

The Parish Press

OF

PINE STREET EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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January, 2013

*Thank you to our outgoing
Council Member:*

James O'Brien

*Congratulations to our Elected and
Re-elected Council members:*

Samuel Harrison

Nancy (Nan) K. Leighow

William Snover

Gerard Tromp

*Council installation will be
Sunday, January 13, 2013*

Prayer for Christian Unity

Gracious God, may your Holy Spirit fill our communities with joy and celebration, so that we can cherish the unity we already share, and zealously continue in the search for visible unity. We rejoice in the faith and hope of peoples who refuse to allow their dignity to be diminished, seeing in them your wonderful grace and your promise of freedom. Teach us to share in their joy and learn from their faithful endurance. Rekindle our hope and sustain our resolve, that in Christ's name we may walk together in love, raising a united voice of praise, and singing together one prayer of adoration. God of life, lead us to justice and peace. Amen.

Cooking Classes

For families with children under 18
in the household

Wednesdays in January

(9, 16, 23, & 30)

10AM-12N (SH)

Information, call Sue Baylor (279-4766) or
Memie Christie (784-6660 x15).

Provided by PennState Cooperative Extension

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Lepers among us today by Larry Troy

NEWS AND NOTES

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Marr Snyder, nephew of Bill and Mary Jane Snyder, who died December 12, 2012.

THRIVENT GIFTS

Thrivent Financial member directing Choice Dollars to our church is *Denny DiOrio*.

We thank you for your generosity!

TRANSFERRED

Robin Carr transferred her membership in August to Shiloh United Church of Christ in Danville. We wish Robin all the best in her new church home.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

By Jean Crumb/Nancy A. Leighow

The following nominees to the 2013 Council were elected by acclamation: Sam Harrison, Nancy K. Leighow, William Snover, and Gerard Tromp. Motion made by Todd Baney and seconded by Carl Rice.

Mike Dennehy and William Snover presented the 2013 budget. They answered questions regarding the budget, namely the shared pastor services. Total budget for 2013 is \$139,046.00. Motion to accept made by Mary Sticklin and seconded by Sharron Eyer. By a raise of hands, all of the congregation agreed to the 2013 proposed budget.

It was announced that David Doran has resigned his position as treasurer of the Finance Ministry, but will be available to help whoever becomes our new treasurer. Anyone interested in the position should contact the pastor and/or the Finance Committee.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Council minutes were not transcribed at the time of this printing. Please see the bulletin board in the narthex for the full minutes from the December 17th meeting.

- ♦ The next Council meeting will be January 21, 2013 in the Conference Room of the Luther House at 6:30 P.M.

COOKING CLASSES

This is a great chance to have some fun while learning to make cooking quick and easy! Those taking the classes must have children in the home under the age of 18. The classes will be on Wednesdays January 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in the church social hall. Please be available to attend all sessions to receive a certificate of completion.

Contact Sue Baylor at 279-4766 or Memie Christie at 784-6660 x 15. There will be free food and prizes. These classes are sponsored through the PennState Cooperative Extension.

Treasurer's Report

November - General Fund:

Income	\$ 9,924.54
Expenses	<u>\$11,891.20</u>
	—\$ 1,966.66

Year-to-date through

November General Fund.

Income	\$113,466.66
Expenses	<u>\$117,476.61</u>
Shortfall	—\$ 4,009.95

GOGGY,PC Dates:

(Combined Youth Group of Grace, Point Twp., Trinity, Oak Grove, Pine Street, and Christ Lutheran, Milton.)

- January 20: Grace Point Twp.
- February 17: Trinity Oak Grove
- March 10: Pine Street



FOOD BANK

NEEDS

This month's Love Offering Envelope

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 from the list below or any other non-perishable food item. All donations are distributed to those in need in our community.

Jan: Canned Vegetables

Feb: Noodles & Macaroni

Mar: Canned Fruit

Apr: Soup

May: Tuna & Canned Meats

Jun: Cereal

Jul: Jell-O & Pudding

Aug: Peanut Butter & Saltines

Sep: Spaghetti & Sauce

Oct: Cereal

Nov: Noodles & Macaroni

Dec: Tuna & Canned Meats

It is also helpful to have such miscellaneous items as mustard, catsup, flour, sugar, boxed mixes (cake, muffin, etc.) and dry milk powder.

