



PINE STREET LIFE

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Pine Street Will Make News

At General Assembly

by Russell Sullivan, *Pastor*

This June our General Assembly in St. Louis will feature a unique alignment of the stars! (Astrological language isn't very Calvinist, but we'll let it slide this time.) First, as you may know, Session and I have been working on an overture for our Presbytery to approve. The overture, *On America's Interfaith Context and the Church's Challenge*, calls upon the General Assembly to: 1) Affirm and embrace the religiously diverse nature of the United States of America and the call of the Christian faith to love all of our neighbors – including those of other faiths - as we love ourselves; 2) Condemn all religiously inspired and motivated violence, prejudice, discrimination, and hate speech, in particular, those actions based upon anti-Semitism and anti-Muslim behaviors and language; 3) Re-affirm our traditional positions on interfaith issues; 4) Call upon all Presbyterians to live repentantly by seeking reconciliation with all religious groups who have been hurt by unjust actions and words of the Presbyterian Church (USA); 5) Encourage presbyteries to create interfaith relations committees or task forces to promote interfaith relations, dialogue, and understanding; 6) Encourage congregations to engage in interfaith conversations and partnerships in their communities; and 7) Direct the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly to encourage congregations to utilize the resources of the Office of Interfaith Relations to promote education about other religions and interfaith dialogue. (Copies of the overture are available at the Welcome Center.)

The Presbytery approved our overture on February 27 and appointed me to be its advocate at the General Assembly. The Presbytery of Great Rivers concurred with the overture. But there's more good news!

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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| March 25 | Palm Sunday |
| March 29 | Maundy Thursday |
| March 30 | Good Friday |
| March 31 | Easter Vigil, 9:00 p.m. |
| April 1 | Easter |
| April 14 | Men's Breakfast Shawl Ministry |
| April 15 | Annual Meeting |
| April 21 | Enneagram Workshop |
| April 22 | Choir Worship at Camp Hill |
| April 29 | Camp Hill Choir Visiting |
| April 28 | Lifetouch Photos |
| May 6 | Bagels and Belief Marilyn Miller Studio Recital |
| May 12 | Men's Breakfast |
| May 19 | Walk for DDB at HAAC Organ Spectacular |
| May 20 | Donn Snyder Memorial |

*For a complete calendar, please visit
www.pinestreet.org*

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Our clerk of session, Chantal Atnip, is a candidate for moderator of the same General Assembly. Many of you heard her speak at the March *Bagels and Belief* when she shared her vision and hope for the Presbyterian Church (USA). If she is elected moderator, Chantal will be an articulate spokesperson for cool thinking, reasoned listening, and passion for the needs of the world. We need those kinds of Presbyterians at the highest level of our mission.

But there's more good news: our Parish Associate, Heather Sigler, will be one of the commissioners (Chantal is one too) to the General Assembly. She will serve on a committee there and be part of discussions and decisions that affect the church in mission and ministry. She will bring a deep love of the church and a practical mindset to solving problems.

Three Pine Streeter's representing you at one General Assembly! Who would have thought of such a coincidence (better yet, "a providence")? I think that's fantastic. Keep us in your prayers as we seek to be faithful in this service.

Grand Court Organist to Visit Pine Street

Peter Richard Conte Performs MAPS' Season Closer

Many of you have probably been to Macy's in Philadelphia (formerly the famous Wanamaker Department Store). It is home to the world's largest working pipe organ, coming in at a whopping 28,750 pipes and growing! Its organist is the legendary artist Peter Richard Conte, who comes to Pine Street on May 19 to give a recital. He specializes in playing transcriptions of large symphonic repertoire on the pipe organ. Our organ has many orchestral sounds and Peter is sure to explore just about all of them.

