



THE MAPLE LEAF

The Maple Grove Church of the Brethren Newsletter

Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together



**MAY/JUNE, 2019
NEWSLETTER**

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 2019

1. CBWF meeting 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
2. Worship Committee meeting 6:30 PM
4. All Daughters Banquet at 5:00 PM
5. **YOUTH SUNDAY** – The Youth will be in charge of the Morning Service. Following the Service the Congregation is invited to a Taco Bar luncheon prepared by the Youth. The donation for the luncheon will help in future activities for the Youth. Let us help support this program.
5. Youth Group meeting 6:00 PM
7. Pain/Grief Support Group meeting at 6:00 PM at Denny's.
9. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:00 – 4:30 PM
12. Worship Service at Brethren Care Village Wellness Community Center Chapel at 2:00 PM
12. **Mother's Day**
14. Ministerial Board meeting 7:00 PM
23. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:00 – 4:30 PM
30. Mapleton Baccalaureate 7:00 PM

JUNE 2019

4. Pain/Grief Support Group meeting 6 PM
5. CBWF meeting 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
6. Worship Committee meeting for both June and July Months 6:30 PM
9. Worship Service at Brethren Care Village Wellness Community Center Chapel at 2:00 PM
11. Ministerial Board meeting 7:00 PM
13. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:00 – 4:30 PM
16. **Father's Day**

- 23 through 27. VBS will be these 5 nights –
Time: 6:00 – 8:45 PM
27. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments
3:00 – 4:30 PM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is planned for June 23 through June 27 from 6:00 PM – 8:45 PM. Peggy Elchert, our Director, is asking for Prayer Warriors to continually pray for our VBS.

Each day there will be a Bible Story, Bible Point, and Power Verse.

Here are the Stories that will be used:

- Jesus heals 10 lepers,
- Jesus gives sight to a blind man,
- Jesus gives Peter courage to walk on water,
- Jesus dies and comes back to life,
- The Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost.

Mark your calendars and be ready to register your children and neighbors. There will be seven different stations that your child will enjoy. Also there will be an adult class so you can bring your children and stay for the evening.

NEW BIRTH

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jake and Sarah Eilenfeld and Lily are pleased to welcome Joseph David aka Joey born April 22, 2019 at 12:24 PM and weighing 8 lbs. and 1 oz. David and Cathy Bishop are the Grandparents.

NEW MEMBERS

We had the joy of receiving two new members into our Maple Grove Family by Reaffirmation of Faith, Delbert Kettering on Feb. 24, 2019 and Pastor Steve Keib on March 3, 2019.

**ASSOCIATED CHARITIES,
ASHLAND COUNTY FOOD BANK**

LIST OF NEEDS:

Non Perishable Foods: Cereals, juice, sloppy joe sauce, spaghetti sauce, jelly, peanut butter, Ravioli/Spaghetti O's, saltines, ketchup, mustard, pop tarts, granola bars, snack pak pudding, tea bags, hot chocolate, sugar, flour, and vegetable oil.
Personal Care Products: Toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant, and dish soap.

A word from the Director:

Dear Church Community,
Personally, I thank each of you for your long history of giving back to our community through your food bank donations. For decades, Associated Charities has focused its efforts on nurturing our neighbors. We can all be proud of these efforts that demonstrate one more reason why Ashland is truly "Someplace Special". Many thanks!
Blessings, Chris Box

OUR SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes to these families and friends on the loss of their loved one. Continue to remember these families in your prayers.

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| Doris Jean West | Passed away February 23, 2019 |
| Virginia Wenger | Passed away February 28, 2019 |
| Lois Faith Kithcart | Passed away March 9, 2019 |
| Debra E. Sloan | Passed away March 12, 2019 |
| Virgil D. Strine | Passed away March 13, 2019 |
| John Allen Hinkle | Passed away March 15, 2019 |
| Arthur E. Smith Jr. | Passed away April 10, 2019 |

ASHLAND PREGNANCY CENTER

For the 2018 Baby Bottle Campaign, Maple Grove Church collected a total of \$832.79. Thank you so much!

