

**Listing of Ministries**

**SUNDAY**

Intercessory Prayer 9:00 am  
 Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Morning Worship 10:45 am

Adult Discovery Group 6:00 pm  
 Kids Club 6:00 pm  
 Wired/Grounded (Youth Groups) 6:00 pm

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

Nursery (through age 3)  
 Pre-K to grade 2  
 Grade 3-5  
 Youth, Grades 6-12  
 Young Adult  
 Adult

**WEDNESDAY**

Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm



\*To bring honor to God by helping people everywhere.

\*To learn to trust and obey Jesus.

**Our Priorities**

- \*Exalting God's Name
- \*Exploring God's Word
- \*Encouraging God's People
- \*Exhibiting God's Character
- \*Expanding God's Kingdom



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**Growing Together – Part II**

At the Annual Congregational Meeting I announced our theme for 2013 – “Growing Together.” The term “growing together” can have many implications. This month we will consider “growing together” in the context of growing spiritually and numerically.

As Christians, we are constantly reminded that our walk with our Savior Jesus Christ is not a religion but a relationship. It is a saving relationship through grace. It is a relationship of Joint Heirs. And it is a relationship of reconciliation with God the Father in which we are brought back into fellowship with Him. And like every other relationship, this one requires an investment on our part in order to grow. Our walk with Christ grows sweeter every day as we seek Him in prayer, learn about Him through His Word, and live for Him by actively serving and witnessing for Him. It takes that investment to learn to trust Him and thus grow our faith. Is your faith growing stronger as you walk with Him?

As we grow in our relationship with Christ, we realize that this relationship is for everyone. In the First Century church, the word for church is better translated “gathering.” That word emphasizes people over a place. In that light it is more than an event to attend. It is more a coming together to introduce family and friends to the Jesus Way. It is a coming together for support, encouragement and training for those who truly seek to follow Jesus. It was never intended to be a closed society, like a social club, but a gathering with doors open wide for anyone to enter.

This is what we desire for Latrobe Alliance Church as we endeavor to make our facility more welcoming in every way. We want to be a place where people can come to learn about Jesus. We want to be the place where people invite their friends and loved ones to experience love the Jesus way. We want to be the place where God adds to their numbers daily those who are being saved.

Won't you join with us as we “Grow Together”?

*Pastor Tim*



- April 8 Youth Spaghetti Dinner
- April 13 Alliance Women's Rally & Outlet Shopping
- April 20 Church Work Day
- April 27 A Very Special Prom

# Worship Assistants

	A-V Tech /Computer	A-V Tech / Sound	Ushers
3/3	Sean R.	Dave G.	Sherman H./Dustin H./Dylan H.
3/10	Patrick R.	Doug Mc	Denny B./Chris H./Eric Mc.
3/17	Luke S.	Kevin R.	Bob L./Matt L./Hans S.
3/24	Angie P.	Dave G.	George O./Ben S./Isaac P.
3/31	Matt L.	Doug Mc	Mike B./Sean A./Joe L.

## Safe Place

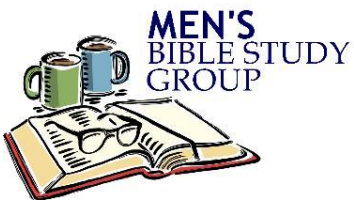
	Safe Place/SS	Safe Place/MW
3/3	The Onuskos	Pat H.
3/10	The Youngs	The Halls
3/17	The Grumbines	The Houpts
3/24	Darlene H.	The McCrackens
3/31	The Onuskos	Judy M.



Nursery Attendants



	Nursery/SS	Nursery/MW	Food Fellowship
3/3	Cheri Y.	Lisa P./Luke S.	Gibson
3/10	Donna Mc.	Christy H./Abby P.	McCracken
3/17	Cheri Y.	Julie L./Angie P.	Poole
3/24	Wendy R.	Cherry L./Abby Mc	Hanko
3/31	Donna Mc.	Lisa P./Noah S.	<i>Happy Easter</i>



### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Tom Milford is the facilitator for this new ministry which meets every other Saturday morning at 7:30 am here at the church. The study focuses on how men can become the leaders they need to be in today's society. For those of you who can't make this day/time there is the possibility of a Wednesday afternoon class. See Tom if you are interested in this option.



