

Grove Elders are asking each of our parishioners to please include in your prayers in the days ahead the following: the Pastor Nominating Committee - for help, guidance, and direction; and the Session - to bring wisdom and understanding in our transition as we prepare for our new chapter in Grove Church.

**Calendar of Church Events**

**Sun. Mar. 5:** Communion / Ingathering Offerings / 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent

- 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Church School & Confirmands
- 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 10:15 AM Worship
- 11:15 AM BSA Troop 39 Spaghetti Luncheon Fundraiser
- 11:15 AM Worship and Music Committee



**Mon. Mar. 6:** 8:30 – 10 AM Tutoring - GR

- 6:00 PM Committees
- 6:45 PM Session Elders
- 6:45 PM Deacons – KH

**Tues. Mar. 7:** 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – GR

- 10:45 AM Office Staff Meeting - KH
- 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir

**Wed. Mar. 8:** 11:00 AM DRAMA

- 1:30 PM Lenten Tea - Mooresburg Presbyterian
- 4:00 PM Walk into Spring
- 5:00 PM Kindermusik A / 5:45 Kindermusik B
- 6:30 PM Youth & Jr. Choirs
- 6:30 PM Cherub Choir
- 6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Kerygma

**Thurs. Mar. 9:** PW - Muffin Man

- 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – FH

**Fri. Mar 10:** 8:30 AM Tutoring Class – GR

- 2:30 PM - 7 PM Viola/Violin Lessons – GR

**Sat. Mar 11:** 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM Mary K Party – FH

- 7:30 PM SVC Voices of Light – Campus Theatre Lewisburg

**Sun. Mar. 12:** **Begin Daylight Saving Time** **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

- 9:00 AM Mission Sunday – FH & Kit
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School & Confirmands
- 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 10:15 AM Worship – Adult Bells
- 2:00 PM SVC Voices of Light – Campus Theatre Lewisburg
- 7:00 PM Book Club – Location TBA



**2017 CHURCH DATA**

| MONTH TO DATE           | AMT.          | YEAR TO DATE   | AMT.           |
|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Feb. Budget Needed      | \$ 27,627.00  | 2017 Budget    | \$320,000.00   |
| Feb. Offerings Received | \$ 19,794.00  | 2017 Offerings | \$ 35,897.57   |
| Feb. Balance Needed =   | (\$ 7,833.00) | 2017 Balance = | (\$284,102.43) |

Attendance February 26: 10:15 AM = 96

March Budget Needed: \$28,410.00

We welcome guests to complete a Pew Card and place it in the offering plate.

If you are new in the area or are looking for a new place of worship and fellowship, we extend to you a warm welcome. For our first time guests we want you to have a special gift. On the windowsills you will find a mug. Please take one with our compliments. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee on us.

Fully handicapped accessible bathrooms, for both men and women, are located in the foyer of the courtyard entrance, which can be reached through the fellowship hall. The door to the fellowship hall is to the right of the pulpit. See ushers if you need assistance.

All persons are welcome to yield themselves to the Communion of the Lord's Supper, professing faith in Christ Jesus as Lord, devoting their lives to Christian discipleship, removing from their hearts any improper affection or lack of love towards their brothers and sisters in Christ.

Children are welcome to the table, provided they come with parental permission and an appreciation for the meaning of the Sacrament. Adults who are interested in Baptism and church membership are invited to talk with the pastor or any of the Elders. The communion elements consist of cubed bread, gluten free wafers, and regular grape juice.



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Donald MacFadyen, father of Shelley Nemeth; given by Jim and Shelley Nemeth.

Communion Elders scheduled for today are Cathy L. Sanders, Amanda E. Leicht, Mary Ellen M. Doll, Paul W. Kettlewell, and David C. Sanders.

Deacons for the month of March are Christian D. LaMotte and David C. Sanders. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.



**Scout Troop 39 Hosts Spaghetti Fundraiser - Today!**

Boy Scouts from Troop 39 will be hosting a spaghetti lunch immediately following worship. Spaghetti, meatballs, salad, and desserts will be served. Take outs available. Donations will be accepted to help fund the Scouts' trip to Philmont Scout Ranch in July, 2018.