"Superb artistry in the lost art of organ transcription...To play that many lines with only ten fingers is technical wizardry, but to do it with feeling and magic is indeed rare."
(**American Record Guide**)

Peter Richard Conte's nearly-unparalleled technical facility, brilliant ear for lush tonal color, and innovative programming style have made him one of the most revered and sought-after "orchestral" organists of this era. He was appointed Wanamaker Grand Court Organist in 1989 - only the fourth person to hold that title since the organ first played in 1911 - where he presides over the world's largest fully-functioning musical instrument, located at the Macy's Department Store in the heart of downtown Philadelphia. The organ is heard in recital twice daily, six days per week, with Mr. Conte playing a majority of those recitals. He is also one of the producers and lead artist in the popular Christmas holiday shows at Macy's and the annual Organ Day every June, each presenting truly grand music befitting of the grand space to routinely sold out crowds. Mr. Conte is also Principal Organist at Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, PA, and, since 1991, has served as Choirmaster and Organist of Saint Clement's Church, Philadelphia, where he directs a professional choir in an extensive music program firmly rooted in the high Anglo-Catholic tradition.

Mr. Conte is highly regarded as a skillful performer of the standard organ repertoire, arranger of orchestral and popular transcriptions, and silent film accompanist. His recitals can include such diverse works as Bernstein's *Overture to 'Candide'*, Dupré's *Symphonie Passion*, Mussorgsky's *Night on Bald Mountain*, "period pieces" such as *Londonderry Air*, and works by unknowns such as Firmin Swinnen and Oliphant Chuckerbutty. He has been featured several times on National Public Radio and on ABC television's "Good Morning America" and "World News Tonight." He has two radio shows: "The Wanamaker Organ Hour," which airs on the first Sunday of each month, at 5:00 p.m. (EST), and can be heard via the internet at WRTI.ORG; and each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. (EST) his Grand Court concert is streamed live on YesterdayUSA.com. He has appeared as a featured artist at numerous conventions of the American Guild of Organists and the Organ Historical Society, and has also performed with the Philadelphia Orchestra, the Philly Pops, and with numerous orchestras around the country.



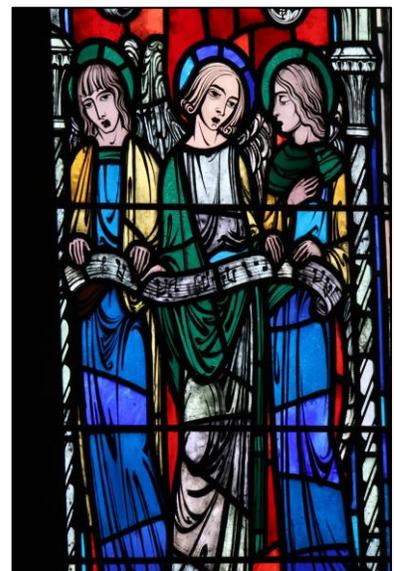
Peter Richard Conte has served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Organ at Rider University's Westminster Choir College, Princeton, NJ, where he taught Organ Improvisation. He is the 2008 recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Indiana University School of Music, Bloomington. In 2013, the Philadelphia Music Alliance honored him with a bronze plaque on the Avenue of the Arts' Walk of Fame. His numerous recordings appear on the Gothic, JAV, Pro Organo, Dorian, Raven, and DTR labels. His most recent CD, *Virgil Fox Remembered*, was released in May 2016 on the Raven label.

Peter will be joined by organist and flugelhornist **Andrew Ennis**. Mr. Ennis is a graduate of Rowan University, is a band director at Upper Pittsgrove School, and is organist at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Camden, NJ. He and Mr. Conte recently released a CD, *My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice* on the GOTHIC label, the first-ever commercial album exclusively featuring flugelhorn and organ.

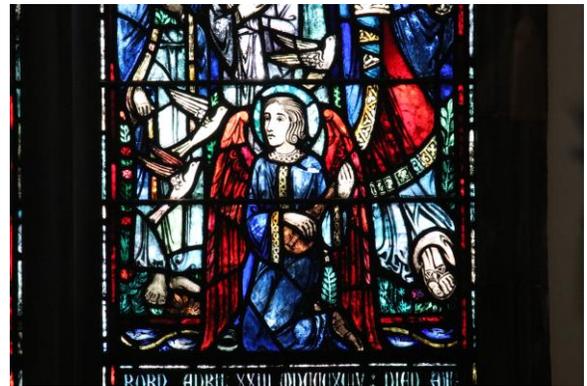
Can Stained Glass Sing?

Music is important to the fabric of Pine Street. So important, in fact, that it has numerous depictions in the stained glass windows of our Sanctuary.

