



MAY

NEWSLETTER

MAY 2026

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

CHURCH STAFF

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

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship 9AM
Sunday School 10:15AM
www.dmlcashfield.com
Zoom ID: 586 370 219

2026 Church Council

Rev. Anthony Pagotto
Charles Bierman
Linda Bierman
Kian Bowman
Rich DeLuca
Jay Frey
Scott Klotz
Laura Moyer
Karen Schleicher
Kenny Schleicher
Todd Schleicher
Dan 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: 586 370 219

Call in:1-929-205-6099

Your music director, Colleen, would like to start a children's choir and also a youth/young adult praise group of singers and musicians. If interested, please see the cat – I mean me – any Sunday after church. Thanks & Peace+



If you play an instrument, I'd love to have you join me as we show our love to the Lord through music. If you'd like to share your talents, please see me after any Sunday worship. Youth and adults are welcome.

Peace+ to you,

Your music director, Colleen



April 2026 Council Highlights

The following actions occurred and reports were shared at the April 15, 2026, council meeting:

- ❖ Thanked everyone for their help in making the 175th Anniversary such a wonderful event.
- ❖ Approved \$100.00 donation to the Leighton United Veterans Organization.
- ❖ Donated \$20.00 to the Color Run.
- ❖ Work on the church windows will begin Monday, April 20.
- ❖ Approved the use of the parking lot for Palmerton Preschool's graduation ceremony.
- ❖ Approved hosting a mobile gaming event on Sunday, May 17.

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday May 20, 2026, at 6:30PM. A reminder to everyone that council meetings are open to all members of Dinkey Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Sheldan & Matthew (Schleicher) Page on the birth of their child, Rhys on February 9, 2026 and to Kelsey & Max (Andrews)McCandless on the birth of their child, Charlotte on March 22, 2026.

Celebration: Let us celebrate with Madison DeLuca who has received her first call to Little Zion Lutheran Church in Telford, PA. . She will have her Ordination & Installation on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 11:00 AM at Little Zion. All are welcome to attend.

FYI: The meeting ID # for Thursday Bible Study has been changed to the service ID # 586 370 219.

2026 Flower & Bulletin Chart: The flower and bulletin charts for 2026 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.

Giant Gift Cards: If you would like to purchase any Giant Gift Cards please see Linda Bierman. We receive 5% from each gift card sold.

Cookbooks: The Dinkey cookbooks have arrived and are ready for purchase, \$15 per cookbook. Please see Karen Schleicher.

Graduates: 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 14, 2026. We would also like information on any students enrolled in higher education, where they are attending, their major, etc.

Pumpkin Roll & Filling: There is a limited supply of pumpkin roll and quarts of filling left; first come/ first served . The cost is \$9 each. Please see Linda or Charlie Bierman.

Scholarships: Scholarship applications for anyone attending college or trade school in Fall are needed by May 31, 2026. The scholarship recipients will be announced by end of first week of June and the award certificates will be presented in mid-June. Scholarship applications are on the Dinkey website or in the office for anyone interested.

Basket Raffle and Bake Sale: Dinkey's Basket Raffle and Bake Sale will be held on May 15, 2026 from 4 to 7 PM and May 16, 2026 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Donations of gift baskets or gift cards are greatly appreciated. Please see Karen Schleicher.

Slingshot Esports will be at Dinkey Memorial on [Sunday, May 17](#) from 10:15AM - 12:15PM. They will have gaming systems set up for our youth (and adults) to try out and experience. This event is to promote their ministry and new hub in Weissport which will open later this year. Please come check it out and see how God is at work! You can also check them out online at slingshotesports.org.



05/01 Zachary Bernardo
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 Trel Schleicher
05/06 Athena Frey
05/06 Joanne Koons
05/07 Luke Blisard
05/07 Amber Caffese
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 Wetzell
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 Isabelle Mertz



05/06 Ervin & Catherine Haupt Jr (37)
 05/16 Ian & Gabrielle Christman (6)
 05/18 Daniel & Leandra Kenny (13)

05/23 Richard & Michele Brown (11)
 05/25 Stephen & Joan Vayda (58)

EVENTS TO MAKE NOTE OF

Basket Raffle & Bake Sale



**Dinkey Memorial Evangelical
Lutheran Church**
 1742 Dinkey Road, Ashfield, PA

Friday, May 15th, 2026 - 4pm - 7pm
 Saturday, May 16th, 2026 - 9am - 2pm

- A sheet of 25 raffle tickets will be \$5.00 or purchase 5 sheets for \$20.00
- You need not be present to win, ALL winners will be notified
- We will also have the kitchen open for food sales
- Proceeds to benefit church repairs
- 10% of proceeds to be donated to the East Penn Township Fire Company

Dinkey Memorial is also selling Rita's gift cards for \$5. Please call Karen Schleicher (610)390-1125 to purchase.



FERMENTING OUR FAITH

Join us as we gather to explore faith together in a relaxed format.
 Share your questions, ponderings, and even doubts.

