# The Parish Press

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# **PINE STREET EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

# VOLUME 31 #6



# Join us for Deep Sea Discovery Vacation Bible School June 26-30

A joint venture of Trinity, Danville and Pine Street Lutheran Churches At Trinity Lutheran Church

> **5:30 PM to 8:00 PM** For ages Preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Get ready to dive into a life-changing adventure that leads kids deeper into God's love! At Deep Sea Discovery kids will participate in the large-group excitement of Celebration Reef, experience God's Word at S.S. Discovery, learn ways to serve others at E.C.H.O. Sea Sub, explore the mysteries of the sea through crafts and science at Curiosity Cavern, and enjoy snacks and games at Pelican Pier. There's even a place for little puddle jumpers at Tide Pool Playland.

Along the way, kids will explore the depths of the Bible using five dive markers to guide them. Through Deep Sea Discovery, they will resurface knowing that God is with them wherever they go!

> Your kids won't want to miss this adventure! Secure their place on the dive team!

See Missi Bohner or Nan Leighow For registration forms

# JUNE, 2016



2016 Graduate Emily Leighow Is graduating from Millersville University with a degree in Social Work. She will be working in Berwick after graduation. Congratulations Emily!

# Synod Assembly

Friday and Saturday, June 17 & 18 at Susquehanna University Representing Pine Street besides Pastor Lois will be Roxanne Patton and Mary Jane Snyder.

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The Adult Discussion Group will continue during the summer at 9:00 AM!

### June, 2016

**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;** 

For the past six weeks, we have been studying and discussing The Lord's Prayer. From the beginning, we noted that the prayer is a communal prayer, that is, there are no personal pronouns in it. We pray, 'our, us, we', and we pray for daily sustenance, protection, guidance, and we acknowledge that all belongs to God.

When I think of you, family of God, here at Pine Street Lutheran, I think of you as a family, as individuals making up the whole. In other words, I think of you as 'our, us, we.' We were taught that the church is not the just a building, that the real church is the people, the collective gathered family who use the building. And when we gather, particularly on Sunday in worship, we are proclaiming our unity in Christ, as one people, one family.

As a family, there are many dynamics that are active. We care for each other, even though we have differences: different preferences, different ideas, different needs and wants, but we are united in the love of God through Jesus our Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit. This past month, we have celebrated Pentecost the Holy Trinity Sundays. These major festival commemorations remind us of the love of God that draws us together, differences and all. And, in this past month, many of our family have been hospitalized, sick, in need of our caring.

Last week at an auction, I saw a quilt for sale called 'postage stamp,' Each small square of the quilt was about an inch, the quilt having over a thousand pieces, each looking different from the other, depending on its placement next to the other pieces. Perhaps that is like the church, we are the same, yet different, but united together in one whole, looking like 'our, we, us', not as individual pieces.

There are exciting things happening at Pine Street Church, one of them being the contemplation of the use of space, particularly in the Luther House. At the present time, rooms are being cleaned and decisions made about what stays and what goes. The Pastor's Office will be returned to its former place behind the Library. The Library has been updated with new furniture, the shelves housecleaned, the walls painted. Decisions will be made this month regarding new placement of the Resource Room, with a suggestion to have a large space for a 'Project Room' to house craft items, quilting supplies, and card-making supplies, tables, and sewing machines. There will be an updated room for young children's Sunday School, elementary Sunday School, and Katie's Café will be outfitted in anticipation of Confirmation Class in the Fall. A small chapel organ will be placed in the Fellowship Hall to be used for gatherings and for teaching organ lessons. A new larger TV is being installed in the Fellowship Hall for use of the Adult Discussion Group and any other group who gathers and has need of video. Ideas are being generated how it might be used to have larger gatherings of the family to watch football in the Fall, to have Movie Night, etc. The popcorn machine is working, plan to come and enjoy!

None of these decisions is being made independently from the family. And, amazingly, none of the updates requires a large output of money, many items will be donated. These decisions need input from many people, especially those who will use the space and who will have ideas how to best use the gifts and materials this church has in order to do what God is Calling this Church to do.

