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

April 10, 2022



TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF GLORIA HOLDER

We send our sincere condolences and prayers of sympathy to the family and friends of Gloria Holder from her Maple Spring Church family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sun., 4/10, Connie Martin, 71 years. Tue., 4/12, Phyllis Thomas, 93 years.

In preparation of this Communion Service, we should spend time in self-examination of our heart and commitment to GOD and the church. ~Deacon Chairperson

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Maple Spring Church of the Brethren is conducting a **Feet Washing**, **Love Feast**, **and Communion Service on April 14**th **at 7:00 pm in the church sanctuary**. This Maundy Thursday observance is a reenactment of Jesus' last supper with his disciples. The Deacon Commission is making preparations to ensure a solemn and safe experience. Please contact any member of the Deacons, if you have any concerns or questions. Join us for a time of worship and fellowship, as a tangible reminder of the love of Christ and the unity we have as the body of Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

The Tire Hill Covenant Brethren Church is hosting a Good Friday service April 15th, 12 pm - 3 pm. Speakers for the service are Pastor John Shaffer (Ligonier COB), Dan Graboski (Lay Speaker from Jennerstown Methodist Church, Pastor Jack Rupert, and Pastor Brian Simmons (Tire Hill CBC). Special music will be provided by the Glory Guys. The offering will be divided between New Day and St. Francis Sharing and Caring.

CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday -4/10

Palm Sunday! Hosanna!

6:00 pm: Awana Meeting

Tuesday - 4/12

9:00 am: Humble Hands. Everyone is welcome to come join us for fun, fellowship, and service!

In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. ~Matthew 5:16

7:00 pm: Deacons Meeting

Wednesday -4/13

9:00 am: Meet for Prayer in the Prayer Room. Everyone is welcome! Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. ~Romans 12:12

6:00 pm: Deacons will set-up for the Maundy Thursday Service.

Thursday 4/14

7:00 pm: Maundy Thursday: Feet Washing, Love Feast, and Communion Service.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., 4/17, 6:45 am: Happy Easter! He is Risen! Easter Sunrise Service!

Thu., 4/21, 7:00 pm: Board of Administration Meeting

Fri., 4/22, 11:00 am: Deadline for submissions to May's Water Cup.

Thu., 4/28, 7:00 pm: Church Council Meeting.

Sat., 4/30, 9 am -3 pm: Camp Harmony Spring Clean-Up Day.

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

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Our Easter Sunrise Service will be held in the church cemetery, beginning at 6:45 am on Sunday, April 17th. Please bring a lawn chair and join us! (Weather may require us to relocate to the sanctuary.) Following the service, a light breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

Anyone interested in a subscription for the *Messenger*, please contact our Messenger Agent, Connie Miller. \$14.50 for a one-year subscription. **Due** by 4/17/22.

The April issue of *Water Cup* and *Our Daily Bread* devotionals (March-April-May) and are available at both entrances. The congregation is encouraged to take copies to share with friends, neighbors, family, or anyone else they think would enjoy one.

New boxes of greeting cards are available in the office. Prices are marked on the boxes.

SISTERS-IN-CHRIST'S CHRISTIAN WIDOWS FELLOWSHIP

Sisters-in-Christ is sponsoring a Christian Widows Fellowship. Wednesday, April 20, 2022, will be our first event. We are having a free luncheon in the church's Fellowship Hall. This is a ministry for widows only. Throughout the whole Bible, God gives us instruction to provide care for widows.

Our Mission Statement: Nurturing the creation of a safe place that encourages meaningful connections amongst widows without judgement, fostering a journey of hope, strength, and courage.

Our scripture is Isaiah 54:5a NKJV: For your Maker is your husband, The Lord of hosts is His name;

Our prayer for Maple Spring Church is to put aside self, our differences, bitterness, our desire to always be right, a church building or tolerate compromise of God's word. Our focus should be on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whom God provided as the way to have a eternal relationship with himself. There is no other way. Amen.

AWANA CLUB

Our AWANA program is Sunday evenings 6:00-7:30, for children ages 3 through and including 5th grade. AWANA is an internationally known Bible program to teach children foundations of sound doctrine and faith in Jesus Christ as Savior. Adults volunteers are welcome. Please contact Karen Nagyvathy , Marge Bittner , Maple Spring church office (814) 479-7062, or maplespringcob@atlanticbb.net.

THE FOOD PANTRY AT ST. FRANCIS SHARING & CARING

Our suggested pantry donation items are applesauce and pancake mix, there is a collection box located in the annex. Volunteers are needed for the Pantry and the Thrift Store. Also, the Pantry needs "fill-in food pantry volunteers" to work as needed. If you are interested, or would like more information, contact Kim Showalter at 814-479-3131.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever. ~Psalm 118:1



Sermon Notes:	