May 27th • 6:00 PM

Beacon 443 Diner
 35 Blakeslee Blvd Dr E
 Lehighton PA 18235

Contact Pr. Tony if you have any questions
 @ 570-386-9960 or prdinklc@ptd.net

ALL ARE WELCOME

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 15, 16 & 17

6:00 - 8:30 PM

at Dinkey Memorial Church

JOIN US FOR
VBS CLOSING

Joint Service at Dinkey Memorial
 Sunday, June 21st at 9 AM

Confirmation Sunday

May 24, 2026

MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM OR ASSOCIATED WITH DINKEY MEMORIAL

Noah K. Kunkel PSC41 Box 6927 APO AE 09464

1st Lt. Benjamin Cordova, 9300 Valencia St., Tucson, AZ 85747

Brendan Schleicher 11611 Dyer Street, Apt 1026 El Paso, Texas 79934

Private Seth Koch Sierra Vista, AZ



Those in need of prayer:

Faith Beck
Sherri Bowman
Robert Coccio
Rick D
Lauren Dugan
Candy Everett
Louise Everett
Frank Fisher
Ann German

Dick German
Joseph Gorman
Madisynn Hawk
Steve Hoffman
Barbara Niehoff Janco
Sandy Keller
Joe Kluk
Deb Lilly
Armell McFarland

Robert Miller
Emily Persinger
Kenny Schleicher
Patty Schleicher
Tanner Schleicher
Georgine Shupp
Carol Steigerwalt
Kathy Steigerwalt
Patti Walck

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Darwin Berger
Arlene Bisbing
Sheila Flickinger
Tess Hinger
Linda Markell
Debbie Meckel
Gordon Scherer
Alice Scitney
Debra Strohl





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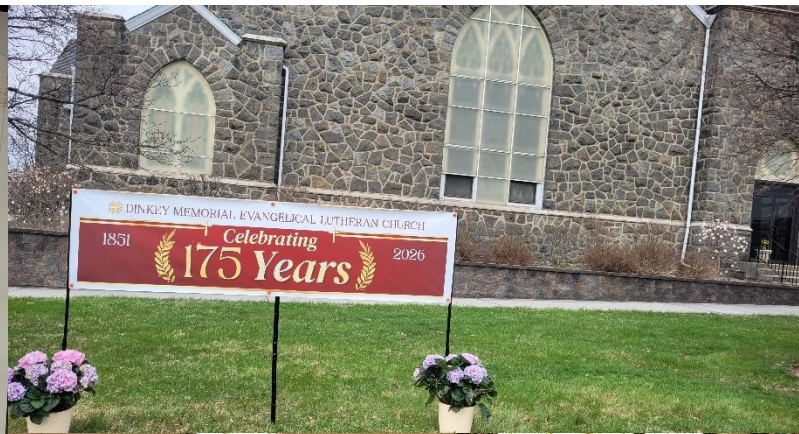
You're Invited to Dinkey Memorial's
175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Sunday, April 12, 2026

Don't miss this special Anniversary Sunday where we celebrate God's faithfulness and grace at Dinkey Memorial E. L. Church.

Immediately following the 10am church service at
EAST PENN COMMUNITY CENTER/FIRE CO.
403 Blue Mountain Rd.
Lehighton, PA 18235

DOOR PRIZES
GIFT CARD CHINESE AUCTION
COMPLIMENTARY MEAL
MUSIC

FORMAL INVITATION RSVP DUE BY:
March 15



SPONSOR OUR NEEDS

Altar Flowers	\$25.00
Memorial Bowls	\$20.00
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 Linda Bierman at 484-464-3705
Cards are in \$25, \$50, and \$100 denominations.

We are still collecting:

Aluminum Tabs

Ink Jet and Toner Cartridges for Recycling

Altar Guild for May: L Kerksmar

Worship Assistants for May:

05/03 A: J Albert/M Bowman G: Wetzel L: Erica Pagotto CA: K Wetzel/ R DeLuca

05/10 A: A Keller G: Bierman L: E Matz

05/17 A: R Keller G: Everett L: N Oswald

05/24 A: L Klotz/J Markell G: Frey L: Confirmation Class CA: K Frankhouser/L Kerksmar

05/31 A: B Schleicher/ C Solt G: Wetzel L: Elijah Pagotto CA: J Koons /Elijah Pagotto

May 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9AM Worship Easter 5 Communion 10:15 Sunday School	6:00PM Grief Share(SJ)		9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9AM Worship Easter 6	10:00 Palmer House hymn sing		9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM 6:30PM Council Mtg	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM 6:30PM Choir	4-7PM Basket Raffle	9AM-2PM Basket Raffle
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9AM Worship Easter 7 Communion 10:15 Sunday School	6:00PM Grief Share(SJ)		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)		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9AM Worship Pentecost Communion 10:15 Sunday School _____ 31 9AM Worship The Holy Trinity Communion	<p>HAPPY MEMORIAL *** DAY ***</p>	6PM Ladies Aid	9AM Morning Prayer via ZOOM	9:30AM Bible Study via ZOOM		