

# Parish Press

May 2017 / Monthly Newsletter of Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## A Note From Pastor Lois

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ;



*'Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!' The Easter proclamation of the miracle we witness as Christians is still on our lips and in our hearts. The Gospel readings for these seven Sundays of Easter give witness to this Resurrection event.*

*The breathtaking announcement by Mary, "he is not here, the tomb is empty". The confession of Thomas, "My Lord and My God!" remain with us as we seek to make sense of the Resurrection for our lives, in our lives. What has changed since the Resurrection?*

*In our Scripture readings, on Sundays and in the daily lectionary, we read of joy, of unity of spirit in Christ. Joy and Unity in Christ are marks of the Christian community. Unity is a sign that Christ is in our hearts and on our lips. Joy is a response to the grace of God that has been given through the Resurrection.*

*So, what can we say of the joy and unity of the congregation here at Pine Street? What has been your part in the joy and unity since you witnessed the Resurrection? How are we challenged to be Christ for others this week, this month, this year? Where have you been Christ to one another, how have you been a Mary, or a Peter and how were you quick to tell someone else about the love of God in Christ Jesus as you witnessed to the Resurrection. What shall be said of this community of Christians in light of the Resurrection we celebrated? Do we feel the joy, do we have unity?*

*Opportunities are rising in this church to be Christ for each other, to celebrate the love that Christ has for us, and that Christ mandated for us to love one another. New opportunities to be as one in the Unity of Christ as the Church goes forward with two new ministries: The Memorial Fund Ministry will determine the best way to use the gifts given as memorials to beloved members who have died,*

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**The Office will be closed May 29<sup>th</sup> in celebration of Memorial Day!**

### Fellowship Hour

#### May Schedule

May 7<sup>th</sup>

Worship & Music Ministry  
(Covered Dish Meal)

May 14<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day)

No Fellowship Hour

May 21<sup>st</sup>

Property Ministry

May 28<sup>th</sup>

Council



*May Love Offering*

*Envelope is*

***Camp Mt. Luther***

*Camp Mount Luther is a year-round ministry providing resources and experiences in faith formation, worship, recreation, and intentional Christian community for all ages.*



**MOUNT LUTHER**

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and The Stewardship Ministry which will seek to be the best stewards of all gifts given to this church. Stephens Ministers will continue to serve others by walking alongside them in their need, and the Confirmation Class will finish their first year of classes by celebrating a picnic, perhaps a special outing together. And, there is weekly worship, when we come together for Unity in the Spirit of Christ, to celebrate Word and Sacrament, with the acclamation, Alleluia, Christ is Risen; He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!

Easter is not just about one day, or a season in the Church Year of seven Sundays, Easter is a way of life, we are a people of the Resurrection, living every day in the love of God in Christ Jesus.

May the Risen, Living, Lord Jesus Christ Bless you and keep you, now and forever.

In His Love,  
Pastor Lois Martin

## Stewardship Meditation for May '17

"On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come" (1 Corinthians 16:2)

We continue to explore Biblical references to stewardship. In this letter by Paul to the new church in Corinth, the early Christian believers are instructed to set aside something from their prosperity, no matter how meager, and to do it on the *first day*, not the 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>. They were asked to repay God for His abundance before they took anything for themselves, the first fruit theme we have seen in the Old Testament readings. It is an act of faith that we do not worry about the rest of the week. God will continue to see to our needs. There will be more tomorrow.

Do we have the faith to give of our time, talent, ability and treasure today, without somehow fearing that maybe we'll "run out" and there won't be anything left for us? Has it happened yet to any of us? Give of yourself generously, time, talent, ability, and treasure, with gratitude and without fear or self-centered worry. God is with us and we rejoice in His generosity, by being generous ourselves.

Gratefully,  
Bill

*I remember my mother's prayers and  
they have always followed me.  
They have clung to me all my life.*  
--Abraham Lincoln



JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>  
Day of  
Pentecost



### **Simply Giving is:**

.....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!



# Confirmation News:

Congratulations to our Confirmation students on their recent scholastic and athletic accomplishments.

