

# *The Parish Press*

OF

## **PINE STREET EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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### **Lenten/Easter Worship Schedule**

All services are at our church unless otherwise noted.

#### **Lenten Worship Services:**

**March 6, 13, & 20:** at 6:00 P.M. beginning with a Soup and Bread Meal (Social Hall) followed by Bible Study-Word, Share, Prayer

#### **Holy Week**

**March 24:** Palm/Passion Sunday

**March 28:** Maundy Thursday at 7:00 PM

**March 29:** Good Friday 11:00 AM Cross Walk through Danville begins and ends at Pine Street. After the Walk we will close with a brief meditation followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

**Good Friday Worship at 7:00 PM at Trinity Oak Grove**

**March 30:** Easter Vigil at 7:00 PM

**March 31:** Sunrise Worship at 6:30 AM Followed by Breakfast then Sunday School at 9:15 AM; **Festival Worship for the Resurrection of Our Lord:** 10:30 AM

### **TREASURERS**

Our new Treasurers, Roxanne Patton and Roberta Recla are in the process of training. We say a big **THANK YOU** to David Doran for his service and dedication for the many years as our Church Treasurer.

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### **Carpet Cleaning**

**Tuesday, March 26 at 9:00 AM**

Preparations will be made to the sanctuary and all areas near the elevator (after Worship on Sunday) and then downstairs on Monday evening after Boy Scouts (social hall, narthex, and elevator annex). We would appreciate volunteers. **Thank you!**

# The Ministry of Presence

When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my father, and you are in me, and I am in you. John 14:20

The Holy Spirit lives within you. God goes everywhere you do. What a gift! We are never alone, we are always with God! This is the ministry of presence. It's no longer just you, it's the Lord and you everywhere you go in life. You bring God to everyone you meet. We are empowered to share God's Love to others by just being there when needed. When I am with you I am joyous because we share in the family of believers. You have that impact on me every time we meet.

Bear one another's burdens. Galatians 6:2

Bad things happen to people we know and love. When they do, we are called to give the ministry of presence. We will do so even when we are scared, and filled with doubt. In those times, we must be honest. We can't pretend that the situation is not tragic. We cannot deny or marginalize the pain that is occurring. We don't have to have the answer to why is this happening. We just have to be there. To tell people that God Loves them, and so do you. That you and God will walk with them through this pain. That you and God will never leave them. That you will go through this together.

He was a few years older than me. His wife and I grew-up together. He worked with my dad. I was their wedding photographer. I took their youngest son hunting, and got him his first buck. Our lives were interwoven over many years. He died instantly in a farming accident. His oldest son grievously injured. I was stunned. I froze. I didn't know what to say or do. I could not bring myself to visit the family. I knew that the family would be surrounded with caring and loving neighbors. I waited. And waited. I could think of nothing to do. I Prayed and I wept. Prayed and wept some more.

After a few days his son was released from the ICU to a regular hospital room. My knees were weak as I walked into the hospital. As I approached the room, my mind was a complete blank. I was not alone. God was with me. He would speak for me. I entered the room. I had known him his whole life. I could barely recognize his swollen features. Upon seeing me with his one visible eye, he began to cry. The power of the ministry of presence. My voice creaked out the words "we Love you, and are Praying for you. I just wanted you to know. I won't hug you." If you saw what I saw you would know why. He cried as I left him. It was enough just to be there.

Mutual friends who are also farmers asked me "what do we say to them at the funeral? I told them "don't say anything, just hug them and tell them you Love them." These farmers, Bev and I arrived just before the public viewing. We waited just inside the doors of the funeral home. As the family entered, we hugged each one, and told them we Loved them. I gave each of them the Lord's Blessing. It seemed to work on this shell-shocked family.

You don't have to have all the answers. You don't have to have any answers. You don't have to recite appropriate scripture passages. You don't have to do anything. Just be there. You and God just have to be there. That's the ministry of presence.

## NEWS AND NOTES

### THRIVENT GIFTS

Thrivent Financial members directing Choice Dollars to our church is *Todd Baney, Dennis DiOrio, Linda DiOrio, Darlis Dyer, Jack Dyer, Brenda Fischer-Dennehy, Irene Hinkle, and Sue Neitz.* We thank you for your generosity!

### GIFT

A gift was given to the Restoration Project in memory of *Beatrice Yeager* by Mary Elizabeth Payne.

