

**Easter Lilies:** We appreciate your understanding that Easter lilies will not be placed in the sanctuary so that Grove may be respectful of members and guests who have sensitivities or allergic reactions to real flowers. Thank you to those who have purchased lilies in honor/memory of loved ones. Those that have purchased lilies may pick them up in Fellowship Hall starting April 9<sup>th</sup>, OR deacons will be delivering to homebound members.

*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. 26:** 4<sup>th</sup> 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*
- Tues. Mar. 28:** 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – GR  
 10:45 AM Office Staff Meeting - KH  
 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir
- Wed. Mar. 29:** 1:30 PM Lenten Tea - Grove  
 5:00 PM Walk Fellowship Group  
 5:00 PM Kindermusik A / 5:45 Kindermusik B  
 5:30 PM Brownie Troop  
 6:30 PM Youth & Jr. Choirs  
 6:30 PM Cherub Choir  
 6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 7:30 PM Kerygma
- Thurs. Mar. 30:** 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – FH
- Fri. Mar. 31:** Scout Dinner Set-Up - FH  
 2:30 PM Viola/Violin Lessons - GR
- Sat. Apr. 1:** 12 – 7 pm Eagle Scout Celebration Dinner  
 4:00 PM Ham Loaf Dinner, Gate House Benefit – Wesley UMC, Bloom.
- Sun. Apr. 2:** **Communion & Ingathering Offerings**  
**Easter Lily Orders Due / 5<sup>th</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 Worship & Music Committee  
 5:30 PM PCM Sweet Spring Reception - Kehr Union Fireside Lounge



#### 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	\$ 11,765.00	2017 Offerings	\$ 47,662.57
Mar. Balance Needed =	(\$ 16,645.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$272,337.43)

Attendance March 19: 10:15 AM = 70

## Grove Presbyterian Church News

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March 26, 2017

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 celebration of John Clement's birthday; given by Barbara Claypool-Clement.

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 Beth & Bryan Holmes 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.

**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.

**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.



**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. The next open dates are **April 16 and May 7, 14, & 28.**

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

**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 9<sup>th</sup>. Please join us and bring a covered dish to share. Ham will be provided as well as place settings and drinks.

**Benefit Concert:** April 4, 7:30 pm – The Selinsgrove Adult Band will present their 55<sup>th</sup> annual benefit concert for the American Cancer society at the Selinsgrove Area Middle School, 401 18<sup>th</sup> St., Selinsgrove, 17870. Admission is \$5.00 at the door. During their 54 years, the group has raised nearly \$500,000.00 for the American Cancer society.

**Lenten Tea Schedule:** All programs are scheduled for Wednesdays at 1:30 PM. The remaining schedule is as follows: 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.

**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 8<sup>th</sup>. For questions, please contact Laura Smith at gonhpn@aol.com or Diane Kitts at 570-275-3467 or email dianekitts@gmail.com.

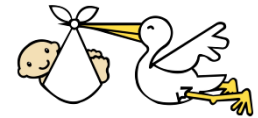
**Rock the Camp 2017:** Registration for Camp Krislund’s Rock the Camp 2017, a service retreat for youth, opened Feb 1<sup>st</sup>. Come out for a time of worship, fun & games, and serving the Lord. The retreat will be held from 7 PM April 13<sup>th</sup> to 10 AM April 15<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$40.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

**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 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Camp Victory Needs You – Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 12:00 Noon:** Grove youth AND adults/families are invited to a special "work day" at Camp Victory, in Millville, Sunday - April 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

**Babies! Babies! Babies!**

**Congratulations to .....**



Allison and Russ Cotner upon the birth of Russell Perrin Cotner, on 3/14/17. Russell joins Henry and Paul at home. Their address is – PO Box 113, 801 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Riverside PA 17868.

Jenny and Kevin Shroyer and proud grandparents Joy and Gary Christian upon the birth of Teagan, 3/10/17. Their address is – 3830 Old Berwick Rd., Bloomsburg PA 17815. And Joy & Gary – 3079 Ridge Road, Northumberland, PA 17857.

Allison and Ben Cummings and proud grandma Kessey Kieselhorst upon the birth of Kaden Thomas, March 23, 2017. Their address is – 1115 Cara Court, Carbondale, CO 81623. And Kessey – 4 Heather Hills Dr., Danville PA 17821

## 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 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Confirmands & Elders Dinner:** Will take place at 6 PM, **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** 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.

**Protestant Campus Ministry's Sweet Spring Reception!:** Join us for our annual gathering of PCM friends & community supporters! Please come to meet current PCM students and board members, hear updates about our ministry, and enjoy a relaxed time of fellowship over fruit and dessert. Held at Kehr Union Fireside Lounge in Bloomsburg on April 2nd, 5:30 - 7 PM. Parking at the Tri-Level lot (on Penn & 2nd). Questions? contact Jill Young [jyoung@bloomu.edu](mailto:jyoung@bloomu.edu).

**Scout Flowers are Back!** Beautiful colorful annuals are available for planting, or grab a hanging basket (or 2 or 3) and spruce up that front porch to enjoy all Summer long. See Eli Henning, Stefan Kupas and Jack Smiley in the fellowship hall following the 10:15 am service to place your orders. Help support our Scouts and get your orders in by Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pick-up will be on Friday, May 12th, just in time for Mother's Day!!!

**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.