, and for us, the particular ways we live out those promises given to us by Christ.

The rich growth of crops, fruits, vegetables, the lush growth of the church community garden, remind us also of the Tree of Life, the rich growth of our lives in Christ, and the family of God in which we gather each week, joined with the Church Triumphant.

We give thanks to God in Christ Jesus who gives us this life, who continues to call us and watch over our growth. May we use this time, this 'green time of growth' to be refreshed, renewed. May we blossom and bloom to be all that God has called us to be, as we are nurtured by his holy Word, and the Sacrament of his life.

Blessings,

Pastor Lois

NEWS AND NOTES

SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of:

- † Jane Beagle, who died April 26, 2016.
- † Betty Jo Oyster, daughter of Aggie Oyster, who died May 19, 2016.
- † Betty Gahres, aunt of Darlis Dyer, who died June 21, 2016.

MEMORIALS

Gifts to our Memorial Fund in memory of *Jane Beagle* have been given by:

- The Allen Reynolds Family

Come join our Adult Discussion Group continues every Sunday at 9:00 AM during the summer.

We'd love to have you!

GRADUATE

Jason Brennan, great-grandson of June Livziey, graduated from Danville High School. He will join the Air Force in August and do his Basic Training in Texas.



The office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day!

A STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

*Written by S. William Snover, MD
Financial Secretary*

Theologically speaking, it's important for our folks to generously give as a response to God's grace and love, and not because our church needs a certain total to meet next year's budget.

This comment recently appeared in a church newsletter that focuses on financial stewardship in the church. I agree that too often we focus on "How much do I need to give to meet our budget?" Our focus should instead be "How much of God's gifts given to us shall I give back to carry out our ministry?" Churches grow and succeed not because they make enough to pay the bills, but because they make enough to be able to minister to their members, their communities, especially the wanting, the forgotten, and the hopeless. Churches close because they can't pay their bills. Church members blossom because they involve themselves with ministry.

Financial support is important, but equally important is an investment of time, talent and ability. The masthead of our church bulletin clearly states that **the ministers of Pine Street Lutheran Church are its members.** Our mission statement states that we "share our faith, hope and love through prayer, discipleship, **ministry**, and worship". Are you being a minister? All you need to do is be involved.

In service,
Bill

PASTOR AWAY

Pastor Lois will be attending a Worship and Music Conference with Brenda Fischer-Dennehy, our music director, from July 5 through July 8. For emergency Pastoral Care, call Pastor Lois at 570-768-6299 and she will advise you. (If no answer, leave a message.)

July Love Offering Envelope is Haven Ministry!

Haven Ministry was Founded in April 1991.

They provide emergency shelter, nurturing, and advocacy for the people of surrounding counties.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Haven Ministry is to respond, through faith in God's covenantal relationship with us, to the basic needs of God's people by providing emergency shelter, nurturing, and advocacy for individuals and families in the Central Susquehanna Valley Area.

Located at 1043 S. Front Street in Sunbury, PA, near Keithan's Bluebird Gardens and the Weis Markets Corporate Office.

If Haven Ministry is a ministry you would like to support, please use your envelope from this month's packet.

FESTIVAL AT TRINITY OAK GROVE JULY 23RD 4 PM – ? PM

Pork BBQ, Hamburg
BBQ, Hot Dogs,
Vegetable, Chicken Corn
and Ham & Bean Soups,
Baked Goods, Beverages,
Ice Cream, Chinese
Auction, Entertainment
and
Crafts for sale.

Near Liberty Valley Golf Course
on Rt. 642, turn right onto
Klondike Rd. Just after going
under the I-80 bridges, turn onto
the first left. This is Oak Grove
Rd. The Church and pavilion are
at the crossroads 4-way stop.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

The next Worship & Music
Ministry meeting will be July
11th at 11:00 AM in the
Library for a budget meeting.

JULY BIRTHDAYS



- 2 - David Doran
- 3 - Paul Ezdebski, Jr.;
Kathleen Thomas; Larry
Troy
- 4 – Dr. Thomas Martin
- 5 - Gabriel Carr; Irene
Hinkle
- 9 - Logan Rice
- 12 - Roxanne Patton;
Richard Thomas
- 13 – Dianne Baylor
- 14 - Nancy Dennehy
- 15 –Anthony Davis; Mark
Fry; Luahan Herrington;

Brittany (Koons)
Schenck

- 16 - Jennifer Jennings
- 22 - Saundra McCarty
- 23 - Lauren Swartz
- 25 - Nancy K. Leighow
- 26 - Thomas Hinkle;
Callaghan Romansik;
Jeanine Snover
- 28 - Nora Dennehy
- 30 – Alf Bashore, II;
Kimberly Morgan

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 – Lorene and John Binder
(67)*
- 17 - Christine and Michael
Koons
- 20 - Jennifer and James
O'Brien
- 27 - Jean and John Crumb,
Sr.