### TRANSFER

Paul J. Dennehy has transferred his membership to Living Water Lutheran Church in Kilmarnock, Virginia, near his home. I'm sure we will see Paul occasionally when he comes to worship with his family. We extend our best wishes to Paul in his new church home.

### COUNCIL MINUTES

Council minutes from the February 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting will be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.



### SOUPER BOWL Report

Our Youth collected 60 food items and \$160.00 on February 3<sup>rd</sup> to help fight hunger. All donations go to the Danville/Riverside Area Food Bank  
*Thank you for your support!*

### GOGGY,PC Dates:

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

- **March 10: Trinity Oak Grove (6:00 PM)**
- **April 14: Pine Street (6:00 PM)**

GOGGY,PC is for anyone 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 11 years old, and up.

If any youth would like to attend and needs a ride, please call Pastor Keith at 951-2350.

### QUILTING

Quilting sessions will be on Wednesdays during Lent at 3:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. All skill levels welcome. We will be making quilts to send to Lutheran World Relief using retired drapes from the social hall. See Irene Hinkle or Brenda Fischer-Dennehy with questions.

### *Transformational Ministry*

**March 15 & 16**

**Here at Pine Street**

Friday 5:30 PM (supper included) to 9:00 PM and

Saturday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (lunch included)

We are also organizing a *Transformational Ministry Team* here at Pine Street. With the guidance of Beth Yenchko, Director of Evangelical Mission in our synod, we will be working with several congregations to "transform" ourselves into the future God is preparing for us. Our Council members are in the process of inviting others to join us – and I pray you

will say "yes, by the help of God" when asked. The next two years will be a process of celebrating where we've been and planning for where we're going – examining our gifts and talents, our ministries and possibilities, and listening for where God is speaking his Word of guidance and empowerment. You will be hearing a lot about this transformational process in the next months....so be excited with us and even offer yourself to be a part of it if you haven't already been asked!

### **SUPPORT SHERRY ACHEY'S**

### **TRANSPLANT FUND**

#### **Order Now**

Order forms have been distributed for Mom & Pop items with all proceeds going to the *Sherry Achey Lung Transplant Fund*. **All orders and money are due in by March 3rd** and items will be delivered on March 17. Items available are: Pierogies in potato & cheese, farmer cheese, sweet cabbage, jalapeno pepper, sauerkraut, and broccoli & cheese flavors. Also available are: Raviolis in beef, spinach & cheese, and cheese flavors; and also Haluski (shredded cabbage fried golden brown, fried onion, garlic, pepper and farfalle egg noodles). All items are \$6.00 (pierogies and raviolis are 12 to a package, Haluski is 24 oz.) There will be colored pictures of the items posted on the F.A.C.E. bulletin board in the social hall.

## **A STEWARDSHIP MINUTE**

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

*The preface meditation that was printed in the bulletin for our Ash Wednesday worship service is better than anything I could have written for a Lenten stewardship meditation. With Pastor's permission, I am presenting that same meditation here.*

### **Follow your treasure:**

Matthew 6:21, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also," can be read as if it says that we should put our treasure where our heart already is. As the faithful, we often operate on this level. So once we get involved in church, then we increase our pledge. Or if we suddenly, in our heart, become more interested in feeding the poor, then the pocketbook comes out and we give more to ELCA World Hunger.

However, Jesus' teaching on this point is precisely the opposite. Jesus says, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." So if you keep hoping your heart will be less attracted to material things or drawn deeper into a cause, then you need to start by putting your treasure where you want your heart to eventually wind up. Want to be more committed to your

church? Increase your giving. Want to be more involved in advocacy for refugees and immigrants? Then donate time or money to the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service. Want to be less worried about your home and less invested in it? Then sell it and buy a less expensive house.

This insight applies at every level, all the way down. It's a guarantee that if we buy a new iPad, our heart will be in that iPad. We protect and value the things we have spent money on. So Jesus invites us to reprioritize by first putting our money where we want our hearts to be.

At the same time, we do well to remember Jesus' warnings in Matthew 6:1-6, against practicing our piety so that others will notice (and he specifically mentions alms giving). Our heart will follow our treasure, but where we put each is between us and God. During this season of Lent, where is the Spirit prompting you to redirect your treasure so that your heart may begin its Lenten journey?

Humbly,  
**Bill**

## **GATEHOUSE**

**This month is Gatehouse month for the Love Offering Envelopes.** The Transitional Housing and Care Center of Columbia and Montour Counties provide the Gatehouse to address the basic needs of all God's people who are temporarily homeless in our community.

