

REV. LYNNE D. TROUT



Next hoagie sale will be Saturday June 18th, 2011. Orders must be in by Tuesday June 14th at 5pm.

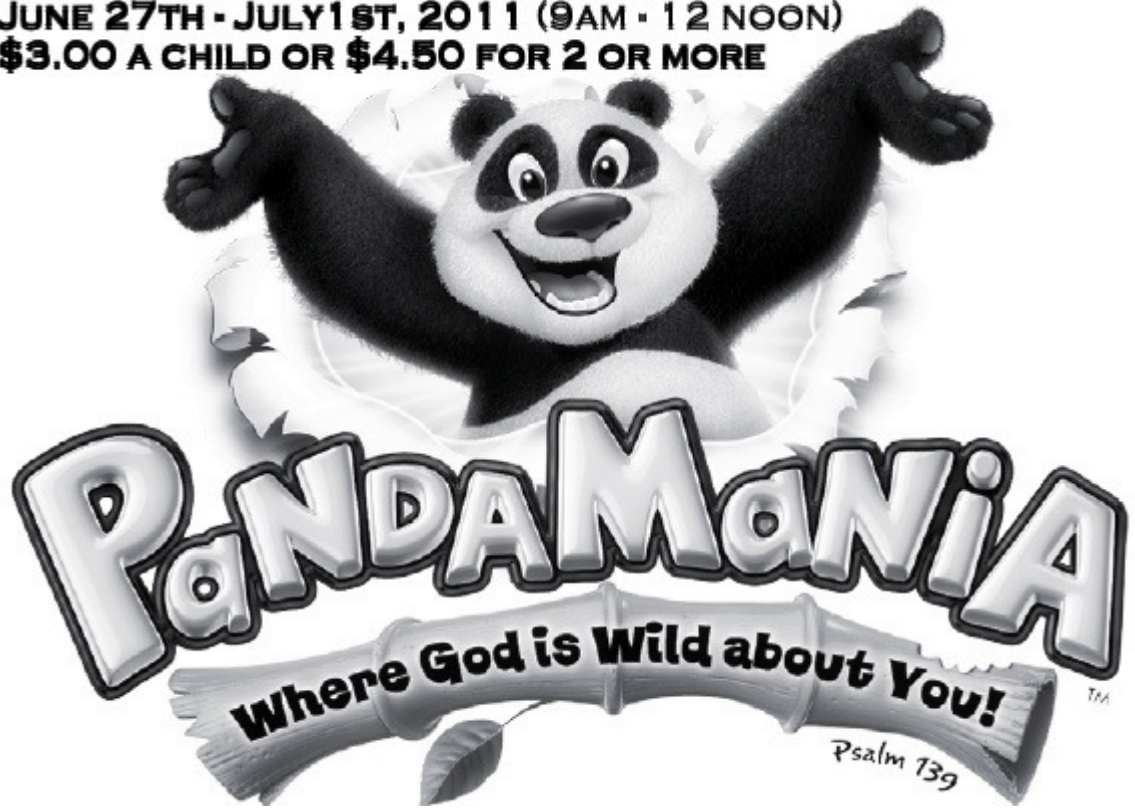


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Celebrating 138 years of God's Love

**JUNE 27TH - JULY 1ST, 2011 (9AM - 12 NOON)
\$3.00 A CHILD OR \$4.50 FOR 2 OR MORE**



You can fill out a registration form by going to our website at www.delancopc.org or pick up at church, fill it out & give it to the Pastor.

Attic & Basement Sale in June in conjunction with hoagie pickups.

There will be no A & B sales in July or August. We will be recycling, renewing & organizing things for our next blockbuster sale. We would like to thank everyone that has taken part in our Attic & Basement sales. Everyone from the donators to the organizers to the buyers, you have played an integral part in making someone else's life better. Heart felt thanks & Gods Blessings from the Mission Committee

Dates to Remember: June

06/05 - 10:00 a.m. - Communion; after worship, Christian Education Committee

06/06 - 10:00 a.m. - Worship and Music Committee

06/07 - 7:00 p.m. Deacons

06/13 - 7:00 p.m. Session

06/19 - Adult Baptism, Reception of New/Transferred Members

06/21 - 7:00 p.m. Presbytery Meeting, Blackwood, NJ

06/26 - Infant Baptism

06/27 - Red Cross Blood Drive 2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

06/27 to 7/01 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Vacation Bible School

07/17 - All Church Picnic at Ed and Barbara Kemble's

Hoagie Sale

Orders must be in by June 14th for your delicious hoagies from the crew here at The First Presbyterian Church of Delanco
*****We have added Roast Beef hoagies to the lineup for a limited time**

**Call
 856-255-5152
 To Order**

Hoagie pickup will be Saturday June 18th Between 10:30 am & 12 pm

Code Blue

As summer nears and blankets are packed away in chests or closets for next winter, please consider donations of gently used blankets to the Tri-Town Ministerium Code Blue Shelter at Zion Lutheran Church in Riverside. Thank you to those who have dug in your closets over the past winter and donated gently used blankets or purchased new ones for the homeless. We will continue to collect blankets over the summer. There is a marked box in the annex

A year ago I wrote about our concern over the air conditioner and whether it would make it through the summer. Well, it did and in the fall we replaced it with a new unit. We can only hope that the Sunday mornings during the summer will bring less heat and humidity so expenses on the electric bill will not be as great. My grandmother, a dye in the wool Methodist, went to many a summer service with just her hand fan for circulating the air.

Amid your planning for “getting away” this summer, please do not forget your Sunday monetary contributions to the church. Vacations will sometimes side track our financial obligations to the church. It is more vital than ever each of us keeps up with our contributions.

