

**September 17<sup>th</sup> Book Sale!** Children's books authored by Herbert and Carrie Stine will be available in the lobby on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. "*Florentine and the Treasures of the Snow*" and "*Florentine and the Good Samaritan*," are written from a Christian perspective and touch on how to deal with bullies, courage, and faith. See back tables of the sanctuary for more information.

**Spire Article Deadline:** Due to Session meeting being the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of September, the Spire deadline has been extended – October Spire articles will be needed no later than **Wednesday morning, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**. Bulletin articles are due each Tuesday of the week. Bulletins are printed Thursday mornings.

**Grove Book Club:** Will meet **Sunday, September 10th**, at 7PM – at the home of Barbara & John Clement, 38 Overlook Dr., Danville. Newcomers are always welcome. The selection for September is *Britt Marie Was Here* by Fredrik Backman.

**Please Note:** The office will be closed **Monday, Sept. 4** in observance of Labor Day and **Friday, Sept. 8**. Clare will be out of the office Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> – Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Grove Hosts Ronald McDonald House Dinner:** Grove will be providing dinner for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House **Sunday, September 10 at 6pm**. A sign-up sheet is posted in the fellowship hall. Help with cooking and set-up is appreciated. Please contact Amanda Leicht at 570-275-7761 or email amandaleicht@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

### Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. Aug. 27:** *Kindermusik Registratons Due*  
 9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 9:30 AM Worship – *Rev. Sally Dries*  
 10:30 AM Grove Get-Together
- Mon. Aug. 28:** *DASD 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School*
- Wed. Aug. 30:** 6:30 PM Church School Staff Mtg./Room Cleaning
- Thurs. Aug. 31:** 3:00 PM- 5:00 PM After School Counseling – *GR & Nursery*  
 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM DASD Open House – *High School*  
 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM DASD Open House – *1st & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades*  
 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*  
 7:00 PM Crop Walk Meeting - *Shiloh*
- Fri. Sept. 1:** 2:30 PM – 7:00 PM Viola/Violin Lessons - *GR*
- Sun. Sept. 3:** *Communion & Ingathering Offerings*  
*Last 9:30 AM Service of the Summer*  
 9:00 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 9:30 AM Worship – *Rev. Nancy Hardy*  
 11:15 AM Worship & Music Committee



### 2017 CHURCH DATA

MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Aug Budget Needed	\$36,700.00	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Aug Offerings Rcvd.	\$13,676.00	2017 Offerings	\$150,175.47
Aug Balance =	(\$ 23,042.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$ 169,824.53)

Attendance Aug 20: 9:30 AM = 56

## Grove Presbyterian Church News

www.GrovePres.org

August 27, 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 memory of lost loved ones; given by Swanee Marcus.

Deacons for the month of August are Eric Deeter and David Sanders. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.

**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 **Jello & Pudding** at this time.

**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.



**Grove Get Together:** Please join us immediately following the service for *Grove's Get Together*. All committees, groups, and programs of Grove will have representation and information about what their ministry is and how you can get involved. Come enjoy the coffee hour and find out what Grove has planned for the coming year. 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.

**Session Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday:** The next meeting of Committees, Deacons, and Session Elders will meet **Monday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 6:00 PM.

**Calling All Prayer Warriors!** The PNC would like to repeat the 40 Day Prayer Guide we asked the congregation to do during Lent. We are asking the congregation to pray for our PNC, the Church and our future pastor. You should have received an email with 40 days of prayer. Please pray daily. There are additional hard copies on the back tables of the sanctuary should you like to take one home with you today. Thank you All for your continued support during our search! God Bless!!

**Registration Due - Kindermusik:** Fall classes start **Wednesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**. Pre-registration is required – registration forms can be found on the back tables of the sanctuary, in The Spire, and on the church website. .. **Registrations are due today, Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**Kerygma Starts:** Starting September 6th, Kerygma meets **Wednesdays at about 7:45pm** (when Choir ends) in the Great Room. The fall topic is The Reformation. Using a curriculum and book by Donald K. McKim, interested participants will take turns in leadership. Taking a leadership turn is not a requirement. Come and let's talk about the Reformation.