The Gatehouse, an outreach recipient of gifts from our church, is a three story high building surrounded by lovely grounds and situated on the southern boundary of the Danville State Hospital grounds.

They will provide coordinated support programs of education, counseling, and spiritual guidance with the goal of developing self-esteem, self-discipline and self-help.

If Gatehouse is one of the community projects you would like to support through our church, please use the special Love Envelope included in your envelope packet. Thank you so much for your much-needed support.

## **Pastoral Care:**

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.)*

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

(as of January 31, 2013)

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

Donations received in December: 0 from hoagie sales (No sale in Jan.)

\$320 from giving

\$320 total

Total on hand: \$ 4,787

Loan balance: \$48,210

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.

## DO NOT CALL

To register your phone numbers online for the Do Not Call Registry, go to <https://www.donotcall.gov/>

For those of you without a computer, call 1-888-382-1222 from the phone you wish to register.

**Your registration will not expire.** Telephone numbers placed on the National Do Not Call Registry will remain on it permanently due to the Do-Not-Call Improvement Act of 2007, which became law in February 2008. Read more about it at <http://www.ftc.gov/opa/2008/04/dncfyi.shtm>.

## FYI-DEADLINE DATES

- *Weekly bulletin* deadline is Wednesdays at 12:30 PM. Changes can be made before I leave the office Wednesday because I print first thing Thursday morning without checking emails, etc.
- *Newsletters* are always the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- *For Council meetings*, the week before the Council meeting is the best date to get information to me for the Council files. That's when I do the agenda for the Council meeting. If there are recommendations from the various ministries, I need to have them by that time.
- *Budget* deadline to recommend an increase or decrease in budgeted amounts to various ministries is September 30<sup>th</sup>. Anything before that date is appreciated by Bill Snover, who works up the budget spreadsheets.
- December 31<sup>st</sup> each year is the deadline to turn in *Year End Ministry Reports* for that year. These are the year-end reports that go into the Annual Report at the beginning of the next year.

I hope this information helps.

*Deb*

## ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES:

Time is running out to sign up for a Lutheran Marriage Encounter spring weekend. Only a couple of openings remain for the March 15-17 Weekend in State College; however, we do still have openings for the April 26-28 Weekend at the motel-style retreat center at the Lutheran Camp Sequanota. Couples tell us that when they enter this beautiful 400-acre wooded campground, a feeling of peace and serenity embraces them as they leave all the stresses of the world behind. NOW is the time to register for a Weekend to rekindle the romance and realize the full potential of your marriage with all the joy and beauty God intended. Sessions run from Friday night at 8 PM and end Sunday around 5 PM. 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. Two nights lodging and 5 meals for each of you are included. Registrations are also currently being taken for the **fall Weekends: September 13-15, 2013 at Olmsted Mansion and Retreat Center in Ludlow or October 11-13, 2013 at Mountain Laurel Resort in the Poconos. To sign up for a Weekend, simply go to the website:**

[www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://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](mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net).



## Upper Susquehanna Synod Giving Statement for Pine Street Lutheran Church

Regular Benevolence	\$2,997.00
Gettysburg Seminary	130.00
Camp Mt. Luther	140.00
Blankets	242.00
Domestic Disaster Response	35.00
Hurricane Sandy	100.00
<b>Total for 2012</b>	<b>\$3,979.00</b>

*Thank you to all of you for  
your Synod support!*

## GOOD SAMARITAN COLLECTION

The Good Samaritan Mission Center is having its annual Bath and More Giveaway on Saturday, April 6, 2013, from 9 AM until 12 noon. We are collecting shampoo, soap, towels, washcloths, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. Please drop any donations at the Mission Center on Ferry Street (across from Cole's). Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 AM until 4:30 PM. Deadline for donations is March 21st. Thank you for your generosity.

## HOAGIES

**The next Hoagie day will be  
March 7<sup>th</sup> with the deadline  
to order and pay by  
March 3.**

This month only we offer  
Tuna for \$5.

The cost is \$4.00 each with  
90% of the proceeds going  
toward our Restoration  
Project and 10% going to a  
charity or community project.

**Thank you for your support!**

## **GLScrip Order** **Deadline is** **March 10**

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](http://WWW.PINESTREETLUTHERAN.ORG)

## **Simply Giving**

### **Simply Giving—it works!**

We now have several members using the Simply Giving program to automatically make donations to the church by electronic funds transfer. In fact, about 20% of our monthly financial stewardship is coming from that method of giving.

