

# Parish Press

October 2018 / Monthly Newsletter of Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## *A Time of Transition*

### *October Schedule*

#### October 7<sup>th</sup>

Lite Fellowship  
Caring

#### October 14<sup>th</sup>

Lite Fellowship  
Hospitality

#### October 21<sup>st</sup>

Lite Fellowship  
Worship & Music  
Of Land And Seasons

#### October 28<sup>th</sup>

Lite Fellowship  
Christian Education

**October Love Envelope**  
*Disciples Fund*

When I signed the agreement to serve as Interim Pastor of Pine Street in August 2017, the termination date of my serving as interim pastor was 30. September 2018. For the past few months, I have been wrestling with whether or not to extend that term. Before I had reached a decision, the flood of 13. August occurred and as I noted in last month's newsletter, my house was severely impacted. This was the third time I was flooded since I moved into the house in January 1996. I cannot do it again. Therefore, I have made the decision to find a new place to live (*far away from any water!*). Since 13. August, I have been cleaning up, looking for a new house, and finding someone to buy my property. That means that the next few months (hopefully) will be consumed with finding a house, closing, preparing to move and finally moving. I think that I will be too consumed by all of that to effectively continue to serve as your interim pastor. Therefore, I will complete my time as Interim Pastor of Pine Street on 31. October 2018.

I have been in conversation with Bishop Collins, and I think we have a good plan in mind. We are suggesting that the Rev. Gretchen Johannsen become the interim pastor for Pine Street. Pr. Johannsen is currently serving as Interim Pastor and stated supply for Trinity, Oak Grove, and is willing to add Pine Street to her duties. She will also become the stated supply for Pine Street. That means that the same pastor will be at Pine

Street every Sunday. The Congregation Council of Pine Street will formally approve this arrangement on 2. October 2018.

Bishop Collins and I (in my role as Dean of the North Branch Conference) feel that this could possibly lead to a re-linking of Pine Street and Trinity, Oak Grove.

I thank all of you for your support and caring over the past twelve months. It has been a joy to work with you over the past year. I think we have made good progress on working out most of the “problems” and are well on the road to moving forward. I see good things coming your way.

As I told the council, I wasn’t quite prepared to

come to like you all so much. But I did! It has been an enjoyable year for me, and I hope for all of you, too. You have been so very gracious, caring and loving to me in our time together, and I thank you for that. Most of all, I thank God for all of you.

Since I am Dean for this conference, I will continue to be involved in the call process, which will hopefully lead to calling a pastor. So, you may see me popping in and out now and then.

Again, thank you for your love and support. Know that this congregation will continue to be in my prayers as you continue to move forward.

In Christ! Pastor Koons ☩

## From the Archives...

### A History of Pine Street Lutheran Church

Mrs. Catherine Vanderslice, Instructor; Mark Swank – May 1973

*Continued from September...*



A supply pastor, the Rev. D. B. Floyd, filled in until the Rev. J.H. Musselman was installed on November 1, 1909. During his service a great deal was done for the church property. In 1914, the church was completely remodeled and repainted, the high steeple was removed, the interior was frescoed, a number of memorial windows were installed, a new Moeller pipe organ was purchased, and electric lighting system was adopted, and a hard wood floor was the carpets, which were dispensed and unsanitary. All done at a cost of more than \$7,000 and by 1919, the congregation was debt free. Sometime previous to this remodeling, the balcony in the nave was removed.

In the Historical and Biographical Annals of Columbia and Montour Counties there appears a list of the church officers in 1914. Many of these men may be traced back to German-speaking families who emigrated from Europe to the Danville area in the early and middle years of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Some of these family names such as Divel, Jacobs, Farley, Schoch, Werkheiser, Sidler, and Eyerly have remained prominent up into recent years.

