



# Rosedale Connect

November 2014

**All Saints Church**  
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## LKBTIF #1

In honor of Pastor David's uncle Jack – Jack was a member of the Navy's Underwater Demolition Team (UDT), better known as "Frogmen", and the SEALs (Sea Air and Land). UDT was the predecessor to the SEALs with significant missions in WWII and Korea. The SEALs was formed in the early 1960's.

## LKBTIF #2

When a sailor decides he has had enough of the Navy's Basic Underwater Demolition Course, or SEAL recruit training, all he has to do to make it stop is ring the class bell three times. The BUD/S program is perhaps the toughest training in the world. "Hell Week" looms over the candidates. Recruits must endure 5.5 days of brutally difficult training with four hours of sleep. Approximately 75 percent of men fail to complete the week. In addition to BUD/S, recruits must master intensive weapons training, small unit tactics, Scuba and airborne school.

## From The Pastor's Desk ~ YOU'RE INVITED!

I just looked at the calendar included in this issue of the RC - there is a lot happening at ASC over the next two months and you are invited to all of it. Much of it is holiday related, but not all. Some is seasonal and some near-year round. Some of it "church" related, some not. Some for the family, some for you individually. The invitation is open - we would love to see you at any or all of these events.

Of special interest to most of us will be our annual caroling in the neighborhood. This is for the whole family and especially the kids. Meet at the church on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of December at 6:30 and take a tour of the neighborhood singing. It is a lot of fun and a new way to celebrate Christmas through a very old tradition. Once we return, Santa will be waiting for the kids with gifts for each of them. Hot chocolate, cookies and conversation awaits all of us.

Have you ever been to a Lessons and Carols? The Christmas Story is shared in word and song. We will sing many of the most loved Christmas hymns. It is another great family event and a very non-threatening way to participate in a worship service for Christmas - literally, you just listen to the story and join in the hymns if you wish; that's the entire service. Join in on Dec. 21st at 9:00 a.m.

ASC is starting a new tradition - our Christmas Eve service is going to be held at Seneca Village on Saltsburg Road. We're doing this as an outreach to the residents who would otherwise have no opportunity to celebrate a Christmas Service; we think it's going to be a special night. If you're looking for a Christmas Eve Service, we'll be right up the road and you are absolutely welcome; service begins at 7 p.m.

All of Rosedale is invited to participate in our annual holiday collection for the men and women of our armed forces. See the article included in this issue.

Finally, two opportunities that are year-round (modified schedule in the summer) and of special significance to me - the Community Bible Study (also called TNG) and a new ministry at ASC called Daily

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**Don't miss the opportunity to see**  
**Joseph**  
**Live on stage**  
**at the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA**

Experience a cast of 45 professional adult and child actors and dozens of live animals on the stage and in the aisles. Witness several amazing dream sequences, including Joseph in his colorful coat "flying" above the audience. Sight & Sound's larger-than-life staging features scenes like the spectacular Egyptian palace, which spans 300 feet and wraps around three sides of the audience. Twenty original songs add to the excitement, helping Sight & Sound live up to its motto: "Where the Bible comes to life!®"

All Saints is planning a bus trip to see the production of *Joseph* on *October 17, 2015*. The cost is \$160.00 and includes round trip transportation, your theater ticket, and dinner at Plain and Fancy Restaurant in Lancaster.

Payment can be made as a one-time payment of \$160. due in *Jan. 2015* or you can may choose to use a payment plan of \$20 per month beginning in *Jan. 2015 (final payment due Aug. 15, 2015)*.

The bus will leave All Saints at approximately 8:30 a.m. and return at *approximately 10:30 - 11 p.m.* (time will depend on length of stops, length of dinner, and other variables). This trip is for adults only (16 years of age and up). We will have the opportunity for a couple of stops along the way. Bathroom facilities are available on the bus.

Seating is limited so you will need to make your reservations as soon as possible. This trip is open to everyone - please feel free to (and we sure hope you will!) pass the information on to family and friends. A reservation form is enclosed. You may also register online at [aspgh.org](http://aspgh.org). There is no money due at this time.