Send cards to:

**Mr. & Mrs. John Binder
111 Kashner Rd
Danville, PA 17821*



Calendar of Events Women of the ELCA

Events for July

July 12: W/ELCA

Picnic 6 PM [home of
Gail James]

July 23: Upper

Susquehanna Synod

Women's

Convention at
Camp Mt. Luther.

FOOD BANK NEEDS

The Danville-Riverside Food
Bank is very appreciative of the
donations of food and money
given by our church members.
You may donate the food of the
month below or any other non-
perishable food item. All
donations are distributed to
those in need in our community.

July: Canned Fruit

Place food donations in the
basket in the narthex near the
coat room. To make a monetary
donation, please use a blue pew
envelope and mark it **Food
Bank**.

Fellowship Hours

The various ministries of the
church are providing meals for
Fellowship Hour. Feel free to
grace the table with any food
donations. **There is no
fellowship hour on July 3rd.** The
1st Sunday in August will be
picnic food. Thank you to all!

Pine Street Prayer List July, 2016



HOMEBOUND AND SPECIAL PRAYER LIST:

Kathy Thomas;
Sherry Achey; Burrnell Metzger;
Anna and Carl Rice; Eleanor
Wray; Sam Harrison; Shirley
Gamble; Charles (Sonny)
McWilliams; Marie Adams;
Lillian Stahl; D. Jean Cope; and
Lois Oberdorf.

CONGREGATION MEMBERS:

Bill Snover; Daniel Love; Ann
Hummer; Joan Greely; Hunter
Beasley; Jack Dyer; Aggie
Oyster; Charlotte Mitchell;
Pauline Nedrow; Jennifer
O'Brien; Nikki Morgan; Carl Rice,
Jr.; Marvin Fry; and Art Sticklin.

FRIENDS OF CONGREGATION

MEMBERS: Damien Diotte; Ed
Sudo; Kelli Lambert; Ron Shipe;
Roxanne Reedy; Melissa Baker;
Kady Curry Davenport; Clem &
John Herrington; Theresa
Conrad Norman; Gladys Wetzel;

Irvin Reibsome; Albert Churm;
James Bergenstock; J.T. Stoker;
Jeff Anselmo; Linda and Gary
Inch; Pauline Snyder; Caleb
Shingara; Keith Knorr; Lucille
Appleman; Charlie Dutt; Idita
Dennehy; Lois and John Clark;
Pat Whitenight; Benny Bordner;
Bert Williams; Lew Riley; Gary
Leighow; Brandon Cooper; Steve
Treon; Roxanne Kerr; Pastor
Brian Moyer; Brenda Kile;
Connie Gibbs; Patsy Berns; Mike
Shoemaker; Rhonda Brouse;
Tim Raup; John Stoker; Daymon
Davis; Ralph Reedy; Elroy Neitz;
Cathi Flanagan; Charlie
Meginley; Nancy Curry; Kathryn
DiOrio; Mark Pontiac; Abby
Thomas; Cindy Gearhart; Rod
Vincent; Nathan Lubeski; Joan
Livziey; Spencer Vincent;
Autumn Kern; and Emily Sue
Nillson.

SPECIAL MILITARY LIST:

Cody Harper; Matthew Clark;
Johnathan Babb; Nate Hughes;
Nicole and Alejandro Hernandez;
Dillon Donahoe; Olivia Ward;
Sgt. Levi Gearhart; Sgt. David
Gregory; Jeremy Weikel; Robert
Carpenter; Trevor Stone; Charlie
Reedy; Shawn Dyer; Shane
Bergenstock; SSGT Andrew
Bauman; CPL Jason Lee Smith;
B.J. Dellinger; Tim Mekosh; CPT
Steven Black Barr; Tristan
Winter.

***Please use an orange pew
card for Prayer requests &
removals.***

PRAYER LIST UPDATES

***To activate the Prayer Chain,
contact numbers are: 387-
1795 or 441-5643. No***

Emails please. (To have
someone's name included on the
weekly Prayer List, please email or
call Deb separately at the church
office at 275-2110 or
pinedsch@ptd.net).