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

The Danville-Riverside Food Bank, which is a non-profit volunteer organization, is open to anyone in need from 1-2 P.M. and 5:30-6:30 P.M. the 1st Thursday of the month at Shiloh United Church of Christ, 500 Bloom Street in Danville, and the 1st Tuesday of each month at St. Peter's Methodist Church in Riverside.

Volunteers are always welcome.

Thank you for supporting our area Food Bank—which is especially helpful at this time of year when most of us have an overabundance of food.

Pastoral Care:

(Pastor will be on vacation through January 4th. In case of a Pastoral emergency, please call Pastor Melody Sell.)

For Pastoral Care, please call Pastor Keith's home number (951-2350-if no answer, please leave a message).

Please do not leave a message on the church's answering machine.

(The answering machine at the office is not regularly checked if it is after hours, a weekend, or if Pastor is away.)

GOOD SAMARITAN

Good Samaritan Mission Center
275-2500

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday
9 AM-5 PM

Financial Status of the Restoration Project:

(as of November 30, 2012)

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

Donations received in November: \$293 from hoagie sales

\$523 from giving

\$816 total

Total on hand: \$4,399

Loan balance: \$48,973

We want to keep a minimum six month balance on hand to cover our monthly scheduled payment of \$578.56, or at least \$3,472.

COMMUNION BREAD

You, the members of Pine Street, have generously provided the church with Communion Bread for Worship for various dates through the year. Sign-up sheets are different this year as it is by the month instead of weekly. Would you possibly considering share a month with someone—you take two of the Sundays and the other person do the rest. Or, one of the ministries, FACE, Women of the ELCA, or Choir could take a month.

Communion Bread can be store bought or homemade. Giant and Weis are open so you can purchase the bread before worship on any Sunday.

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex to provide Communion Bread for Worship.

Thank you!

Holy Communion (from the ELCA website)

One of two sacraments for Lutherans, the other being [Baptism](#). In Holy Communion, also called the [Eucharist](#), Lutherans recall the saving acts of God through Word, bread and wine, and are connected with Christ and with Christians of all times and places. In this sacrament we are fed with the Body and Blood of Christ.

A STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

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

Investing in Faith

Faith is putting all your eggs in God's basket, then counting your blessings before they hatch.

~Ramona C. Carroll

Many of us are reluctant, or even absolutely refuse to let go of what is dear to us, even for God's purpose, because we fear that those things will be lost to us forever. A moment in time, an expenditure of energy, an offering of skill or talent, or the spending of a dollar on something other than that which will benefit us directly requires us to move past our fears and self centeredness.

Faith is the opposite of fear. Faith allows us to live life to the fullest, to be unselfish, and to give of ourselves with no expectation of a payback. And, as the author of the opening quote reassures us, putting our faith in God and giving of ourselves for His purposes allows us to reap great rewards in the form of God's blessings to us.

In 1 John 4:18 we read "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear..." Is fear causing you to be reluctant to give more of your time, your talent, your ability and your treasure for Pine Street's mission to serve God? I know that our people are unselfish, but do we have the faith to

fearlessly show others (and ourselves) how generous we are? The Bible passage from 1 John concludes with "...because fear involves torment." Do we need to be in control, or can we turn our wills and our lives over to God and let Him be in control? Can we replace fear with faith? Life is much easier when we do.

Faithfully,
Bill



Ready to tackle hunger?
**SOUPER BOWL
SUNDAY
February 3, 2013**

**GLScrip Order
Deadline is
January 13**

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. Mostly everyone dines out and buys gas—consider getting gift cards to use. They work same as cash!!!

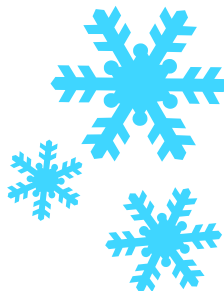
PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR WEBSITE! CHECK IT OUT AT
WWW.PINESTREETLUTHERAN.ORG
MUSIC IS THE BALM

Beginning Monday, January 7th, Music Together® parent/child class provider, Music's the Balm will hold a ten-week semester of classes for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and kindergarteners and those who

love them in your fellowship hall! ***In a nutshell our class is musical "monkey see, monkey do!"*** At Music Together, we teach family bonding through family music making. Taught by board-certified music therapist and center director of Music's the Balm, Rachel Ludovico, the 45-minute class with music written by Music Together founders, Ken Guilmartin and Lili Levinowitz, Ph. D. Call 538-5684 or email musicsthebalm@gmail.com to experience this enjoyable class! There will be a free demonstration class on Monday morning, December 10th at 10:30am at MyTown in the Columbia Mall, and we would love your family to come. Reservations are needed as seating for each class is limited to twelve (12) children and their



parents. You may also visit our website at www.musicsthebalm.com to learn even more!



ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: Make 2013 the year you resolve to make your marriage a more romantic, intimate, joy-filled relationship! For over 30 years Lutheran Marriage Encounter has been enriching and revitalizing marriages by presenting Weekends. Weekends run from Friday night at 8 PM to Sunday at 5 PM and are designed to enrich ALL MARRIAGES whether you are newlyweds or have been married upwards of 50 years. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included. There is a \$45 per couple registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend, you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward continuation of the program. The 2013 Weekends are:

- **March 15-17, 2013** at Toftrees Resort and Conference Center, State College, PA (peaceful resort nestled within 1500 wooded acres)
- **April 26-28, 2013** at the Conference Center in Lutheran Camp Sequanota, Jennerstown, PA (a motel-style retreat center located in the Laurel Highlands featuring the serenity of a lovely rural setting)
- **September 13-15, 2013** at Olmsted Mansion and Retreat Center, Ludlow, PA (a 1917 Manor with a lovely, modern retreat center in the Allegheny National Forest -- 20 miles southeast of Warren, PA)

- **October 11-13, 2013 at Mountain Laurel Resort, White Haven, PA (in the beautiful Pocono Mountains -- 2 hours north of Philadelphia, just off of Interstate 80)**

Registrations are limited, so **sign up today** to ensure that you can attend the Weekend of your choice. Simply go to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and register using your credit card, or for questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or email: fjschamber@comcast.net.

HOAGIES

Due to the Christmas and New Year holidays, there will be

NO Hoagie

Sales in January.

The next Hoagie day will be February 7th with a deadline for ordering on February 3.

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.

Simply Giving

Our congregation participates in the Simply Giving program for donations by electronic funds transfer. The program allows members to donate regularly and automatically on a schedule of their choice. To apply or if you have any questions, please see Gerard Tromp or Bill Snover.

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***Dates for
Of the Land and
Seasons Worship:***
*January 13 '13 (Winter)
April 7 '13 (Spring)*

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NOTIFY THE CHURCH:

- When a member of your family or a member of the church is sick or is admitted to the hospital, so that visits can be made and the proper people notified.
- When a member of your immediate or extended family passes away.
- When your home phone number or address changes - church records need to be corrected. It costs 89 cents every time a newsletter comes back because of an incorrect address.
- When a new baby arrives in your family or in the family of another church member.
- When a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- When something good happens to you or your family that you would like to share.

(PLEASE NOTE:

if you've been in the hospital or have been ill and have not been visited by the pastor or anyone from the church, or if your name

is not on the prayer list, it may be because no one told us you were ill or would like your name on the list. You or a family member should notify the church office with requests or information on illness or hospitalization.

Please also get permission before sharing this information with the church office so we can share your information with others in our Church Family. Thank you!



Bible Study

Thursdays at 1:30 PM
(Time may change occasionally.)

Lyme Disease Support Group

7:00 P.M. 1st Thurs. of the month
at Trinity Methodist Church
306 Lombard Ave
For questions or information, please call
Angie Wilson at 570-441-6039.

Audio tapes

of the service are available for homebound and others who can't make it to church. Contact Sue Baylor at 279-4766, if interested.



ADVERTISING

Mary Ann Landi handles church advertising. Most area newspapers will print this information free of charge as a news item. If you have an event coming up you would like advertised, please give as much information to her at least a month in advance to get the word out about what God is doing at Pine Street!

Leave a Legacy for Ministry and Mission:

Are you 70 ½ and own an IRA, 401(k), 403(k) account, or other applicable retirement plan. If you do, you are required to take a distribution from those plans. By making a charitable gift, you may offset some of the income tax liability with a charitable tax deduction. By making a deferred gift using a Charitable Gift Annuity, you will receive a tax deduction, some tax free income for a number of years, and annuity income for a lifetime. For more information about how to make charitable gifts using retirement plans or other ways to make charitable gifts, call Pr. Greg Kramer at the Lutheran Planned Giving Office at 570-374-2044 or call the ELCA Foundation, 800-638-3522, ext. 2970 or visit our website at www.elca.org/fo.