It is simple to do, and very convenient. All you need to do is complete a request form, available in the church or in the office, attach a voided check, and specify how much you want to give each month and where you want it to go: general fund, debt reduction, or synod benevolence. You can choose any one, two, or all three choices. On a regularly recurring date that you specify, money will automatically transfer from your account to the church's account. This will free you from writing checks, and hunting for envelopes, and allow you to be faithful in

your stewardship, even when you are away. Also, don't worry about coming to church "empty handed". The ushers know that members donate through means other than the weekly offering plate, and will not judge you if you allow the plate to pass you by.

If you enroll, you will continue to receive envelopes in the mail. This will allow you, if you choose, to give additional money to our special offerings, such as the monthly *Love* Envelopes and our festival offerings such as Lent, Holy Week, and other special occasions.

Give a try, it works. And, it allows you to make a commitment of support and to honor that commitment. See Bill Snover or Gerard Tromp if you are interested.

## **THANK YOU**

We acknowledge and thank you for your generous donation of \$50.00 in January, 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 resident 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,

**Mary Ann Richards**  
Danville-Riverside Area  
Food Bank

To Pastor Keith & Church Family:

Words can never express my feelings right now for the card and gift that I received. It will be used for travel or overnight stay while I am going through this journey. I have a long road ahead of me only God knows for how long !

Thank you for your prayers also, they have helped me get this far and for the road ahead not knowing how many turns it may have. And if it is God's will for my journey to end here on earth, I am ready for that next journey also! I thank him every day for giving me another day on earth.

Thank You & God Bless you all.

*Sherry Achey*



*Bible Study*

*Thursdays at 1:30 PM*

*(Time may change occasionally.)*

## **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.



### ***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 vary from .65 to .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!)



## **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 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at Shiloh United Church of

Christ, 500 Bloom Street in Danville, and the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at St. Peter's Methodist Church in Riverside.

Volunteers are always welcome.



## **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 – Ian Tharp (Actually Feb. 29)
- 4 - Sharon Harner
- 5 - John Domanski; Dylan Tharp
- 6 – Jaren Diehl; Alexis Snover
- 7 - Jane Beagle (90); Sarah Hauck; Mary Ann Landi
- 11 - Hunter Beasley
- 12 - Geoffrey Lees; Roberta Recla; Rachel Tharp
- 13 - Ryan Park
- 15 - Dennis Leighow
- 16 - Samantha Koons; Pastor Pat Pittsnogle
- 17 - Piper Diehl
- 19 - Marie Adams (95); D. Jean Cope (86)
- 21 - Robert Beyer (91)
- 22 - Judith Adams; Martha Hack
- 24 - Heath Dyer
- 25 - June Livziey
- 28 - Karen Domanski
- 30 - Kathi Beiter

## **MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**

- 12 - Patricia and Marvin Fry (59)
- 20 - Rev. L. Keith and Rev. Patricia Pittsnogle (14)
- 29 - Sandra and Irvin Reibsome (55)



## Pine Street Prayer List March, 2013

Joan Livziey; Carl Rauch;  
Darlis Waulters; Sylvia  
Brogan; Sandy Fausey; Tom  
Beiter; Bev Faux; Lester Carr;  
Ray Fry; Bill Rohrbach; Kathy  
Thomas; Kathy Kreisher; Bonnie  
Reilly; Kate Humbert; Lena  
Wetzel; Donald Budmon; Mary  
Sudo; Julia Kucher; Mary West;  
Martha Knight; Mary Jane  
Mordan; Shirley Hawley; Kim  
Azigian; Dave Burns; Agnes  
Oyster; 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; 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; Walt Rupert;  
Sharon Arndt.

### **HOMEBOUND AND SPECIAL PRAYER LIST:**

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

### **SPECIAL MILITARY LIST:**

Emmitt Thomas; Sgt. Levi  
Gearhart; Sgt. 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 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)).



## 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](http://www.elca.org/fo).



## ADVERTISING

Mary Ann Landi handles church advertising. Some 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!





## SPONSORS

There are **Bulletin openings** for March 3, 10, 17, 28, 29, 30, and 31. There is a **Flower opening** for March 31. We have a **Communion Bread opening** for the month of June. All months for the Sanctuary Candle are full. Thank you.