### Car Wash & Bake Sale

Have your car washed while you indulge your sweet tooth! On **March 30<sup>th</sup>** at Rusbosin's Furniture at the corner of Route 30 and Route 981 from 10am-4pm you can come and support our youth in an effort to raise funds for LIFE. If you would like to help wash cars, bring baked goods or help in any other way, please see Donna McCracken or Wendy Rounds.

# NewsLetter DEADLINE

for the March edition is

## March 24th

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- 3 – Darlene Hanko
- 7 – Benjamin Houpt
- 14 – Donna McCracken
- 16 – Haley King
- 16 – Judy Miller
- 20 – Janina Hall
- 23 – Autumn Krakosh
- 24 – Morgan Krakosh
- 24 – Jesse Keffer



If you are reading this on paper and want to receive it in your e-mail inbox, **EMAIL ME!** If you are reading the electronic version, please send me your comments on how it was transmitted. Was the format ok? Were the columns lined up? Was any of the text overlapping? Were the pages half on one page and half on another? I need to know how our “test run” edition went!

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## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

March 24<sup>th</sup>  
*Palm Sunday*

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 7pm  
*Maundy Thursday*  
*Communion*

March 29<sup>th</sup>, Noon  
*Community Good Friday*  
*Service at Latrobe*  
*United Methodist Church*

March 31<sup>st</sup>, 6:30am  
*Community Sunrise Service*  
*at Legion Keener Bandshell*

*Easter Celebration at Latrobe*  
*Alliance Church*



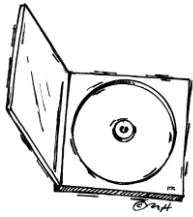
Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 am on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead and change the batteries in your smoke detectors!

# Church Humor

Avraham (Abraham) wants to upgrade his PC to Windows 95. (*I know this is old, but it's cute*) Yitzhak (Isaac) is incredulous. "Pop," he says, "you can't run Windows 95 on your old, slow 386. Everyone knows that you need at least a 486 with a minimum of 16 megs of memory in order to multitask effectively with Windows 95." But Abraham, the man of faith, gazed calmly at his son and replied, "God will provide the RAM, my son."



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## CD's Now Available

Latrobe Alliance Church is now offering CD recordings of our services. You can order individual CD's of services you have missed or you can subscribe to weekly CD's. There is no charge for this service. For further information, see Eric McCracken.



## Easter is more than something to dye for.



For those of you who don't know, the Alliance Women is a women's organization in our denomination that has been dedicated to prayer, fellowship and supporting missionaries (now, international workers), since its founding. Alliance Women meet for special events, fellowship, and to learn about and pray for Alliance international workers throughout the world. We also (through our church budget) provide funds for workers returning to the field (called "outfit" funds). These contributions allow workers who are returning to send the items they need back overseas, for their home abroad. Another endeavor is our support of a National Project-usually some special project or ministry abroad that international workers are doing in their efforts to reach out and minister to those around them.

We'd like to invite you to learn more about Alliance Women and become involved by marking your calendars and joining us for these upcoming Alliance Women events at our church:

**Saturday, April 13** - Alliance Women's Rally and outlet shopping - 10 a.m., Gospel Alliance- Belle Vernon. Our group will carpool from our church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. to attend the district Spring Rally and lunch in Belle Vernon. After lunch, we'll make our way to the outlets in Washington County for

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## Marriage Encounter Weekend

Alliance Marriage Encounter is having a weekend for couples themed "48 Hours of Love" **March 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>** in Punxsutawney.

This is an opportunity to strengthen your marriage. The couples in our church who attended previously have said it was a great experience.

To register call 814-618-5242 or email: [alliance.marriage.encounter.wpa@gmail.com](mailto:alliance.marriage.encounter.wpa@gmail.com)



Have you been sucking on straws to hold onto paper at the other end? Perhaps balancing erasers on your forehead while holding a ping pong ball between your knees while walking through the house? Sounds like you've honed your skills and are ready for Round 3 of Minute to Win It. Gather your friends and family of all ages and come on **March 16<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00pm for our popular cabin fever reliever! We'll have some snacks and fun for all!



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### Bids Being Received!

