

# *The Parish Press*

OF

## PINE STREET EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

**AUGUST 24**  
DURING WORSHIP



Bring your backpacks (or other school/work related items) for Pastor Keith to do a Special Blessing to start off the new school year.

*(Teachers and college students are welcome to bring items also.)*

### ANNUAL

## Ice Cream CHURCH FESTIVAL

**Saturday, August 9**  
**9 AM-2 PM**

We will have homemade Ice Cream, being made on August 5 beginning at 10:00 AM, see Bill or Jeannie Snover to help. Enjoy the various flavors!

There will be plenty of homemade soups, sandwiches, baked goods and beverages available to eat in or take out.

There will also be a Yard Sale, so please bring in your treasures during office hours. (Mon-Thu 9-1)

**COME JOIN THE FUN!**

You are Invited to see a

**MAGICIAN**

and a

**PIZZA PARTY**

**Friday, August 8**

**6:00 - 8:30 PM**

**Pizza Party follows the  
Magic of Brent Kessler**

**At**

**Christ Lutheran in Milton**

Enjoy the Magic program and  
fellowship with our brothers and sisters at  
Christ Lutheran Church in Milton.  
(Appropriate for all ages.)

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August and September Schedules  
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**The office will be closed on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>  
in observance of Labor Day.**

## NEWS AND NOTES

### SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of:

- + Joan (Joanie) C. Greely, daughter-in-law of Joan Greely, who died June 27, 2014.
- + Evelyn M. Carr, grandmother of Brad Carr, who died June 28, 2014.
- + Laura R. Knouse, sister of Donald Swank, who died on July 4, 2014.
- + Rosalie R. Metzger, sister of Nelenia Swank, who died July 4, 2014.
- + James Vincent, brother of Emily Curry, who died July 9, 2014.

### MEMORIALS

A Gift to our Memorial Fund in memory of *Lena Wetzel* have been given by:

- Elizabeth and Richard Baylor
- Sandra McCarty
- Darlis and Jack Dyer
- Rickie and Karen Smith
- Gisela Reedy
- Nancy and Rae Leighow

A Gift to our Memorial Fund in memory of *Robert Beyer* has been given by:

- Ellison Carey

Gifts to our Memorial Fund in memory of *Arlene Hack* have been given by:

- Elizabeth and Richard Baylor
- Sandra McCarty

### BIRTH

A son, Seth Danny Anderson Gable was born June 18, 2014 to Brenna (Wray) and Danny Gable. Great-grandmother is Eleanor Wray.

### NEW MEMBERS

Brenda (Binder) Gregorowitz and her mother, Lorene Binder, were taken into membership by Affirmation of Faith on Sunday, July 20, 2014.

We welcome Brenda and Lorene, who were former members of Pine Street, back into our church family.

### COUNCIL MINUTES

June 17, 2014 Council Minutes approved by Council at the July 15 meeting:

**Hospitality:** There has been no decision reached re: participation in the September Arts and Crafts festival.

**Property:** The refrigerator keys will be kept in the kitchen with the other kitchen keys. PPL will pick up the old refrigerators and pay us the trade in reward. The ceiling lights along the front of the church will be fixed by Mike McCarty. The approximate cost of \$1,800 will be paid for by the W/ELCA and a designated memorial contribution. The PA Dept. of Labor and Industry notified us of a deficiency regarding a fire warning sign for the 1-L elevator entrance. Nan has contacted L&I (Dept. of Labor & Industry) and Port Elevator and the sign will be installed by Port Elevator. This is not a critical issue, but a deficiency that is being corrected.

**Finance:** Treasurers want all committees and Ministries to remember that all requests for reimbursement or bill payment must be submitted on a **Purchase Order** form, with receipts or other documentation or explanation of the purpose of the request attached. Deb will be asked to keep a supply of Purchase Order forms readily available to those that need them.

**FACE:** Transformational Ministry presented its first draft of a **Guiding Principles** statement before worship on 6/8. Feedback is being received and the statement is being refined. This will be used to expand upon our Mission Statement.