From September 16, 1919 to May 7, 1922 the congregation was served by the Rev. David Burnite. On July 30, 1922, the Rev. Walter E. Brown began a 32 ministry, which lasted until December 30, 1954. The church was solidly established during these years it maintained a strong Christian witness to God’s word. However, troubles plagued the church building during these years as it was twice struck by lightning and was once damaged by hurricane winds. Lightning struck on May 18, 1943 causing a major fire, which gutted the church tower, the belfry, and the second floor nave and sanctuary. As a result, it was necessary to remodel and redecorate the church, keeping damaged sections closed for the better part of two years. The chancel area was redesigned with a deeper sanctuary, antiphonal choir lofts were built, high chancel arches and pilasters formed the front of the church, a new pulpit was erected, a new alter was constructed and the lecterns and baptismal font were replaced. Behind the chancel area, a choir room and a sacristy were built. A new cold-cathode indirect lighting was installed in the cove area around the ceiling of the nave, the floor was tiled and the painting was redone in ivory with walnut trim. Total cost of this extensive project was approximately \$20,000. A week of services from September 29 to October 6, 1946 marked the rededication of this house of worship.

*To be continued next month...*

# FOOD BANK

## NEEDS: Cereal



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

## What's Happening

**October 2** - Martha's Circle – 5 PM Friendly's  
Ruth Circle -11 AM Muffin Man

**October 8** - Worship & Music 11 AM  
Finance 7 PM

**October 9** - Christian Ed 6 PM  
Property 7 PM

**October 10** - Hospitality 10 AM

**October 13** – Sunday School Event 6PM

**October 16** – Council 6:30 PM

**October 21** – Hoagie Orders Due

**October 25** – Prepare Hoagies

## GOOD SAMARITAN MISSION HYGIENE GIVEAWAY

*There is a basket in the Narthex to collect the following items:*

- ***Tooth Paste & Tooth Brushes***
- ***Shampoo***
- ***Soap, Body Lotion, Body Wash***
- ***Vaseline***
- ***Wash Cloths***
- ***Razors & Shaving Cream***

The Mission will be distributing these items every 3 months. Please help by donating items from the above list.

We have had 2 hygiene sign up and giveaways. We gave hygiene bags to 74 adults which included 44 children. Thank you for all your donations to help fill the bags to give to those in need. We need more shampoo, deodorant, and body lotion to fill the bags. Thank you again for your generosity.

## Emergency Hotline Numbers

- Al-anon : 800-628-8920
- Narcotics Anonymous:  
655-7177
- Women's Center: 784-6631
- Gamblers Anonymous:  
717-652-4400
- Poison Center: 800-521-6110
- Child Abuse Hotline:  
800-932-0313
- Good Samaritan Center:  
275-2500
- American Red Cross: 275-1441
- Alcoholic Anonymous:  
286-7436 or 654-0488
- American Cancer Society  
1-800-ACS-2345

# Mental Health Support Group

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**Tuesday, Oct. 9th, 7:00 PM**

**St. Joseph Church**

68 Center Street, Danville

2nd Floor Meeting Room

(Building has an elevator and is accessible)

For more information, contact the church  
at

**570-275-2512**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

## Calendar of Events for the



**October 7<sup>th</sup> Blanket Sunday**

**October 13<sup>th</sup> LWR Dropoff @ Synod Office**

### **Fall Women's Retreat and Cluster Gatherings**

Saturday, October 20, 2018 \* Cost: \$22

9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Evergreen Center at Mount Luther

# Ministry Fellowship Schedule



## **\*OCTOBER 2018**

<b>OCTOBER 7</b>	<b>CARING MINISTRY COVERED DISH MEAL</b>
<b>OCTOBER 14</b>	<b>HOSPITALITY MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>OCTOBER 21</b>	<b>WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>OCTOBER 28</b>	<b>CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>

## **\*NOVEMBER 2018**

<b>NOVEMBER 4</b>	<b>PROPERTY MINISTRY COVERED DISH Daylight saving time ends</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 11</b>	<b>VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION</b>
	<b>WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 18</b>	<b>COUNCIL LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>NOVEMBER 25</b>	<b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING NO FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>

## **\*DECEMBER 2018**

<b>DECEMBER 2</b>	<b>HOSPITALITY MINISTRY COVERED DISH MEAL</b>
<b>DECEMBER 9</b>	<b>CARING MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>DECEMBER 16</b>	<b>FINANCE MINISTRY LITE FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>DECEMBER 23</b>	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS NO FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>
<b>DECEMBER 30</b>	<b>HAPPY NEW YEARS EVE NO FELLOWSHIP SOCIAL</b>

# Pine Street Prayer List

## PINE STREET PRAYER LIST

is most effective when  
kept updated.  
Please fill out an orange  
card to have someone's  
name added or removed  
and put it in the  
collection plate.  
Thank you!