Angels carry scrolls of music "sharing the jubilation of earth and singing praises unto God." This depiction is from the window "Scenes in the Early Life of Our Lord" by Harry Wright Goodhue, located in the east transept.



Four angels of joy and praise, each accompanying the Holy Innocents on a different instrument. From the Great South Window, "Militant Christianity" by Charles J. Connick. The inspirational text for this window comes from Revelation 21:3: "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God."



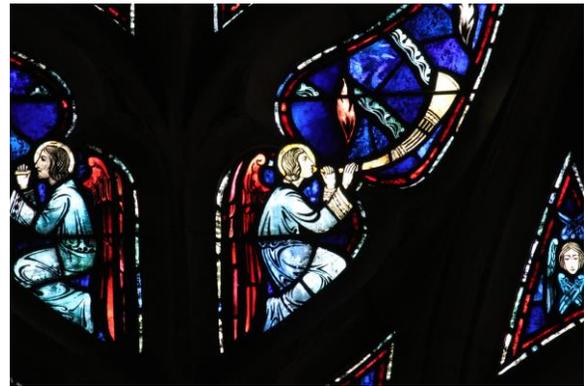
St. Cecilia, patroness of musicians, is seen carrying a small pipe organ. She was a martyr at the hands of the Romans. She is seen crowned with a wreath of roses that had been placed on her head by an angel on her wedding day. From "Militant Christianity."



King David, carrying a "harp" similar to a kinnor (his instrument would likely have had ten strings and a sound box). Although "kinnor" is often translated as "harp," it was actually quite different, with high-tension strings, a sound box, and loud enough to be heard with rams' horns, trumpets, cymbals, etc. This was an advanced instrument of its time. King David would have been fairly virtuosic and a well-trained musician to be playing it. A player would have played single

notes, fundamental intervals, and arpeggios. The instruments were likely tuned in Pythagorean temperament, based on fourths and fifths. From "Militant Christianity."

Angels of glad tidings with trumpets surround the hand of God, depicted at the top of this window.



Next time you're in the sanctuary, take a look around and see what you see surrounding us as we worship the Most High God (or in biblical Hebrew, עליון).

Downtown Daily Bread News

by Anne Guenin, Director, Downtown Daily Bread

The Night Shelter is scheduled to close its operations for the winter on March 31, 2018. It has been open since December 1, 2017, and on most nights, there have been 40 men inside, sleeping on cots instead of outdoors. For the most part, our clients have been thankful for this shelter, and they are already inquiring as to whether we will be open at night next year. We are in discussions with other community agencies about next winter, but given the obvious need, we will again do all that we can to help our clients during the coldest months.

We are pleased to welcome Cyndi Klose as the DDB Office Administrator. Cyndi is a professional photographer, a small business owner, and the mother of two daughters. Cyndi is already supporting all of the DDB staff, and she is managing donations and volunteers. Cyndi hopes to increase our social media presence and community outreach. If you get a call from Cyndi, please say *yes!*

We have compiled an Amazon Wish List as a means of easily communicating the most current and urgent needs of our clients. You can peruse a list of needs, decide what you would like to help with, and then simply click to buy and have the items delivered directly to the church. Look for more information on this new program on the DDB Facebook page.

Downtown Daily Bread will be participating in the Highmark Walk for a Healthier Community on Saturday, May 19. Please consider joining the DDB team and walking with us on the HACC Campus. More information is available at the Welcome Center.

Pine Street's 2018 Mission Trip to Jewell Ridge, VA

by Carol Putt

On Saturday, June 16, 2018, a group of Pine Streeters will be leaving to travel to a small coal mining camp in the Appalachian Mountains to help the Jewell Ridge Presbyterian Church conduct their annual Vacation Bible School. Parents from that church and many other communities in the surrounding mountain ridges will be bringing their children and young people to experience a life-changing event that has occurred annually for generations of Jewell Ridge residents and friends. Each year for 27 years we have partnered with our brothers and sisters in the Presbyterian church of Jewell Ridge. This year the trip to "the Ridge" will last from June 16-23, when we will help to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to 60+ children and their families and learn to know the people there and experience the culture of Appalachia. It is an unforgettable trip which the whole family can enjoy! For more information please contact Carol Putt at (717) 545-7236 or (717) 571-9515, or email at carolputt25@gmail.com. Our friends in Jewell Ridge can't wait for us to come. Will you join us this year?

