



MAY

NEWSLETTER 2023

Dinke Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church
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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship 9AM
Sunday School 10:15AM

2023 Church Council

Rev. Anthony Pagotto
Linda Bierman
Rich DeLuca
Jay Frey
Laura Moyer
Brian Schell
Karen Schleicher
Kenny Schleicher
Todd Schleicher
Trell Schleicher
Daniel Schwartz
Kurt Steigerwalt

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 2PM-4PM

Wednesday 10AM-4PM

Thursday 10AM-3PM

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

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



Wishing you the
very best this
Mother's Day!



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



MAY BIRTHDAYS MEMBERS 70 AND OVER

5/1 JAMES SCHLEICHER

5/3 FAY HUNSICKER

5/6 JOANNE KOONS

5/21 KAREN HEILAND

5/24 NORM WETZEL





Those in need of prayer:

Margie Balliet

Ruth Keck

Missy Deitrich

Lauren Dugan

Ernie Frack

Alan Gaugler

Cindy Shipwash

Jude Solderich

Lukas Schleicher

Todd Schleicher

Terry Fritz

Patti Walck

Healing prayers for a sick friend

HOMEBOUND MEMEBERS: Tess Hinger Debbie Meckel Debbie Strohl
Sharon Rex

THANK YOU- A THANK YOU WAS RECEIVED
FROM SHEPHERD HOUSE, INC FOR THE
DONATION OF \$286.00. SHEPHERD HOUSE
SERVES MEN AND WOMEN IN NEED IN
CARBON COUNTY.

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

5/6 ERVIN & CATHERINE HAUPT (34)

5/16 IAN & ANELIQUE CHRISTMAN (3)

5/18 DAVID & LEANDRA KENNY (10)

5/23 MICHELLE & RICHARD BROWN (8)

5/25 STEPHEN & JOAN VAYDA (55)



April 2023 Council Highlights

The following actions and reports occurred at the April 19, 2023 council meeting:

- ❖ Final payments have been made for the work completed after the parsonage water leak.
- ❖ The water system upgrade has been completed according to DEP standards.
- ❖ Approved receiving the following as confirmed members of the congregation: Lillian Klotz, Cara McMichael, and Bella Moyer.
- ❖ Approved the purchase of Sundays and Seasons subscription to be split with St. John's, Mahoning.
- ❖ Approved Rich DeLuca as male congregation representative for the 2023 Hazleton-Lehigh Mission District Assembly and NEPA Synod Assembly.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 6:30PM. A reminder to everyone that council meetings are open to all members of Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church.

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 Sherry 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
610-377-6681 \$25, \$50, and \$100 denominations

We are still collecting:

Aluminum Tabs

Ink Jet and Tone Cartridges for Recycling

Worship Assistants for May

5/7	A: C Pagotto/ A Keller	G:Hack	L: B Schell	CA: R DeLuca/K Frankhouser
5/14	A: D Spitzer	G:Wetzel	L: K Steigerwalt	
5/21	A: R Keller	G:Bierman	L: L Ware	
5/28	A: L Klotz/M Kluk	G: Everett	L: Confirmation	CA: L Kerksmar/J Kluk

Strength for the day for May are sponsored by Irene Wenner

Stilling Our Minds

Several years ago, I was out on a run along the D&L Trail heading toward Slatington from West Bowmanstown. At the time there were numerous things taking place that were causing a lot of stress within me. Running has always been a time for me to talk with God and work through whatever is going on in my life. On this particular run, however, something deeper took place.

As I ran along at a steady pace, I realized I was reciting Psalm 42:10 over and over in mind – “Be still, and know that I am God! Be still, and know that I am God! Be still, and know that I am God!”

Now I don’t think God was telling me to go home and sit still, although there are times I feel like I want to do that when I’m on a run. I believe God was speaking about “stilling” my mind. I may have been running a slow steady pace, but my mind was going 100 mph, and the tension and stress within body and soul was evident. In the midst of that tension and stress, God was speaking to me and encouraging me to place all my worries and concerns in his hands.

