

The Fellowship Committee would like to share Steve's address in the event the congregation would like to drop him a personal thank you note in the mail. Steve has been such a vital part of Grove's successful transition over the last six months, and we believe members would appreciate the opportunity to share their gratitude, and I'm sure he would be most grateful to receive such notes. His address is: Steve Cureton - 608 River Hill Drive, Catawissa PA 17820.

Grove Presbyterian Church News

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June 25, 2017

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

Next Sunday - 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 **next Sunday** (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 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*

Mon. June 26: 6:15 PM Grove vs. New Covenant @ *Bloomsburg Christian*

Tues. June 27: 9:45 Office Staff Meeting - *KH*
 7:00 PM Concert in the Park: *Celtica*

Thurs. June 29: 2:00 PM – 6:30 PM Viola / Violin Lessons - *GR*
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*

Fri. June 30: *Gate House Golf Tournament Early Bird Registration Deadline*

Sun. July 2: *Communion / Ingathering Offerings*
 9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 9:30 AM Worship – *Café Communion*
 10:45 AM A New Way to Tell God's Story with Martin Luther

CHURCH DATA

MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Jun Budget Needed	\$31,319.00	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Jun Offerings Rcvd.	\$ 13,758.00	2017 Offerings	\$114,496.47
Jun Balance =	(\$17,561.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$ 205,503.53)

Attendance June 18: 9:30 AM = 102

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 birthday of my son, Mike Hawkins; given by Louise Hawkins.

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



Coffee Fellowship: There will be no coffee fellowship hour 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.

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 **Tuna and Canned Meat** at this time. The Food Bank is in great need of your support. Last year you helped the Food Bank supply 1,425 family units, 846 single units, consisting of 5,190 individuals in the Danville/Riverside area. This could not happen without the help of volunteers who come each month to sort donations, fill bags, and help with the giveaway as well as the monetary donations received. **Giveaways** are the **1st Saturday of each month**. Sorting starts at 7:30 am with the giveaways from 10am-1pm. Volunteers are always needed. Contact Sue Pierce 570-275-2142 or Joe Neizer 570-441-6867 for more information or to volunteer.

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 the end of July.



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. Cost is \$85 per person. Event held rain or shine. 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.

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.

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

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**.

Mary Ellen, Helmut Doll and Andrea Cotner would like to thank everyone who participated in the Fundraising event for Syrian Refugees. Thank you to those who brought appetizers, beverages, and music. With your help, the event raised \$1,700.00 for the Syrian American Medical Society which provides medical care for refugees. Thank You for your generous donations.



Concerts in The Park: The 2017 Free Summer Concert Series has begun. The following will be held Tuesdays, at 7 PM, in Memorial Park, with the exception of this week's concert, which will take place at Hess Field. If rain, concerts will be held inside Grove Presbyterian Church.

June 27 – Celtica – Irish Folk Jam Band – *With special guest!*

July 11 – Seasoned Sounds – *Full Sized Big Band / Swing Band Era Music*

July 18 – Clickard Consortium – *Cool Jazz Orchestra*

July 25 – KJ and The Funshine Band – *All the FUN Sing & Dance-Along Songs*

August 1 – Brian Crane & Fred Krug – *Timeless Songs / Intricate Harmonies*

August 8 – The Collier Family Band – *Folk / Rock / Blues Tradition*

August 15 – West Branch Barbershop Chorus – *Classic Barbershop Harmonies*

Presbyterian Women: No Presbyterian Women's Circle meetings will take place during July and August. We'll reconvene on September 7 at 9 AM at Muffin Man in Riverside to complete the book by Cynthia Heald titled *Becoming a Woman Whose God is Enough*. We'll focus on chapter 8, *God Chooses For You*. It's not too late to order your own book if you wish or just come and enjoy the conversation. We read Bible verses and discuss our lives as those verses apply to us today. We welcome you to join the discussion!

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