We are proud of:

- **Cora Wydra** who achieved Black Belt status in Tae Kwan Do.
- **Gwyneth Beiter** in her role in the Play, The Butler Did It at St. Joseph's School.
- **Cara Bohner** in induction into the Jr. National Honor Society and her achievements on the softball field
- **Delaney Bloom** in her involvement in swimming, dance and Student Council for Wyldlife – young life youth group.

We are proud of all the young people in our church.

## Among them are:



*Sophie Greely and Alexis Hepner will be playing softball for the Brady's team in Little League Majors, and the Danville Lady Railers Tournament Team. Alexis will be pitching for both teams and Sophie plays first base and catcher.*

Sophia Greely & Alexis Hepner



*Alexis Hepner will be performing for the Komotion Dance Program in their "Odori Matsuri", spring dance recital at the Danville Middle School. She studies three styles of dance and will be performing in the program's Contemporary, Jazz, and HipHop dance*



*Alexis Snover placed first in the American History Essay Contest sponsored by our local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.*

Cara Bohner



Sophia Greely

Cameron Cummins



*Cara Bohner, Sophie Greely, and Cameron Cummins (son of our secretary and her husband, Jon) all who are in 7th grade, for being inducted into Danville Middle School's National Junior Honor Society. This achievement recognizes students for their scholarly work, citizenship, and character.*

Cara Bohner and her softball team



*Cara Bohner kicked off her 2017 softball tournament season. She will be playing as a pitcher and 2nd baseman for the Stripes and Strikes Softball Program's 12u team.*





## 2017 Graduates

I hope your dreams take you...  
to the corners of your smiles,  
to the highest of your hopes,  
to the windows of your opportunities,  
and to the most special places  
your heart has ever known."

- **Cason Eugene Morgan**, son of Caz and Nicole Morgan, is graduating from Danville High School and will be studying Physics in Fall at Lycoming College in the Fall and plans to serve in the Navy as a Line Officer. Cason has received a Dean's Scholarship from Lycoming College.
- **Amanda Kathryn Quinn**, son of Caz and Nicole Morgan, is graduating from Muhlenberg College with a degree in Communications. She is planning to get a job in Media Photography and later attend graduate school.
- **Michael Eyer**, son of Bob and Sharron Eyer and Husband of Samantha Eyer, is graduating from Susquehanna University.

## What We Are Looking Forward To...

### RETIREEES LUNCHEON

**May 24th**

**12:00 Noon**

**Social Hall**

*Catered by Muffin Man*

All Retirees should be getting a call asking if you would be interested in attending. If you do not receive a call by Mar 12th, please call Jeannie Snover at 570-672-3055.

Entertainment by *the Uke Benders*



### Vacation Bible School

**Will be held at Pine Street**

**Lutheran Church**

A joint venture of

Trinity, Danville and Pine Street Lutheran Churches

At Trinity Lutheran Church

For ages 3 years to 6th grade

Watch for Dates and Registration forms soon!



### Women of the ELCA

#### *Calendar of Events*

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:30 AM Ruth Circle at Muffin Man

May 9<sup>th</sup> 6 PM Martha Circle at Friendly's

May 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM W/ELCA Board Meeting  
at PSELCA

Social Hall

June 27<sup>th</sup> Picnic 6 PM

**May 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Election Soup Sale!**

**\$8.00**

**To support Marie Lamey  
Endowment**



## MEMORIALS

- A gift was given to our Memorial Fund in memory of Marvin Fry by:

- †Lillian Stahl
- †Sandy Reibsome
- †Mary Jane Snyder

- A gift was given to our Memorial Fund in memory of Shirley Gamble by:

- †Sandy Reibsome
- †Jean Krum
- †Lillian Stahl

- A gift was given to our Memorial Fund in memory of Carolyn Taylor by Lillian Stahl.