Philmont Scout Ranch challenges Scouts with more than 214 square miles of rugged northern New Mexico wilderness. Backpacking treks, horseback cavalcades, and training and service programs offer young people many ways to experience this legendary country.



Help us continue to enjoy simple coffee hour fellowship after worship each Sunday by signing up to host. A sign-up sheet can be found hanging on the wall outside the church kitchen. Coffee hour will not take place on the days the sign-up sheet remains vacant. Please remember, **no nut products** due to allergies. Thank you.

*Thank you for your gifts for today's Food Bank Ingathering. The food bank is sponsored by all area churches and is an emergency supply of food for families in Riverside and Montour County.*

**Come Walk Into Spring:** All are welcome to join in for a nice walk each Wednesday. We gather in the church parking lot at 4:00 pm; feel free to bring along a friend or family member! You can call Mary Ellen Doll if you have any questions, 570-854-1286.

**Thursday - Presbyterian Women's Circle:** Will meet this **Thursday, March 9** at 9 AM at Muffin Man to discuss the topic of *Being Satisfied with Self* from Cynthia Heald's book, *Becoming a Woman Whose God is Enough*. We'll examine how we view ourselves in today's culture. Please join the discussion.

**Lenten Tea Schedule:** The Women's Federated Missionary Society will sponsor a series of Lenten Tea programs starting this **Wednesday, March 8th**. All programs are scheduled for Wednesdays at 1:30 PM. The schedule is as follows: March 8<sup>th</sup> @ Mooresburg Presbyterian (9 Church Drive, Danville) – program: **“World Day of Prayer”** featuring the Philippines. March 15<sup>th</sup> @ Pine Street Lutheran (407 Pine St., Danville) – program: **“Good Samaritan Mission”**. March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ Strawberry Ridge Trinity UCC (1 West Diehl Rd., Danville) – program: **“AGAPE”**. March 29<sup>th</sup> @ Grove Presbyterian Church (330 Bloom St., Danville) – program: **Camp Victory**. April 5<sup>th</sup> @ St. Joe's RCC (18 Center St., Danville) – program: **“Thomas Beaver Free Library”**. Should you have any questions – please contact Donna Kreisler 570-591-2518.



**2017 Flower Chart:** The Flower Chart for 2017 is located on the wall leading to the church kitchen. Please remember to put whom the flowers are in Memory of or in Honor of and by whom the flowers are given. 2017 pricing increased to **\$27.00 an arrangement** per florist. In order to ensure beautiful flowers each Sunday, please help by filling in upcoming dates - which are: **Apr. 16 & 30, May 7, May 14, and May 28.**

**Child Care During Worship:** Children are always welcome in worship, but we know sometimes other options are needed. Professional child care is provided by Sandy Lewis and Chelsey Stamey for children birth through age five starting at 9AM in the Infant/Toddler Room which is accessible through the door to the right of the pulpit, then left down the hall. Feel free to ask any usher/greeter for assistance. Worship bags are located on the giraffe coat rack in the front of the sanctuary and are available for children's use during the service and returned to the giraffe after the service.

**Tomorrow - Session Meeting:** The Session Committees, Board of Deacons, and Session will meet tomorrow, **Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 6:00 PM.

**Snacks Needed:** Young life is looking for snacks for the Hackey House. Non-perishable snacks are needed for the group to enjoy. A donation bin has been provided in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Beth Holmes with questions, 570-764-4062.

**Thank you!** To the Kupas family for the warm and wonderful hospitality that was enjoyed at the Chili Cook Off February 25, 2017. Thank you also to all who attended. It was a great evening of fun and fellowship. Our first runner up was Marlin and Jane Bradford, with the first place honors going to John and Julie Kennedy. And ladies, please note that the winning entries were prepared by Marlin and John!! We are already looking forward to next year. The fundraising this year was in support of “Heart to Hand Ministries” and “The Gate House”. Our total raised was \$525.00. Many thanks!

**Young Life:** As Young Life prepares to move into the Hackey House, there are a few things they are in need of to create the welcoming space they are envisioning. Curtains, TV mount, water bottles/drinks, candy, frozen food (pizza, bagel bites, chicken nuggets), large Young Life print photos, cool pictures or signs for walls, computer, space heater and board games. If you have any of these items around your home or would like to donate the funds to purchase something on this list – please contact Mike Hamme at 302-222-6674.