**Teacher Dedication:** Christian education staff will be dedicated on **Sunday, September 10, 2017** at the 10:15am service of worship. Please plan to attend if you are part of the staff so that the congregation can meet and get to know those who are nurturing their children. If you are not part of the staff, please come and offer your support to those who are teaching and advising this year. Remember, it takes a whole congregation to nurture spiritual development.



**Church Picnic:** Will be held **Sunday, September 17th, at 3 PM**. Welcome in the fall season by joining us at the home of Russ and Allison Cotner (801 5<sup>th</sup> St., Riverside) for a time of fun, fellowship, and relaxation. Hamburgers, hot dogs, beverages, and place settings will be provided. Please bring a chair and a covered dish to share. We are looking forward to a great time of fun and fellowship for all ages.

**Worship Schedule:** Please note that on **Sunday, September 10th**, Grove will resume the fall worship schedule with **One Service held at 10:15am** with a Welcome Back Pot-Luck Luncheon immediately following the service.

**Fellowship & Study Time:** Starting Sept 6th as part of our Wednesday Family Night, Gerry Marks will be leading a study based on the book *"The Purpose Driven Life"* by **Rick Warren**. If anyone has this book and does not plan on attending this study, would you be willing to allow your copy to be used by another who may want to attend? Please bring it to the church office and have your name inside the cover so it can be returned to you after the study is completed.

**Wednesday Evening is Family Night at Grove:** Each Wednesday starting Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, there is something for everyone: 5:00 pm/5:45 pm Kindermusik (starts September 13th), 6:00 pm Grove Mealtime for All, 6:30 pm Cherub Choir, Junior Choir, Senior Choir, 6:30 pm Fellowship and Study Time, 7:45pm Kerygma

**Third Graders Receive Bibles:** On **Sep. 10, 2017** during the 10:15am service of worship, third graders will receive Bibles. The Good News Today's English Version is presented to these children as they start their third grade year in Sunday school. This year those receiving Bibles are: Adelay Cooney, Janie Cotner, Benjamin Crane, Paige DeHart and Savannah Notz. If anyone has been overlooked, please let us know so that we can remedy the mistake immediately. Plan to attend worship on this special day to help these children celebrate this milestone in their spiritual lives.



**2017 Flower Chart:** The Flower Chart for 2017 is located on the wall leading to the church kitchen. In order to ensure beautiful flowers each Sunday, please help by filling in upcoming dates. Remaining open dates are: **Nov. 12, 19 & 26 and Dec. 17, 24 & 31**.

**Block Party Invitation:** **Sept 10<sup>th</sup>** from noon to 3PM, Trinity Lutheran Church of Danville hosts its annual Block Party. See FH bulletin board for more info.

**300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:** On Sunday, Sept. 17, we will celebrate the creation and organization of the first synod in the United States. Consisting of 17 ministers and spanning a territory from Long Island to Virginia, the Synod met for the initial time at First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia on Sept. 17, 1717. In 1973, the General Assembly created "regional" synods, merging the Synods of Pennsylvania and West Virginia (which included a small portion of eastern Ohio) into what would later become known as The Synod of the Trinity.

**The Presbyterian Women's Circle:** will 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!

**Socks and Underwear:** The Good Samaritan Mission sends a big "thank you" to the 18 churches and its members who adopted 170 children for the "new socks and underwear program". Other bags of extras were also donated. They will be given to children who were missed and extra packs to the nurses for emergencies. What is donated usually lasts the school year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Accompanist Wanted:** We are looking for an accompanist for our Jr/Youth Choir to assist with Wednesday evening rehearsals as well as accompany the Choir when they sing one Sunday each month and special services as planned. This is a wonderful opportunity for a young person to gain keyboarding / accompaniment skills in a supportive and fun environment, or for a "gently-used" individual to stay in touch with young people. If you know of someone who might be interested, please ask them to contact Joy Christian (570.847.8659) for information about this salaried position. Please get the word out – we have exciting things planned for the Fall, and we need an accompanist to help make it all happen!