



# THE MAPLE LEAF

The Maple Grove Church of the Brethren Newsletter  
*Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together*



## **JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **JULY 2018**

- 3. Pain/Grief Support Group meeting 6:00 PM at Jake's Restaurant
- 4. Independence Day
- 4 through 8. Annual Conference, Cincinnati, OH
- 10. Ministerial Committee meeting 6:30 PM
- 10. Church Board meeting 7:00 PM
- 11. Worship Committee meeting 6:30 PM
- 12. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:30 PM
- 26. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:30 PM
- 28. Community Fellowship Free Meal 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- 29. Church Picnic 1:00 – 4:00 PM at Cinnamon Lake

### **AUGUST 2018**

- 1. CBWF Meeting 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- 2. Worship Committee meeting 6:30 PM
- 3 and 4. Northern Ohio District Conference, Dupont, Ohio
- 7. Pain/Grief Support Group meeting 6:00 PM
- 9. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:30 PM
- 14. Ministerial Committee meeting 7:00 PM
- 19. Annual and District Conference Reports will be given during Sunday School hour by our Delegates.
- 19. If you have news that you want in the Sept/Oct Newsletter please give to Annabelle Kettering.
- 23. Bible Study at Agape Acres Apartments 3:30 PM
- 25. Community Fellowship Free Meal 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

## **SEPTEMBER**

**16 THROUGH 22. Ashland County Fair**  
The Pork Trailer which is PMIF Project will involve many helpers. When the schedule appears, have in mind the time and dates you are willing to help.

### **2018 ANNUAL CONFERENCE JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> – JULY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

Annual Conference will be held at Duke Energy Center in Cincinnati, Ohio with the theme of "Living Parables". Our delegates will be Scott and Jody Freer.

### **2018 NORTHERN OHIO DISTRICT CONFERENCE AUGUST 3-4**

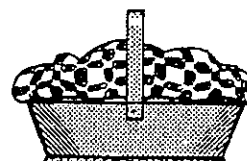
District Conference will be held at Dupont Church of the Brethren, Dupont, Ohio. Our delegates are Gloria Bloomquist and Arzonnia Laurent. Conference Speakers are Terry Porter, District Conference Moderator, and Jeffrey W. Carter, President of Bethany Theological Seminary.

### **CHURCH PICNIC – JULY 29<sup>TH</sup>**

The Church Picnic will be held at the Lodge Pavilion in Cinnamon Lake. There will be more information very soon in your bulletins. Just getting the word out so please **SAVE THE DATE**

**July 29<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 4:00 PM**  
for 3 F's, "Fellowship, Food and Fun".

## CHURCH



## PICNIC

### SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes to the family and friends on the loss of your loved one.

**Sallie Ann Shank**      Date of Death  
   June 11, 2018

We pray the Lord may be with you in your time of grief and sorrow.

### GRADUATION

We celebrated with three Maple Grove Graduates on June 3, 2018.

**Lauren Beattie**    Mapleton High School  
**Maryellen Bliss**   Hillsdale High School  
**Shelby Rohr**      OSU College of Dentistry

Our prayers for these young ladies are to have a bright future in the years to come.

### YEARS OF SERVICE

On May 27 we recognized Howard and Sally Harris as Emeriti Deacons. We give thanks to the Lord for their devotion and many years of service to Christ and the Maple Grove congregation. They will continue to fulfill some of the duties of Deacons. Thanks Howard and Sally!

### YOUTH SUNDAY

Youth Sunday was held May 6. The Youth and Advisors were in charge of the Worship Service. Following the service, the Youth and Advisors planned a Potato Bar. It was a great day of worship and fellowship with our church family.

### ALL SONS' BANQUET

All Sons' Banquet was held April 29 before all the outside work begins. A committee was able to obtain for their special guest, Craig Wiley, who brought to the church an antique pipe organ that he played music on. What is so neat, this pipe organ Craig had personally restored and updated.

### ALL DAUGHTERS' BANQUET

All Daughters' Banquet was held May 4<sup>th</sup>. We each were to bring either a salad or dessert to share with each other. After eating we went to the Sanctuary for our program and the Men's Fellowship did the cleanup. Mary Cuffman was our special guest with program on buttons. She had researched and did a great job of explaining the different kind of buttons. You would have to see the buttons to enjoy the beauty of them. Some of them were very old and delicate. Thanks Mary for your time and interest in such a great hobby.

### MOTHERS HONORED

The Mothers were honored May 4 by the Children's Department. The children helped during Junior Church preparing the baskets to hold flowers for Mothers. On Mother's Day, Peggy Elchert had the children put the flowers into the baskets. The children were so excited because they got to pass the flowers to all the Mothers during worship. Thanks to the Children and Peggy for Celebrating Mothers' Day.

