

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.

Grove Presbyterian Church News

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Presbyterian Women's Circle: Please join our Presbyterian Women's Circle in the Fireplace Room at Muffin Man at 9 AM on April 6 to study *Taking Offense*. We'll study scripture to see what that means. Discussion will include how to trust the Lord during the hard times. For those who have the book *Becoming a Woman Whose God is Enough*, chapter 6 begins on page 79.

Saturday - Chicken & Waffle Dinner: Will be served family style on Saturday, March 25th, 4-7 PM at Pine St. Lutheran Church (407 Pine St., Danville). Eat in or Take-Outs available. \$9 Adults - \$5 children age 6-12.

Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. Mar. 19:** 3rd Sunday in Lent
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School & Confirmands
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 AM Worship – *Children's Choirs Sing*
 6:00 PM Passion Drama – *"Born For This"* at Grove
- Mon. Mar 20:** 1st Day of Spring!!
 8:30 AM Tutoring - GR
- Tues. Mar. 21:** 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – GR
 10:45 AM Office Staff Meeting - KH
 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir
- Wed. Mar. 22:** 1:30 PM Lenten Tea at Strawberry Ridge Trinity UCC
 5:00 PM Walk Fellowship Group
 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. 23:** 10:00 AM Southern Tier
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 - FH
- Fri. Mar. 24:** 2:30 PM Viola/Violin Lessons - GR
- Sat. Mar. 25:** 4-7 PM Chicken & Waffle Dinner – Pine St. Lutheran
- Sun. Mar. 26:** 4th Sunday in Lent
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School & Confirmands
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 AM Worship – *Visiting Preacher, The Rev. Penny Dollar*



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.



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the birthdays of Madison Knowles (March 17th) and Betty Godfrey (March 18th); given by Bill Godfrey.

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.



Please join us for Coffee Fellowship following the service. We thank the Nancy Tobin and Shelley Nemeth for hosting today. 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.

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.



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.

2017 CHURCH DATA

MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Mar. Budget Needed	\$ 28,410.00	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Mar. Offerings Received	\$ 10,233.00	2017 Offerings	\$ 46,130.57
Mar. Balance Needed =	(\$ 18,177.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$273,869.43)

Attendance March 12: 10:15 AM = 101

Holy Week Services: **Palm Sunday – April 9th:** 10:15 AM ❖ **Maundy Thursday – April 13th:** 7:00 PM (*Please note change in Time*) ❖ **Good Friday – April 14th:** Community Cross Walk leaving St. Joseph at 10:00 AM, Ending at Pine St. Lutheran ❖ **Easter Sunday – April 16th:** 6:00 AM Sunrise Service at Riverfront Park & 10:15 AM Worship Service at Grove.

Walking Fellowship at Grove – Time Change to 5 PM: All are welcome to join in for a nice walk each Wednesday. This coming Wednesday we will gather in the church parking lot at **5:00 pm** (please note change in time); feel free to bring along a friend or family member! You can call Mary Ellen Doll if you have any questions, 570-854-1286.

Weis cards: Are for sale "we all need to eat!" Denominations available: \$20, \$25, \$50, \$100- profits to benefit the Grove Youth Group Missions. Contact Donna Brua to purchase your cards at kdacjbrua@msn.com, 570-275-8937.

Palm Sunday Pot-Luck Luncheon: Come and enjoy a Palm Sunday Pot-Luck luncheon to be held following the 10:15 am service of worship on Sunday, April 9th. Please join us and bring a covered dish to share. Place settings and drinks will be provided

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.

Lenten Tea Schedule: The Women's Federated Missionary Society sponsors an annual series of Lenten Tea programs. All programs are scheduled for Wednesdays at 1:30 PM. The schedule is as follows: March 22nd @ Strawberry Ridge Trinity UCC (1 West Diehl Rd., Danville) – program: "**AGAPE**". March 29th @ Grove Presbyterian Church (330 Bloom St., Danville) – program: "**Camp Victory**". April 5th @ 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.

