

# Latrobe Alliance Church

March 2014

## Listing of Ministries

### SUNDAY

Teacher Prayer 9:10 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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

Family Night 6:00 pm  
Kids Club  
Wired/Grounded (Youth Groups)  
Adult Bible Discovery  
Adult Parenting Class

### WEDNESDAY

Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm  
Worship Team 8:10 pm

### *Our* **Mission:**

\*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



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## God's Stewards

Have you ever heard people say, "Money is the root of all evil"? Did you know that it comes from the Bible? And, finally, did you know that what the Bible actually says is quite different from that saying? Here is the context from 1 Timothy 6:6-10 *But Godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For **the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.** Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.*

This is a practical application of the 1 Chronicles 29:14 *But who am I, and who are my people that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.* This verse calls us to be good stewards of everything we have, not because we want more and more, but because everything we have belongs to God. We are His stewards. This applies to us as individuals and also to us as a church.

In Philippians 4:19, God has promised to supply us with everything we need, according to His riches in Christ Jesus. All He asks in return is that we seek His kingdom first, and all these things will be given to us. (Matthew 6:33). When we trust in God's Word, stewardship becomes another way to worship and glorify our God Who provides for us.

I have been impressed to see God continue to bless us as we are faithful to Him with our time, our talents and our treasures. As we make Him our first priority, we demonstrate good stewardship and honor Him. I personally want to thank all of you who were good stewards of your time during this difficult winter and made the effort to be in God's house for study, worship and prayer. God will honor you and His church for your faithfulness to Him.

*Pastor Tim*



April 20 Easter Sunday

April 26 A Very Special Prom - American Legion

# Worship Assistants

	A-V Tech / Sound	A-V Tech / Computer	Ushers
3/2	Doug Mc.	Eric Mc.	Mike B./Sean A./Joe L.
3/9	Kevin R.	Sean R.	Dave G./Sean R./George O.
3/16	Dave G.	Sean A.	Ed S./Luke S./Noah S.
3/23	Lee S.	Luke S.	Sherman H./Dustin H./Dylan H.
3/30	Doug Mc.	Matt L.	Denny B./Chris H./Eric Mc.

## Safe Place



	Safe Place/SS	Safe Place/MW	Deaconess Greeter
3/2	The Onuskos	Judy M.	Karen S.
3/9	The Youngs	Pat H.	Lisa P.
3/16	The Grumbines	The McCrackens	Pat H.
3/23	Darlene H.	The Halls	Karen S.
3/30	The Onuskos	Judy M.	Lisa P.

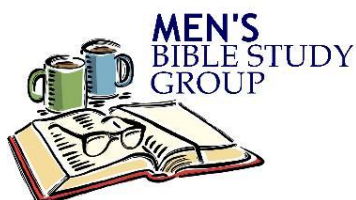


	Nursery/SS	Nursery/MW	Food Fellowship
3/2	Pat H./ Courtney O.	Lisa P./ Abby P.	Hall
3/9	Wendy R./Michaela M.	Christy H. / Madison	Hanko
3/16	Donna Mc/Kim M.	Julie L. / Abby Mc.	McCracken
3/23	Pat H./Courtney O.	Cherry/ Chloe P.	Steffey
3/30	Wendy R./Michaela M.	Lisa/ Mya S.	Semelsberger



Children's Church will be meeting every Sunday morning for children age 4 through those who are entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.

	Children's Church	Snow Removal
3/2	Karen S./Mya S.	Onusko
3/9	Lisa P./Chloe P.	Smith
3/16	Tricia H./Sean R.	
3/23	Darlene H./Christy H.	Kevin S.
3/30	Cherry L./Abby Mc.	Cherry L.



Tom Milford is the facilitator for this ministry which meets every other Saturday morning at 7:30 am here at the church. The topics of the study vary, but focus on issues that are relevant to Christian men today.

# NewsLetter DEADLINE

For April edition is:

March 23<sup>rd</sup>

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- 3 – Darlene Hanco
- 4 – Claire Piper
- 7 – Benjamin Houpt
- 14 – Donna McCracken
- 16 – Haley King
- 16 – Judy Miller
- 20 – Janina Hall
- 23 – Autumn Krakosh
- 24 – Morgan Krakosh
- 24 – Jesse Keffer
- 29 – Jillian and Jake Kuhns



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

## Governing Board

After a time of prayer, January's business was reviewed. Other business discussed was:

\*VBS Pastor will check the cost of Pershing Park and the park in Youngstown to use for VBS, if needed, depending on the church construction schedule.

