



# OCTOBER

## NEWSLETTER

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Dinke Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church

1742 Dinkey Road

Lehigh, PA 18235

Church office: 610-377-4242

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### CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Reverend Anthony Pagotto	610-377-4242
Church Secretary	Jan Schwartz	610-377-4242
Music Director	Bridgette Gorman	
Financial	Kelli DeLuca	
Treasurer	Laura Moyer	
Sexton	David Arndt	

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship 9AM

Sunday School 10:15AM

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

Zoom ID: 586 370 219

### 2024 Church Council

Rev. Anthony Pagotto

Charles Bierman  
Linda Bierman  
Rich DeLuca  
Jay Frey  
Laura Moyer  
Karen Schleicher  
Kenny Schleicher  
Todd Schleicher  
Trell Schleicher  
Daniel Schwartz  
Kurt Steigerwalt

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday 9AM-2PM  
Thursday 9AM-2PM  
Friday 9AM-2PM



**Community Food Pantry is held the third Thursday of every month from 3:30-5PM. If you know someone in need please contact Pastor Tony.**

## Weekly Zoom Events

### Wednesday Morning Prayer

Pastor Tony hosts a Morning Prayer on Zoom every Wednesday Morning at 9AM

<http://zoom.us/j/87911224>

Meeting ID: 187 911 224

Call in: 1-929-205-6099

### Thursday Bible Study

Pastor Tony hosts a Bible Study on Zoom Every Thursday morning at 9:30AM

<http://us02web.zoom.us/j/376540617>

Meeting ID: 376-540-617

Call in:1-929-205-6099



## **The Need for Faith & Community – Part 2**

It's Wednesday morning and Claudia just finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in her cross country race last night. That's something I could not have imagined writing a few months ago. Back in the May newsletter I shared how appreciative we as a family were for all the support we received during Claudia's bout with parvovirus. She could barely walk, let alone run a race. When we went to watch Erica run the Boston Marathon on April 15, I was literally carrying her around the city because she didn't have the strength to make it on her own. So, it brings me joy I can hardly contain to see her out on the courses this season running her heart out. The hopelessness Erica and I felt when she was ill has been replaced with gratitude and appreciation.



The journey to where we are now was not easy. We leaned hard on one another, our families, and our church families. It meant a great deal to us whenever one of you would ask how Claudia was doing or tell us she was in your prayers. The schoolteachers and staff were tremendous. They worked with Claudia to help her complete class requirements, and even provided her the opportunity to rest in the nurse's office each day. The medical personnel were compassionate, not only with Claudia but with her mother and I knowing we were stressed in wanting our daughter to be healthy again.

As I stated in May, this virus was bigger than us and we needed to put our faith in a God bigger than the virus – and, boy, did God provide. Through all the instances mentioned above, God was reaching out to let us know we weren't alone. I don't believe God made our daughter sick to test us or teach us anything. But I do think God was constantly working through all of you to support and encourage us. Together you truly were the Body of Christ for us when we most needed it. On behalf of my family, I thank you so very much for your loving support. We cannot fully express our gratitude to each and every one of you.

If you are experiencing challenges or hardships, I pray you may feel the love and support of God through this community of faith. Know that God is walking with you to provide for you

the grace and compassion you need in whatever you face. And may we all be conduits of that love of God for one another.

Yours in Christ,

Pr. Tony

*My child, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them escape from your sight; keep them within your heart. For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh.*

Proverbs 4:20-22

## September 2024 Council Highlights

The following actions occurred and reports were shared at the September 18, 2024 council meeting:

- ❖ Tabled the constitution proposal until 2025.
- ❖ Discussed possibility of opening a church credit card but decided against it.
- ❖ Regretfully accepted the resignation Brian Schell from church council.
- ❖ Reviewed the proposed budget for 2025.
- ❖ The Memorial Garden upgrade project is coming together.
- ❖

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 6:30PM. A reminder to everyone that council meetings are open to all members of Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church.

## THANK YOU

Dear Dinkey Memorial Church,

I am deeply grateful for the scholarship you awarded me. Your support will make a significant difference in my education, and I truly appreciate your generosity. Thank you for believing in me.

Sincerely,  
Michael Bowman



Dear Pastor Tony and Congregation,

I am writing to thank you very much for the \$1,000 scholarship towards my education. My financial responsibility will be helped with your generosity as I strive to achieve my electrical engineering degree.