**Neighbor's fence:** Lois Reabuck has notified us that her fence project

(approved last month) must be put on hold until she has a new roof put on her house. She is asking for permission to have a dumpster placed on our lawn at her patio line to collect the debris from the roof. This should only take a few days. Council approved this request. A letter will be sent to Lois with the additional caution that there is a sewer line where the dumpster will be placed and that her contractor will need to take precautions to protect that line.

**Hoagie Sales beneficiaries:** It was requested to consider adding our church sponsored Boy Scout and Cub Scout groups to the list of community organizations that benefit from our ongoing hoagie sales. This recommendation was accepted enthusiastically by Nan Leighow, coordinator of the hoagie sales.

The followings is a DRAFT of recent Council meeting of July 15, 2014. *These minutes won't be officially approved until the September Council Meeting.*

**Treasurers-**made note that year-to-date we are behind in attendance and giving.

**Hospitality-**(Alf Bashore and Mary Ann Landi) have decided they will coordinate the comfort station at this year's Fall Arts and Crafts Festival. The Boy Scout troop will be asked to participate.

**Finance-**an internal audit is being organized. Members who are to be reimbursed are reminded to fill out a Purchase Order (in the black rack next to the treasurer's folder in the office).

**Caring-**Stephen's Ministry, Transformation Ministry and home communions are all going well with more Stephen's Ministry classes to come. Jubilee Kitchen will be September 20.

**Pastor's Report-**VBS went very well. We are looking forward to continuing our relationship with Trinity Lutheran, Danville, whose new pastor, Rev. Trevor Hahn, will begin on August 1.

**Request-**A request has been approved for a May 2015 wedding to be held at our church due to location and size of their church.

**Festival Proceeds-**will be divided 50/50 to Restoration and Danville Area School Districts Helping

Hands program. Members of our church will be asked to contribute or solicit gift baskets for the Festival's Chinese auction.

**Pictorial Directory**-Darlis Dyer will begin the process of a new directory in the spring of 2015. Trinity Oak Grove will be asked to join us for a joint directory, with separate sections for each church.



Please use this month's  
**Love Offering Envelope**  
to support our  
**Hospitality Ministry.**

**Hospitality is a command  
from God. (Romans 12:13b)**

From the doors of the  
church being unlocked  
when we arrive for services  
to the lights being on, to the  
coffee we drink, the food we  
eat, the Love we share,  
the Prayers we say,  
are Hospitality.

*Hospitality is Love.*

Love is what we do here at  
Pine Street.

## **THOMAS BEAVER LIBRARY NEWS**

The Friends Book Nook is a used book store in the basement of the library. People can bring gently-used book donations to a drop off area inside the library. All sales support the library.

The Book store is open on Thursdays, from 11am – 4 pm. They are looking for more volunteers to staff it. If interested, call Randi at 570-437-9001, leave a message.

## **STEPHEN MINISTERS**

Stephen Ministers Are Care-Givers, God Is the Cure-Giver  
The role of Stephen Ministers is to give care. They listen, empathize, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support on a weekly basis to hurting people for as long as the need persists. God works in and through them to bring hope and healing. If you are feeling lonely, experiencing a crisis, struggling through a difficult time, or simply stressed by everyday life, talk with one of our Stephen Leaders, Ryan Versluis to learn more about Stephen Ministry. Our Stephen Ministers are in training and will soon be ready to care for you shortly!

## **A STEWARDSHIP MINUTE**

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

### **THE PARADOX OF GENEROSITY**

*"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:6)*

Many of us labor under the mistaken belief that success makes us happy and allows us to be generous. In fact, the opposite is true. Generosity makes us happy, and happy people are more likely to be successful. The world tries to trick us into believing that we don't have enough money, time, love or security, and that we need to look out for ourselves first. Jesus taught us just the opposite, and that is the basis of Paul's exhortation to the Philippians. With practice, we can learn to be more trusting and generous. And, as we practice generosity of our time, talent, ability and treasure,

we'll move with more confidence and happiness in life as we put our trust in God.

With happiness and gratitude,  
**Bill**

## **THRIVENT CHOICE**

People directing funds through the Thrivent Choice program are *Jack Dyer, Denny DiOrio, Todd Baney, Audress Hinkle, Irene Hinkle, Ralph Hinkle and Sue Neitz.* We thank you for directing these funds to our church.