### Homebound Congregation

#### Members

Sherry Achey, Joan Greely,  
Burrnell Metzger, and Lillian  
Stahl

#### Congregation Members:

Hunter Beasley, Corey Brady,  
Kathy Cashner, Shirley Hawley,  
Irene Hinkle, Ann Hummer,  
Tom Landi, Rae Leighow,  
Daniel Love,  
Pastor Lois Martin, Nikki  
Morgan, Pauline Nedrow,  
Jennifer O'Brien, Sandra  
Reibsome, Carl Rice, Jr., Judy  
Rogowski, Seth Snover, Art  
Sticklin, and Ryan Versluis.

### Friends Of Congregation

#### Members:

Janet Allis, Francis Aikey, Barry  
C. Balonek, B.J. Bennett, James  
Bergenstock, Patsy Berns,  
Nancy Bordner, Anthony and  
Chorine Bordner, Benny  
Bordner, John Binder, Neina  
Brady, Rhonda Brouse, Terri  
Chayko, Albert Churm, Ruth  
Crum, Nancy Curry, Mary Ann  
Davis, Idita Dennehy, Lisa  
Eiswerth, Cathi Flanagan, Joan  
Fulkroad, Helen Gething,  
Connie Gibbs, Anna Hare, Fred  
Harner, Harold Hauck, Jackie  
Jackson, Autumn Kern,  
Roxanne Kerr, Kelly  
Kettlewell, Phyllis Knight,  
Alex Knox, Brenda Kile, Jill  
Kuhns, Kelli Lambert, Joan  
Livziey, Nathan Lubeski, Mary  
Maneval, Chet Miller, Pastor  
Brian Moyer, Debbie Neitz,  
Jim Neitz, Elroy Neitz, Emily  
Sue Nillson, Paul Oyster II,  
Paul Oyster III, Shirley Phesant,  
Mark Pontiac, Ralph Reedy, Iris

Reibsome, John Reibsome,  
Scott Reibsome, Bonnie Reilly,  
Dorothy Reilly, Ethen Renner,  
John Stoker, Mary Sweetra,  
Abby Thomas, Crystal Torbush,  
Leann Ulrick, Kay Warner, and  
Bert Williams.

### Special Military List

Shane Bergenstock; SGT,  
Shawn Dyer; SSG, Andrew  
Bauman; Tristan Winter,  
Steven Sees, Sgt. Levi Gearhart;  
David Gregory; Jason Brennan,  
Nicole and Alejandro  
Hernandez; Jonathan Babb,  
S.R. Matthew Woods, Matthew  
Clark; Nate Hughes, Charlie  
Reedy; Cody Harper, AB  
Andrew Dougerty, Robert K.  
Torbush, Kelsy Jensen,  
Jeremy Weikel; Trevor Stone;  
B.J. Dellinger; Wesley Derrick,  
Eric Schneider



The prayer list is most effective when kept updated. Please fill out an orange card to have someone's name added or removed and put it in the collection plate. Thank you.