Our flock’s membership roll is growing slowly. This is very GOOD NEWS! New members to our flock don’t forget per capita. This is part of your financial responsibility as a member of the Presbyterian Church USA and this is your moment of opportunity to set up to the plate and do the right thing.

2011 Per Capita (\$39.00 per member **not family**)

You can see from the chart below the first four months were laden down with approximately \$11,000 more in expenses. Part of imbalance as stated in previous columns was attributed to heating the church for the first four months of the year. That burden is gone until next November. Even still, income contributions are down by approximately \$2,000 comparing the first four months of 2011 to 2010. On our church piano that dates back to the early 1900’s (ask Gerri), we have a basket given the name *Pennies from Heaven* and we were all encouraged to contribute extra change to it each Sunday morning. Think of all the money we fritter away daily. That money could go into the basket and help supplement the income contributions. So for me, not so many trips to Starbucks.

Abound in hope by the Power of the Holy Spirit and more musings to come in September.

Rick Trout Finance Committee

As Kai Rysdall marketing analyst for NPR says, “Here we go by the numbers” for the first four months of the year.

January	Contributions/Income \$7,301	Expenses \$12,054
February	\$5574	\$9,313
March	\$12,054	\$9734
April	\$7,500	\$6489
Total	\$26,609	\$37,590

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Counters Schedule for June

First Presbyterian Church of Delanco
505 Union Avenue
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www.delancopc.org Visit us !

(Please! Use Post Office Box for mailing)
(856) 461-2515
(856) 461-8615 FAX
Church Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.—12:30 a.m.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

June 5 Gerri Diehm, Linda Ballenger and Sue Mullen

June 12 Debbie Brown, Jackie Nixon and Vera Taylor

June 19 George and Joyce Brookover and Rick Trout

June 26 Carol Esposito, Dave Convery and Jane Olley

July 3rd Gerri Diehm, Linda Ballenger and Sue Mullen

Counters: It is the counter's responsibility to find a substitute if unavailable to fulfill your scheduled Sunday. Look for new counter's schedule for the July and August in the counting room.



THE WITNESS

The Summer Sunday Worship Service Starts at 10am on June 5th

June Birthdays:

06/07 - John Mehling

06/10 - Jennifer McCullough

06/10 - Samantha Jennings

06/11 - Helene Verner

06/12 - Marion Burk

06/13 - Janice Brennan

06/14 - Charles Cheeseman

06/16 - Caroline Austin

06/21 - Owen Brennan

06/22 - Anthony Stillwaggon

06/27 - Allan Wood

06/29 - Chris Bishop

06/30 - Mary Nikolet

06/30 - Dr. Richard Smith

July Birthdays

07/01 - Elsie Verner

07/04 - Suzanne Convery & Julia Greenhalgh

07/05 - Thelma Cabaniss

07/06 - John Bienkowski

07/07 - Darlene Crabtree

07/11 - Rick Trout

07/13 - Holly Sickler

07/14 - Joseph Mourey, Sr.

07/19 - Laura Montgomery

07/20 - Elizabeth McCord & Joan McCullough

07/24 - Dan Brown

07/25 - Chris McCullough

07/31 - Joseph Bowers & Betty Jenkins

August Birthdays:

08/02 - Anthony Montgomery, Jackie Nixon, Liam Yeats & Debra Sickler

08/13 - Barbara Kemble

08/16 - Judy Grayham

08/16 - Doris Mourey

08/22 - Robert Montgomery

08/23 - Susan Mullen

08/23 - Vera Taylor

08/24 - Nancy Gager

08/25 - Dale Mooney

08/27 - Hilda Hackney

08/28 - Sandy Biehn

08/29 - Suzanne Stillwaggon

08/30 - Randy Bracy

As we prepare for Pentecost Sunday on June 12th, we are reminded of Luke's story of the coming of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2:1-21. This is Peter's first sermon of Pentecost in which he quotes the Old Testament prophet Joel 2:28-32. Acts 2:17 and Joel 2:28 say, "then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream, and your young men shall see visions." Here is God's promise that He will pour out His Spirit on all flesh. In the Old Testament, "all flesh" means all of humankind, probably all of Israel. God gives reassurance to His people of all ages. With this promise in Joel and Acts, the movement of the Holy Spirit includes all of society regardless of gender, age, or social status. Joel is not the only one with such a vision. Other prophets in the Old Testament also write about an immediate relationship with God to be enjoyed by all God's people, not just a select few.

What does it mean for Israel, and for us, that God's Holy Spirit is poured out on each person? Three specific disclosures of the Spirit are given: People will prophesy, dream dreams, and see visions. These are related displays of an immediate and close relationship with the Lord, who communicates it to others. Throughout the Bible, God communicates His word through dreams. Vision and prophesy are so closely linked that the Old Testament writings of the prophets are considered visions at times.

If we think of prophesy as mainly foretelling the future, then we miss its real meaning. Prophesy is better described as "forth telling" or proclaiming God's word. God Himself gives us the insight and the boldness with which to speak.

For thousands of years, sons and daughters prophesy, old people dream dreams, and young people see visions. This continues today. But prophesying, dreaming dreams, and seeing visions are not limited to the age groups Joel uses. We are all capable of these activities through the grace of God and the presence of His Holy Spirit. Each of us can prophesy or proclaim God's word as well as dream dreams and see visions. Through these, our church is alive and is empowered to grow and strengthen spiritually and in other ways. Our dreams, visions, and proclamations help our church remain alive and faithful. The Holy Spirit works through us all at the direction of God the Father and the Son.

May we encourage each other to continue dreaming and proclaiming God's word. May we use our God-given abilities to reach out to others in love and compassion to spread the Gospel and to strengthen our relationships with our Lord.

Peace,

Pastor Lynne