## **TEDDY BEAR PICNIC**

Congregations are once again dressing stuffed bears to collect funds for an emergency fund for seminarians of the Upper Susquehanna Synod. Since so many congregations already help local food banks it was thought this would be a good place for our funds. Following a picnic on August 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM at Washingtonville Lutheran Church the bears will be given to the Ronald McDonald House in Danville.



At the recent Upper Susquehanna Assembly we heard a report about the cost of preparing Pastors and lay Leaders. Seminarians often graduate with thousands of dollars of debt which cannot easily be support on a pastor's Salary. Sometimes during seminary emergency expenses arise (car repair, medical expense) which are just not in the budget. The emergency fund will permit students of our

synod to have an additional resource to meet the needs.

The Teddy Bear Project is a win for the seminarians and a win for the Ronald McDonalds house.

### **USS DAY AT KNOEBEL'S September 14, 2014:**

The Upper Susquehanna Synod invites our congregation to gather for fellowship on Sunday, September 14, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., for Upper Susquehanna Synod Day at Knoebel's Grove. A designated pavilion will mark the meeting/gathering place for all who wish to meet during the afternoon, concluding with a vespers service at the pavilion. More information coming soon!

### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The Gate House, the Transitional Housing and Care Center for Montour and Columbia Counties, will be hold its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 16 at the Links Golf Course in Buckhorn. Money raised from this event will help the facility to continue its mission which is to provide shelter and services as a gateway to independence for our homeless families and individuals. The cost is \$65/golfer and includes a cart, pastries and coffee, a hot dog, soda drink and greens fees. The shot gun start 4 person scramble begins at 9:00 AM. There will also be sandwich fixin's for those who wish after the tournament. There will be many prizes including a Chevrolet car if you get a hole in one on hole 10! For more information call Cindy Walzer (570-594-6385) or the Gate House (570-275-6766).

### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 - Megan Fitzpatrick
  - 2 - Eleanor Ann Hummer;  
Troy Patterson; Allen Snyder
  - 4 - Allison Jordan
  - 5 - Vicki Baker; Judith Rogowsky; William Snover
  - 6 - Thomas James, Jr.;  
Sandra Reibsome
  - 8 - Thomas Herrington
  - 9 - Amy Adams; Eleanor Wray (92)
  - 12 - Nelen Swank (92)
  - 15 - Patricia Fry; Marin Leighow
  - 18 - James O'Brien
  - 19 - Gerard Tromp
  - 22 - Tyler Patterson
  - 23 - Michelle Brady; Clara Hauck
  - 26 - Samantha Eyer
  - 27 - Jamison Diehl
  - 28 - Lillian Stahl; Matthew Sticklin
  - 31 - Brenda Gregorowitz
- (Did you all notice that Eleanor Wray is 3 days older than Nellie Swank?)*

### **AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 - Nicole and Caz Morgan
- 5 - Luahan and Thomas Herrington
- 13 - Mary and Arthur Sticklin
- 18 - Cecily and Jeremy VanVaerenewyck Tharp
- 24 - Mary Jane and William Snyder
- 25 - Brenda and Michael Dennehy
- 31 - Lin and Denny DiOrio

### **HYMN SING**

There is a Hymn Sing the last Sunday of each month at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 305 Pine Street, Danville from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.



### **Pine Street Prayer List August, 2014**

#### **CONGREGATION MEMBERS:**

Pastor Keith; Eleanor Wray; Pat Diehl; Pauline Nedrow; Jennifer O'Brien; Clara Hauck; Patti Yeager; Carl Rice; Burtell Metzger; Nikki Morgan; Sherry Achey; Carl Rice, Jr.; Ann Marie Binder; Melissa Thomas; and Art Sticklin.

