

Latrobe Alliance Church

May 2015

Listing of Ministries

SUNDAY

Worship Team Practice 8:30 am
Prayer Preparation 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
Ladies' Bible Study

WEDNESDAY

Prayer Meeting 7:00 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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How "Our Giving" Helps Our Community: Part IV

Chaplains in the Parks

50 years ago the PA Council of Churches recognized a need and an opportunity to take the gospel to people who were camping for the weekend in the PA State Parks. Although there were not the cautions concerning the separation of church and state that now exist, the Council was very careful in developing this program. They placed responsibility for the chaplains under a separate committee, the Leisure Ministries Program Committee, and worked out all the legal ramifications concerning a chaplain in a State Park. As a result, there has been a chaplain presence in over 20 State Parks for the last 50 years, ministering to the needs of the camping community and holding services each Sunday between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

The responsibility for each chaplain lies within a local committee formed to support the chaplain for that particular State Park. These local committees review resumes submitted to the Leisure Ministries Program Committee and select a chaplain to serve in their local Park for the summer. They are also responsible for raising support for their chaplain. This support can come from local Ministeriums and other regional church associations, individual churches, local organizations, fund-raisers and individuals who see the chaplain ministry as a valuable tool in reaching people who might not come to a traditional church.

Locally, there has been a chaplain at Keystone State Park ever since I have been at Latrobe Alliance Church. I serve as the chairman of the Chaplain Committee for the Keystone State Park. I not only act as liaison between the committee and the Greater Latrobe Ministerial Association, I also serve on the State Leisure Ministries Program Committee. We have a wonderful chaplain in Mr. Art Day, Jr., of Murrysville. He is a retired person who loves the Lord and is enthusiastic about the Chaplaincy and the programs at Keystone. He helps man the various concessions and is a member of the Friends of Keystone.

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June 13 - Red Cross Blood Drive
June 21 - Father's Day
July 25 - Vendor Fair at Latrobe American Legion
to benefit LIFE 2016

Worship Assistants

	A-V Tech / Sound	A-V Tech / Computer	Ushers
5/3	Dave G.	Matt L.	Denny B./Chris H./Tom M.
5/10	Lee S.	Sean R.	Bob L./Matt L./Ben H.
5/17	Kevin R.	Matt L.	Lee S./Austin S./Vincent S.
5/24	Dave G.	Sean R.	George O./Larry R./Sam G.
5/31	Doug Mc.	Matt L.	Dave G./Sean R./Joe F.

Safe Place



	Safe Place/SS	Safe Place/MW	Deaconess Greeter	Food Fellowship
5/3	The Onuskos	Judy M.	Judy M.	Sagan
5/10	The Youngs	Pat H.	Courtney O.	Deaconesses
5/17	The Grumbines	The McCrackens	Joyce O.	Cherry L.
5/24	Darlene H.	The Halls	Karen S.	Free
5/31	The Onuskos	Judy M.	Judy M.	Hanko



Nursery Attendants



Children's Church Volunteers

	Nursery/SS Lead	Nursery/SS Helper	Nursery/MW Lead	Nursery/MW Helper	Children's Church
5/3	Joyce O.	Kim M.	Courtney O.	Abby Mc.	Karen S.
5/10	Wendy R.	Joyce O.	Lisa P.	Mya S.	Cherry L.
5/17	Donna Mc.	Wendy R.	Cherry L.	Michaela M.	Darlene & Christy H.
5/24	Kim M.	Donna Mc.	Christy H.		Kelly & Lee S.
5/31	Joyce O.	Kim M.	Courtney O.		Lisa P.



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



We have a quiet area for Nursing Mothers in the ladies' restroom.

NewsLetter DEADLine

For May edition is:

May 24th

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Governing Board

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

*Kim Kantorik is heading the project of getting the required clearances for all children's workers/volunteers.

*Added to the Church Calendar-May 31st, God Discovery Banquet, held at Chef Mark's Palate.

*Next Red Cross Blood Drive scheduled June 13th

The next meeting is scheduled for **May 12, 2015.**



National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer for 2015 is scheduled for Thursday, **May 7th.** The Latrobe observance will take place at Noon in the courtyard of the Latrobe Presbyterian Church. Along with prayers offered by members of the Greater Latrobe Ministerial Association, special music will be presented by the Latrobe Community Chorus. The event is open to the public and will conclude at approximately 1:00 pm.



- 2 – Ryan LeBlanc
- 3 – Tricia S. Houpt
- 5 - Vincent Steffey
- 5 – Liberty Kuhns
- 10 – Jodi Henry
- 10 – John Miller
- 11 – Gavin Kuhns
- 12 – Karen and Hans
Semelsberger
- 13 – Joey Keffer
- 14 – Sarah and David
Grumbine
- 15 – Lisa and Bret Pohland
- 18 – Mary LeBlanc



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



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Our support of the chaplain program enables Art and the other chaplains to freely minister the love of Jesus to campers in the State Parks all summer long. We are glad to partner with Art, the Greater Latrobe Ministerial Association and the State Committee to shine the light of the Gospel in places which would otherwise have no gospel witness at all.

Pastor Tim



Church Family News



Student Attends Honors Orchestra

Chloe Pohland was selected by her Orchestra Teacher at the Valley School of Ligonier to participate in District I Junior High Honors Orchestra. The festival was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association, representing music teachers at the elementary, secondary and college levels. The event was held April 17-18 at Pine-Richland High School and included 140 Junior High Students from Fayette, Westmoreland, and Butler Counties.