All is moving forward. We have received back bids from contractors to move dirt and prepare the site according to the approved survey plans provided by Benchmark. The building committee will be meeting the end of the month to discuss these bids. In the meantime, landscape and asphalt paving contractors have been solicited for bids. By the time the building committee meets at the end of the month, we should also have these bids to review. The building committee will keep the church family informed as we continue on. Please continue to pray for the committee and for the Lord's work in this project. The committee would also like to thank everyone for their continue building fund contributions, which continue to come in each month according to the pledges that were made last year.

Bob and Joy Brougher are church planting in Asuncion, Paraguay. They are the parents of four children and grandparents of three.

They have asked for prayer for the Mi Esperanza church. They have decided to go ahead with plans to buy property/building for the future location of the church. They are also asking for prayer for the details that go into buying and building a church. (How well we can relate)

There is also a great need for extra coverage for Alliance Paraguayan pastors and leaders; especially that they not be discouraged and frustrated in their ministries.

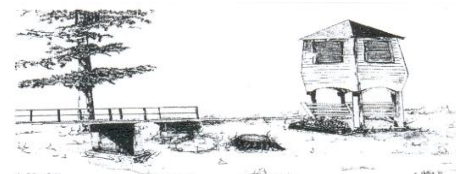
Small groups will be starting and prayer is needed for those who have attended and for new people to attend as well.

To encourage the Brougher's, they can be reached by email:  
Brougherbunch@gmail.com

a little shopping, before we return. There will be announcements and a signup sheet beginning late February/March.

Alliance Women's Retreat - **May 17th and 18th** - Butler Alliance Church. This retreat has been declared "excellent...one of the best..." by those of us who have attended past ones. Look for more details in upcoming church announcements and bulletins.

If you have questions or want more information, please contact Janet Smith - 724-689-2065, or [jmsmith959@gmail.com](mailto:jmsmith959@gmail.com). Or call Bridget Poole - 724-989-0794



### Mother/Daughter Getaway

Mahaffey Camp will be hosting a getaway for Moms and their daughters to have girl talk about purity. This event is designed for 'twens age 10 or older and/or teens and their moms. It will be held **March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>** at the camp. Check the website for more details:

[www.mahaffeycamp.com](http://www.mahaffeycamp.com)



To put a request on the Latrobe Alliance Prayer Chain, please call **Bret or Lisa Pohland at (724) 532-2210**



Dave Grumbine, Webmaster



## Church Family News



### Music Honoree

A new honoree, Angelina Poole, was inducted into the Tri-M National Music Honor Society at GLSHS recently. The Tri-M Music Honor Society is a national music honor society for high school students. It is designed to recognize students for their academic and musical achievements, reward them for their accomplishments and service activities, and to inspire other students to excel at music and leadership.

A picture of Angie with the group of other GLHS seniors was in the *Tribune Review* on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>.



Patrick Rounds participated with the GLHS Honors Band in the Pennsylvania Music Educators' Association District 1 competition. It was held in January at Deer Lakes High School.

A picture of Patrick and the Honor's Band appeared in the *Latrobe Bulletin* on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> and in the *Tribune Review* on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Math Whiz

Isaac Poole is competing for the eighth grade team of GLJHS's Continental Math League this year.

The CML was started in 1980 to aid schools in helping students to improve reading comprehension and problem solving skills. Students compete with other students in five math exams over a five-month period.

In December, Isaac and his teammates had their first competition and placed third in the state. There was a picture of the team in the *Tribune Review* on Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> and a picture in the *Latrobe Bulletin* on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>.



Congratulations to Chloe Pohland for achieving academic excellence by making the Academic Scholar's List at the Valley School of Ligonier. She has been consistently achieving this honor for the past several semesters. Very few students are able to attain this because an A- average is required for all academic courses.



## Spaghetti Dinners

The youth-served monthly Spaghetti dinner will be held

# March 11<sup>th</sup>

Monetary donations are being accepted to buy food for the dinners. There is a spaghetti sauce can on the information table in the sanctuary where you may place your donations.

We can also use volunteers to help serve spaghetti as the weather gets nicer and the kids have other activities to attend. And, as always, we are accepting monthly donations of desserts. There will be a sign-up for desserts on the bulletin board in the entryway prior to each dinner.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask Wendy Rounds or Donna McCracken.