

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

November 5, 2023

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sun., 11/12, Tim Lehman, 70 years.

If you would like to help Tim celebrate his 70th birthday,

You may send a card to him at,
316 Lost Valley Rd.
Hollsopple, PA 15935



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 – 11/5

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

Tuesday – 11/7

Election Day

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

Wednesday – 11/8

6:00 pm: Song Service

6:30 pm: Adult Bible Study

Saturday – 11/11

Veterans Day

10 am - 2 pm: Hand out Thanksgiving Community Dinner flyers.

Upcoming Church Events

Sun., 11/12: Operation Christmas Shoeboxes due date.

Sun., 11/26: Business Meeting after worship.

Sun., 12/10: Christmas Fellowship Meal. Anyone who attends is welcome to bring a dozen cookies.

Sun., 12/31: There will be NO Business Meeting after worship.

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.

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

FYI

The November *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 December 2023 issue is November 20th.

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. 12th.**

KEYSTONE FAMILY ALLIANCE'S STAND SUNDAY

November 12th, 6:30 pm

You are invited to join churches and individuals in Somerset County for Stand Sunday at Kaufman Church (916 Miller Picking Rd. Davidsville). This hands-on event for the entire family will open your eyes to the needs in the child welfare system, the challenges and joys of fostering, and give you insight into how you can come alongside and make a difference, even if it is not through fostering or adopting yourself. Questions? Reach out to Lydia Shaffer lydia@keyfam.org

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Christmas poinsettia order information. The cost per poinsettia is \$8.75. **Orders are due by Sunday, November 19th.** Envelopes will be available at both entrances next Sunday.

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.

