



MAY

# NEWSLETTER

## MAY 2025

Dinke Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church  
1742 Dinkey Road  
Lehigh, PA 18235  
Church office: 610-377-4242  
Email address: [cdinklc@ptd.net](mailto:cdinklc@ptd.net)

### 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

### 2025 Church Council

Rev. Anthony Pagotto  
Charles Bierman  
Kian Bowman  
Rich DeLuca  
Jay Frey  
Scott Klotz  
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

## 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



**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.**



## **Profession of Faith**

This year (2025) marks the 1700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Nicene Creed. Back in the year 325 an ecumenical council met in Nicaea to adopt a creed that would be acceptable throughout the whole church. The major point of discussion was whether or not Jesus was “like God” or Jesus “was God.” Different versions were explored but eventually the council settled on “of one essence (Being) with the Father.” Here we are 1700 years later still using the Nicene Creed to confess our faith in God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. I think it is amazing that we have this expression of faith that unites us across so many centuries. The number of people that have confessed their faith using this creed is more than I can imagine. People of all walks of life, different ethnicities and races, and countries all around the world; those who may have been best of friends and those who were sworn enemies. But all of them united in the belief that God is present to us as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

But how many of us really take the time to think about what it is we are saying each time we recite the Nicene Creed. How often have we recited the words from memory during worship without internalizing what it is we say? I know I can be guilty of it. I invite you to reflect upon this statement of faith and what each line means. Are there things you never noticed before? Are you puzzled by any of it? Write down any insights or questions you may have and reach out to me for discussion. I would love it! So that you don’t have to find it, here’s a copy of the creed:

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

Your servant in Christ,

Pr. Tony



05/01 Bryn Schleicher  
05/01 James Schleicher  
05/01 Austin Stuckley  
05/02 McKenzie Bowman  
05/02 James Koch  
05/02 Judd Schleicher  
05/03 Grayson Ayers  
05/03 Avery Ceykovsky  
05/03 Fay Hunsicker  
05/03 Trell Schleicher  
05/06 Athena Frey  
05/06 Joanne Koons  
05/07 Luke Blisard  
05/07 Amber Pepper  
05/08 Sydney Zarelli  
05/10 Blaine Blose  
05/10 Jaxson Zarelli  
05/11 Landen Passehl  
05/12 Jay Frey  
05/13 Brody Zimmerman  
05/14 Pamela Berger  
05/14 Kendal Hoffman  
05/14 Blake Schleicher

05/15 Derek Wilkinson  
05/16 Jackson Reigel  
05/16 Mallory Valentine  
05/17 Coleen Bretz  
05/18 Eugene Tertel  
05/19 Ian Christman  
05/20 Jasmyn Davis  
05/21 Karen Heiland  
05/21 Dylan Moyer  
05/22 Brian Borger  
05/24 Karen Schleicher  
05/24 Norman Wetzel  
05/25 Caleb Brown  
05/25 Scott Klotz  
05/25 Nicole Schminkey  
05/25 Mary Wambold  
05/26 Harold Schafer Jr  
05/28 Luke Diedel  
05/28 Zachary Goodhile  
05/28 Corrine Schlier  
05/29 Jared Oswald  
05/31 Isabella Mertz



05/06 Ervin, Jr & Catherine Haupt (36)  
05/16 Ian & Gabrielle Christman (5)

05/18 Daniel & Leandra Kenny (12)  
05/23 Richard & Michele Brown (10)  
05/25 Stephen & Joan Vayd

# April 2025 Council Highlights

The following actions occurred and reports were shared at the April 16, 2025 council meeting:

- ❖ Welcomed the confirmation class to the meeting.
- ❖ Set our Spring Clean Up Day for Saturday, May 17, 2025 and a rain date of May 24 starting at 8:00AM.
- ❖ The 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team met twice and started going through pictures and other memorabilia. April 12, 2026 has been set as the date of the celebration.
- ❖ Approved a \$100.00 to the Lehigh United Veterans Organization to help defray costs for the Memorial Day services.
- ❖ Thanked the Audit Committee of Kristin Markell, Nora Oswald, and Angela Rothermel for completing the annual audit.
- ❖ Received Craig Haviland as a new member.
- ❖ Signed the contract for the stained glass window repairs.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, May 21, 2025 at 6:30PM. A reminder to everyone that council meetings are open to all members of Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church.

**Financial Reports:** Financial reports are available upon request from the church office.

**Thank You:** A special thank you to everyone who has donated clothing into the clothing bin. We collected 17.7 tons in 2024.