For more information on the theater and the show, visit [sight-sound.com](http://sight-sound.com). For general information on the trip; please call the church at 412-744-4063 or email [allsaintspittsburgh@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintspittsburgh@gmail.com). Reservation forms should be mailed to the church at 5501 Third Street; Verona, PA 15147 Attn: Joseph.

## Christian Education for Kids and Adults

It's a new world. It was once nearly automatic that children would be taught about the Christian faith through confirmation class. This is no longer the case as fewer and fewer of our kids are being offered the opportunity. Now, more of our parents were also never part of con-

firmation. ASC is preparing to offer confirmation classes this winter and spring for both kids and adults.

This is not a Sunday School; it is a group that focuses on the most important aspects of Jesus Christ. Children are typically around 12 (or older).

If you are interested in learning the core of the Christian faith or for your kids to be taught, please drop us a note at [allsaintspittsburgh@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintspittsburgh@gmail.com) or give us a call at 412-744-4063. This is a special opportunity for you and your kids!

## Send a Deployed Soldier a Stocking this Christmas!

Military Connections, based in Penn Hills, is kicking off its Christmas Stocking Campaign to brighten the holidays for those service men and women who will be celebrating the holidays away from home, families and friends. This year Military Connections hopes to ship thousands of Christmas stockings to the troops overseas. This is a wonderful opportunity for families, individuals and groups to demonstrate our care and support for these troops.

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day and during that week we will be collecting items for the stockings which will be sent by Military Connections to various military installations. Donations will be collected in

the vestibule of All Saints/ Rosedale United Methodist Church, 5501 Third Street during the following dates and times:

Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

12-1PM

Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

6-8PM

Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

5-8PM

Among the needed items are small canned goods with pop top lids; candy canes; mints & gum; poptarts; lollipops; Skittles; Starburst; power bars; single serve Koolaid or Gatorade; Slim Jims; individual bags of snacks, pretzels, chips, cookies, or crackers; chocolate candy, granola bars.

With your donation you are also welcome to include a note of support. The note may be addressed to "Dear Service Member".

Monetary donations are also welcome. A donation of \$10.00 will cover the cost and contents of a stocking. Checks should be made out to Military Connections and may be dropped off at the church or mailed to All Saints Church, 5501 Third Street; Verona, Pa 15147.

All donations are tax – deductible.

Military Connections continues to support the troops year round. More information on their activities is available on their website [militaryconnections.org](http://militaryconnections.org).

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## From the Pastor's Desk

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Walk. Over 20 of us participate in the Bible Study with several new people this year. We truly want this to become a Bible Study for Rosedale; if you are even a tiny bit interested in a study, please come and take a look. No knowledge of the Bible is needed, you don't even need to bring a Bible. There is a LOT of discussion, but many folks just listen, you will never be "called upon". We meet every Thursday at 6:30.

Daily Walk is something new, not just to ASC but I don't know of anything quite like it anywhere - it is a discussion about what it means to be a Christian today and of great relevance since our culture is no longer a Christian culture. This is especially important for those of us that still consider ourselves to be Christian but have either drifted away from the Church or feel challenged to get more serious about our faith. We

meet every Sunday at 10:30 (our worship service ends a few minutes after 10:00; you don't have to attend worship to participate in DW). No Bible knowledge is necessary and you will never be called upon.

That's a packed schedule! But all of it is fun and all of it is meaningful. And all of it is for you. We would love to see you!

*David*

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### Upcoming Events and Services

Sunday, November 9; Monday, November 10; & Thursday, November 13	Collection for Military Connections (See article inside for details)
Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving Day Service 9:00AM
Saturday, December 13	Caroling in the Neighborhood 6:30PM Join us at the church following caroling for refreshments and a visit with Santa
Sunday, December 21	Service of Lessons and Carols 9:00AM
Wednesday, December 24	Christmas Eve Service 7:00PM at <b>Seneca Village</b>
Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day Service 9:00AM in the sanctuary

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