Easter Sunrise Service

## Thank You Notes:

*We would like to thank our church family for all the cards, calls, hugs and any other acts of kindness that you all showed us for the loss of our dear sister, Shirley Gamble.*

*God Bless you all.*

*Joan Greely & Sandra McCarty*

*Thank You to Aaron Beasley and Rae Leighow for our Fundraising signs that go on the street. They look great and will help draw attention to events*

*-Property Ministry*



Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who help the church look beautiful and run smoothly including Jeannie & Bill Snover and other volunteers for placing and caring for the Easter Lilies, Sharron Eyer and Richard Baylor for preparing the Palms for Palm Sunday, all the volunteers who cleaned out the Community Garden of Life and Sandra Reibsome for helping every week with the bulletins.



Community Garden of Life

Thank you to everyone who participated in the worship services during holy week for the glory of our Lord. Thanks also to all who decorated the church, cleaned and prepared the sanctuary and the social hall. And to everyone who helped in any way, thank you for your labor in service for the love and unity of Christ. The Blessings of the Risen Christ be upon you.

**Pastor Lois and Doctor Tom**

## FOOD BANK NEEDS ~ Tuna and Canned Meats

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 above or any other non-perishable food item. All donations are distributed to those in need in our community.

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**.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

The Food Bank distribution is on the first Saturday of each month from 10 AM to 1 PM, but help is also needed before and after distribution. If you have questions, please see  
Roxanne Patton,  
our Food Bank Representative



## Mother's Day Prayer

Gracious God,

We thank you for adopting us into your family through the miracle of your grace, and for calling us to be brothers and sisters to each other.

Today, loving God, we pray for our mothers:

- who cared for us when we were helpless
- who comforted us when we were hurt
- whose love and care we often took for granted.

Today we pray for:

- those who are grieving the loss of their mother,
- those who never knew their biological mother, and now yearn for her
- those who have experienced the wonder of an adopted mother's love
- the families separated by war or conflict.
- Lord, give them special blessings.

Keep us united with you and with each other, so that we can be and become all that we are meant to be.

Amen.

## HOAGIES

The next Hoagie making day will be **May 25<sup>th</sup>** with the deadline to **order and pay by May 21<sup>st</sup>**

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!!*



# STEPHEN MINISTRY

## You Can Play an Important Role in Our

... Because you may know of a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or relative who is going through a difficult time and who could benefit from the focused care, encouragement, and support of a Stephen Minister. If you know of someone who is hurting, talk with our Stephen Leader: Ryan Versluis. He can talk with you about how we can connect the person you know with one of our Stephen Ministers. It's a great way for you to show how much you care!

### **GLScrip Gift Cards**

order deadline May 7<sup>th</sup>

*They work same as cash, make great gifts and for everyday use! Weis and giant are now only available through glscrip.*

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<http://www.pinestreetlutheran.org/>



# **PINE STREET PRAYER LIST**

## **2017**

### **Homebound and special prayer list:**

Sherry Achey, D., Jean Cope, Joan Greely, Sam Harrison, Ann Hummer, Burrnell Metzger, Lois Oberdorf, Lillian Stahl, and Kathy Thomas.

### **Congregation members:**

Hunter Beasley, Jean Crumb, Nancy A. Leighow, Daniel Love, Nikki Morgan, Pauline Nedrow, Jennifer O'Brien, Anna and Carl Rice, Art Sticklin, Lorene and Ryan Versluis.

### **Friends Of Congregation Members:**

Susie Curry Balonek, James Bergenstock, Maryanne Berkey, Patsy Berns, Benny Bordner, Neina Brady, Rhonda Brouse, Cathy Butkofsky, Albert Churm; Todd Cooper, Nancy Curry, Kady Curry Davenport, Mary Ann Davis, Stan Davis, Idita Dennehy, Kathryn DiOrio, Cathi Flanagan, Connie Gibbs, Bill Gibson, Diane Hanson, Martha Hartley, Harold Hauck, John Herrington, Linda and Gary Inch, Jackie Jackson, Mary Kemp, Autumn Kern, Roxanne Kerr, Brenda Kile, Kelli Lambert, Joan Livziey, Nathan Lubeski, Jim Mattive

Cheanye McClincy, Gail Miles, Pastor Brian Moyer, Debbie Neitz, Emily Sue Nillson, Elroy Neitz, Theresa Conrad Norman, Chris Perry, Alex Pogorelova, Mark Pontiac, Tim Raup, Sandy Reabuck, Ralph Reedy, Iris Reibsome, Leanne Segada, Ron Shipe, John Stoker, Mary Sweetra, Abby Thomas, Steve Treon, Leann Ulrick, Rod Vincent, Spencer Vincent, Kelly Webb, Kay Warner, Bert Williams, Emma Woll, and Teresa B.J. Dellinger; Tristan Winter.