The Lord's Prayer calls us together using pronouns that are plural, there is no singular petition in it. Each individual is included in the plural, the whole. As we continue to discern God's Calling in this Church, we continue to look at who we are in God's eyes, and what we have been given through the generosity of God and of many benefactors. No one is excluded as we go forward, that includes the reader of this letter! May you hear God calling You, to add your voice to our discussions, to be present at the many opportunities to gather as a family. The Table of The Lord is waiting to feed You, to gather You into the whole.

Blessings,

Rev. Dr. Lois D. Martin

# 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.

# **MEMORIALS**

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

- Mabel Haas and Family
- Julie and Charlie Williams
- Nancy S. Hock
- Women of the ELCA

Gifts to our Memorial Fund by the Women of the ELCA of Pine Street Lutheran have been given in memory of:

- Nelena (Nellie) Swank
- Pauline Mackert
- Donald Swank
- Janice St. Clair
- Lena Wetzel
- Rosa Cosper
- Marie Lamey
- Vernon Gamble

Come join our Adult Discussion Group continues every Sunday at 9:00 AM during the summer. We'd love to have you!

# **SUMMER MUSIC**

Suggestions for summer music....let Brenda Fischer-Dennehy, Music Director, know. Drop off information in her mailslot in the Narthex.

# A <u>Stewardship</u> Minute

Written by S. William Snover, MD Financial Secretary Are you there for your church? I remember it clearly. It was one of those moments when we can all recall where we were and what we were doing when it happened: September 11, 2001: the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, Shanksville,PA.

It was a Tuesday. On Sunday, the church was filled like we had not experienced in a long time. Hymns were sung, prayers were offered, words were said. We were confused and frightened, angry and sad, but we were there for each other, we needed each other, and the church was our refuge.

Since then there have been funerals and weddings, Christmas and Easter services, and other events that bring us to the church in large numbers and the church is always there for us. And there are those many "usual" Sundays when nothing special is happening except for the opportunity to worship together. But, are we there for the church when the church needs us? Do we support the church just as the church supports us? Will the church still be here in times of need in the future if we don't nurture it and support it now? The church does not ask for money (but heaven knows we need it), but simply asks for your presence, your time, your talent, your ability, your energy. For 158 years Pine Street Lutheran Church has been our refuge, a presence, a source of strength and comfort, and a place for spiritual healing and renewal. Can we commit to keeping it here for those who will need it, now and in the future. It's up to you.

Bill

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# June *Love* Offering Envelope is Camp Mount Luther!



CAMP MOUNT LUTHER Mt. Luther, of the Upper Susquehanna Synod, is an extension of the congregation's ministry in the unique setting that the camp provides. Children, youth and adults learn, worship, witness and serve within a Christ centered Lutheran tradition. All persons regardless of race, creed, color, or special needs are welcome to attend this camp of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Camp Mt. Luther Program booklets for the 2016 camping season are here! The brochure is also posted online at <u>www.campmountluther.org</u>.

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- Installation of our new Bishop of the Upper Susquehanna Synod October 29, 2016. Place and
- time to be announced.

Deb will be out of the office on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be someone covering in the office that day!

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Richard Baylor; Scott Leighow
- 4 June Doran; Sophia Greely; Betsy Hack; Jennifer O'Brien
- 6 Nancy A. Leighow
- 8 Finn Logan Tharp
- 10 Ellen Leighow
- 11 Angelica Kipp
- 12 Carl Rice, Sr.
- 15 Sarah Eyer
- 18 –Patricia Diehl; Owen Eyer
- 21 Alison Snover; Analeisha Wilson; Angela Wilson
- 23 Warren Troy
- 24 Vicki Billman
- 25 Connor Troy
- 28 Emma Beiter; Rowan Beiter
- 29 Cason Morgan; Mary Jane Snyder



# **JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

- 14 Gail and Thomas James, Jr.;
- 18 Patricia and James Diehl (56 years)\*
- 20 Pastor Lois and Dr. Tom Martin
- 22 Desiree and Rex Hepner, Jr.
- 28 Sarah and Kevin Romansik
- 30 Martha and James Hack

\* Mr. & Mrs. James Diehl 17 Poplar St. Danville, PA 17821



W/ELCA Calendar of Events

- June 14: Quarterly Meeting 1:30 PM in the Social Hall. Martha Circle has the program, Pastor Lois; Ruth Circle Hostess.
- ♥ July 12: Circles Picnic [TBA]
- July 23: USSWO Convention
  @ 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 nonperishable food item. All donations are distributed to those in need in our community.

