

# MAPLE SPRING CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

To encourage companionship with Jesus Christ and participate in the life and work of the Church.

## DEW DROPS

(Maple Spring Church's weekly mini-newsletter.)

*May God give you heaven's dew and earth's richness ~ Genesis 27:28a NIV*

November 28, 2021



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

11/30, Don & Linda Tresnicky, 58 years.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joy Bennett and the Maple Spring Church Family wish Pastor David a happy, blessed birthday on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The family of Owen Stevens, is requesting a card shower for Owen's 97<sup>th</sup> birthday, on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Owen is in good health, but has difficulty with names. So, please include your full name, and perhaps how you know him, in your card. His address: 1000 Vista Dr., Apt. 825, Davidsville, PA 15928

### From Pastor David

Thank you to all the humble servants, who decorated the church for Christmas! It looks wonderful! It ministers unto the Lord! And thank you to all the servants of the Lord, who have served through the year 2021! Jesus said I don't call you servants, but friends.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Youth are collecting Christmas Cards to distribute, within the congregation over the holiday. A mailbox will be in the annex lobby from Nov. 28 – Dec. 19, to put your cards in for members of the congregation.

### CHILDREN'S BELL CHOIR

We will have practice on Sunday evenings at 5:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Children may go directly from practice to Awana Club. The bell choir is open to all children ages 4 and up. Hope to see you there!

## **CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday – 11/28**

Preschool and Junior Church are offered to children 3 years old through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Zoom is offered for Junior Church children at home, and takes place at 10:45 am, the start time of the regular Junior Church service. It is by invitation only and requires a password. If you are interested, contact Diane Bridge.

Children's Bell Choir will perform, during morning worship.

Unity Committee Surveys are due today.

5:30 - 6:00 pm: Children's Bell Choir's Practice, open to children ages 4+.

6:00 – 7:30 pm: Awana Club's meeting.

6:30 pm: Sight & Sound Video of "Ruth" at Moxham COB.

### **Tuesday – 11/30**

9:00 am: Humble Hands

### **Wednesday – 12/1**

9:00 am: Meet for Prayer in the Prayer Room.

7:00 pm: Choir Practice

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sun., 12/5, D.A.M.W.: Annual Maple Spring Christmas Fellowship Meal.

Sun., 12/5, 6:00 – 7:30 pm: Youth Meeting.

Sun., 12/19: Christmas Cantata - Our choir will present a Christmas Cantata, during the morning worship service. We are always looking for new voices. Please join us for practices on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Sun., 12/19: Christmas Gift Giving (more info to follow, as it becomes available)

Sun., 12/19, 6:00 – 7:30 pm: Youth Meeting.

Fri., 12/24, 8:00 pm: Christmas Eve Service

Sun., 12/26: Bread & Cup Communion, during morning worship service.

Sun., 12/26: Children's Bell Choir will perform during morning worship.

*(All meetings/events are at the church, unless otherwise noted.)*

*(D.A.M.W. = directly after morning worship)*

### **ANNUAL MAPLE SPRING CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP MEAL**

The Christian Education Commission is hosting the Annual Maple Spring Christmas Fellowship Meal, Sunday, Dec. 5, 2021. Hot dogs, sloppy joes, chips, vegetables, and drinks will be provided. Each family is asked to bring a dozen cookies to share with the church family, and a dozen cookies to share with the soup kitchen in Johnstown. We will pass out the Cradle Roll gifts and the Children's Sunday School gifts. We hope to see everyone there, to kick-off the Christmas season.

### **CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING**

On Sunday, December 19, the Women's Fellowship will be handing out the Christmas gifts to those in the church family, who are shut-in or elderly. We will once again need helpers to assist in the delivery of these gifts. Watch the Dew Drops for additional information. Thank you.

### **LIVE NATIVITY, "THE FIRST NOEL"**

The Conemaugh Township Area Ministries will be sponsoring the Live Nativity, "The First Noel", on Fri., Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 pm and Sat., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-8 pm at Davidsville Community Church located at 198 Pender Road. This is an inside and outside presentation. We are collecting canned goods again for the food pantry, as your "taxes" for entry into Bethlehem. Masks are encouraged for the inside tour. We are asking the congregations of Conemaugh Township to please participate by donating baked goods for the Market Place. Cookies and baked goods are appreciated and will be offered to all who attend. Cookies and baked goods may be delivered to the Kaufman Church foyer on Thu., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm, or contact Trish at 814-288-2425 for other arrangements. Please leave a message, if there is no answer. We thank you in advance for your help, to make this another successful year of helping the Conemaugh Township community and beyond.

### **HERALD & JANE (RUMMEL) GRIFFITH**

### **MEMORIAL MAPLE SPRING COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Applications for the scholarship are now being accepted online for the 2022-23 academic school year at [www.cfalleghenies.org](http://www.cfalleghenies.org). If you would like more information, please take a flyer from the annex bench.

### **FOOD PANTRY - CHRISTMAS ANGEL GIFT PROJECT**

Once again, St. Francis Sharing and Caring is asking for sponsors for our annual Christmas Angel Gift Project. Applications for Christmas gift requests were given to Food Pantry families in the October Food Boxes. As the applications are returned, Kim Showalter, will coordinate the sponsors and request applications. If you, or anyone in your church would like to be a sponsor, please contact Kim Showalter at 814-479-3131.

