

**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*

**December 12, 2021**

Third Sunday of Advent – Joy



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

12/16, Richard Good, 70 years.

12/18, Sherry Schultz, 71 years.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

12/14, Harold & Reta Alwine, 66 years.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to Carole Horner and her daughter, Sherri Zambanini, for the bequest to our Maple Spring Church.

Thank you and God bless you from Judy Swank to the Maple Spring Congregation for all your prayers on her behalf! Judy said she was very blessed by them and she is recovering.

**FYI**

The 2022 Offering Envelopes are available in the annex lobby. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience. If you would like to use Offering Envelopes in the future, please contact Mike Seganos, Financial Secretary, 814-242-6487.

The new *Daily Bread Devotionals* (Dec-Feb) and the December issue of *Water Cup* are available at both entrances.

## CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday – 12/12

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.

5:30 pm: Children's Bell Choir Practice, last practice before Christmas.

6:00 – 7:30 pm: Awana Club meeting, next meeting 1/2/2022.

### Tuesday – 12/14

9:00 am: Humble Hands

### Wednesday – 12/15

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

7:00 pm: Choir Practice

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., 12/19: Christmas Cantata. We are always looking for new voices. Please join us for practices, as listed in *Dew Drops*.

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

Sat., 12/25: Christmas Day! Happy birthday, Jesus! Our Savior is born!

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

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

Sun., 1/2/22: World Prophecy Update by Pastor David.

Sun., 1/2/22: 6:00 pm: Awana Club meeting.

Sun., 1/9/22, 5:30 pm: Children's Bell Choir Practice, practice resumes!

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

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

### **CHRISTMAS CANTATA**

The choir will present the Cantata, *Good News From Home*, during the morning worship service on December 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a joyous combination of festive original songs and beloved Christmas carols, which celebrate the birth of King Jesus. You don't want to miss it!

### **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.

### **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!

### **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.