### FATHERS HONORED

The Fathers were honored June 17 by the Youth. The Youth helped to prepare their gift for the Fathers. They were busy getting their gifts ready in time for worship. They also read some readings pertaining to Fathers before given out the gifts. Thanks to the Youth and their teacher for Celebrating Fathers' Day.

### THANK YOU

Maple Grove Church of the Brethren, Because of gifts like yours, Manchester students like me have rich, meaningful experiences and challenging academics in a close-knit, caring community that encourages growth and service. Thank you for supporting all Manchester University students! Thank you for making my Manchester experience possible.

Tabby Lanning 2019

### THANK YOU

Maple Grove Church,  
Again – thank you for your items from your Spring Garage Sale. As always you gave us some very nice clothes and items. We thank you from the bottom of our heart. Praise the Lord for friends like you.

**Eileen Smith**

**(Living Waters Outreach Ministry)**

Maple Grove Church of the Brethren,  
Thank you for your recent gift of \$1,557.60 to the Blankets and Tools program at Church World Service. Your gift provides comfort to neighbors in need both near and far!

In peace,

**Heather Wilson, CWS**

Maple Grove Church of the Brethren,  
Thank you for supporting the 2018 Mapleton Chevalier Staff! We appreciate your business for our yearbook ads and fall and winter sports program ads. We look forward to working with you next year! Thank you for all the support this year!

**Ballee Burdett**

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for the graduation card and gift. It was such a surprise and I appreciate it very much!

**Shelby Rohr**

Thank You for prayers, cards, and encouragement that we received during this last month of David's health problems. Please continue to uplift David during his surgery, which is scheduled for June 25 at OSU 7:00 A.M.

**David and Marilyn Badger**

I would like to thank the church for cards, prayers and Pastor John for visits while I was in the hospital and after returning home.

**Janet Bright**

### SHIPWRECKED RESCUED BY JESUS

This was the Theme for Children's VBS. So if we are having a "bad" day, when we worry and feel lonely or afraid this summer, just remember that "Jesus rescues".

Thank you to Peggy Elchert and all the helpers in providing another year of Vacation Bible School for children and adults. There were just too many helpers involved to mention each by name and do not want to miss anyone. All we can say is **THANK YOU TO ALL!**

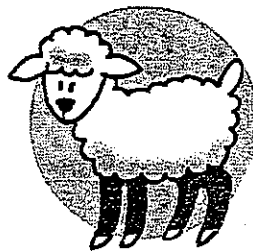
### **REACH to help Haiti!**

Heifer's Rural Entrepreneurs for Agricultural Cooperation in Haiti, or REACH as it is called, is building on twenty years of partnership with local communities in Haiti by strengthening the economic resiliency of more than 12,000 households. They have three goals: improving the stock of local livestock, training farmers in sustainable agriculture, and helping farmers access markets.

By contributing to REACH, we are helping Heifer International in their efforts to raise the standard of living for rural communities of Haiti.

Our VBS project offering that was for Heifer International (Haiti) as of June 17<sup>th</sup> totaled \$1,917.73. We want to thank everyone that contributed to this donation for Haiti.

*Mary  
Had a  
Little  
Lamb*



Mary had a little lamb,  
His fleece was white as snow.  
And everywhere that Mary went,  
The Lamb was sure to go.  
He followed her to school each day,  
Twasn't even in the rule.  
He made the children laugh and play,  
To have a Lamb at school.  
And then the rules all changed one day,  
Illegal it became;  
To bring the Lamb of God to school,  
Or even speak His Name.  
Everyday got worse and worse,  
And days turned into years.  
Instead of hearing children laugh,  
We heard gun shots and tears.  
What must we do to stop the crime,  
That's in our schools today?  
Let's let the Lamb come back to school,  
And teach our kids to pray!

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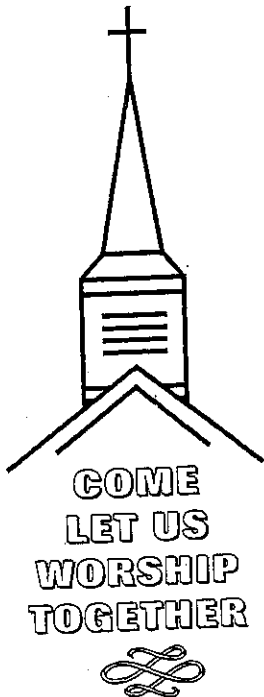
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