PW Women's Retreat – June 15-17: The Presbyterian Women's Retreat, is scheduled for June 15-17 at the Marriott Courtyard Convention Center in Altoona, PA. The theme is "**Created to Shine**". Come feel the warmth of God's love and wonder. More information and Registration Forms can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall and in the church office. Registrations must be received by May 8th. For questions, please contact Laura Smith at gonhpn@aol.com or Diane Kitts at 570-275-3467 or email dianekitts@gmail.com.

Rock the Camp 2017: Registration for Camp Krislund's Rock the Camp 2017, a service retreat for youth, opened Feb 1st. Come out for a time of worship, fun & games, and serving the Lord. The retreat will be held from 7 PM April 13th to 10 AM April 15th. Cost is \$40. Registration is due April 6th.

Camp Victory Needs You – Sunday, April 23rd: 12:00 Noon Grove youth AND adults/families are invited to a special "work day" at Camp Victory, in Millville, Sunday - April 23rd. This Church-Wide event will take on some important "spring-spruce-up" projects: rejuvenating flower beds, landscaping, painting park-benches, spreading mulch, raking leaves and tree-debris, cabin-cleanup, etc. AND - - we will have a great lunch in the Camp Dining hall, have a nice intro to all that occurs at Camp Victory and a tour of this very "Special Camp for Special Kids". This is a great opportunity to help with some important "Spring-cleaning" - - AND to learn a lot more about the wonderful things that happen every season, when 1600+ very special-needs children and youth spend time at this wonderful facility. Hope you can join us on Sunday, April 23rd, at noon. Please RSVP to the church office (570-275-0692) so that we can plan lunch and other accommodations. Carpooling will be available. We hope to see you all there.

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.

2017 Per Capita: The per capita apportionment for 2017 for churches in our Presbytery is **\$34.10** per member (including confirmands). Year ending 2016, Grove had a deficit amount of \$6,373.08 which = 189 unpaid members. Please send your per capita payment in to the church office or place in the offering plate. We hope to have all 2017 per capita payments in by July 1st.

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 2nd**. Lilies will be delivered to the fellowship hall on April 8th. 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 = \$ _____



Confirmands & Elders Dinner: Will take place at 6 PM, **Thursday, April 6th** at the Pine Barn Inn. Elders are asked to please contact the church office to confirm your attendance. Thank you.



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.

Ham Loaf Dinner: The Gate House Ham Loaf Dinner will be on Saturday, April 1, 4:00-7:00pm at Wesley United Methodist Church, 130 W. 3rd St., Bloomsburg. Please join us to raise much needed funds to support our homeless neighbors. Tickets are \$9.50 and include ham loaf with pineapple glaze, smashed herb potatoes, buttered green beans, cooked carrot chips, apple sauce, dinner roll, and homemade desserts. Take out or dine in meals are available. Please see Julie Kennedy (570-275-2287) or Dave Sanders (570-275-5851) for tickets or for more information.

Hymn Requests: Do you have a favorite hymn you have been longing to sing during Sunday Worship? You are invited to e-mail your hymn requests to the Grove Office (grovechurch@aol.com). We will keep a list and do our best to fit in beloved hymns in the upcoming months.

Traveling Day Camp at Grove: Camp Krislund's Traveling Day Camp comes to Grove Presbyterian Church again for the week of June 19, 2017. So mark your calendars now and plan vacations around this wonderful event. Campers ages kindergarten through eighth grade are needed as well as counselors. Cost this year is: \$50 /child; \$40 for the second child in a family, and \$30 for third and others in family. Registration forms can be obtained from the church office or in the narthex. All counselors must have their clearances. Help is needed with lunches and with assisting group leaders. Contact Lynne Pabst if you are able to help.

BORN FOR THIS – THIS EVENING: 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).

BORN FOR THIS

"crown of thorns on his head"
"cross of wood on his back"
"YOU on his mind"

A musical production detailing
the final
hours of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY, March 19, 2017

6:00 PM

**GROVE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

**330 Bloom Street
Danville, PA 17821**

The poster features a background image of a man with a crown of thorns, looking upwards. The text is overlaid on the image in various colors and fonts, including white, yellow, and red.