**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.

**2025 Flower & Bulletin Chart:** The flower and bulletin charts for 2025 are on the bulletin board at the top of the stairs for anyone interested in sponsoring a date. Sign up on the charts or call the office (610)377-4242.

**Fundraiser:** Dinkey is selling Rita's cards for 10% off your purchase, cost is \$5.00. Please see Karen Schleicher (610)390-1125. Dinkey is also selling streak free cloths for \$5.00, please see Jan in the office if interested.

**Fundraiser:** Dinkey will be selling Krispy Kreme Doughnuts; \$12 for a dozen original glazed or a half dozen special order (chocolate iced, lemon filled, raspberry filled or cream filled). Orders due by May 5, 2025, pickup on May 14, 2025 from 1-3PM. Sign up sheet is in the back of church.



**Cookbook:** The fundraising team would like to have your favorite recipe to put together a Dinkey Memorial cookbook. Please give the recipe with your name on it to Karen Schleicher or drop off at the office by Sunday, May 11, 2025. There will be a section for Breakfast, Appetizers, Beverages, Soups, Salads, Vegetables, Main Dishes, Game, Breads, Rolls, Desserts, Miscellaneous.

**Altar Guild:** We are in need of people willing to help with the altar guild. Responsibilities include setting up and cleaning up communion, refilling candles, updating the hymn boards, and changing paraments. Our goal is to form altar guild teams that will rotate on a monthly basis. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pr. Tony (610-377-4242 or [prdinklc@ptd.net](mailto:prdinklc@ptd.net)).

**Vacation Bible School:** The time is now for us to plan VBS for Summer 2025, however, we are in need of help. If you are able to help in any way with coordinating, teaching, assisting in the classroom, planning snacks or games, or teaching music, please speak with Pr. Tony. Let's make this VBS another wonderful experience for our children!

If you know of someone that is graduating in the next few weeks, please let the office know. We will have Graduate Recognition Day on June 15, 2025. We would also like information on any students enrolled in higher education, where they are attending, their major, etc.

Scholarship applications for anyone attending college or trade school in Fall are needed by June 30, 2025. The scholarship recipients will be announced in mid-July and the award certificates will be presented on July 20, 2025. Scholarship applications are on the Dinkey website for anyone interested.

**Stained Glass Windows:** Help preserve our stained glass windows by making a donation today. Your support will help us complete the work necessary to repair and upgrade the windows and preserve them for the future. You can donate by marking "Stained Glass Windows" on your envelope and memo line of your check, or by scanning the QR code to download the Vanco Mobile app. Thank you for your support and commitment to this project.

*Dinkey Memorial Stained Glass Window Repair Pledge of Support*



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I/we make the following pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Weekly

☐ Monthly

☐ One-time



God's Blessings on Emma Jane Watts who was baptized on April 20, 2025.



### **Those in need of prayer:**

Alexis  
Eli Bowland  
Sherri Bowman  
Willard Doll  
Lauren Dugan  
Candy Everett  
Dianne Gerber  
Ann German

Dick German  
Joseph Gorman  
Sonny Hack  
Steve Hoffman  
Doug Keller  
Rick Keller  
Joe Kluk  
Deb Lilly

Nicole Mazenko  
Rowles  
Kenny Schleicher  
Lukas Schleicher  
Todd Schleicher  
Trisha Schleicher  
Patti Walck  
Sandy Walter  
Betty Weber

### **HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:**

Tess Hinger  
Ruth Keck  
Debbie Meckel

Alice Scitney  
Gordon Scherer  
Debra Strohl

### ***MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL***

Noah K. Kunkel PSC41 Box 6927 APO AE 09464  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Benjamin Cordova, 9300 Valencia St., Tucson, AZ 85747