## June: Pudding & Jell-O

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. The 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays in June & August will be picnic food. NO lunch July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you to all!

# **Financial Status of the Restoration Project:**

(as of *April 30, 2016*) Total cost of the exterior restoration project: \$78,643 Donations received in April: \$390from giving \$<u>338</u> from hoagie sales \$728 total

Total on hand: \$4,839 Loan balance: \$13,798

### Pine Street Prayer List June, 2016



HOMEBOUND AND SPECIAL PRAYER LIST: Kathy Thomas; Sherry Achey; Burrtell 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:** Jean Crumb; Mary Ann Landi; 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:** Daniel Love; Tresha Sudol: Richard Bowman: Jeff Neidig; Clem & John Herrington; Theresa Conrad Norman; Gladys Wetzel: Crystal Blackburn: 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; William Kauwell; Idita Dennehy; Lois and John Clark; Josiah S.; Pat Whitenight; Benny Bordner; Bert Williams; Lew Riley; Gary Leighow; Brandon Cooper; Steve Treon; Roxanne Kerr; Pastor Brian Moyer; Brenda Kile; Connie Berns: Gibbs: Patsy Mike Shoemaker; Rhonda Brouse; Terri Beyer; Tim Raup; John Stoker; Daymon Davis; Ralph Reedv: Elroy Neitz; Emilv Stookey; Cathi Flanagan; Charlie Meginley: Nancy Curry; Kathryn DiOrio; Mark Pontiac; Abby Thomas; Cindy Gearhart; Rod Vincent; Nathan Lubeski; K.M.L.; 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 <u>pinestch@ptd.net</u>).

# The Thank You Corner

- Jeannie & Bill Snover and other Volunteers – for placing and caring for the Geraniums.
- All Gardeners for beautifying the Community Garden where the gazebo is and for preparing and planting God's Vegetable Garden near the back alley.

# **Newsletter Deadline**

The Deadline for the next edition of the *Newsletter* is **JUNE 15** for the **JULY**, **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.

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.....the most convenient way to send your tithe to the church. See Bill Snover to answer your questions. No more checks to write! It's all done for you!

# THANK YOU NOTES

I want to thank Pine Street Lutheran for the flower arrangement. Thev were greatly appreciated. And Thank You to Dennis Leighow for delivering them to Geisinger.

# Caroline Taylor

behalf of On all those associated with the Eleventh Annual Camp Mount Luther Bishop's Open Golf Classic, we'd like to thank you for your support of this worthwhile endeavor this year. We anticipated having about 100 golfers on Monday, May 9, at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club. We are grateful for your support of this event, which is done to raise important funds for Mount Luther so that we can enhance our mission to offer thoughtful and inspirational programs in a faith-based setting. Your support helps us to the tradition of providing this educational facility for the people of Central Pennsylvania. This year we've decided to include for you a certificate that you may post to show your support for our tournament and the camp. We truly thank you for keeping our ministry strong by contributing to Camp Mount Luther.

> Sincerely, *Chad Hershberger* Executive Director

To Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Karin and I would like to thank you for allowing us to be part of the Retirees luncheon. Also for being so warm and welcoming to us.

> Again, Thank You, Jim McClincy & Karin Garner

Dear Friends of Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for the invitation to your Retirees luncheon. I was blessed to have the opportunity for music ministry alongside my brother. Your financial gift was an added bonus, and I am grateful to the Lord for His gift of music in my life. Thank you again for a great afternoon with new friends and family,