Sincerely,  
Ayden Hand



10/01 Faith Beck  
10/01 Sherri Hand  
10/01 Courtney Schleicher  
10/02 Courtney Kunkel  
10/03 Michele Brown  
10/04 Casey Dugan  
10/05 Ashley Hawk  
10/05 Brandon Solt  
10/05 Michael Zanders  
10/06 Pamela Leiby  
10/07 Jeanine Graham  
10/08 Abigail Christman  
10/08 Paige Steigerwalt  
10/09 Colton Coleman  
10/10 Andrew Bowman  
10/11 Dawn Schleicher  
10/13 Katie Eckhart  
10/13 Albany Leinthall  
10/13 Heavyn Pysker  
10/13 Sundra Sherwin  
10/14 Jordyn Albert  
10/14 Daniel Oswald Jr  
10/15 Rodney Borger  
10/15 Ashleigh Miller  
10/15 Alice Riley  
10/17 Maggie Bowman  
10/17 Brad Kuehn  
10/18 Ronald Miller

10/18 Daryl Walbert  
10/19 Jordon Graver  
10/19 Harper Lower  
10/19 Armell McFarland  
10/20 Dallas Biegley  
10/20 Kendall Bonser  
10/20 Nora Bonser  
10/20 Sherri Bowman  
10/20 Toni Leiby  
10/21 Darrin Arndt  
10/21 Michael Bowman  
10/21 Luella Ware  
10/24 Emerick McArdle  
10/24 Joan Reinheimer  
10/25 Lori Barron  
10/25 Reese Freundt  
10/25 Aubrey Watts  
10/26 Adalynn Curran  
10/26 Anthony LeBlanc Jr  
10/26 Wesley Mertz  
10/26 Patricia Schleicher  
10/27 Michael Bowman  
10/29 Robert Janco  
10/30 Joan Flickinger  
10/31 Richard Kirkendall  
10/31 Evelyn Klotz  
10/31 George Wilk



10/01 Christopher & Amanda Biehl  
(13)

10/02 Terry & Kimberly Blose (9)

10/03 Richard & Kelli DeLuca (32)

10/10 George & Denise Schleicher  
(37)

10/13 Eugene & Susan Tertel (6)

10/16 James & Jamie Albert (20)

10/17 Scott & Pamela Berger (26)

10/20 Michael & Kathleen Zanders  
(45)

10/22 Justin & Kristin Markell (19)

10/25 Carl & Patricia Schleicher (72)

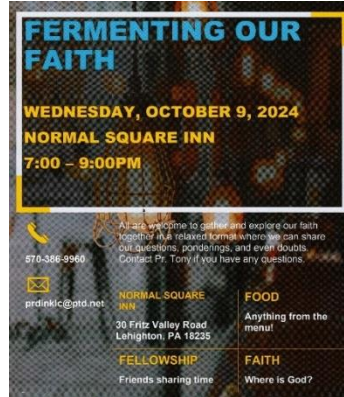
**Anniversary Celebration:** In 2026 Dinkey Memorial will be celebrating the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the congregation in 1851. A team is being formed to coordinate the celebration and we are looking for people interested in sharing the history of the congregation and having some fun while doing so. If you are interested, please speak with Pr. Tony for more information.

**Fundraising:** Dinkey is selling Streak Free cloths; \$5 each. Please contact Jan in the office if interested. Dinkey is also selling Zook's frozen meat pies; chicken & sausage are \$7, beef is \$8; pick up every Sunday from 10:00 – 11:30 in the social hall.

**Sunday School:** Welcome back to a new year of Sunday School which began on September 15, 2024; every Sunday at 10:15. Children ages 3 and up are welcome.

**Congregational Meeting:** There will be a congregational meeting on November 17, 2024 to review and approve the 2025 budget and election of council members. Please plan to attend.

**Fermenting our Faith:** Join us on October 9, 2024, 7:00PM at Normal Square to explore our faith in a relaxed setting.



**Choir:** Come join us on Thursdays at 6:30 PM for Choir. Everyone welcome

## Sick & Shut-in



Those in need of prayer:

Eli Bowland  
Willard Doll  
Lauren Dugan  
Candy Everett  
Family of Edward  
Finney  
Joseph Gorman

Pinky Green  
Sonny Hack  
Steve Hoffman  
Joe Kluk  
Deb Lilly  
Brian Schell  
Kenny Schleicher

Lukas Schleicher  
Todd Schleicher  
Madalin Smale  
Sherry Smith  
Patti Walck

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Pinky Green  
Tess Hinger

Ruth Keck  
Debbie Meckel

Gordon Scherer  
Debbie Strohl

## Upcoming Events to make note of

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
826 Mahoning Drive W., Lehighton, PA 18235

- Bake Sale
- Homemade Food
- Basket Raffle
- Fall Decorations
- Candy
- Plants
- Raffle Tickets
- Filling

# FALL BAZAAR

Fri. Oct. 4 5 - 7:30 PM  
Sat. Oct. 5 9 AM - 2 PM



10% of profits will go to The Bo Tkach Foundation  
**Fall Candy Sale**



All candy packaged ½ lb.	Butter Cream		Peanut Rolled Butter Cream		Peanut Butter		Peanut Rolled Peanut Butter		Old-Fashioned Molasses Coconut		Old Fashioned Coconut		Nonpareils Fall Colors		Pretzel Snaps		Spooky Hand Lollipop		Pumpkin Lollipop		# of Items	Total	
	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	Milk	Dark	White	Milk							
	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$6	\$6	\$2.00								
Homemade chocolates																							
Name																							