**Please send updated Military addresses prayer list updates to the office or Sue Baylor at  
[sueb123@ptd.net](mailto:sueb123@ptd.net)**

**Caring Ministry reports  
3 home communions  
for the month of September.**





# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## ANNIVERSARIES

David & Colleen Snover 10/8  
Pamela & Daniel Spicer 10/10  
Brad & Dee Carr 10/11  
Sharron & Bob Eyer 10/18  
Kelly & Steven Boyer 10/20  
Michael & Samantha Eyer 10/23

## BIRTHDAYS

Burrnell Metzger 10/1  
Pamela Spicer 10/2  
Joanne Fox 10/3  
Gail James 10/6  
Sheila Kuhn 10/10  
Izabella Morgan 10/12  
George Adams Jr. 10/15  
Elizabeth Morgan 10/16  
Sue Neitz 10/16  
Emily Leighow 10/24

Brad Carr 10/26  
Robert Jenkins 10/28  
Michael Dennehy 10/29  
Robert Koons 10/30



## "Saturday Night Sunday School"

*Come join us for a fun children's Sunday School event!*

**Saturday October 13, 2018 6:00-7:30pm**

in the Children's Sunday School rooms.

**For a Bible Story, Craft, Play Time, and a Snack**

*Your child is welcome to bring a friend or neighbor  
and we'll also be inviting our friends from Trinity Lutheran.*



## FEED A FRIEND

Thanksgiving is approaching and it is time to collect food for our needy neighbors through the 34<sup>th</sup> annual "Feed-A-Friend" Program sponsored by WNEP-TV (Channel 16). Suggested non-perishable food items: peanut butter, spaghetti, cranberry sauce, pumpkin, boxed potatoes, stuffing mix, canned soup and vegetables, jello, and cereal. Items can be placed in the barrel or bin marked Feed-A-Friend. Monetary donations are also needed Checks can be made out to Feed-A-Friend, c/o Good Sam Mission, P.O. Box 114, Danville, Pa. please drop off your food no later than Sunday, November 4. Thank You.

**Harvest Home Collections will be set up  
Oct 14, 21 & 28. Donations will benefit the  
Danville Food Bank.**

# SEPT. 18, 2018 PINE STREET LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



**September 20 Prepare Hoagies**

**September 23 Christian Education Fellowship**

**September 30 Finance Ministry Fellowship**

**Newsletter information due to Heather**

Prayer Pastor opened with Prayer

Roll call Mary Ann, Pastor Koons, Mary Jane, Alf, Roberta, Roxanne, Nan. Attending Mike Dennehy absent

Approve Minutes ROLL CALL \*APPROVE AGENDA \*

MINUTES ACTION VOTE

**TREASURERS REPORT** Insurance check deposited for roof repairs. Individual ministries need to submit budget request for 2019

**ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRY** no meeting

**CARING MINISTRY** Provided home communion to three members

**STEPHENS MINISTRY** Inactive

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY** Planning a Saturday night Sunday school gathering in the Luther house classrooms. Inviting Trinity Lutheran. Possible date October 13.

**MEMORIAL MINISTRY** Mission statement for memorial funds printed in October Newsletter. Pat Diehl requested \$3000. From the Diehl gift be given to the roof fund.

**FINANCE MINISTRY** Information provided in newsletter

**HOSPITALITY MINISTRY** Provided Hospitality schedule for 2019 Requested same budgets fund as 2018

**PROPERTY MINISTRY** After Reviewing bids for Luther House Repairs Council requested more detailed information is needed before a decision can be made. Mold was cleaned in the Sunday school room by Nan. The group Thanked Nan. Discussed raised sidewalk on Lower Mulberry Street. Snow blower will be serviced in October. No report on clean-up of Drama attic storage as Mike was not in attendance to give report. Eternity light Chain needs to be replaced.

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY** Sound system needs to be locked. Bill Snover will start Bell choir in October. Brenda Dennehy will be choir leader. Start date to be determined. Reported Bell choir will perform once a month, choir will sing one Sunday a month, children will sing one Sunday a month and possible visiting group or individual will do one Sunday a month. Start date and time to be determined.

**Harvest Home November 4.** Children's Sunday School.

**PASTORS REPORT** Profile update. Interim Pastor Koons and Mike Dennehy will be updating the Profile. Council will be Meet October 2 with Gretchen Johansson to draft contract for Interim Pastor. Interim Pastor Gretchen will preach each Sunday. Pastor Koons last sermon will be Reformation Sunday October 28, 2018

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** No Meeting Report

**OLD BUSINESS** FESTIVAL INCOME \$2,401.00. Letter of Request Alf Bashore Council approved the use of a room for Music Lessons. Start date to be announced.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT** 8:23PM

**SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING October 16, 2018 6:30**

# Financials As of End of August 2018

August Totals : Income      \$6,731.

