

June 2025 Newsletter

Free FLEA MARKET



Grove Church is hosting a giveaway event

Saturday, June 7th

9am-Noon

All items are FREE! No Money involved!



Vacation Bible School



July 21-25 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

For ages 5 through 5th grade

Scan the code to register





Preschool Storytime Thursdays in June 10:00 AM

Preschool children are invited to join us in Fellowship Hall for fun stories and crafts. Register by scanning the code. Contact Pastor Eva for more information.



Summer Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to Noon

Below are the highlights from the leadership board meeting on Monday, May 12:

- Summer worship starts on June 1st.
- Building maintenance updates: review and update vendor management policies.
- · Preschool updates: look at budget for next year
- July 13th Christmas in July
- Special envelopes go towards congregational care in June.
- Special envelopes go towards mission and outreach in July.



For the Month of June our special focus is Congregational Care

Adopt A Highway

Twenty-Six Bags of Trash and Bragging Rights

When Grove's members come together to pick up trash along the three mile stretch of Whitford Road and Grove Road near church, of course their goal is to clear the roadside of debris. This Spring that meant twenty-six bags of trash that won't end up in the sewer system or in the bubbling creeks that run along the side of the road.

But it has also become a tradition to see who finds the most unusual item. This Spring's oddities included three one-dollar bills and a Wawa credit card, but Rae Guthrie and Kathy Matthews won bragging rights for the oddest item when they found the bleached skull and bones of a large animal, possibly a dear.

Thank you to this Spring's participants: Rae Guthrie, Kathy Matthews, Jeff Parno, Susan Parno, Jeff Popyack. We hope even more members of the Grove congregation will join us in July.





Our Journey of Hope (R) Cancer Care Ministry at Grove seeks to serve persons impacted by cancer (people who have cancer, their loved ones, family & close friends, caregivers) and to create a point of connection between the church and the community that extends the love of God with grace and hope. Toward that end, OJOH at GUMC is supporting the American Cancer Society (ACS) Relay for Life of Chester County, PA, again this year. There are several ways that you can help support this cause as well:

- Join us join our team and come walk with us!
- Donate any amount is appreciated.

Event: Saturday, September 27th from 3pm to 9pm at 220 Valley Creek Blvd., Exton, PA.

Contact <u>OurJourneyOfHope@grovechurch.org</u> or speak with Kristin Mattie if you have questions.

Scan the QR code to join our team or make a donation. Thank you!







Grove Youth Ministry Schedule

Sunday, June 1st

Youth Choir shares an anthem at the 10:00 am summer service

Choir Concert rehearsal 11:30-3:00 pm

Youth Group-tie dying tees, games & dinner 3:00-7:00 pm

Monday, June 2nd & Wednesday June 4th

Choir Concert rehearsal 6:30-9:00 pm

Sunday, June 8th

Choir Concert rehearsal 11:30-3:30 pm

Monday, June 9th & Wednesday, June 11th

Choir Concert run throughs 6:30-9:00 pm





Mission Blitz Week

will be held the week of July 28th for youth who completed 6th grade through 12th grade. If interested in participating, or know someone who may be interested in a week of serving in our community, please email youth@grovechurch.org



YOUTH GROUP AND KID CONNECTION GROUPS







Thank you to everyone who volunteered and supported the Missions Car Wash





Congratulations High School Class of 2025



Laura Abate



Laura is graduating from Downingtown East High School. There, she was a member of the National Honor Society. She enjoys freelancing graphic design work!

Laura will be attending Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) to study graphic design. She is so excited for this new chapter in her life.

Becca Taylor-Storm



Becca will graduate from Henderson High School on Tuesday, June 3rd, 2025. During her time as a high school student, she participated in extracurricular programs such as Model UN, Glamour Gals, and DECA, an Entrepreneurial program with competitions in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management. She is a member of the National Honor Society, the Business Honor Society, and served as the treasurer for the Italian Honor Society. In addition, she played outfield for the Henderson Warriors varsity softball team.

Becca is heading to the Smeal Business College at Penn State Main Campus this fall where she will study Business Administration.

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Cameron Chandler



Cameron is proud to graduate from West Chester East High School, where he balanced academics with a passion for sports. As a dedicated member of both the hockey and lacrosse teams, Cameron brought energy, teamwork, and leadership to every game. This fall, he's heading to York College to pursue a degree in Sports Management—combining his love of athletics with a future in the business side of the game. The next chapter is just beginning, and Cameron is ready to make his mark.

Kylie Chandler



Kylie is graduating from West Chester East High School with an impressive resume of athletic involvement. A fierce competitor, Kylie played on the hockey, field hockey, lacrosse, and flag football teams—demonstrating her versatility and determination on and off the field. This fall, she will be attending Stevenson University, where she plans to study Chemistry and suit up for their NCAA women's hockey team. With her curiosity in the lab and tenacity on the ice, Kylie's future is full of bright possibilities.

Grove Youth Choir Concerts

Sharing faith & hope through song



Monday, June 16th 7:00 pm St Paul's UCC in Exton

Wednesday, June 18th 7:00 pm St. Timothy's Lutheran in Aston

First Presbyterian of Phoenixville

We invite you to our upcoming youth concerts. Your presence would mean a lot to us, and we'd love to see you at the other churches as well.

Your support truly makes a difference!

Spring Clean up at Grove Thank you for all your help!