Financial Status of the Restoration Project:

(as of May 31, 2016)

Total cost of the exterior restoration project: \$78,643

Donations received in April: \$340 from giving
\$303 from hoagie sales
\$643 total

Total on hand: \$ 4,894

Loan balance: \$13,278

The Thank You Corner

- ♦ **Bill Snyder & Rae Leighow** – for installing the air conditioners.
- ♦ **Brenda Fischer-Dennehy, Ron Kline and William Snover** for our music programs. You all do a wonderful job!

THANK YOU NOTES

I want to thank Mary Jane Snyder for the beautiful prayer shawl she made for me. It is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Caroline Taylor

Newsletter Deadline

The Deadline for the next edition of the *Newsletter* is **JULY 15 for the AUGUST, 2016 Newsletter**. All articles submitted are subject to editing; typewritten or e-mailed articles are especially appreciated. It may be necessary to hold articles submitted after the deadline date until the next month.

Pastor's office hours:

Monday: 10:00 – 1:00

Tuesday: Afternoons by appointment

Wednesday: 10:00 – 1:00

Other times can be arranged with Pastor Lois.

***Please note that meetings
or pastoral calls may
interrupt this schedule.***

Partners in electronic giving since 1998.



Simply Giving is:

.....the most convenient way
to send your tithe to the
church.

All you do is give Bill Snover a blank check and tell him how much and when you want your donations to be deducted from your bank account and that's all there is to it! You'll never have to remember your envelopes or writing the check, it'll all be done for you! And, you'll be saving on the cost of the checks you write. See Bill Snover and take advantage of this smart way to tithe your offerings to your church.

***Please make sure all the
doors are locked (try them
after locking) and lights out
when leaving the buildings!
Thank you.***

August Events

August 7: Visit from Helena Kuivaniemi and Gerard Tromp

August 9: Ice Cream Making Day (10:00 AM)

August 13: Ice Cream Festival 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

August 16: Council Meeting (CR) 6:30 PM

August 21: Blessing of the Backpacks

August 21: Celebration of Pastor's Ordination Anniversary

Ministry Meeting Times

(subject to change; *some ministries are on hiatus during summer*)

- **Administration:** As Needed
- **Caring:** Varies
- **Christian Education:** 1st Tuesday @ 6:00 PM (LIB)
- **Council:** 3rd Tuesday @ 6:30 PM (CR)
- **Finance:** 3rd Monday @ 7:00 PM (LIB)
- **Hospitality:** 2nd Wednesday @ 11:00 AM (LIB)
- **Property:** 2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 PM (LIB)
- **Worship & Music:** 2nd Monday @ 11:00 AM (LIB)

AUGUST SCHEDULE

(If you are going to be away, please get a Substitute and let Deb know.)

AUGUST 7

Acolyte: Sharron Eyer **Crucifer:** Devon Beyer

Ushers: Thomas Herrington

Communion Helper: Michael Eyer

Offering Counters: Danielle Sticklin; Michael Dennehy

Sound System: Roxanne Patton

Flower Care: Jeannie and William Snover

Lector: William Snover

EL ENT: Nancy and Rae Leighow

Assisting Minister: Mary Jane Snyder

Altar Care: Sharron Eyer; Christine Koons

Greeters: Barbara Wintersteen; Sandra Reibsome

AUGUST 14

Acolyte: Cara Bohner **Crucifer:** Roxanne Patton

Ushers: Roxanne Patton

Communion Helper: Sue Neitz

Offering Counters: William Snyder; Denny DiOrio

Sound System: William Snyder

Flower Care: Ellen and Dennis Leighow

Lector: Sue Neitz

EL ENT: Cora and Terri Wydra

Assisting Minister: Sharron Eyer

Altar Care: Sharron Eyer; Christine Koons

Greeters: Barbara Wintersteen; Sandra Reibsome

AUGUST 21

Acolyte: Mary Jane Snyder **Crucifer:** William Snyder **Lector:** Michael Eyer

Ushers: Roxanne Patton **EL ENT:** Cora and Terri Wydra

Communion Helper: William Snover

Offering Counters: Michael Eyer; Darlis Dyer

Sound System: Michael Eyer

Flower Care: Ellen and Dennis Leighow

Assisting Minister: Thomas Martin

Altar Care: Roberta Recla; Sue Neitz

Greeters: The Rex Hepner Family

AUGUST 28

Acolyte: Allen Snyder **Crucifer:** Sharron Eyer

Ushers: Sandra Reibsome

Communion Helper: Mary Jane Snyder

Offering Counters: Michael Eyer; Darlis Dyer

Sound System: Roxanne Patton

Flower Care: Jeannie and William Snover

Lector: Mary Jane Snyder

EL ENT: Sue Neitz; Denny DiOrio

Assisting Minister: William Snover

Altar Care: Roberta Recla; Sue Neitz

Greeters: The Rex Helpener Family



***Celebrate our Independence
On July 4th!***

HOAGIES

The next Hoagie making day will be **JULY 28** with the deadline to **order and pay by JULY 24.** The cost is \$4 for regular; \$5 for Tuna (90% of the proceeds goes to our Restoration Project and 10% goes to a charity or community project). ***Thank you to all who purchase, take orders, and deliver hoagies!!***