At those times when I feel completely overwhelmed by the stresses of the day, week, month, or season, rather than push harder to accomplish more, that’s exactly when I need to be still and remember I have a God that is bigger than any of the stressors I encounter in life.

I share this with you, because I have found myself stressing – a lot – recently. And if I need to be reminded to “Be still,” perhaps some of you need to be reminded as well. Are there stressors in your life? Things that are causing tension within your mind, body, or soul? If you are feeling the need to push harder and go further, maybe what you really need to do is “Be still.”

The repetitive motion of running helps me to find a quiet place where my mind can stop racing and all I focus on is my breathing and running form. It creates a space where I can talk with God and just listen. What are the practices in your life that allow your mind to stop racing and give you the opportunity to listen to God? I encourage you to engage those practices and give yourself the space you need in the midst of stress and tension.

And please know that if you ever need to talk through those stressors and tensions, it’s OK to express them to someone you trust and feel comfortable with. Those people are some of the greatest gifts God has given us, and are a tangible way to encounter God in our midst.

May the message of the resurrected Christ remind you that you have a God bigger than any issue or struggle you encounter, and may it offer you the opportunity to just “Be still.”

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Pr. Tony



Joint Health & Wellness Team

🏠 Location: Dinkey Memorial Lutheran Church
📅 Date: May 17, 2023
🕒 Time: 6:30PM

Our bodies are a gift from God, and taking care of them is one of our callings.

On Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 6:30PM there will be an initial meeting of the Health & Wellness Team in the Social Room at Dinkey Memorial. The purpose of this meeting is to gather people together from Dinkey Memorial, Ashfield and St. John's, Mahoning who are interested in forming a team to provide opportunities to promote health and wellness within our congregations.

Some items of discussion will be the location and upkeep of First Aid kits within church buildings, maintenance of AEDs, and blood pressure screenings.

Do you have experience in the health field or do you have an interest / passion for your own health and wellness and that of those around you? Please join us for this initial meeting to help set a direction and share ideas to promote caring for these wonderful bodies God has gifted us.

If you have any questions or would like some more information, please contact Pr. Tony at prdinklc@ptd.net / 610-377-4242 / 570-386-9960.

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20



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Office Hours:
2 pm – 4pm Tues.
10 am – 4pm Wed.
10 am – 3 pm Thurs

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
7 9:00AM WORSHIP 10:15 Sunday School 12:30 Confirmation	8 6:30 PM Grief Share S. John's	9	10 9:00 AM ZOOM Morning Prayer	11 9:30 AM ZOOM Bible Study	12 4-7 PM Basket Raffle	13 9AM-2PM basket Raffle
14 9:00AM AM Worship 10:15 Sunday School	15 6:30 PM Grief Share St. John's	16	17-9:30 AM ZOOM Morning Prayer 6:30PM Council Mtg	18 9:30 AM ZOOM Bible Study 3:30-5 PM Community Care 6:30PM Dinner & Discussion (St. John's)	19	20 9AM Spring Clean Up Day
21 9:00AM AM Worship 10:15 Sunday School	22	23 10PM Palmert HOUSE- Hymn Sing 6PM Ladies Aid	24 9:00AM ZOOM Morning Prayer	25 9:30 AM ZOOM Bible Study 3:30-5PM Community Cupboard	26 St. John's Rummage Sale	27 St. John's Rummage Sale
28 9:00AM AM Worship Pentecost-Confirmation 10:15 Sunday School 11AM Memorial Day Service	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31 9:00AM ZOOM Morning Prayer			

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BASKET RAFFLE

Friday, May 5th, 4 pm – 7 pm
Saturday, May 6th, 9 am – 2 pm

A sheet of 25 raffle tickets will be \$5.00 or
purchase 5 sheets for \$20.00
Baskets are valued at \$25 or more
You need not be present to win
ALL winners will be notified

We will also have the kitchen open
and we will have baked goods for sale.

Proceeds to benefit church repairs, and
the East Penn Fire Company



Please contact the office if you have the name of a graduate you would like to be recognized for graduating in 2023. Scholarships are available for anyone interested in applying please contact the office to receive one.



Spring Clean Up, Saturday, May 20th at 9AM

