

Open House: Join The Women's Center on Friday, April 28th from 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM - here at the Kirk House office - to remember the lives that have been touched by sexual violence. Please see the back tables or the bulletin board for more information.

Grove Presbyterian Church News

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April 2, 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.

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.

Communion Elders scheduled for today are Natalie B. Kupas, Beth Christian, David D. Betz, Mona S. Cotner and Francis C. Moyer.

 Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and with grateful hearts for the birth of Teagan Louise Shroyer, given by Joy and Gary Christian.

Deacons for the month of April are Beth Holmes & Eric Deeter. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.

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.

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.

Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. Apr. 2:** *Communion & Ingathering Offerings*
Easter Lily Orders Due / 5th 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*
- Mon. Apr. 3:** 6:00 PM Committees
 6:45 PM Session Elders
 6:45 PM Deacons – *KH*
- Tues. Apr. 4:** 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – *GR*
 10:45 AM Office Staff Meeting - *KH*
 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir
 7:30 PM Selinsgrove Band Benefit Concert – *Selinsgrove Middle School*
- Wed. Apr. 5:** 11:00 AM DRAMA
 1:30 PM Lenten Tea - *St. Joes*
 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. Apr. 6:** 9:00 AM Presbyterian Women – *Muffin Man*
 6:00 PM Confirmands & Elders Dinner – *Pine Barn Inn*
 6:30 PM BSA Committee Meeting - *GR*
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*
- Fri. Apr. 7:** 2:30 PM Viola/Violin Lessons - *GR*
- Sun. Apr. 9:** *Palm Sunday*
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 AM Worship – *Confirmands Join, Children's Choirs, Adult Bells*
 11:15 AM Pot-Luck Brunch
 7:00 PM Grove Book Club - *Home of Stephanie Smith Cooney*



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	\$ 14,781.90	2017 Offerings	\$ 50,679.47
Mar. Balance Needed =	(\$ 13,628.10)	2017 Balance =	(\$269,320.53)

Attendance March 26: 10:15 AM = 704

April Budget Needed = \$29,924.50



Please join us for Coffee Fellowship following the service. We thank Emily Fiocchi, Michelle Mannello, and Jacob Smedley 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.

Session Reminder - Tomorrow: The Session Committees, Board of Deacons, and Session will meet tomorrow, **Monday, April 3rd**, starting at 6:00 PM.

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 9th, OR deacons will be delivering to homebound members.

Thursday - 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.



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**.

Kids to Krislund Fundraising Dinner & Auction: Help raise funds to send campers to Krislund by attending the "Kids to Krislund" Fundraising Dinner & Auction on Sunday, April 30th. "Kids to Krislund" will feature a delicious home-cooked meal followed by an auction of unique hand-crafted items by local artisans. All money raised will be used to fund "camperships" to help send "Kids to Krislund". The event starts at 3:00 with a reception; dinner will follow at 4:00. The cost to attend is \$50/person or \$100/couple. If you'd like to attend, please call (814-422-8878) or email info@krislund.org. The deadline to RSVP is April 21.

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.

Next Breakfast Group: Will meet **Thursday, April 20st** at 8:30 AM at Ric-Mar Restaurant. Contact persons TBA.

Next Sunday - 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 next **Sunday, April 9th**. Please join us and bring a covered dish to share. Ham will be provided as well as place settings and drinks.

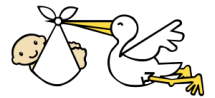
Grove Book Club: Will meet Sun. April 9th to discuss “When Breath Becomes Air” by Paul Kalanithi. We will meet at 7 PM in the home of Stephanie Smith Cooney – *56 Overlook Drive, Danville*.

Tuesday - Benefit Concert: April 4, 7:30 pm – The Selinsgrove Adult Band will present their 55th annual benefit concert for the American Cancer society at the Selinsgrove Area Middle School, 401 18th 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.

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.

Lenten Tea Schedule: The final tea is at 1:30 PM, Wed., April 5th @ St. Joe's RCC (18 Center St., Danville) – program: **“Thomas Beaver Free Library”**. Should you have any questions – please contact Donna Kreischer 570-591-2518.

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 5th 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*

Today - 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.

Thursday - 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.

May/June Combined Spire Articles: Are due in the church office Mon, Apr. 10th.

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.

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 23rd. Pick-up will be on Friday, May 12th, just in time for Mother's Day!!!

Due Today: 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 = \$ _____