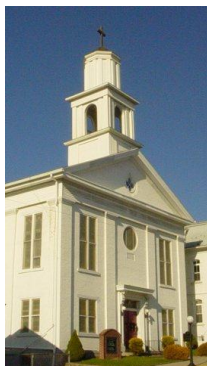
- \$20.00 per week for **Bulletins**;
- \$35.00 per week for **Flowers**;
- \$14.00 per month for the **Sanctuary Candle**.

**Please sign up** on the sheets on the bulletin board in the narthex. You can pay any time up to the date of your choice. Just use a blue pew envelope and mark what it is for and put it in the plate, you can mail it, drop it in the mail slot in the office door, or you can add it to your regular envelope and put it in the plate or mail—just be sure to write on what it is for on the envelope. Thank you!

## SCOUTING

Our Church sponsors:

- ▲ A Brownie Girl Scout Troop #600398 that meets every other Thursday 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. Leader is Jenn Warner. Questions, see Caz Morgan.
- ▲ Boy Scout Troop #47 meets every Monday at 7:00 P.M. John Conrad is the leader. For more information call 275-7776.



## 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 (3<sup>rd</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-Coordiators (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 & Pastor Keith (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday @ 11:00 AM)

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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, President

Nancy A. Leighow, Council

Secretary

Nancy K. Leighow

William Snover

Gerard Tromp, Vice-President

Terri Wydra

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## Fellowship Menus

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

**You may bring any food gift of your  
choice. Thank you!**

### MARCH

Mar. 3: Ham & Potato Casseroles;  
Tossed Salads

Mar. 10: Covered Dish

Mar. 17: Sandwich Fixings & Veggie  
& Dip Platters

Mar. 24: Hot Dogs, Rolls & Baked  
Beans

March 31: Easter Breakfast leftovers  
for anyone that wants to stay  
for fellowship after the 10:30  
AM Worship

### APRIL

Apr. 7: Taco Fixings; Baked Corn

Apr. 14: Covered Dish

Apr. 21: Macaroni & Cheese; Tossed  
Salads

Apr. 28: Baked Potato Bar

***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:**

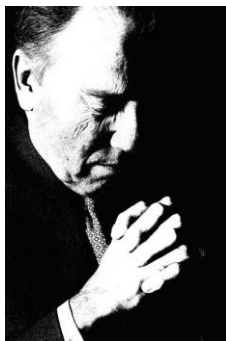
- ☺ Dessert plates (paper or Styrofoam)
- ☺ Coffee cups (Styrofoam)

- ☺ 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

## Newsletter Deadline

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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



**Read Romans 12  
& Pray Daily**

### ELECTION DATES FOR 2013:

**May 21  
November 5**

It would be appreciated if people do not go into or through the social hall the morning before until the morning after election dates as there are voting machines set up in the room.

Thank you for your cooperation!



### Spring Workday-May 4

Saturday, May 4, 2013 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please bring supplies to do cleaning, mulching, raking, and light construction projects such as step ladders, buckets, rakes, etc. A light lunch will be served. **RSVP by April 29** if staying for lunch.

*This event is also coinciding with the formation of the Upper Susquehanna Synod's Sawdust Ministry.*



### *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.



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

*Come Grow  
With US at Pine  
Street Lutheran*



### GOOD SAMARITAN

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



*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!

## W/ELCA Highlights

### MARCH QUARTERLY

On March 5<sup>th</sup> the Women will have their Quarterly meeting at 1:30 PM in the social hall. The speaker will be Sabrina Finn from The Women's Center.

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

### LENTEN BREAKFAST

The Women's Lenten Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 23 in the social hall of the church. Terry Deiner will be speaking about Danville in the Civil War in uniform. Anyone from the congregation that is interested is welcome to attend. Please let Sue Baylor ([sueb123@ptd.net](mailto:sueb123@ptd.net) or 479-4766) know if you will be attending so they know how much food to prepare.

### APRIL CIRCLES

The Women's Circles will meet on Tuesday, April 2.

- Ruth at 11:30 AM at Muffin Man
- Martha at 6:00 PM at Chef Willie's. Sue Baylor has the lesson.

### Coming Up:

- ✓ 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]

### 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.



## The Thank You Corner

### A Special Thank You To:

**Richard Baylor, Jacob Nelson, and Eric Nelson** – for snow shoveling.

### Lyme Disease Support Group

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

### 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



### 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*

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!



*May the Peace of Our Lord be with you Always.  
 Happy Easter!*