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2016 COUNCIL MEMBERS

Intentional Interim Pastor:

Rev. Dr. Lois Martin

Co-Treasurers:

Roxanne Patton & Roberta Recla

Richard Baylor
Darlis Dyer
Thomas Herrington
Mary Ann Landi
Nancy K. Leighow
William Snover
Mary Jane Snyder

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**Available for Pick-up
on the table in the narthex.
The most recent copies of:**

- Christ in Our Home Devotional Booklets small and large editions
- Spark Family-Splash in God's Word magazine
- Go online to the Upper Susquehanna Synod website for the USS Ark, which includes Currents and Camp Mt. Luther Camel Tracks.

They are free while supplies last—take one for your family. If you would like a copy of the USS Ark, please ask Deb.

FACILITY REQUEST FORMS are available on a clipboard on the narthex bulletin board. Please fill it out for the date of building use and put it in Deb's mailbox or take it to the office.

Good Samaritan Mission Center
275-2500
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
9 AM-4:30 PM
Saturday 9-12 Noon

RIDES AVAILABLE

Rides are available for people for urgent medical care.

Volunteer drivers are:

- ♦ Sue & Dick Baylor (279-4766)
 - ♦ Bill & Mary Jane Snyder (275-4083)
 - ♦ Bill & Jeannie Snover (672-3055)
- Call any of the above numbers or call the church office from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at 275-2110.

SPONSORS

We appreciate your sponsorship of these important items for our Worship Services. It's also special to honor someone or memorialize loved ones and friends.



- **Bulletins** \$20.00 per week—sponsors are need for July 17 and 31.
- **Altar Flowers** \$36.00 per week—sponsors are filled until October.
- **Sanctuary Candle** is full. Thank you!

GLScrip Gift Cards

***make great gifts and for
everyday use!***

You can earn money for the church when you buy gas, school supplies, or any purchasing you need to do by purchasing gift cards. **Consider using gift cards when shopping for essentials and extras. Weis and Giant are now only available through GLScrip.** *Mostly everyone dines out and buys gas—consider getting gift cards to use.*

They work same as cash!!!

ORDER DEADLINE JULY 10
PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR WEBSITE! CHECK IT OUT AT

WWW.PINESTREETLUTHERAN.ORG



WEBSITE

www.pinestreetlutheran.org

And, if you haven't registered on the site, please do so!
Check it out!

Monthly Financial Stewardship report for May 2016

In 2016 we need to *average* **\$2,679** per week in giving to assure that we are able to meet all of our budgeted expenses. Our expense budget is something that we adopted and committed to. Our weekly total church attendance during May was 270. (avg 68/week)) Our total giving to the General Fund totaled \$8,780 an average of **\$2,195** per week. Year to date we are **\$10,296 behind** in the giving that is needed to meet our budgeted expenses.

If you cannot attend as regularly as you'd like, please consider making regular contributions through the automatic *Simply Giving* program. Intentional regular giving through the *Simply Giving* program demonstrates your commitment and ongoing support of your church. See Bill Snover for enrollment information.

Picture Pages

Library Make-over



God's Vegetable Garden See how it's grown!



Top to bottom: Cabbage,
Carrots, Tomatoes and Red Beets



Two different kinds of cabbage,
Carrots, peas and beets.

Community Garden Work Day



Janie beautifying the garden.



Folks enjoying lunch on Sunday, June 19th.



Bill and Denny mulching.

JUNE 19th: Father's Day and a visit by Bishop Gisela Bornowski and her husband Stephen and Dr. Philipp Hauenstein, Assistant to Bishop Bornowski. They come to us from our Partnership Ansbach-Wurzburg Kirchenkreis, Germany.



Shirley speaking with Bishop and Mr. Bornowski.



Judy Blee, our guest organist June 19.

Forward pictures in an email to Deb at pinestch@ptd.net to have them put in our newsletter.