

# MAPLE SPRING CHURCH

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

## DEW DROPS

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

**October 29, 2023**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mon., 10/30, Emalyne Rosenbaum

### 2023 COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

**Fri., 11/17, 5-7 pm, in the Fellowship Hall**

to "Serve the Community"

Please sign-up on the clipboard at the back of the sanctuary, if you would like to make any of the dinner items:

Turkey

Stuffing

Gravy

Sweet Potatoes/Yams

Green Bean Casserole

Veggie Tray

We also need volunteers to pass out flyers in our community, do prep work for the meal, serve the meal, and clean-up after the meal. If you would like to volunteer to help, please sign-up on the clipboard at the back of the sanctuary.

The time slots which need to be filled are:

Saturday, 11/11, 10 am - 2 pm, to hand out flyers.

Thursday, 11/16, 10 am - 2 pm, to do prep work.

Friday, 11/17, 12 noon - 4 pm, to do prep work.

Friday, 11/17, 4 pm - 8 pm, to serve the meal & clean-up.

For questions or more information, please see Patty Monroe.

## **CHURCH SCHEDULE**

### **Sunday – 10/29**

**ALL are welcome to join us for...**

9:15-10:15 am: Adult & Children's Sunday School

10:15-10:35 am: Morning Prayer

10:35 am: Morning Worship Service

Fellowship Meal, directly after worship.

Business Meeting, following the meal.

### **Tuesday – 10/31**

9:00 am: Humble Hands. Bring a lunch and join us!

### **Wednesday – 11/1**

6:00 pm: Song Service

6:30 pm: Adult Bible Study

### **Friday – 11/3**

**7:00 pm: Meeting to discuss the new church constitution.**

## **Upcoming Church Events**

Sun., Nov 12: Operation Christmas Shoeboxes due date.

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

### **FYI**

The last Sunday of every month, we will have a Fellowship Meal directly after Morning Worship Service, with a Business Meeting to follow the meal. Please bring a covered dish to share. The church provides beverages and place settings.

The October *Water Cup* and *Our Daily Bread* devotionals (Sept.-Oct.-Nov.) are available at both entrances. Take one to share!

Please submit all bulletin items and *Dew Drops* announcements, to the office by 11 am on Thursdays.

*Water Cup* deadline for the November 2023 issue is October 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **“Serve the Community” Events**

Fri., 11/17, 5-7 pm: Thanksgiving Dinner, to Serve the Community.

Fri., 12/1: “Night at the Firehouse” is an event for children to have fun activities at the Jerome Fire Hall, while their parents go Christmas shopping. The event organizer is Ruth Hostetler. More details will follow, closer to the date.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX COLLECTION**

Once again, it is time for Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection!

### **3 Ways to Help the Children**

1. Take a shoebox home and fill it with items from the list.
  2. Donate items on the list to fill shoeboxes from our church.
  3. Donate money to buy items to fill showboxes from our church.
- There is a table in the annex/lobby with information and shoeboxes to be filled. If you have any questions, please contact Marj Bittner. Shoeboxes are due by Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **CAMP HARMONY LIGHT FEST**

Christmas seems far away, but we are hard at work getting ready for our Light Fest. We are looking for used Christmas Trees, strings of lights, and Christmas ball ornaments. If you would like to donate please drop them at the Camp Office. Thanks for your help!

## **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 interested, or for more information, contact Kim Showalter, 814-479-3131.