#### **FRIENDS OF CONGREGATION MEMBERS:**

Bill Beitz; Ralph Reedy; Sylvia Morgan; Bob Knight; Dave Billman; Gary Loss; Raymond Neitz; Neina Brady; Elroy Neitz; Margaret Tanner; Emily Stookey; Cathi Flanagan; Timothy Newswanger; Charlie Meginley; Pastor Robert Loughborough; Joseph O'Brien; Danny S. Fisher; Nancy Curry; Jody Raup; Tracy Diltz; Kathryn DiOrio; Kathy Diehl; Ronald Fisher; Carla Wetzel; John Beyer; Mark Pontiac; Sandy Fausey; Abby Thomas; Rhonda Brouse; Todd Livziey; Cindy Gearhart; Phyllis Young; Rod Vincent; Edward Reilly; Nathan Lubeski; K.M.L.; Joan Livziey; Bev Faux; Bill Rohrbach; Bonnie Reilly; Julia Kucher; Martha Knight; Joyce Dawson; Spencer Vincent; Keith Buchhalter; Audrey O'Brien, Autumn Kern, Barry Balonek; and Walt Rupert.

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

Charles and Nancy McWilliams; Marvin Fry; Nelen and Donald Swank; Pauline Mackert; Ken Oberdorf; Lillian Stahl; D. Jean Cope; Mildred and Paul Gemberling; and Jane Beagle.

#### **SPECIAL MILITARY LIST:**

Johnathan Babb; Nate Hughes; Nicole and Alejandro Hernandez; Dillon Donahoe; Olivia Ward; Emmitt Thomas; Sgt. Levi Gearhart; Sgt. David Gregory; 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; 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. Mon-Thur. 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)).

## Newsletter Deadline

The Deadline for the next edition of the Newsletter is **AUGUST 15 for the SEPTEMBER, 2014 Newsletter**. All articles submitted are subject to editing; typewritten or e-mailed articles are especially appreciated. It may be necessary to hold articles submitted after the deadline date until the next month.

### TRANSFORMATIONAL MINISTRY

#### Our Purpose Statement:

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

#### Guiding principles:

1. We pray daily for guidance and discernment of God's will for us.
2. With guidance from the Holy Spirit, we study the Bible and proclaim the Good News in our church, community and world.
3. Trusting God, we serve all people following the example of Jesus.
4. We gather as one body in Christ to proclaim our faith, glorify God, and be filled with God's Holy Spirit.



#### CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

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

**Camp Mt. Luther is online at [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org)**

### ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES:

Time is running out to sign up for your fall Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend. Reserve your spot NOW to make your marriage a more romantic, intimate, joy-filled relationship! Weekends run from 8 PM on Friday to Sunday around 4 PM, and you can sign up by filling out the form and paying a \$45 per couple registration fee. Toward the end of the weekend, you will then be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you choose toward continuation of the program. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included. The **September 12-14** Weekend at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA (located in the Poconos, an hour north of Allentown) is just about to go on wait-list status, so act quickly if you wish to attend this Weekend. There are still openings for the **September 26-28** Weekend at the Olmsted Retreat Center in Ludlow, PA--a lovely, hotel-style retreat center perched on a hillside in the Allegheny National Forest, an hour north of DuBois. To sign up for a Weekend, simply

go to the website:

[www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org), fill out the form, and pay the registration fee with a credit card, or select the option to mail a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact PA Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at: [fjschamber@comcast.net](mailto:fjschamber@comcast.net) or 724-325-3166.

## 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.

**August: Peanut Butter & Saltines**

Place food donations in the basket in the narthex. To make a monetary donation, please 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 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.

## THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the East Central Division staff and volunteers of the American Cancer Society, I graciously thank you for your continued contributions. Your most recent gift of \$1013.50 through Relay for Life makes you a member of *The Society*, an elite group of the American Cancer

Society's most dedicated supporters.

Together, we are saving lives and creating a world with more birthday's – where cancer never steals another year from anyone's life. Every day, we're helping people stay well with preventions and early detection information, helping people get well by guiding them through every step of the cancer experience. Finding cures and better treatments by funding and conducting research, and fighting back by working with lawmakers to pass laws to defeat cancer.

To learn how we're saving lives from cancer, how you can get involved or how we can help you, call 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org anything, day or night. Thank you again for your ongoing commitment.

Sincerely,  
**Michael Neal**  
Executive Vice President, ARC

The comfort we have received from our church family has been heartwarming. Although her church membership was at Himmel's Lutheran Church in Rebuck, she felt blessed with her church family at Pine Street Lutheran.

At the age of 89 she had a life well-lived and well-loved a life that will be deeply missed.