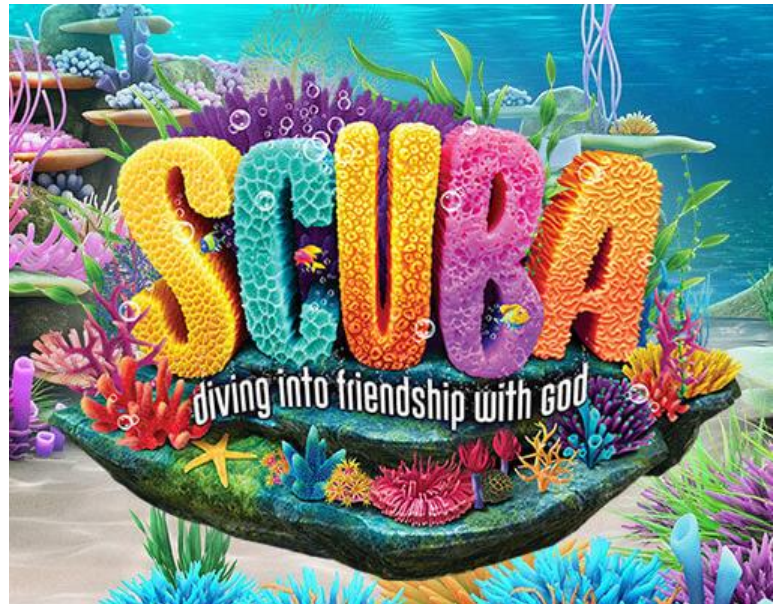
## Events to make note of

Dinkey Memorial, Ashfield and St. John's, Mahoning Lutheran Churches are cohosting Summer VBS 2025. From preschool to adults there will be something for everyone – including snacks! Register by calling Dinkey's office at 610-377-4242 by June 13 so we can make sure enough supplies are ordered. Please bring a blue T-shirt that can be stenciled.

Where: Dinkey Memorial Lutheran Church

When: June 23-25, 2025

Time: 6:00-8:30PM



Carbon County Friends of Animals

### Cash, Gift Card & Designer Purse



**\$500** Cover-All Prize  
**\$100** Gift Card Prizes

### & Basket Raffle

## Sunday, May 4, 2025

Doors open at 10:30 am, Bingo starts at 12:00 pm

At The Orioles Community Center  
475 Orioles Drive  
Leighton, Pa 18235

Tickets can be purchased online at [CCFOA.Info](http://CCFOA.Info) or on our Face Book page  
They can also be purchased at the shelter

Advanced sales tickets are \$25.00 for 1 Game Pack or \$40 for 2 Game Packs  
Day of event ticket price is \$30.00 for 1 Game Pack or \$50.00 for 2 Game Packs

**Game Pack Includes:** 20 Regular Bingo Cards, 5 Special Bingo Cards, and Door Prize Ticket

50/50 Drawing	Basket Raffle
\$2.00 per Ticket or \$5.00 for 3 Tickets	\$10.00 per Ticket Sheet (24) or \$20.00 for 3 Ticket Sheets (72)

**\*Bring an item from our wish list (located on our website) to be entered into a special drawing**

**Come join us for a fun filled day!**

### Parryville Fireman's Community

## CARNIVAL

### May 2nd 5-10pm

### May 3rd 12-9pm

**@Bowmanstown Rod & Gun Club**

Live music and Food trucks both days:

**The Traveling Curbside Grill, Coastal Cravings, Caribbean Island Cuisine, Parryville Funnel Cake stand, Lehighon Fire Dept, Walking Tacos**

**5/3 Sat- DJ Jeff Freeby 12-6, vendors 12-5, Cake walk 4pm, Brown Bag Raffle (gifts certificates) 7pm**

**Friday 6-10pm**      **Saturday 6-9pm**




**Rides by Double M Amusements rides open Friday 6pm, Saturday rides open 4pm- no outside alcohol**

**FMI Suz 484-347-3928**



**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.**

## **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, \$50, and \$100 denominations.

We are still collecting:

Aluminum Tabs

Ink Jet and Toner Cartridges for Recycling

Worship Assistants for May

05/04 A: J Markell/ B Schleicher G: Frey L: K Steigerwalt CA: Erica Pagotto/ L Schleicher

05/11 A: C Solt G: Wetzel L: L Ware

05/18 A: D Spitzer G: Bierman L: K Wetzel

05/25 A: M Spitzer G: Everett L: R DeLuca

# May 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir 6:30PM Dinner & Discussion(SJ)		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9AM Worship 3rd Sunday of Easter Communion 10:15AM Sunday School	6:00PM Grief Share (SJ)  Orders due for Krispy Kreme		9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9AM Worship 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 10:15AM Sunday School 	10:00AM Palmer House Hymn Sing		9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 1:00-3:00PM Krispy Kreme Pickup	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 3:30PM Community Food Pantry 6:30PM Choir		8:00AM Spring Clean up
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9AM Worship 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 10:15 Sunday School 12:30PM Confirmation(SJ)	6:00PM Grief Share (SJ)	Election Day	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 6:30PM Council Meeting	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir		8:00AM Raindate- Spring Clean up
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
9AM Worship 6th Sunday of Easter 10:15AM Sunday School 12:30PM Confirmation(D)		6:00PM Ladies Aid	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 7:00PM Fermenting our Faith(Circa 1898)	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir	NEPA Synod Assembly	NEPA Synod Assembly