

**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

August 7, 2022

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mon., 8/8, Deanna Fisher, 81 years.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

There will be a Special Council Meeting Sunday, August 14th, immediately following the Morning Worship Service to vote on the retention of Pastor David Bennett.

CANCELLED

Worship in the Grove for Sunday, August 14th has been cancelled.
Sunday School and Morning Worship will take place in the church.

GUEST SPEAKERS

August 7th – Ron Beachley

August 14th – Linda Beachley

CHURCH WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Tuesday – 8/9

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

Wednesday – 8/10

Deadline for the September 2022 district newsletter, *Highlights*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., 8/14: **Special Council Meeting** immediately following the Morning Worship Service in the church sanctuary.

Mon., 8/15: Submission deadline for September's *Water Cup*.

Wed., 8/17, 7:00 pm: Share Your Faith! Come fellowship in faith!

Mon., 9/5: Labor Day

Sat., 9/10: Maple Spring's Community Day at the Grove!

Sun., 9/11: Patriot Day and Worship in the Grove!

Sun., 10/2: World Communion Sunday

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

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Core Leadership Team of the Western PA District has officially called Peter C. Kaltenbaugh Jr. to serve as Interim District Minister. Pete has been serving as the District Executive Representative to the Council of District Executives and the contact person for the Western PA District. This change of status approved by the Core Leadership Team of the District Leadership Team, clarifies his role as the official Interim District Executive Minister.

The role of District Leadership Team Chair is being filled by Stephen Parfitt, pastor of the Greensburg Church of the Brethren.

Pete Kaltenbaugh's contact information is:

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FYI

The current Adult Sunday School Quarterly books are missing from the Sunday School rooms. If you have seen them, or know of their location, please contact Connie Miller.

The new August issue of *Water Cup* and the *Our Daily Bread* devotionals (June-July-August) 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.

If you would like a bulletin from a previous Sunday service, and none are left in the lobby, please stop in the office. There is a rack of past weeks' bulletins just inside the door.

WORSHIP IN THE GROVE

September 11th

Bring your lawn chairs, as we worship in song and scripture under the trees and in the open air. Afterwards, you are welcome to bring a dish to pass, as we fellowship together. Invite a friend or neighbor! Hope to see you there!

Covered dish meal following service. Beverage and table settings provided. Games for the children, following the meal!

BENEFIT AUCTION

A benefit auction for Mennonite Central Committee will take place at Kaufman Mennonite Church, 916 Miller Picking Road, Davidsville, August 12-13. Come out Friday from 6-8 pm for a silent auction and preview of live auction items. Saturday features a bake sale and live auction beginning at 9 am. BBQ chicken will be available for takeout at 11 am. View auction items at Kaufman Church Facebook page.

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. If you are interested, or would like more information, contact Kim Showalter at 814-479-3131. St. Francis Market is looking for volunteers to help with market activities on Thursdays. For more information, please contact Bob, 814-525-1224.