Peace and Blessing,  
**Tom and Mary Ann Landi**  
**Michelle & Brian Brady**  
**Kelly & Steve Forney**

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent generous donation of \$197.00 to the Transitional Housing and Care

## Financial Status of the Restoration Project:

(as of June 30, 2014)

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

Donations received in June \$ 337 from hoagie sales  
345 from giving  
\$ 682 total

Total on hand: \$ 5,802

Loan balance: \$33,754

center of Columbia and Montour Counties.

Your commitment to helping the homeless individuals and families in our community weather the crises in their lives is appreciated by those who help them and, most importantly, by those who benefit from our services.

Sincerely,  
**Thomas M. Dougher, Jr.**  
Executive Director  
The Gate House

We acknowledge and thank you for your generous donation of \$287.36 received June 2014 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

### GOGGY,PC

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

GOGGY,PC is on hiatus for the summer. When September comes around it is for anyone 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 11 years old, and up. Any questions, please see Pastor Keith.

## Fellowship Menus

### AUGUST

Aug. 3: Crock Pot Surprise & Fruit  
Aug. 10: Covered Dish  
Aug. 17: Baked Chicken & Sides  
Aug. 24: Taco Fixings & Baked Corn  
Aug. 31: Baked Potato Bar

### *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. The Church and pavilion are at the crossroads 4-way stop.

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## 2014 COUNCIL MEMBERS

**Pastor: L. Keith Pittsnogle**

*Co-Treasurers:*

Roxanne Patton & Roberta Recla

Richard Baylor  
Darlis Dyer  
Samuel Harrison  
Thomas Herrington, *Vice President*  
Nancy K. Leighow  
William Snover, *Secretary*  
Gerard Tromp, *President*  
Ryan Versluis  
Joanne Williams

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## HOAGIES

**The next Hoagie making day  
will be August 7 with the  
deadline to order and pay by  
August 3.**

The cost is \$4 for regular; \$5 for Tuna (90% of the proceeds goes to our Restoration Project and 10% goes to a charity or community project).

*Thank you to all who purchase, take orders, and deliver hoagies!!!*



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### SPONSORS

- Bulletin sponsors are needed for August 17.
- Flower sponsors are filled until November.
- Communion Bread sponsors are needed for August, October and December.
- The Sanctuary Candle is full. Thank you sponsors!



Please sign up to sponsor these important items for our Sunday Worship services. Thank you!

- \$20.00 per week for **Bulletins**;
- \$36.00 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!

## GLScrip Gift Card

### Order Deadline is AUG. 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. Weis and Giant are now only available through GLScrip.

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

PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR WEBSITE! CHECK IT OUT AT [WWW.PINESTREETLUTHERAN.ORG](http://WWW.PINESTREETLUTHERAN.ORG)



## W/ELCA

### Calendar of Events

- ✓ August 2: USSWO Convention [Camp Mt. Luther]
- ✓ September 2: Quarterly (SH) 1:30 PM
- ✓ September 13: Women's Retreat [Mt. Luther] \$18.50; registration deadline is September 5; 9:45 am to 2:30 pm. Evergreen Ctr. At Cp. Mt. Luther. Registration forms may be found on Camp Mt. Luther's website at [cml@campmountluther.org](mailto:cml@campmountluther.org).
- ✓ October 5: Blanket Sunday
- ✓ October 12: Fall Cluster Gathering [Grace, Berwick] 2:00 PM
- ✓ October 18: Peach Pole Service [Synod Office]; Program: Women in Transition
- ✓ December 6: Quarterly [Charlotte's Tea Room, 410 Sunbury Rd., Riverside] 2:00 PM; \$20 advance reservations by Nov. 23. House and restrooms are handicapped accessible; all are welcome—contact Sue Baylor or Mary Ann Landi for reservations.
- ✓ February 28, 2015: Day of Renewal [Messiah, South Williamsport]; Registration 9:30 AM
- ✓ April 18, 2015: Day of Learning [St. Stephen's, Licking Creek Valley]

## WEBSITE

[www.pinestreetlutheran.org](http://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!

### Available for Pick-up

...on the table in the narthex.

#### The most recent copies of:

- Upper Susquehanna Synod Currents.
  - Camp Mt. Luther Camel Tracks.
  - Christ in Our Home Devotional Booklets small and large editions
  - Spark Family-Splash in God's Word magazine
  - The Lutheran Magazine—selected issues
- They are free while supplies last—take one for your family.

