

# The Spire

April 2026



"They waited for me as for showers and drank in my words as the spring rain."

~ Job 29:23

## Spring BBQ Dinner



On Saturday, April 18th from noon to 3:00 PM, we're holding a Spring BBQ Dinner fundraiser. The menu is as follows:

"Clucker" Chicken Sandwich

- Bacon, coleslaw, BBQ sauce

Backyard Burgers

- ¼ pounder with bacon, pulled pork, cheese, & BBQ sauce

Bacon-wrapped Hotdogs

- Nathan's ¼ pounder with pulled pork

\$20 platters include your choice of sandwich, pasta salad, potato salad, and dessert. All platters are individually portioned.

**Orders must be placed in advance by Wednesday, April 8th.** Order online at [www.uplandbaptist.org](http://www.uplandbaptist.org) or call the office at (610) 874-7474.

This is a dine-in or takeout event.



**Palm Sunday – March 29**

10:00 AM Sunday Worship\*

**Maundy Thursday – April 2**

7:00 PM Communion Worship\*

**Good Friday – April 3**

7:00 PM Good Friday Service\*

**Easter – April 5**

6:30 AM Sunrise Service in the cemetery behind the church (*in-person only*)

Breakfast following service

10:00 AM Sunday Worship\*

\*Service is either *in-person* or *online*



## Maundy Thursday



Join us for Maundy Thursday on April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 to 8:00 PM in the Chapel.

Last year, we tried something a little different, and we will continue the new tradition again this year. We will have the Chapel open for you to experience prayer stations. These stations will be on topics of journeying, healing, living generously, etc. and end with you being able to take communion. Each station will have a guided activity that you do on your own, spending whatever time you would like to spend. Pastor Brenda will be at the final station offering communion. You can come and go as you please during this time.

## Good Friday

Good Friday is on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM. This service will be a traditional 30-minute worship service in the sanctuary.

## Easter Egg Hunt



The traditional craft and egg hunt will take place following the Easter worship service on Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. There will be tons of fun for kids of all ages. We will be making crafts to celebrate Jesus and his love for us before the kids search for goodies left by the Easter Bunny. This is an event not to be missed.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries for April and May

### April Birthdays

- 3 Jean Giordano
- 13 Dan Miller
- 20 Angela Waltman
- 23 Cheryl Kunkle
- 24 David Pysher
- Denise Sweeney
- 27 Barry Armstrong
- John Shaw



### May Birthdays

- 1 Matthew Shaw
- 5 David Geveke
- Darlene Pysher
- 15 Akky Geveke
- 17 Thomas Geveke
- 24 Dennis Decker
- 26 Jackie Wright



### May Anniversaries

- 4 Brian and Courtney Klimek
- 10 Joan and Dennis Decker
- 14 Steve and Angela Waltman

## Friends & Family Weekend Committee Needed

This year, Upland Baptist Church celebrates 175 years! We want to tie that anniversary celebration into our annual Friends & Family Weekend, and we will need a committee to accomplish this.

If you are interested in participating on this committee, please reach out to Pastor Brenda.

Friends & Family Weekend is on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Blue Rocks Save the Date!



We're headed to a Wilmington Blue Rocks Game on Friday, June 19, featuring fireworks and Star Wars characters! Tickets are \$16.

If you're interested in attending, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary or call the church office at (610) 874-7474.

Please give your payment to Dave Geveke or put it in the offering basket with your name and "Blue Rocks" on the envelope. Make checks payable to Upland Baptist Church. Payment is due by April 30.

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## Fundraising Campaign

Upland Baptist Church has partnered with Captain Carwash for a fundraising campaign. All you have to do is scan our QR code to purchase carwashes, and 30% of each purchase goes directly to Upland Baptist!

The code only works for the Captain Carwash in Aston, located across the street from Giant. We appreciate your support!

## Food Bank

This month, the Food Bank could really use donations of **plastic and paper grocery bags**.

They hand these out each week and could always use more. Please donate anytime during the month.

## Devotional Thought...

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me." John 14:1*

During March, we were deeply involved in the season of Lent. Lent prepares us to remember the death and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

Jesus prepared his disciples with conversations that encouraged them with meaningful words. Even in the midst of trouble, we can take heart and have peace as he reminded the disciples. Things aren't always easy and troubles will always come our way, but we will celebrate the resurrection with joy and victory as we trust in Jesus.

My favorite song that we play during Lent in the Bell Choir is "O Sacred Head Now Wounded." The sadness of this song reminds me that Jesus died for my sins, but at the same time, I am joyful when I remember that he is risen. Let your hearts feel his presence through the music of this season.

~Dawn Rafalski



UPLAND BAPTIST CHURCH'S  
**FRIENDS & FAMILY WEEKEND**

9 12 & 9 13  
**2026**

A weekend of activities to reconnect with old friends and make new ones!

SAVE THE DATE!

ONE MAUNDY THURSDAY



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