

Open House: Van Wagner to host open house at Mooresburg Museum on **Sunday, June 25, 2 – 4 PM** - focus on Native American heritage. Come see this great local museum! (Rt. 45-642, Liberty Township).

July 2nd is Cafe Church: "The Bible is alive," declared Martin Luther, "it speaks to me; it has feet, it runs after me; it has hands, it lays hold of me." The Protestant Reformation's most prominent leader possessed a gift for evocative speech, and he was as articulate and outspoken in private as he was in public. His family regularly hosted his loyal followers at table, some of whom wrote down his sayings and informal speeches in *The Table Talk of Martin Luther*. His personality and wisdom is revealed in his comments on life, the church, and the Bible. Following the example of Luther Family, our Café Church Service will include discussion about Scriptures, discipleship, and the challenges of living a Christian life. Communion is shared at each table. Please join us the **first Sunday of July (7/2)** in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30 for this unique worship and fellowship experience. Small contributions of light morning snack items (bagels, muffins, fruit, cheese/crackers) are greatly appreciated.

Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. June 18:** *Father's Day / Pastor Steve's Last Sunday*
Good Samaritan Sunday
 9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 9:30 AM Worship
 10:30 AM Special Ice Cream Social
 5:30 PM Traveling Camp Orientation - *FH*
- Mon. June 19:** *Traveling Camp 19th – 23th*
 4:30 PM Music Staff Training - *GR*
 6:00 PM Community Alliance / Shiloh UCC vs. Grove @ *Mt. Pleasant*
- Tues. June 20:**
 9:45 AM Office Staff Mtg. – *KH*
 7:00 PM Concert in the Park: *The Sweeney Blues Revue*
- Wed. June 21:** *First Day of Summer*
 5:30 PM Geisinger New House Staff Welcome – *Frosty Valley Cntry Club*
 6:00 PM Traveling Day Camp Family Night
- Thurs. June 22:**
 2:00 PM - 6:30 PM Viola/Violin Lessons - *GR*
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*
- Sun. June 25:** *Mission Work Camp @ Kruslund 6/25 - 6/30*
 9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 9:30 AM Worship – *Rev. Sally Dries*
 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Private Birthday – *FH & Kitchen*



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of David Hackenberg; given by his family.

Deacons for the month of June are Linda Moyer and Russ Cotner. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.



Ice Cream Social: Today is Pastor Steve's last day preaching at Grove during this transitional time. Please join us for a Special Ice Cream Social after worship for a time of thanks to Steve for all his help and wisdom these last 6 months. We thank Sue O. 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. Additional help and contributions for coffee hour are always welcome. Please remember, no nut products due to allergies. Thank you.

The Good Samaritan **Today - Good Samaritan Sunday:** Please remember to help the poor in our community with a contribution to support the Good Samaritan Fund. All contributions go directly to help the families. A special offering will be taken today, **Sun, June 18th**.

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 1st.

Please Note: The walk fellowship has discontinued for the time being due to scheduling conflicts.

2017 CHURCH DATA

MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Jun Budget Needed	\$31,319.00	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Jun Offerings Rcvd.	\$ 9,835.00	2017 Offerings	\$110,573.47
Jun Balance =	(\$21,484.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$ 209,426.53)

Attendance June 11: 9:30 AM = 81



Gate House Golf Tournament: The 8th Annual Gate House Golf Tournament will be held at Frosty Valley Country Club on **Thursday, Aug. 17th**. **Register by June 30th** to be eligible to win an Early Bird Prize! Requesting all registrations be in by Aug. 5th or sooner; later registrations will still be accepted. Start time noon with a shotgun start and four-person scramble. Cost is \$85 per person which includes cart, hot dog lunch and light dinner following the tournament. Refreshments available. Event held rain or shine. There will be a hole in one contest to **win a car**, skins, pot of gold game, 50/50 and other prizes. For more information call the Gate House at 570-275-6766 or see Dave Sanders. Registration forms can be found on the back tables of the sanctuary and on the Grove website.

Traveling Day Camp Family Night: Wednesday, June 21 from 6-7:30pm the congregation is invited to come see what TDC is all about. Special activities are planned for the campers and their families, and interested others.

The Nurture Committee thanks all who helped in the Chicken BBQ fundraiser by donating food, giving of their time, preparing food, selling tickets, buying tickets, and praying for us. All went well and \$1,170.00 was raised. Thank you Grove!!!

45 at 10:45am: Each Sunday in July children and adults alike are invited to stay for 45 minutes of exploring ways to tell God's Story. Fact filled fun times to challenge ourselves to share God's Story and explore our own way of sharing. The topics are outlined below:

July 2	<i>A New Way to Tell God's Story with Martin Luther</i>	<i>Accessing the Story</i>
July 9	<i>The New Way Continues with John Calvin</i>	<i>Ordering the Story</i>
July 16	<i>Telling God's Story with Legos</i>	<i>Building the Story</i>
July 23	<i>Telling God's Story with Paper</i>	<i>Folding the Story</i>
July 30	<i>Telling God's Story with Pictures</i>	<i>Drawing the Story</i>

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 9:15 AM 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.

Session Recess: There **will not** be a session meeting in July. The next meeting of session will be held **Monday, August 7th** starting at 6 PM.

Seeking Medical Volunteers: If you are a current or retired RN, LPN, Doctor, PA or EMT, Krislund invites you to share in their ministry by serving as a medical volunteer at summer camp. See back tables for more information. Contact Greg Bitler with questions – 570-275-3906 or gbitler@ptd.net. To inquire about openings or to apply, please click on the “Volunteer” tab at www.krislund.org or contact the camp office – 814-442-8878 or info@krislund.org.

