



Springfield Cornerstone

APRIL 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>EVERY SUNDAY 9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Worship</p> </div>					1	2 8 am Help Pastor Brumbaugh move
3 6:30 pm Youth Meeting	4 6 pm Stephen Ministries	5	6 10 am Woman's Study Group at Bev's 6:30 TOPS	7 7 pm Choir Practice	8 Jr. Hi Rally	9 Spring Jr. Hi Rally
10 9:30 am Bible Challenge 12 pm Crockpot Fundraiser 2-5 pm Annual Conf. briefing, Maple Grove	11	12 7 pm Commission Meetings; 7:40 Board Meeting	13 10 am Woman's Study Group at Bev's 6:30 TOPS	14 6 pm Deacon Meeting 7 pm Choir Practice	15	16 5-8 pm Spring Fling Dinner
17 Installation of Pastor Alan 12:00 pm Prayer Partners 6:30 pm Youth Mtg.	18 6 pm Stephen Ministries	19 May Newsletter Deadline	20 10 am Woman's Study Group at Bev's 6:30 TOPS	21 7 pm Choir Practice	22 Earth Day	23 1:30 pm Consecration Service for Kris Hawk, at camp
24	25	26	27 10 am Study Group at Bev's 7 pm Council Meeting	28 7 pm Choir Practice	29 District Sisters' Retreat. Vermilion	30 District Sisters' Retreat, Vermilion



Akron/Springfield Church of the Brethren,

It is hard to put into words the excitement that I feel as the time is getting closer for me to begin my time as pastor of the Akron Springfield congregation.

Before I go any further, I would like to take this opportunity to show my appreciation to all the pastors that have faithfully served in this congregation before me. It says in First Corinthians that some plant, some water, but God gives the increase. I am sure that my former colleagues have been faithful in planting and watering the Word of God.

As I begin this time of transition, I would first ask that each of you will pray for me often as your pastor. I ask that you will have patience with me as I begin to learn names, faces, and the customs of our congregation.

It is important that I share with you my open door policy. If by chance there is a time that I may say or do something that is of concern to you, please come to me and allow us to have a conversation about the situation.

I truly believe that God has GREAT opportunities in store for Akron Springfield congregation. It is my prayer that we begin this journey together seeking God's direction for the work that He has before us.

Shalom,

Pastor Alan E. Brumbaugh

Annual Conference Delegate Briefing

April 10th 3-5 pm, Maple Grove CoB. Moderator, Andy Murray will be present to talk with delegates and members about the business of this summer's Annual Conference to be held in North Carolina.

All are invited to a consecration service for Kris Hawk

who is the new interim District Executive. This will be on Saturday, April 23rd at 1:30 pm, Cherry Lodge, Inspiration Hills. Come for fellowship and to join in worship at 2 pm.

April Commission Meetings

Tuesday evening, April 12, 7 pm

April Board Meeting

Tuesday evening, April 12th, 7:40 pm

Spring Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 27th, 7 pm



The Youth present the Spring Fling Dinner

Saturday, April 16th, from 5 pm – 8 pm.

See future bulletins for your dinner order forms and reservations.

We hope to see you all there!

(This fundraiser will help provide funds for the youth to go to the district work camp in Chicago this June.)

If you are able to help with the dinner in any way, please contact Keri at 216-408-2283 or

keri.lynn.boswell@gmail.com



Thanks to all who helped Pastor Alan and Sally move into their new apartment yesterday. We welcome Pastor Alan to our church. He will be preaching beginning April 10th.

Our thanks to you for the gifts and kindnesses you have shown to us, especially over the last few weeks! You will remain in our thoughts and prayers as Christ leads you and Pastor Alan into the future Jesus is preparing for you. We have enjoyed and appreciated the last two years with you.

Tom and Cherri Michaels

A belated thanks to everyone for your prayers and cards for Bruce's Mom during her recovery and for us, also. Bruce & Kim Morckel

Those receiving the Easter baskets wish to express their thanks to the congregation.

The Skalak family wants to say their family says thank you for all the prayers for Diana's Aunt Nean Cochrane. She is at home recuperating nicely.

Thanks to all who purchased Easter Candy. Monies will be going to help finance our children going to Camp.

Thanks to all who shared their time helping with the Love Feast, and Easter preparations.

Thanks to all the people who brought refreshments for the Festival Choir Sunday evening. March 13th. We had 149 people in attendance. \$411.04 was collected for the Student Ministries Fund. Thanks to the Recreation & Fellowship Commission for setting up and cleaning up. Thanks also to Bonnie Young who coordinated the music from the many choirs and led the combined choir.

Weekly Activities

Ladies Study Group The ladies study group is now meeting on Wednesday mornings from 10 am till 11:30 am at Bev Sheet's home. All women are welcome.



Choir Practice

The choir meets Thursday evenings at 7 pm to practice for Sunday's service.



Youth Fellowship

The youth meet 6:30 pm the first and third Sunday evenings here at the church.

