

**PW Meeting:** The Presbyterian Women's Circle will meet at Muffin Man at 9 AM on **Thursday, May 4**, to study *Having Little Faith*. Do we have enough to dispel our fears and doubts? We have honest discussions – and you're always welcome to participate.

### Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. Apr. 30:** *Music Recognition Sunday / Piano Dedication*  
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School  
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 10:15 AM Worship – *Rev. Sally Dries*  
 11:15 AM Piano Dedication Luncheon  
 12:30 PM **Piano Dedicatory Recital**  
 3:00 PM Krislund Dinner & Auction – *Camp Krislund*  
 6:00 PM New Covenant vs. Grove @ Mt. Pleasant
- Mon. May 1:**  
 6:00 PM Committees  
 6:45 PM Session Elders  
 6:45 PM Deacons – *KH*
- Tues. May 2:**  
 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – *GR*  
 9:45 AM Office Staff Meeting  
 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir
- Wed. May 3:**  
 11:00 AM DRAMA  
 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. May 4:** *National Day of Prayer*  
 9:00 AM Presbyterian Women – *Muffin Man*  
 6:30 PM BSA Committee Meeting - *GR*  
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*
- Fri. May 5:**  
 2:30 PM - 7:00 PM Viola / Violin Lessons – *FH*
- Sat. May 6:**  
 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM Krislund Spring Work Day – *Kit & FH*
- Sun. May 7:** *Communion & Ingathering Offerings*  
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School  
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 10:15 AM Worship  
 11:15 AM Women's Recognition Special Coffee Hr  
 11:30 AM Speaker on Syrian Refugees  
 6:00 PM Grove Serves Ronald McDonald House



#### 2017 CHURCH DATA

MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Apr. Budget Needed	\$ 29,924.50	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Apr. Offerings Received	\$ 24,736.00	2017 Offerings	\$ 75,415.47
Apr. Balance Needed =	(\$ 5,188.50)	2017 Balance =	(\$244,584.53)

**Attendance April 23: 10:15 AM = 90**

## Grove Presbyterian Church News

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April 30, 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 honor of Grove's office staff, given by Greg Bitler.

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



**Brunch & Piano Dedication Worship Service:** Please join us for brunch after Worship, followed by the Piano Dedication Worship Service at 12:30. Join us for good food, good fellowship, good music, and our expression of gratitude for this blessing. We thank the Worship Committee and Sue Oberkircher 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.



**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 **June 11, 18, & 25, and July 9, 16, 23 & 30.**

**Next Sunday - Speaker on Syria at Grove:** Come and learn how you can support Syrian refugees on **Sunday, May 7th** during coffee hour (11:30-12:30). Dr. Rodwan Rajjoub, a local neurosurgeon from Williamsport, will speak about his volunteer experiences as well as ways to provide support for the refugee cause.

**Food Bank:** Next Sunday will be our Food Bank Ingathering. Each month we ask members to bring a donation of food to help stock the area Food Bank. We specifically need **Cereal** at this time.



**Last Day - 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.

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 April*. Please see Elizabeth Henning should you have any questions. Thank you for your support.

**Church Softball Tomorrow - Batter Up!!! :** Attention Grovers, the start of the season is tomorrow, **Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**, so grab your glove and some Ben Gay...Grove is gearing up for softball season. The emphasis is on fun and fellowship...and if we happen to win...then that's just icing on the cake. The Susquehanna Valley Church Softball League is co-ed for anyone 15 or older. 2017 schedules are on the back tables of the sanctuary. Call Christian LaMotte, lamotte90@gmail.com or call Ken Weaver at 570-394-2285 with questions.

**Next Sunday - Women's Recognition Coffee Hour:** The Congregation is invited to attend a Women's Recognition special coffee hour immediately following the 10:15 AM Service of Worship next **Sunday, May 7th**. We hope all can attend this special coffee hour and celebrate Women's Recognition Sunday. Anyone who would like to help with the special coffee hour, please contact Dave Sanders, sandersdv285@aol.com.

**Ronald McDonald House – Next Sunday:** Grove will be providing dinner for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House on **Sunday, May 7th** and again **Sunday June 4th** at 6pm. Sign-up sheets are posted in fellowship hall. Help with cooking and set-up are appreciated. Please contact Amanda Leicht at 570-275-7761 or amandaleicht@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

**Baccalaureate Service:** During the 10:15 AM service on **May 21st**, the congregation would appreciate the opportunity to recognize and celebrate our young people who are preparing to graduate from High School. We ask that these graduates sit as a group throughout the worship service, come forward to the front of the sanctuary when their name is called, and be prepared to tell briefly their plans for the future and any particular awards or achievements they may have received. If any of the graduates would like to participate in the worship service itself, please inform Pastor Cureton grovesteve17@gmail.com, 570-275-1965.