Troop 39 BBQ Fundraiser: Troop 39 will be hosting the annual Chicken BBQ on **July 15, 2017**. Tickets are \$9 per dinner and include 1/2 chicken, potatoes, cole slaw, baked beans and roll. Meals will be available for pick up in front of the Danville Middle School 10:30am - 3pm. Please support the troop and enjoy a great meal! Please contact Eli Henning, Stefan Kupas, Jack Smiley, or the church office to get your tickets.



2017 Flower Chart: The Flower Chart for 2017 is located on the wall leading to the church kitchen. 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 **August 27 and September 3, 10 & 24**.

College Addresses Needed: Have they graduated? Have they moved since they've been in college? Please call or email the church office with your child's current address. 570-275-0692 or GroveChurch@aol.com

Danville Young Life News: *“Danville looks to finish up its third year of ministry with our biggest camp trip to date! This year we will be heading to Saranac Lake for the “best week of our lives.” It has been a growing year filled with a lot of new faces. We have been given an awesome opportunity by Grove Presbyterian to run the Hackey House, you may have noticed our new sign! We have begun the process of creating a youth center for both high school and middle school kids! One of our highlights was bringing back two, graduated Danville Young Life students to lead at their alma mater. It's been powerful to watch those we disciple become disciple makers!”* - See FH bulletin board for flyer with more YL articles and photos.



Concerts in The Park: The 2017 Free Summer Concert Series has begun. This week's concert, “The Sweeney Blues Revue – *The name says it all!*” will take place **Tuesday, June 20**, at 7 PM, in Memorial Park. If rain, concerts are held inside Grove Presbyterian Church.

Please Note: The office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Kristin will be away from the office June 28th.



Good Samaritan Sunday June 18, 2017

The Good Samaritan Fund was started in January 1996. Over the years many families in the Montour County/Riverside area have been helped through a crisis. This could be an illness in the family, job loss, car problems, a move to a new location, or separation/divorce.

- A Client Story

Five years ago Brittany, her husband, and 2 children were living in the Gate House. Six months later, they moved into their own apartment. Brittany did not have a job. She was challenged and found life circumstances depressing. While her son was in Head Start, the School Nurse told her about the Getting Ahead program. She was skeptical at first, but after she read the Getting Ahead material, she decided to enroll.

Brittany was excited when she started to focus on her goals. She always wanted to go back to school to study and become a phlebotomist. The Getting Ahead program helped her chart a new journey. She went to Career Link and learned they could help her meet her goal. Following completion of the Getting Ahead program, Brittany went back to school. She was eligible to go back to school fully funded. She was happy and accepted the challenge of going to school for 6 months 2 times a week.

Brittany's mother challenged her and gave her inspiration to reach her goal, which was to finish school and become a phlebotomist. She completed the program and is now a licensed phlebotomist. Brittany credits her mother for her support and encouragement.

Getting Ahead helped Brittany reach one of her life goals.

"Getting Ahead definitely helped me very much. It wasn't just the incentives. They did help our family quite a bit. All of the lessons we did; I try to use every day. I have my time managed better, and I am getting my budget back on track." - Brittany

Getting Ahead Program

an Overview

The Getting Ahead Program addresses poverty and how to begin to "get ahead" when living in poverty. Getting Ahead groups enable people in

poverty to investigate the effects of poverty on their personal resources and what it takes to improve those resources. The program consists of ten modules designed to provide information about mental health and well-being, goal-directed behavior, and social support.

Facilitators for the Getting Ahead Program undergo training, which consists of two three-hour educational sessions designed to help facilitators examine how they view and treat people in poverty. Participants in the Getting Ahead Classes agree to attend 12 to 14 weekly classes. A light meal is served at the beginning of each class. Participants receive gift cards as recognition of their commitment and participation. A graduation ceremony follows completion of the ten modules. Family members and friends, as well as members of the community are invited to attend.

To date, the Getting Ahead Program in Danville has graduated 25 participants. Graduates have documented their involvement in advancing their education and securing stable employment. All participants, and the Getting Ahead Program in general, need the prayerful support of the community. Additional facilitators are needed to conduct programs. Financial support is also needed to purchase teaching materials.

(For more information, please contact Joan Miller at 570-441-4123)

Without the assistance from the community, whether it be volunteering time, talent, or monetary donations, we could not remain in operation. Now it's our turn to thank you for your past patronage and your future support of our Mission. The poor are God's deprived ones, and God has a special love for them. Jesus said, "*The poor you will always have with you,*"

- Matthew 26:11

As Good Samaritans, You Can Help By:

- ❖ **Prayer:** Pray for the families in need, and pray for the Good Samaritan to meet the need.
- ❖ **Financial Support:** Give generously. Every contribution to the fund is needed and appreciated.
- ❖ **Furniture:** Donate your good used furniture/appliances. Dressers, tables, chairs, mattresses and box springs are always needed.
- ❖ **Clothes:** Donate your good used clothing. Drop off at the Good Samaritan Mission Center located directly across from Cole's hardware.
- ❖ **Volunteer:** Become a Getting Ahead Facilitator or help at the center.

Good Samaritan Mission Center Hours are: 9 AM to 4:30 PM Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and 10 AM to Noon on Saturday. Call the Center at 570-275-2500 to offer your help or to volunteer some time at the desk.

Thank you all for your donations and support