THANK YOU

Maple Grove Church,
The flowers you sent brought beauty and light to the room. I know Doris would have loved them and would have been touched by your thoughtfulness.
Doris Glass West family

Dear Maple Grove Church family,
Thank you so much for the beautiful planter in memory of my mother, Virginia Wenger. What a beautiful surprise and deeply appreciated.
Diana Massie

Maple Grove Church,
Your kind expression of sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged. Thank you for the flowers and the dinner.
The John Hinkle Family

I would like to thank the church family for their cards and prayers, phone calls and visits while I was in the hospital for tests and home with bronchitis. Thank you so much. God Bless!
Janet Bright

Dear Friends,
Thank you for the wonderful soup. I enjoyed it so much.
Pauline Reynolds

Maple Grove Church,
Thank you for the baskets. The Ashland Christian School's silent and live auction is the major fundraiser of the year with the proceeds going for tuition that help many families be able to give their children a faith based Christian education. We usually have 60-70 wrapped baskets every year. So thank you again, God Bless,
Ashland Christian School & Jeania Cline

YOUTH SNACK MINISTRY

The Youth of Maple Grove are starting a new Ministry! We would like to provide snacks for students at Mapleton Elementary who needs them and we are asking for your help. We are taking donations of prepackaged single serving snacks.

Some ideas are: Teddy Grahams, Pretzels, Peanut Butter or Cheese Crackers, Granola Bars, Cereal Bars, Animal Crackers, and Goldfish Crackers.

There will be a box in the Gathering Room at church for donated items.

Thank you for your continued help and support of our Youth Group.

THE 7 UPS

- 1. WAKE UP!** Decide to have a good day. "This is the day the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Psalms 118:24
- 2. DRESS UP!** The best way to dress up is to put on a smile. A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks. "The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7
- 3. SHUT UP!** Say nice things and learn to listen. God gave us two ears and one mouth, so He must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking. "He who guards his lips guards his soul." Proverbs 13:3
- 4. STAND UP!**for what you believe in. You've got to stand for something or you'll fall for anything. "Let us not be weary in doing good; for at the proper time, we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good..." Galatians 6:9-10
- 5. LOOK UP!**to the Lord. "I can do everything through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

6. REACH UP!for something higher. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path." Proverbs 3:5-6

7. LIFT UP!your prayers. "Do not worry about anything; instead PRAY ABOUT EVERYTHING." Philippians 4:6

THROUGH A CHILD'S EYES



Dear God,
If you let The dnasor not
exstinct we would not have
a country. You did the right
thing.

-Jonathan

Dear God,
I am Ameerican.
What are you?
-Robert

Dear God,
I think the stapler is one
of your greatest inventions.
-Ruth

Dear God,
In Bible times did they
really talk that fancy?
-Jennifer

Dear God,
Instead of Letting people die and
having to Make new ones Why
dont you just Keep the ones
you got now?

-Jane

Dear God,
I bet it is very hard for you
to love all of everybody in the
whole world. There are only 4
people in our family and I can
never do it.

-Nan

Dear God,
I went to this wedding
and they kissed right in
church. Is that OK?
-Neil

Dear God,
I think about you sometimes
even when Im not praying.
-Elliott

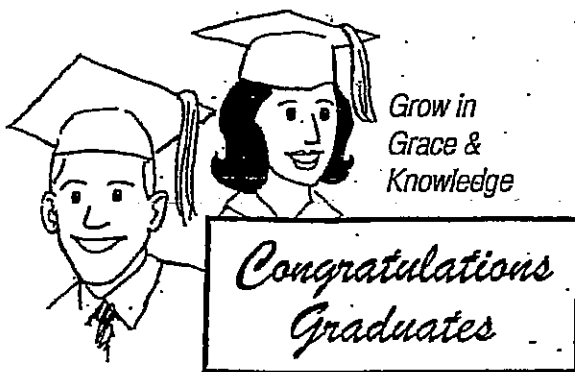
Dear God,
I would like to live 900 yearz
like the Guy in the Bible.
-Love Chris

Dear God,
Please send Dennis Clark to
a different camp this year
-Peter

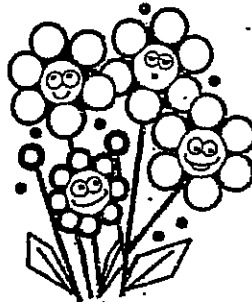
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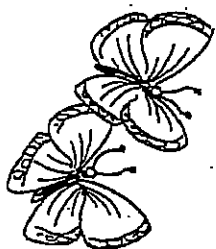


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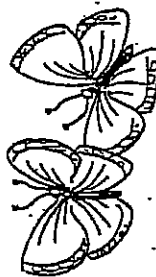


**FATHER'S
DAY**

Honor thy Father



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