**THE PRAYER LIST** is most effective when kept updated. Please also fill out an orange card to have someone's name added or removed and put it in the collection plate or email the church at [pinestch@ptd.net](mailto:pinestch@ptd.net). You may also call the church office at 570-275-2110..

Thank you!

***If there is an urgent need for Prayer, please call the Prayer Chain at 570-479-4766 To activate the Prayer Chain, contact numbers are:***

***570-279-4766 or email [sueb123@ptd.net](mailto:sueb123@ptd.net)***



*Happy Anniversary*

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Carl & Anna Rice-4/22  
Kimberly & Clifford Morgan-4/25  
Jack & Darlis Dyer-5/9  
Dennis & Ellen Leighow-5/10  
Steven & Mara Diehl-5/24  
William & Jeanine Snover-5/26  
Matthew & Rachel Sticklin-5/28  
Glen & Tina Leighow-5/27  
Thomas & Rebeca Reddy Jr.-6/1  
Thomas & Gail James-6/14  
James & Allison Philson-6/16  
Patricia & James Diehl-6/18  
Thomas & Lois Martin-6/20  
Rex & Desiree Hepner, Jr. – 6/22  
Kevin & Sarah Romansik-6/28

### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Dennis DiOrio 5/3  
Karen Dyer 5/3  
Joanne Williams 5/4  
Mary Sticklin 5/6  
Delaney Bloom 5/9  
Jean Crumb 5/9  
Glen Leighow 5/9  
Sarah Romansik 5/12  
Shirley Riley 5/14  
Cara Bohner 5/15  
Max Sticklin 5/15  
Riley Davis 5/17  
Nicholas Klein 5/18  
Sarah Mullen 5/21  
James Diehl 5/24  
Trevor Patterson 5/25  
Roger Watts 5/25  
Corey Brady 5/26



### **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Richard Baylor 6/1  
Scott Leighow 6/1  
Rodney Styer 6/3  
June Doran 6/4  
Sophia Greely 6/4  
Betsy Hack 6/4  
Jennifer O'Brien 6/4  
Nancy Leighow 6/6  
Ellen Leighow 6/10  
Angelica Kipp 6/11  
Carl Rice, Sr. 6/12  
Sarah Eyer 6/15  
Patricia Diehl 6/18  
Owen Eyer 6/18  
Felix Olshefski 6/20  
Allison Philson 6/20  
Allison Snover 6/21  
Emma Beiter 6/28  
Rowan Beiter 6/28  
Cason Morgan 6/29  
Mary Jane Snyder 6/29

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### **Mission Statement**

*God's mission for us at Pine Street Lutheran Church  
is to share our faith, hope, and love through prayer,  
discipleship, ministry, and worship.*

## **Change of Address – Please Notify Us!**

**(If you are MOVING or if there is a CHANGE in your MAILING ADDRESS, please notify us.)**

It costs the church for each ADDRESS CHANGE we receive through the U.S. Postal Service. Call the church office (570-275-2110) with address changes or complete the form below and drop it in the offering plate at worship. Also, if there is someone you would like to have placed on our mailing list to receive **THE PARISH PRESS** Newsletter, simply call us or complete the form below.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

## ***Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran Church Staff***

Intentional Interim Pastor: **The Rev. Dr. Lois Martin**

Organist: Ronald Kline \* Music Director: Brenda Fischer-Dennehy \* Bell Choir Director: William Snover, MD  
Secretary: Nicole Cummins \* Custodian: Caz Morgan



***Office Hours:*** Monday -Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

**Worship Schedule:** 9:00 A.M. Adult Discussion

10:30 A.M. Holy Communion

Followed by Fellowship Hour

**Church Telephone:** 570 – 275 – 2110