Expenses    \$7,927., \$ -1,195 deficit

YTD Totals :      Income      \$65,897

Expenses \$65,061., \$ +835. surplus

NOTE : Finance Ministry will be working on the 2019 budget at their October Meeting Ministries should forward their requirements to Tom Herrington .AND congregation members comments welcome during this process.

## **Council Members:**

Mary Ann Landi, Pres., Michael Dennehy, VP, Mary Jane Snyder, Sec.  
Alf Bashore, Nan Leighow, Roxanne Patton, Roberta Recla

**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.*

**Worship Schedule:** 9:00 A.M. Adult Discussion  
& Children's Sunday School

10:30 A.M. Holy Communion Followed by Fellowship Hour

Organist: Ronald Kline \* Sexton: Caz Morgan

Secretary: Heather Bieber

Ministers: All the people of Pine Street

Interim Pastor: The Reverend John Koons \*

Phone: 570-204-3153

Church Office: 275-2110;

Hours: Mon.-Thur. 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

Fri. & Sat. Closed

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**In case of an emergency,**  
**there is a defibrillator**  
**in the social hall.**





**Dear Members of Pine Street Lutheran,**

Thank you for your recent contribution to Mount Luther. As we do our work, we are mindful of the great support we receive from people like you, who make it possible to do outdoor ministries in this part of Pennsylvania.

I want to express my deepest thanks and appreciation for your prayers and financial support of our ministry. This letter acknowledges the following gift, recorded on September 19, 2018: \$165.00 for Synod Mission Support (Annual) and on September 19, 2018: \$300.00 for Annual Fund. Our outdoor ministry wouldn't be possible without your support. We truly thank you for contributing to Mount Luther!

God's Peace,

*Chad W. Hershberger*

Executive Director

**Dear Pine Street Evangelical Lutheran,**

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff, and Clients of Haven Ministry, I would like to thank you for your interest and very generous donation in the amount of \$180.00 on August 11, 2018 to our shelter. I feel blessed to be in the position of Executive Director and I am amazed at God's grace. With the help of generous donation and community support, we are currently housing, feeding, and clothing area individuals and families, as well as supplying emergency food to those in need.

I welcome you to visit Haven for a tour of the facility and witness what good stewards we are with your gifts.

Sincerely,

*Christy M. Zeigler*

Executive Director

*If anyone wishes to send correspondence to  
Pastor Martin, please send to:*

**Pastor Lois Martin**

23 Hayes Crossing  
Bellville, Pa 17004



# Why Go to Church?

*Author Unknown*

- If you're spiritually alive, you're going to love this.
- If you're spiritually dead, you won't want to read it.
- If you're spiritually curious, there is still hope!

A church goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday.

He wrote: "I've gone for 30 years now, and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons; but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time; the preachers and priests are wasting theirs by giving sermon at all."

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column.

Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today.

Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!

When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something!

Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible & receives the impossible!

Thank God for our physical and spiritual nourishment!

IF YOU CANNOT SEE GOD IN ALL, YOU CANNOT SEE GOD AT ALL!

B.I.B.L.E. simply means: BASIC INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE LEAVING EARTH.

# Memorial Ministry



It is the intent of the Memorial Ministry of Pine Street Lutheran Church to be good stewards of the memorial funds given to us as a church.

Hopefully, the memorial monies will be sustained and grown allowing for the work of Christ to be done within the church and congregation while memorializing those loved ones who have gone before us. Recent discussions regarding some possibilities for use of non-designated funds include: monetary gift or gift card for text books to our high school graduates going on to higher education; gas or gift cards (or something similar) to those entering the work force; helping the youth go to Mt. Luther or a retreat, and helping with the roofing costs, and to change over to LED lighting.

Investing in people and our youth is always beneficial to the work of Christ and a wonderful way to remember and memorialize someone.