If more copies of USS Ark, Currents or Camel Tracks are needed, please ask Deb.



## PARTNERSHIP OF SAINTS

These are activities sponsored by one or more of the four churches (Christ, Pine Street, Trinity Oak Grove and Grace Lutheran) under the pastoral care of Pastors Pat and Keith Pittsnogle.

*All are welcome to attend any of these activities.*

- **August 8:** The Magic of Brent Kessler 6:00 PM-8:30 PM; pizza party follows. (Appropriate for all ages.) [Christ, Milton]
- **August 9:** Our Ice Cream Festival-Yard & Bake Sale and homemade Soups, Sandwiches and Ice Cream. 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

**Good Samaritan Mission Center**  
275-2500

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday  
9 AM-4:30 PM

## 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.

## The Thank You Corner

- ♦ **Bill Oeiser and Bill Snyder**—Mr. Oeiser for the supplies and repairing the broken front porch on the Luther House and to Bill Snyder for helping him.
- ♦ **Chris Linn**—for weeding and caring for God's Vegetable Garden.
- ♦ **Nan Leighow**—for cleaning, spackling and painting the front porches of the Luther House.
- ♦ **Janna Ward & Jeannie Snover**—for helping trim and weed the roses in the Gazebo area.

## SUMMERTIME

The lazy days of summer are upon us. Take time to enjoy the little things in life: friendships, a blue sky, listening to the rain, watching a thunderstorm with its magnificent energy, spending the day watching your children or grandchildren learn something new or feeling the love of God in your heart when singing a beautiful hymn in church. These little things are passing us by with the busyness of life and we are missing them. Life is too short to think you have to have the best car, the biggest house, or the most money to make you happy. Things that can make us happy just need to be the simplest things in life.

So, enjoy your summer and enjoy the simple things that bring happiness.

### *Extend a Helping Hand*



#### PITCH IN, STEP UP AND FIND OUT WHAT HAS TO BE DONE

**We are one large family—church family, that is. We have to work together as a family to make our home and Worship run smoothly.**

You can attend Worship weekly; Volunteer as a Worship server if you don't already do so; Join a church ministry; Visit Shut-ins; Attend Bible Study; Be a Sunday School Teacher or Helper, Help or donate to Fellowship Hour; Help clean up after Fellowship; catalog the Library; Join the Choirs; Help with events and activities.  
Thank you!

*Just call Deb at the office and she will help you.*

- **ATTEND worship weekly.** When you are attentive at worship your spiritual life is more fulfilled!
- **Each person (if you don't already do so) should volunteer for AT**

**LEAST ONE area as a worship server.** Be a lector, usher, communion helper, greeter, flower care, altar care, assisting minister, etc.

- **JOIN at least one of our church ministries** (Administration, Caring, Finance, Worship & Music, Hospitality, etc.).
- **VISIT shut-ins.** This only requires the ability to listen and your responsiveness to needs expressed. Requires about 30-45 minutes per visit. Can be done any day of the week.
- **ATTEND Bible study**
- **Be a Sunday School TEACHER and/or HELPER.** We should have two people and an alternate for each class. You do not need to be an expert on the Bible to teach Sunday school.
- **Book Club coordinator** - 9.5
- **HELP with fellowship hour or donate to it.**
- **OFFER to stay and help clean up after fellowship.**
- **HELP with funeral luncheons, festival, dinners, bazaars, etc.**
- **OFFER to train as back-up for our financial secretary.**
- **HELP with special cleaning or beautification projects.** (we can identify or the person can choose their own)
- **JOIN the choir.** (if you like to sing!) or the **Bell choir** (even if you can't sing)
- **CLEAN UP debris** between and around the buildings weekly.
- **CATALOG items in the library and keep it organized.**
- **RESEARCH past historical events** in the church and **record** them in the church registry.

#### PLEASE DON'T WAIT TO BE ASKED JUST PITCH IN!!



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## Gathering!

**July 15-19 in Detroit, Michigan**  
Theme: *Rise Up Together.*  
Multicultural Youth Leadership Event and  
Definitely-Abled Youth Leadership  
Event: July 12-15.