Thank You Corner

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, and condolences. Your support and thoughts have made this difficult time a little easier. My siblings and family have been touched by the messages we have received since the passing of our mother. Thank you again and God bless you.

Sincerely, Michelle Kennedy and family

Lifetouch Photographers return to Update Church Directory

Saturday April 28, 2018. You may reserve your appointment time in person on April 8 or 15, or online at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y1xb24jk/>

One Great Hour of Sharing

It's NOT too late to give for 2018

A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. One Great Hour of Sharing is an offering that makes the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world

who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Today, projects are underway in more than 100 countries.

During World War II and immediately following, Protestant churches made appeals for relief and reconstruction. At the prompting of newly-elected Presiding Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill of the Episcopal Church in 1946, a goal of one million dollars per year was set for World Relief. On nationwide radio, he challenged members to raise “one million dollars in one hour” to help people and communities in need. During the first three years, Episcopalians raised \$3.8 million. In 1949, church leaders from several denominations formed an ad hoc committee to organize an appeal aimed at supporting the separate campaigns of American churches. Their joint statement in support of this effort in essence conveyed the importance of strengthening the vitally important relief and rehabilitation work of the churches overseas. Pulling together, they could prove to the world the great power generated when Christians united in a common cause.

From the beginning this has been an ecumenical effort. As denominations changed and merged, One Great Hour of Sharing has varied from eight to twenty-nine participating communions. Currently, the One Great Hour of Sharing committee officially comprises eight Christian denominations: American Baptist Churches USA, African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Church of the Brethren, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), United Church of Christ, and Church World Service. In various ways, all work is in cooperation with Church World Service, the relief, development and refugee assistance arm of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. Around the world, One Great Hour of Sharing continues to respond to needs equally critical as when it was first created.

Parking at Pine Street

New Policies and Procedures

The Staff Lot

The staff lot will now be reserved 24/7/365. If you are volunteering for church work during the hours of 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mon–Fri, we will reimburse your parking garage or parking meter expense. Please send your receipts to Michelle Kennedy in the church office. Reimbursements will be made quarterly.

The Vartan Lot

Regarding the Vartan lot, we have been blessed over the years by the generosity of the Vartan Group in allowing us to use their parking lot. They have recently installed a gate on that lot. To maintain our good relationship with Vartan, please only park in the lot if the gate is up. If the gate is down, please find another place to park. Thank you for your cooperation.

Street Parking

There are now several 15-minute free parking zones close to the church that are useful for dropping things off during business hours. One is located on Third at South and the other on Pine Street across from the memorial hallway entrance.

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| <p>Monday, April 2 Psalms 97; 145 Exod. 12:14-27 1 Cor. 15:1-11 Mark 16:1-8</p> | <p>Sunday, April 8 <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i> Psalms 93; 150 Exod. 14:5-22 1 John 1:1-7 John 14:1-7</p> | <p>Saturday, April 14 Psalms 92; 149 Exod. 17:1-16 1 Peter 4:7-19 John 16:16-33</p> | <p>Friday, April 20 Psalms 96; 148 Exod. 24:1-18 Col. 2:8-23 Matt. 4:12-17</p> | <p>Thursday, April 26 Psalms 47; 147:12-20 Exod. 34:1-17 1 Thess. 2:13-20 Matt. 5:21-26</p> |
| <p>Tuesday, April 3 Psalms 98; 146 Exod. 12:28-39 1 Cor. 15:12-28 Mark 16:9-20</p> | <p>Monday, April 9 Psalms 97; 145 Exod. 14:21-31 1 Peter 1:1-12 John 14:(1-7) 8-17</p> | <p>Sunday, April 15 <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i> Psalms 93; 150 Exod. 18:1-12 1 John 2:7-17 Mark 16:9-20</p> | <p>Saturday, April 21 Psalms 92; 149 Exod. 25:1-22 Col. 3:1-17 Matt. 4:18-25</p> | <p>Friday, April 27 Psalms 96; 148 Exod. 34:18-35 1 Thess. 3:1-13 Matt. 5:27-37</p> |
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