**CHANGE OF DATE - PW Spring Gathering:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Spring Gathering, which was to take place last Saturday at the Bloomsburg First Presbyterian Church, has been moved to **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. The location has not changed. **“Prison Ministries in Our Area”** is the theme. Registration begins at 9:30 AM. Lunch will be provided by the women of the church. You are invited to bring stories or pictures from old minutes from your women's groups to share with others during lunch. For more information, call Diane Kitts at 275-3467.

**Boy Scout Fundraiser:** Boy Scouts of Troop 39 traveling to Philmont are hosting a Lularoe sale/fundraiser on **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**, 9am-1pm in the Fellowship hall. There will be multiple consultants with hundreds of clothing pieces for sale. Come spruce up your spring wardrobe and help a scout at the same time. Contact Jen Henning with questions – 570-275-4708 or jbhenning@verizon.net

**Horn Lake HS Visits Grove - Sunday, May 21:** Horn Lake High School is bringing their fabulous Voci Novella Elite Ensemble choir all the way from Mississippi to Grove on **Sunday, May 21**. We will enjoy brunch with the choir after Worship service, and then they will provide a concert beginning at 1:00 pm. This is something you won't want to miss! This high school choir travels the east coast, collecting choir prizes at prestigious competitions.

**Tomorrow - Session Meeting:** The Session Committees, Board of Deacons, and Session will meet tomorrow, **Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**, starting at 6:00 PM.

**PW Women's Retreat:** 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.

**Traveling Day Camp at Grove:** Krislund's Traveling Day Camp comes to Grove again for the week of **June 19**. Mark your calendars now and plan vacations around this wonderful event. Campers ages kindergarten through eighth grade are invited 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 assisting group leaders. Contact Lynne Pabst if you are able to help.

**Grove's Facebook Page:** We are trying to revive Grove's Facebook page - if anyone is maintaining the page and or has the login information - please contact the church office as soon as possible. Thank you.

*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.*

**Chicken BBQ:** Imagine a delicious BBQ chicken dinner on a hot summer night . . . sound good? Grove is planning on a Chicken BBQ Dinner fundraiser for the Traveling Day Camp. Pick Up your yummy dinner on **Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>** from 3PM-5PM only. Tickets are \$10 each and include half BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, cornbread and a dessert. Tickets available during fellowship hour, at the church office, or from any Nurture Committee member. Limited number available.

**Got a Favorite Potato Salad Recipe?** If so – donations or potato salad are needed for the Chicken BBQ. Please see Sue Oberkircher for details.

**Syrian Refugees Fundraising Event:** Come join in on a festive evening of Middle Eastern appetizers and good fellowship to raise funds for Syrian refugees. The appetizer event will be held on **Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm, at the home of Mary Ellen and Helmut Doll (66 Overlook Dr., Danville). A free will offering will be accepted. Contact Mary Ellen should you have questions mewd@ptd.net. We hope to see you all there.

**Mandated Reporter Training:** Along with the law that volunteers who work with minors have clearances is the Mandated Reporter Training. Grove has been trying to create a yearly opportunity for volunteers to obtain this training. Camp Krislund is offering the opportunity for church volunteers to participate in its Mandated Reporter Training on **June 2<sup>nd</sup> free of charge**. Any church staff, or volunteers who would like to take advantage of this training can see Lynne Pabst - *registration required by May 22*.

**Community Singers Concert:** The Community Singers will present its Spring concert "*And There is Music*" **Monday, May 15, 2017** at 7PM. Location: St. Peter's United Methodist Church, 240 Sunbury Road, Riverside. This is a free concert and no tickets are needed. A freewill offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served in the church social hall following the concert.

**2017 Per Capita:** The per capita apportionment for 2017 for churches in our Presbytery is **\$34.10** per member. 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>.



## Krislund Spring Work Day

May 6, 2017

8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

- Who:** Skilled & unskilled workers
- What:** Painting, setting up camp for summer, mulching trails & gardens, basic carpentry projects and more
- Bring:** Work gloves
- Lunch:** Provided at 1:00 pm
- RSVP:** Call Krislund at (814) 422-8878 or email [info@krislund.org](mailto:info@krislund.org)



We'll be working rain or shine!

Hope you can join us for a day of work, fellowship & fun!