**Grove Book Club:** The selection for **Sun., March 12** is *“Women of the Silk: A Novel,”* by Gail Tsukiyama. We will gather at 7:00 PM, location TBA.

## EASTER LILY

Due to allergy issues, the sanctuary will not be decorated with live lilies this year. However, it is still possible to order a lily for yourself, for a loved one, or as a gift for a homebound friend. Please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, or send it to the church office with your check. **Cost is \$12.50 per lily.** Checks should be made out to Grove Presbyterian Church with **‘Easter Lily’ written in the memo.** Please return no later than **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Lilies will be delivered to the fellowship hall on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Please check a box below to indicate what you would like to be done with your Lily order. Thank you.

I will pick up my lily

I would like the lily to go to a homebound friend

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

# of lilies you wish to order: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$12.50 = \$\_\_\_\_\_



**BORN FOR THIS:** Experience the journey of Jesus to the cross as never before; visually, musically, spiritually, an event for the whole family. Grove Presbyterian Church will host *Born For This*, a musical presentation of the Passion of Jesus on **Sun., March 19 in the Church at 6 PM.** *Born For This* not only follows Jesus on His journey of love, but draws you into the journey and makes you a part of it. The performance includes overwhelmingly beautiful music written by Mike Stanley and Joann Boyce interwoven with dramatic and moving prose from Jude Martin. *Lift Your Spirits Performing Arts*, with its full band, chorus and actors, is the only group performing *Born For This* in the United States. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Youth under the age of 16 are free when accompanied by an adult. *Born For This* is a prayerful way to prepare for Holy Week and Easter and is perfect for families. Youth groups are welcome and encouraged to attend. All are invited for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following the performance. Tickets/info available: church office (570-275-0692) or Joy Christian (570-847-8659).

**Voices of Light:** The Susquehanna Valley Chorale will present Voices of Light this Saturday, March 11, at 7:30 pm and Sunday, March 12, at 2:00 pm at the Campus Theatre in Lewisburg. Voices of Light merges the legendary 1928 silent film masterpiece *The Passion of Joan of Arc* with the talents of the Susquehanna Valley Chorale, soloists and orchestra for a must-see event at the beautiful and historic Campus Theatre in Lewisburg. Voices of Light is a stunning evening of music and film. The critically acclaimed event has brought sold-out houses to their feet at the Avery Fisher Hall in New York's Lincoln Center; the Sydney Opera House, and in dozens of major concert halls across the world. It has been featured on CBS Sunday Morning, PRI's Performance Today and NPR's All Things Considered, and many more national publications. You are encouraged to call ahead at 570-547-0455 since there is limited seating in the Theater. Tickets are available online at [SVCmusic.org](http://SVCmusic.org) or by calling 570-547-0455. Parental guidance is suggested.

**share YOUR SOLES** **Shoe Drive:** Donate your shoes to the Danville High School through Elizabeth Henning. Help them raise funds for a July 2017 trip to Costa Rica by donating your gently used or new shoes (usable shoes). Any shoe type and any size are needed. Collected shoes are then shipped to countries in Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia, Africa, and Eastern Europe. Local small business entrepreneurs (i.e. micro-entrepreneurs) around the world purchase the shoes for pennies on the dollar. They are then sold to retail customers for a fraction of their original price in North America. A donation box will be in the fellowship hall until the end of March. Please see Elizabeth Henning should you have any questions. Thank you for your support.

**April Spire Articles:** Are due in the church office no later than Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, in order to make the daily item print deadline.

**Next Breakfast Group:** Will meet **Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>** at 8:30 AM at Ric-Mar Restaurant. Please contact Charles & Cynthia Dark, 570-284-4322.

# THERE IS A LONGING

**REFRAIN** (♩ = 76-80)

Melody

Keyboard

(a tempo)

*poco rall.* *a tempo*

*poco rall.* *Fine*

*poco rall.* *Fine*

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re-  
veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our  
hearts for love we on - ly find in you, our God.

Dm Gm C F Bb

Gm A A7 Dm Gm

C F Bb Gm A7 Dm (♩) Fine

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