Circle of Friends Sunday school class

The Sunday school class (next to the kitchen) will be starting a new study on the book "The Helper". It is a study about the Holy Spirit, by Catherine Marshall. Anyone interested in joining in this study is welcome.

Bible Challenge We will be holding a Bible Challenge on April 10th during the Sunday School hour. The children have been preparing for it during Jr. Worship. This is a fun activity that helps the children learn more about God and the church.

Crockpot Cook-off Fundraiser

This fundraiser sponsored by the Christian Education Commission will be Sunday, April 10th immediately following worship. Monies from this fundraiser will go to support our children going to summer camp.





Mt. Pleasant Church invites you to a
Marriage Retreat

**“Making our Marriages a Beacon of
God’s Love”**

May 13th and 14th, 2016

Please join us for a weekend of fellowship and teaching led by members of Mt Pleasant CoB. Cost is \$50 per couple which includes all retreat materials and Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner. Friday’s dinner will be at your own expense depending on your menu selection.

Please contact the Mt. Pleasant church office if you can only attend portions of the retreat and we will work out a price for you.

Fri. eve dinner and program at the Hartville Kitchen, Hartville, Ohio.

Sat. Breakfast, morning session, couples feet washing, picnic lunch with two afternoon sessions and prayer time. Quail Hollow Manor House in Hartville.

Sat. eve picnic and campfire at Mt. Pleasant church.

Detailed agenda can be found on back table. Please RSVP by April 10th with a check for payment to Mt. Pleasant CoB, 4152 Mt. Pleasant St. NW, N. Canton, OH 44720



Prayer Partner Gathering



Daily prayer is such a gift and comfort to Christians. Please join us right after worship on Sunday, April 17th to find out who your Prayer Partner has been for these past six months, and/or

to join in as a Prayer Partner for the next six months. This gathering will be right after church and only take about 15 minutes.

Now is the perfect time to begin this beautiful ministry or to re-join our Prayer Partner gathering. There is no better gift to give one another than prayer- It is worth more than any treasure one could find. The sign-up sheet is below. You may either drop it in the offering plate, put it in the Music & Worship mailbox in the back of the sanctuary, or mail the form to the church.

I wish to be prayed for daily, and I promise to pray daily for my Prayer Partner.

Name _____

Address _____

Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

I would especially like prayer for

Changes for Directory

Chris and Becky Kline:
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Pastor Alan and Sally Brumbaugh
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Email: aebsab81@gmail.com

Pray for... Pray for Roxane and Carl Hill, co-directors of the Nigeria Crisis Response, as they travel in Nigeria. The Hills are meeting with staff of Ekklesiyar Yan’uwa a Nigeria (EYN, the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) and with other partners in the relief effort to continue evaluating, implementing, and planning programs and steps in the road to recovery and rebuilding.



Calling all Graduates Please let the Christian Education Commission know before May of anyone in your family graduating this year. We will need the name of the person, school graduating from and the degree the person is receiving.



Upper Room Devotional

Are you looking for a daily devotional? Every other month, a new copy of the Upper Room publication is available to you—free! Copies for May/June are beside the main entrance and there are large print copies, too. Please help yourself!

Vital Ministries

There is a sign-up sheet on the back table for people interested in being part of a Vital Ministries small group.

These small groups, which will be meeting in member's homes, will be studying the bible & also involved in storytelling, holy listening, prayer, & spiritual mission. The Vital Ministries journey enables congregations to take a closer look at how they "do church".

There is an organizational meeting for all who signed up after church April 3rd in the library.

See Kim Morckel, Becky Burtoft or Bev Sheets for more information.



District Sister's Retreat



April 29-30, 2016
Beulah Beach,
Vermilion
Speaker: Bonnie
Brockway

Cost will be \$70 per person to include Friday pizza, Saturday breakfast, lunch, supper and overnight stay with bedding and towels provided.

\$5 discount if registration and payment received before April 1. (Final deadline is April 15.) Special surprise for 1st ten people who register!

Camp Inspiration Hills



Camp registrations are available. Brochures can be found on back table. Please see Janet Watkins. Registrations need to be turned by April 3, 2016

Spring Jr. High Rally,

April 8-9 at Northbend CoB., Clear Fork Branch
No cost. Overnight of fun, fellowship, prayer and B. I. G. —Big in God
Contact: spencer@nohcob.org

Brethren Disaster Ministries next trip for Northern Ohio will be May 29 to June 6. We need 15 people including someone wanting to help cook. Work will be closer this time - in Harts, W. Va. where there was a lot of flooding last year. Work on repairing houses. Let Jean Nesbitt know if you are interested in going.





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*Continuing the work of Jesus.
Peacefully. Simply. Together.*



We Invite You

- to join with us in the fellowship of a Christian family.
- to join us in our journey to a deeper faith in our Lord Jesus
- to strive with us to "Live for the Glory of God and our neighbor's good."



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Church Custodian: Carrie Dasco

**Sunday Hours
of Worship:**
Sunday School, 9:30 am
Worship, 10:30 am