Sincerely, Karin (McClincy) Garner

# 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.

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

# July Events

July 4: Independence Day – Office Closed

**July 10**: Service Of the Land and Seasons

July 12: W/ELCA Picnic

July 23: USS Women's Convention at Camp Mt. Luther

July 23: Festival at Trinity Oak Grove – begins at 4 PM

July 24: Outdoor Worship & Picnic at 10 AM at Trinity Oak Grove Pavilion

# **Ministry Meeting Times**

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

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

# JULY SCHEDULE

# (If you are going to be away, please let Deb know.)

# JULY 3

Acolyte: Devon Beyer Crucifer: William Snover Lector: Sue Nietz Ushers: Nancy Leighow EL ENT: Mary Jane and William Snyder Communion Helper: Michael Ever Assisting Minister: Sharron Eyer Offering Counters: William Snyder; Denny DiOrio Sound System: Roxanne Patton Altar Care: Roberta Recla; Sue Neitz Flower Care: Elizabeth and Richard Baylor Greeters: Patricia Diehl; Patricia Fry

# **JULY 10**

Acolyte: Roxanne Patton Crucifer: Sharron Eyer Lector: Richard Baylor Ushers: Barbara Wintersteen EL ENT: Elizabeth and Richard Baylor Communion Helper: Thomas Martin Assisting Minister: Mary Jane Snyder Offering Counters: Mary Jane Snyder; Elizabeth Baylor Sound System: William Snyder Altar Care: Roberta Recla: Sue Neitz Flower Care: Mary Jane and William Snyder Greeters: Patricia Diehl; Patricia Fry

# **JULY 17**

Acolyte: Cora Wydra Crucifer: William Snyder Lector: Danielle Sticklin Ushers: Barbara Wintersteen EL ENT: Elizabeth and Richard Baylor Communion Helper: William Snover Assisting Minister: Sue Neitz Offering Counters: Michael Eyer; Darlis Dyer Sound System: Roxanne Patton Altar Care: Elizabeth and Richard Baylor Flower Care: Mary Jane and William Snyder Greeters: Viola DeWald: Irene Hinkle

# **JULY 24**

10:00 AM Joint Outdoor Worship & Picnic with our friends at Trinity Oak Grove Pavilion

# **JULY 31**

Acolyte: Allen Snyder Crucifer: Thomas Martin Lector: William Snyder Ushers: Thomas Herrington EL ENT: Nancy and Rae Leighow Communion Helper: Sue Neitz Assisting Minister: William Snover Offering Counters: Joanne Fox; Joanne Williams Sound System: Michael Ever Altar Care: Elizabeth and Richard Baylor Flower Care: Jeannie and William Snover Greeters: Viola DeWald; Irene Hinkle



Proudly display your American flag on Flag Day June 14<sup>th</sup>.

# HOAGIES

The next Hoagie making day will be <u>JUNE 30</u> with the deadline to <u>order</u> <u>and pay by JUNE 26</u>. 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 Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Lois Martin

*Co-Treasurers:* Roxanne Patton & Roberta Recla

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

# Is June 19<sup>th</sup> Bring Dad (and Grandpa) to church.

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

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

# Monthly Financial Stewardship report for April 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 <u>committed</u> to. Our weekly total church attendance during April was 198. (avg 50/week)) Our total giving to the General Fund totaled \$8,010 an average of **\$2,002** per week.

Year to date we are **\$8,360 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.

# **RIDES AVAILABLE**

Rides are available for people for urgent medical care.

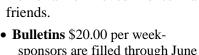
- Volunteer drivers are:
- Sue & Dick Baylor (279-4766)
  Bill & Manual Lange Output (275)
- Bill & Mary Jane Snyder (275-4083)
  Bill & Jaannia Snavar (672-2055)

• 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



- sponsors are filled through June 26.
- Altar Flowers \$36.00 per weeksponsors are filled through July 3.
- 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 JUNE 12**

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### WEBSITE

www.pinestreetlutheran.org

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

# Picture Pages



Some of the assemblers for the Kidsville Hoagie Fundraiser.



Owen is all smiles at Worship!



Attendees at the Day of Pentecost Worship May 15, 2016



Boyertown High School String Ensemble



Boyertown High School Choir

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



Cabbage, carrots, beets, tomatoes, Lettuce, zucchini, etc. It's looking great!

### More Pics



Sunday School children planting geraniums on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.



Pastor Lois teaching Allen how to play the organ.



Our announcer, Denny and the Coordinator of the Retirees Luncheon, Jeannie.

### More Retirees Luncheon Pictures



Dinners and helpers in the kitchen.



Jim McClincy and Karin Garner, Wonderful entertainment!



Owen and Jake entertained themselves during the Luncheon.