Pick up at Fall Bazaar Fri. Oct. 4 (5 pm - 7:30 pm) or Sat. Oct. 5 (9am-2pm)

### HARVEST HOME DONATIONS

On Sunday, October 13th, we will be celebrating "Harvest Home" where we will be collecting nonperishable items for the Community Care Food Pantry here at Dinkey Memorial. You can help provide nourishing meals for local families plus special holiday meals. Please help by "giving" to those in need. Examples of some of these items needed, just to name a few:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scalloped potatoes</li> <li>Instant, canned potatoes</li> <li>Vegetables(no black beans)</li> <li>Fruit</li> <li>Applesauce</li> <li>Cake mix/icing</li> <li>Fruit juice</li> <li>Hot chocolate</li> <li>Jello/pudding</li> <li>Pork &amp; Beans</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Soup</li> <li>Canned meat/tuna</li> <li>Pasta</li> <li>Spaghetti sauce</li> <li>Cereal</li> <li>Saltine crackers</li> <li>Peanut butter</li> <li>Jelly</li> <li>Mac &amp; cheese</li> <li>Cookies</li> </ul> |
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Paper products as well as hygiene products are always deeply appreciated anytime throughout the year.

Also, we welcome monetary donations or gift cards at anytime. (Giant, Aldi, Walmart or Country Harvest)

**PLEASE BRING IN ITEMS  
ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>th</sup>  
"HARVEST HOME"**

Thank you!

5:00-7:00PM Food & Drinks Provided

**October 20 at Dinkey Memorial, Ashfield  
October 27 at St. John's, Mahoning**

## Seeker Sessions (New Members Class)

Are you seeking a church home? Are you seeking more of an understanding of what it means to be Lutheran? Whatever it is you may be seeking after, we invite you to join us for these sessions about Lutheran history, theology, and modern day issues.

Contact Fr. Tom J. ...  
610-277-4242 / 610-284-8860 / jprohlik@stjohn.net



**Carbon County CROP Walk**  
Sunday, October 13, 2024 2:00PM  
The walk will start at Riverview Park (600 Riverview Road) in East Penn Township and head South along the D&L Trail. Walkers will then have a choice of returning along the same loop or using connecting paths to complete a loop.

[events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/lehightonpa](https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/lehightonpa)

## FALL BASKET SOCIAL

- Gift Cards

Soup Sale
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- Kitchen's Open

Baked Goods
- Special Raffle

Basket Raffle

**Emmanuel UCC Church  
509 Hamilton St Bowmanstown PA**



**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

For More Info: 610-852-2707.





## **SPONSOR OUR NEEDS**

Flowers	\$25.00
Bulletins	\$13.00
Cemetery Pole*	\$21.00
Strength For the Day*	\$20.00
Devotions Booklet*	\$20.00

(\*donates monthly)

Please contact Jan in the office at 610-377-4242  
to request a specific day or month to sponsor.

## **MORE WAYS TO HELP MY CHURCH AND CHURCH FAMILY**

Purchase Giant gift cards by contacting Kathy Steigerwalt at 540-250-6539  
Cards are in \$25 and \$50 denominations.

We are still collecting:

Aluminum Tabs

Ink Jet and Toner Cartridges for Recycling

Worship Assistants for October:

10/06 A: C Klotz/ J Markell G: Bierman L: B Schell CA: E Pagotto/ E Solt

10/13 A: B Schleicher G: Everett L: K Steigerwalt

10/20 A: D Spitzer G: Frey L: L Ware

10/27 A: A Kirkendall/ M Spitzer G: Wetzel L: K Wetzel CA: C Steber/K  
Steigerwalt

**We are in need of volunteers as greeters/ushers, lectors, communion assistants and alter guild. Please let the office know if you are willing to volunteer.**

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		6:30PM Fundraiser Meeting	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir	5-7:30PM Fall Bazaar(SJ)	9AM-2PM Fall Bazaar(SJ)
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9AM Worship Penecost 20 Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 12:30PM Confirmation(SJ)	6:30PM Grief Share (SJ)	10AM Palmer House Hymn Sing	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 7PM Fermenting our Faith (Normal Square)	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9AM Worship Pentecost 21 10:15AM Sunday School 2PM Crop Walk 			9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 6:30PM Council Meeting	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 3:30PM Community Food Pantry 6:30PM Dinner & Discussion (SJ) 6:30PM Choir		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9AM Worship Pentecost 22 Healing Worship 10:15AM Sunday School 12:30PM Confirmation(D) 5PM New Member Session(D)	6:30PM Grief Share (SJ)	6:00 Ladies Aid	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir		
27	28	29	30	31		
9AM Worship Reformation Sunday Communion 10:15AM Sunday School 5PM New Member Session(SJ)			9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study 6:30PMChoir 		