

Grove's 2018 Stewardship Campaign: You should have received a stewardship packet in the mail by now. If not – please contact the church office. Additional pledge cards can be found on the back tables of the sanctuary.



Christmas in a Shoebox: The Sunday school children kick off their mission projects by wrapping shoeboxes for the Samaritan Purse Christmas in a Shoebox project. Items needed are hygiene items, school supplies, small toys appropriate for children 2-14 years of age male or female. NO military toys or weapons. NO liquids or chocolates. Children, adults, anyone can bring in items to fill the box. Just bring them to the Gathering Worship Time at 9:00am. Boxes are being filled until the end of October.

Session Reminder: The Committees of Session, Board of Deacons, and Session Elders will meet **Monday, Nov 6th**, starting at 6:00 PM.

Calendar of Church Events

Sun. Oct. 22: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School Breakfast – *Kit & FH*

9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal

10:15 AM Worship - *Rev. Ray Brown*

6:00 PM Grove Serves Ronald McDonald House



Tues. Oct. 24: 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth – *GR*

1:30 PM Grove Bell Choir - *Maria Joseph Manor*

6:00 PM Adult Bells

Wed. Oct. 25: 5:00 PM Kindermusik A

5:30 PM Brownie Troop

5:45 PM Kindermusik B

6:00 PM Family Meal Time

6:30 PM Cherub, Youth, Jr., and Adult Choir Rehearsals

6:30 PM Fellowship & Study Time

7:45 PM Kerygma



Thurs. Oct. 26: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM After School Counseling – *GR & Nursery*

7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – *FH*

Fri. Oct. 27: 8:30 AM Tutoring Class – *GR*

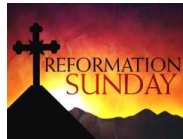
3:00 PM- 7:30 PM Viola/Violin Lessons

Sun. Oct. 29: **Reformation Sunday**

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School & Confirmands

9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal

10:15 AM Worship – *Rev. Carrie Stine*



(Figures as of Sunday – Oct. 15th)

YEAR TO DATE REVENUES VS. EXPENSES	
Revenues	\$194,071.43
Expenses	\$183,610.80
2017 Balance =	\$ 10,460.63

Attendance October 15: 10:15 AM = 113

Grove Presbyterian Church News

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October 22, 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 loving memory of Helen Rhawn; given by Linda Neddoff-Weckter, Wally Weckter, Rob Neddoff, and Ann Neddoff.

Deacons for today are Jennifer Henning, Cindy Stamey, and Shelley Nemeth. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.



Jr. & Sr. High at Your Service! Please join us after the service for coffee fellowship. We thank the Junior and Senior High Youth for hosting today. Help us continue to enjoy simple coffee hour fellowship after worship each Sunday by signing up to host; the 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, due to allergies, No Nut Products.

Address Changes: As the new addresses change, please remember to phone in or email (deskofcmc@aol.com) your new address to the church office. Hopefully all will be complete for the new 2018 in-house directory. The new church address is 358 Bloom Street and the Office address for all correspondence is 376 Bloom Street. Hacky House is now 314 Bloom Street.

Prayer Team: The prayer chain needs more members on the team. When you join us, you'll be given a list of 6-8 names from the Fellowship of Prayer that you commit to pray daily for. You learn about these people and become a partner with them on their journey. You'll receive updates at least every 6 months. Won't you join us? Contact the church office or any team member.

Spire Articles: The December Spire articles are due in the church office no later than **Monday, November 13th** in order to make the Daily Item's print deadline

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.

Opportunity Knocks! Grove has a fun and rewarding Wednesday evening ministry: Kindermusik, Choirs, Bible Study, and Kerygma. This year we have added a Family Meal at 6 pm to help with people's busy schedules and provide a short time of fellowship. We need someone to coordinate the light meal that is provided: arrange setup/cleanup (very easy), and schedule menu items (order pizza, etc). The kinks are worked out, it's now ready for someone to take over. Your efforts would go far toward making our Wednesday evening program a success. Please consider this opportunity to minister – thank you!

Today - Grove Hosts Ronald McDonald House Dinner: Grove will be providing dinner for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House today, **Sunday, Oct. 22** at 6 PM. 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.

Feed a Friend: A collection barrel, located in the corner of the Fellowship Hall, will be collecting food and turkey certificates. Last year, enough monetary and canned food donations were collected to give more than 350 families (800+people) a large box of food so they could have a Thanksgiving dinner and a full stomach for the holidays. Most useful food items to be donated: Canned Vegetables, Canned Tuna, Boxed Stuffing, Canned Cranberry Sauce, Canned Fruit, Pasta, Mac & Cheese, and Soup. (Please – nothing perishable, nothing expired, nothing frozen, and no dented cans or glass containers.) Monetary donations are in high need this year. Times for Volunteering: Sunday, Nov. 11th, 1pm – 5pm (Sorting/Boxing Food) and Saturday, Nov. 18th, 9am – 3pm (Giveaway is 10am – 1pm). See the Fellowship Hall Bulletin board for more information for contact Jon17e@yahoo.com.

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!

Congregational Meeting: The Session of the Grove Presbyterian hereby calls the annual congregational meeting for **Sunday, November 19th**, at 11:15 am, immediately following the service of worship, to act upon the report of the Nominating Committee, and to receive the report of the Corporation and Finance committee regarding the budget for 2018, as well as any other pertinent business. All members in good standing are urged to attend and participate. Nominations may be made from the floor provided the nominee for the office has given prior consent to the nomination. A ballot vote will be taken in that circumstance.



Flower Chart: The Flower Chart for 2017 is located on the wall leading to the church kitchen. 2017 pricing is **\$27.00** per arrangement. **Only Four Dates Remain!** Can we fill them up? Available dates are **Nov. 19 and Dec. 17, 24 & 31.**

Food Bank Representative from Grove Needed: With much gratitude to Sue Pierce for being Grove's food bank representative all these years, she will be stepping down in the hopes another member from Grove will now step up. The meetings are at 9 am the 4th Thursday of each month. Please contact Marysue Christian (570-275-5403 or 570-380-0275) if you are interested in this very important local mission as a Grove representative. Thank you

Concert - Joyful Jubilee: will be the next Susquehanna Valley Chorale concert on **Sunday, October 29** 3:00pm at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts at Bucknell University in Lewisburg. It will be a collaboration between the SVC and Essence 2, Ltd directed by Anthony Leach, professor of music at Penn State. These two acclaimed choral groups partner to perform a program of traditional and new African-American choral works. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$8 for students. For more information call 570-547-0455 or visit SVCmusic.org

Next Week - Reformation Sunday: Grove celebrates Reformation **Sunday, October 29th** with an intergenerational experience. Individuals of all ages are invited to attend the event during the 9:00 AM Sunday School hour. There will be activities for all ages as we learn about Martin Luther and the Reformation.

The Presbyterian Women's Circle will meet at Muffin Man on **Thursday, November 2**, from 9 to 10:30 AM. For those with a book, the lesson is chapter 10, Humility. This is our last meeting for Becoming a Woman Whose God is Enough. On December 7, we'll begin Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes. Books can be purchased for \$8.80. We welcome everyone at any time, with or without a book.

Community Thanksgiving Service: **Sunday, November 19th** at 4:00pm Grove hosts the Danville Community Thanksgiving Service. Choirs, choir directors, and pastors from the community have been invited to participate as we gather remembering those who took risks, crossed seas, and joined together with strangers in the hope of making a new community based on freedom, respect, and unity. Come as a family.