SCOUTING

Our Church sponsors:

- ▲ A Brownie Girl Scout Troop #600398 that meets every other Thursday beginning September 6th at 6:30 P.M. For more information, please call Sharon Harner at 275-9077.
- ▲ Cub Scout Troop #47 that meets weekly on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 beginning August 21st. Leader is Jen Warner. Questions, see Caz Morgan.
- ▲ Boy Scout Troop #47 meets every Mondays at 7:00 P.M. John Conrad is the leader. For more information call 275-7776.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Kelly Boyer-Forney
- 3 - Sharron Eyer
- 7 - Everard Riley
- 11 - Paul Dennehy
- 13 - Tristan Beiter; John Crumb, Sr.
- 15 - Barry Troy
- 16 - Justin Pittsnogle
- 17 - Norman Troutman (88)
- 22 - Kenneth Oberdorf (86)
- 25 - Connor Diehl
- 26 - Gwyneth Beiter; Jean Lewis; Carol Riley
- 27 - Ronald Kline
- 28 - Marvin Fry (86)
- 29 - Thomas James, III
- 30 - Samuel Baylor; Christine Koons
- 31 - Barbara Ezdebski

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 - Helen and Lewis Riley (58 years)
- 3 - Helena Kuivaniemi and Gerard Tromp
- 5 - Michelle and Harold Hack
- 15 - Elizabeth and Richard Baylor
- 20 - John and Rachel Tharp



Due to supplier increases, Altar Flowers in 2013 will be \$35.00.

SPONSORS

Due to cost increases, these will be the prices for 2013:

- \$20.00 per week for **Bulletins**;
- \$35.00 per week for **Flowers**;
- \$14.00 per month for the **Sanctuary Candle**.

***Thank you to everyone** who sponsor these important supplies for our worship services during 2012.*

The new sign-up sheets for 2013 are posted. Thank you!

THANK YOU

Thank you for the Altar Flowers, they were beautiful. Thank you also for the cards and prayers.

May God Bless all of you.

Lena Wetzel

We acknowledge and thank you for your generous donation of \$33.00 (from hoagie sales) received December 2012, which we will use to buy food for our ministry.

We thank you for your much needed support of our effort to provide food to the less fortunate residents of our community. Without thoughtful supporters like you we would never be able to continue this effort.

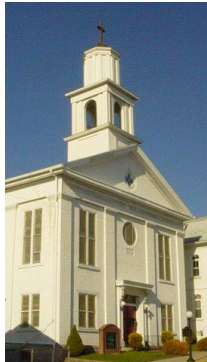
Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity?

Sincerely,
Maryann Richards
Danville-Riverside Area
Food Bank

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**2013 COUNCIL  
 MEMBERS**

**Pastor: L. Keith Pittsnogle**  
**Treasurer: David A. Doran**

Elizabeth Baylor  
 Jean Crumb  
 Michael Eyer  
 Samuel Harrison  
 Ronald Kline  
 Mary Ann Landi  
 Nancy A. Leighow  
 Nancy K. Leighow  
 William Snover  
 Gerard Tromp  
 Terri Wydra



***Ministries at a Glance!***  
 (meeting times)

Administration – Tom Herrington, Bill Snover (Coordinator), Mary Sticklin, Burrnell Metzger; Sandra Reibsome; Council liaison-Mary Ann Landi (meets as needed)  
Caring Ministry – Sue Baylor, Coordinator (dates vary)  
Family and Christian Education Ministry  
 FACE – Missi Bohner, Coordinator (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 6:00 PM)  
Finance Ministry – Michael Dennehy, Coordinator (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday @ 7:00 PM)  
Hospitality Ministry – Larry Troy, Contact Person (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 11:00 AM)  
Property Ministry – Nancy A. Leighow and Nancy K. Leighow- Co-Coordinators (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday @ 7:00 PM)  
Women of the ELCA – Co-presidents: Sue Baylor & Mary Ann Landi (usually 1<sup>st</sup> Tues.)  
Worship & Music Ministry – Council liaison is Ron Kline (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday @ 11:00 AM)