Participants are given music prior to the festival to prepare for rehearsal. When they arrive they are escorted to the audition rooms. There they played some of this music before a panel of teachers who will evaluate their preparation and seat them according to the audition results. This places the students who are most prepared and able to play the music at the front of the section. The auditions provide the students with practical experience in preparation, technique, musical knowledge and performing under pressure (lots of pressure!!).

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The concert on Saturday afternoon, April 18 was the culmination of the festival. It was a very good performance of the music and a testimony to the hard work of the students, teachers, festival organizers and the guest conductor, himself a nationally known leader in music education. Our congratulations to Chloe on this achievement and our best wishes for more opportunities to play violin to the glory of God.

ACADEMIC Excellence

Greater Latrobe Senior High School has released the honor roll for the second marking period of the current school year. Several of our youth made the list. They are: Grade 10, High honors, Abby McCracken and Grade 11, Honors, Matt Lukon. Congratulations on your academic achievements.



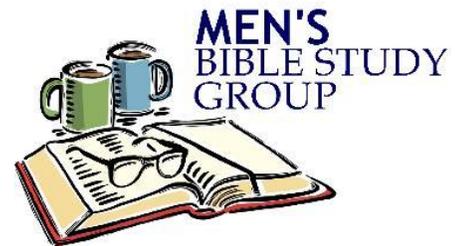
“What would you do today if you knew Christ was coming tomorrow?”



God Discovery Banquet

Is there a unique truth to be known and followed? Is there a God? If so who is this God? Can logic and reasoning be used to find this truth and God? Or is God someone that is known simply by having just enough faith? The good news is that yes there is a tremendous amount of evidence and scientific reasoning that point to God and that this God is the God described in the Holy Bible.

The God Discovery Banquet held at Chef Marks a few years ago, will once again be presented on **May 31st** at 6 pm. This banquet can help anyone to discover God and have a fulfilling relationship with Him. More specific details will be forthcoming in Sundays' bulletins.



Tom Milford is the facilitator for this ministry which meets every other Saturday morning at 7:30 am here at the church. The current study material is the book called *Locking Arms* by Stu Weber.



Spring Clean-Up a Success!

Mother's Day Prayer

My mom, I love her
And that's why I pray
Not just today on this Mother's Day

But with each remembrance
Of the love she's expressed
My thankfulness to the Lord I've professed

For my life began
In a warm and safe place
Then grew more secure in Mom's tender embrace

When I was little
She taught me to crawl
Then to walk and run, and get up when I fall

Nurtured and cared for
She raised me to stand
Lifted, supported, by her loving hand

She believed in me
Inspired me to dream
Nothing was impossible for me, it seemed

It was her example
That pointed the way
To the life in Christ I know today

My mom, I love her
On this Mother's Day
She's the reason I'm taking this moment to pray

My mom, I love her
Let her know, dear Lord
Please bless her with the most abundant reward

--Mary Fairchild

Saturday, April 18, dawned clear but chilly. The Men's Fraternity met at 7:30 for fellowship and a good discussion around the book *Locking Arms* by Stu Weber.

At 9:00 these men were joined by eight others to Spring clean the buildings. And Spring Clean they did, along with some needed repairs and upgrades! Here are some of the tasks completed:

The Creche from "Breakfast in Bethlehem" was moved behind the garage
The garage was cleaned and organized
The windows in the church were cleaned
The light fixtures in the sanctuary had bulbs replaced where needed
The vents in the sanctuary were cleaned
The light fixtures in the classrooms, bathrooms and hallway were swept of all bugs
The back classroom was half-emptied and cleaned
The fold-down tables in the hallway were anchored more firmly
The faucet in the Office powder room was replaced
The driveway was dug out to allow better water flow
The picnic tables and benches were taken out to the lawn

These are just a few of the tasks accomplished by this hard-working group of 12 or so.

However – there are still some projects which need some attention. There is a list of them in the utility Room. If someone would like to tackle one of them during the week, please talk with one of the Trustees: Dave Grumbine, Tom Milford, or Lee Steffey.

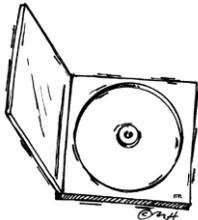
Thanks to all who worked so hard to make Latrobe Alliance a great place to grow in Christ.



Mahaffey Grove Donations

We continue to collect items for distribution to the International Workers at Mahaffey Camp in July. For April & May, we are collecting non perishable food: mac & cheese, peanut butter, jelly, ramen noodles, etc.

Please put items in the green bin by the Information Table at the back of the Sanctuary.



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.



GCW Leader Needed

The Great Commission Women leader serves as a contact point between our church and the full time International Workers of both our district and the CMA. This ministry can be as creatively done as the leader chooses. Some past activities have included: publicizing and (sometimes) attending our district's women's retreat and fall/spring rallies; collecting items monthly for the July Mahaffey Grove giveaway to International Workers; offering a service project that will benefit short or long term missions, such as the craft kits we did last spring; and making our church aware of prayer needs and having a special church service (such as our coffee house) to support Special Project each year. Any woman who is an official church member can hold this position.



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