\* Invite Cathy Lukon to Speak  
She will speak March 30<sup>th</sup> and we will take a onetime love offering for her *Board approved*

\* Building Use Request Janet Smith requested March 24<sup>th</sup> for an informational meeting for families involved with her tutoring  
*Board approved*

\* Kim asked if Governing Board Meetings could be switched to the second Tuesday of the month so that it falls on a different week from that of the newsletter, for her health reasons. *Board approved.*

The next meeting is scheduled for **March 11, 2014.**

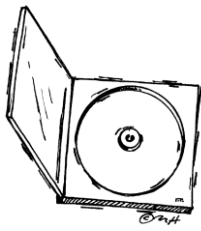
## Church Humor

After a very long and boring sermon the parishioners filed out of the church saying nothing to the preacher. Towards the end of the line was a thoughtful person who always commented on the sermons. "Pastor, today your sermon reminded me of the peace and love of God!" The pastor was thrilled. "No-one has ever said anything like that about my preaching before. Tell me why." "Well - it reminded me of the Peace of God because it passed all understanding and the Love of God because it endured forever!"

# SPRING

begins *March*

*20th*



## 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 Pastor Tim or call the church office.



John Hanco  
David Houpt  
Bret Pohland  
Kevin Smith



We are pleased to host our third Red Cross Community Blood Drive on Saturday, **March 29th** from 9am – 3pm. This is a great way to reach out to the community and show our hospitality and kindness. Volunteers are needed for telephoning, walkers, registering among other things, and better yet, be a donor also. See David Houpt if you are interested in being a part of the blood drive.



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On Friday, **March 21st**, there is a concert at Consol Energy Center in Pittsburgh called WINTERJAM. Some of the artists appearing are Colton Dixon, Lecrae, Newsboys, Everfound and world renowned daredevil Nik Wallenda will also appear.

Last year we exceeded the number of pints that the Red Cross set as our goal. Let's do it again!



**“Give God what's right – not what's left”**

There are a few church members planning on attending, but all are invited, and perhaps we could carpool. WINTERJAM is a chance to see 10 Christian artists for \$10. There is a flyer on the bulletin board.



## Mahaffey Grove Donations

This month's accepted donations for the Mahaffey Grove bin will be kitchen supplies: kitchen towels, mitts, knit cloths, cooking utensils, etc.

## *A Very Special Prom*

It's the third year for "A Very Special Prom", a prom for adults with disabilities. This year our theme is "Paris, City of Lights" and the prom will be on **April 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Volunteers from Latrobe Alliance Church feel blessed to be a part of the prom each year. There are **many** ways you can help out and we would love to have you! See David Houpt.



### MISSIONARY SPEAKER

On **March 30<sup>th</sup>**, we will have a guest missionary speaker from Dakar, Senegal, West Africa. Her name is Cathy Lukon. We say "guest" missionary because Cathy is not a CMA missionary, but is Bob Lukon's sister.

Born in Derry, Cathy is the youngest of 11 kids. She graduated from Derry High School in 1979, the same class as your humble editor, Kim Kantorik. Cathy felt God's hand on her life from an early age, but did not come to know Him as Lord and Savior until 1983. In 1996 she accepted a job with Campus Crusade for Christ and worked there until 2001. In 2005, she began her work as a missionary with WorldVenture, a mission organization.

Currently, Cathy teaches Western Civilization, AP World History and AP United States History at Dakar Academy.

Make it a point to be in church on the **30<sup>th</sup>** to hear her speak.



## Let's Have Coffee

On Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> it was cold and snowy outside, but extra warm and toasty inside as the Great Commission Women hosted a special Let's Have Coffee event during the Sunday morning events.

Our sanctuary was literally transformed into a coffee house and all who attended enjoyed sipping their coffee, tea or hot chocolate- as well as munching on Bridget's homemade biscotti's and worship team music with a jazzy coffee house vibe during Sunday School and Church. Tip jars collected donations for this year CMA's National Project- which benefits coffee house outreaches in 4 countries. We collected over \$50 in tips that morning and more will be coming when everyone turns in their take-home coffee cups, filled with change collected over the month of February.

Remember to bring your cups back Sunday **March 2nd**, so we can tally our final contribution. Thanks to all who helped make this event a success!



## Reminder of Key Upcoming Event

As was mentioned in last month's article, a key happening will be occurring soon. At the beginning of March, specifically March 1st and 3rd Chet, our architect, will be meeting with the building committee to finalize the construction timeline for the building on Saturday **March 1<sup>st</sup>**. He will be meeting with excavating and general contractors on Monday **March 3rd**. Since it is very likely that the contractors will be selected, or narrowed down to those doing the work, we solicit the church families' prayers for these meetings and the important decisions to be made. As always, it has been the building committee's desire for the Lord to reveal those contractors that should be selected to perform the work. Also again please be aware that Chet and his wife will be joining us for worship on Sunday **March 2nd**. Please welcome them, encourage them and thank them for participating and utilizing Chet's talents in this new building work. He has done this all the way from their home base of the state of Indiana.



## **Church Family News**



Congratulations to our budding scholars on making the GLSD second quarter honor roll!

### Twelfth Grade- Distinguished Honors

Eric D. McCracken

### Ninth Grade-Distinguished Honors

Isaac B. Poole

### Eighth Grade-Distinguished Honors

Abigail G. Poole

### Tenth Grade-High Honors

Frank Krakosh, IV

Luke E. Shriver

### Ninth Grade-High Honors

Abby N. McCracken