**Pine Street Prayer List  
 January, 2013**

Kathy Kreisher; Bonnie Reilly; Kate Humbert; Lena Wetzel; Donald Budmon; Mary Sudo; Lucena Leighow; Julia Kucher; Cathy MacAllen; Mary West; Martha Knight; Mary Jane Mordan; Shirley Hawley; Kim Azigian; Dave Burns; Agnes Oyster; Norman Troutman, Sr.; Elizabeth (Libby) Fox; Sarah Roberts; Margaret Tanner; Sherry Achey; Carl Rice, Jr.; Charlotte Rice; Carol Heim; Linda Wetzel; Joyce Dawson; Ann Marie Binder; Sue Neitz; Spencer Vincent; David Harvey; Cory Fenstermaker; Angie Wilson; Dr. Kevin Shafer; Marvin Fry; Cathy Dressler; Ruth Lehr; Ryan Stevenson; Gladys Keller; Kendra Hoover; Keith Buchhalter; Audrey O'Brien; Greg Potter; Pete Zimmerman; Autumn Kern, Tim Raup; Baby Clive Stevenson; Todd Livziey; Joan Bankus; Erica Miller; Lola Kline; Virginia Frantz; Nancy Curry; Melissa Thomas; Mike Shoemaker; Cindy Gearhart; Helen Smith; George Sudol; Art Sticklin; Leann Achtenberg; Edith Bender; Nicole Morgan; Donna Brown; Carol Phillips; Harvey Stauffer; Shirley Crossley; Dolores Easton & Family; Dorothy Hagenbuch; Barry Balonek; John Crumb; Brenda Kile; Dianna Ballinger; Audrey Kunkle; Alan Springer; Emily Sue Nilsson; and Walt Rupert.

**HOMEBOUND AND SPECIAL PRAYER LIST:**

Nelena and Donald Swank; Arlene Hack; Pauline Mackert; Ken Oberdorf; Pauline Nedrow; Lillian Stahl; D. Jean Cope; Mildred and Paul Gemberling; and Jane Beagle.

**SPECIAL MILITARY LIST:** Sgt. Levi Gearhart; David Gregory; Emily Ebersole; Jordan Zander; Oliver Rice; Halley Dillon; Trevor Patterson; Jeremy Weikel; Tim Moyer; Robert Carpenter; Trevor Stone; Charlie Reedy; Shawn Dyer; Shane Bergenstock; SSGT Andrew Bauman; CPL

Jason Lee Smith; Christopher Perry, B.J. Dellinger; Tim Mekosh; CPT Barry Troy; CPT Steven Black Barr; Tristan Winter.

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

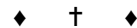
**PRAYER LIST UPDATES**

As situations change, *prayer is most effective when requests are current and regularly updated.* Therefore, we would appreciate it if you would check over the prayer list, and if there is someone that you put on that list that is doing better and can be removed, please contact the Deb at office. You can notify the church office by emailing Deb at [pinestch@ptd.net](mailto:pinestch@ptd.net) or by calling from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Monday through Thursday at 275-2110. Please keep this in mind when you put other relatives and friends on our Prayer List.



***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 [pinestch@ptd.net](mailto:pinestch@ptd.net)).



*We want to open up and expand God's presence by becoming more active in the community. You can help!  
 Tell your friends--tell your neighbors--come see--Come See what God is doing at Pine Street! Invite everyone you know to come to church.  
 Tell them we have a great fellowship hour. Tell them that God loves them and we do too.*



## WEBSITE

**www.  
pinestreetlutheran.  
org**

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

Send any feedback or suggestions to Deb at  
[pinestch@ptd.net](mailto:pinestch@ptd.net). Thanks!



### *Directions from Danville to Trinity Oak Grove:*

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,  
(unmarked). The Church  
and pavilion are at the  
crossroads 4-way stop.



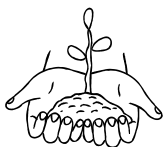
### **Available for Pick-up**

**...on the table in the narthex.**

- The most recent copies of the *USS Ark*, Upper Susquehanna Synod *Currents*, and Camp Mt. Luther *Camel Tracks*. If more of these are needed, please ask Deb.
- Devotional Booklets
- *Spark Family-Splash in God's Word* magazine

They are free while supplies last—take one for your family.

*Come Grow  
With US at Pine  
Street Lutheran*



## Fellowship Menus

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE BOOK  
TO BRING ITEMS FOR LUNCH**

### JANUARY

Jan. 6: Pasta Casseroles & Cold Salads  
Jan. 12: Covered Dish  
Jan. 20: Macaroni & Cheese; Tossed Salads  
Jan. 27: Taco Fixings & Baked Corn

### FEBRUARY

Feb. 3: Baked Potato Bar  
Feb. 10: Covered Dish  
Feb. 17: Meat Ball Sandwiches & Tossed Salads  
Feb. 24: Soup & Hearty Breads

***Each Sunday needs a Clean-Up  
Crew. Please volunteer!***

**Families can still sponsor a  
Sunday Fellowship meal  
of their choosing—just pick the  
date in the book on the small  
podium in the social hall and write  
in that you are sponsoring the  
meal! Thanks!**

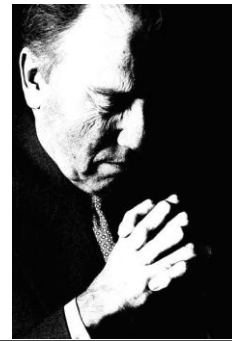
### FELLOWSHIP HOURS

A loose leaf notebook is on the podium in the social hall with menus for each Sunday (except the second Sundays of each month when we have a Covered Dish meal).

***Please look at the meals listed  
above to see if you would be  
able to bring in one of the  
dishes. Then sign up in the  
notebook.*** If you would like to supply a dessert, please write that down.

#### Items needed regularly:

- ☺ Dessert plates (paper or Styrofoam)
- ☺ Coffee cups (Styrofoam)
- ☺ 100% fruit juice (no red drinks please)
- ☺ A main dish, side dish or dessert for any Sunday Fellowship Hour
- ☺ Any donations to "Hospitality Ministry" to help fund our many outreach and church events



**Read Romans 12  
& Pray Daily**

If you have a loved one, family member or friend in the military and want them on the prayer list or to have members write to them, please be sure their names and addresses are given to the church office.  
Thank you!



### HOSPITALITY

*Hospitality is the way we  
come out of ourselves. It is  
the first step toward  
dismantling the barriers of  
the world. Hospitality is the  
way we turn a prejudiced  
world around, one heart  
at a time.*

—Joan D. Chittister in  
*Wisdom Distilled*

## Newsletter Deadline

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The Deadline for the next edition of the *Newsletter* is **January 15 for the February Newsletter**. All articles submitted are subject to editing; typewritten or emailed articles are especially appreciated. It may be to hold articles submitted after the deadline date until the next month.

#### EMERGENCY HOTLINE NUMBERS

Food Bank/American Red Cross: 275-1441  
Good Samaritan Mission Center: 275-2500  
Women's Center: 784-6631  
Child Abuse Hotline: 800-932-0313  
Poison Center: 800-521-6110  
Alcoholics Anonymous: 286-7436 or 654-0488 (Northeast Inter-group)  
Al-anon: 800-628-8290 (National Hotline)  
Narcotics Anonymous: 988-7177  
Gambler's Anonymous: 717-652-4400

## The Thank You Corner

### A Special Thank You To:

**Tom Herrington** – for donating a freezer to the church.

**Children's, Adults, and Bell Choirs** – for your dedication and sharing of your talents for Worship.

**Everyone** – for sharing in our church family. For loving one another and supporting each other through the many trials we all face throughout the year. We are all truly blessed for our family here at Pine Street. May you continue serving the Lord together!



## W/ELCA Highlights

### CIRCLES

The Women of the ELCA will have their Circle meetings on January 8<sup>th</sup>:

- Ruth is at Muffin Man at 11:30 AM
- Martha is at John's Hibachi Restaurant at 6:00 PM

(IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, THERE WILL BE NO MEETINGS.)

### Coming Up:

- ✓ February 23: Day of Renewal [United Lutheran, 7 Points Road, Sunbury]
- ✓ March 5: Quarterly 1:30 PM (SH)
- ✓ March 9: Jubilee Kitchen
- ✓ March 16: Lenten Breakfast 8:30 AM (SH)
- ✓ Apr. 13: Chicken & Waffle Dinner 4-7 PM (SH)
- ✓ April 27: Day of Learning [Bethany Lutheran, Montoursville]
- ✓ May 8: Mother/Daughter Banquet
- ✓ June 4: Quarterly
- ✓ July 27: Convention [Camp Mt. Luther]
- ✓ October 6: Blanket Sunday
- ✓ October 19: Peace Pole Service [Synod Office]

### Thanks to Debbie Best!

Debbie Best, who has written the health feature called, *(W)holy, (W)holy, (W)holy Health Healing and Wholeness* and the *Nurse's Notes* each month, has decided to discontinue those features after a great deal of thought and prayer. Debbie writes, "It has been such a blessing to hear from so many of you, and know that the materials rippled outward in so many different directions. May God continue to bless your ministries throughout the coming years." We thank Debbie for her dedication to informing the members of the Upper Susquehanna Synod for so many years!



### WEATHER

### RELATED NOTE:

When the Danville Schools are on delay or closed for the day because of winter weather, the office is on the same schedule.

