

First Baptist Church of Central Square

August 2022

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Birthdays:

Diana Baxter 2
Roxanne Spink 4
Lilliah Woolson-Smith 9
Leanne Giles 10
John Zelesnik 11
Rebekah McGraw 13
Aiden Baxter 15
Vesta Lewis 16
Taylor Baxter 17
Rachel Fuller 18
Alec Rich 20
Jillian Long 21
Sofia Shanahan 23
Michael Long 25
Jessica Georges 30

Anniversaries:

Please submit witness articles and prayer requests to
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Covid Update

We are OPEN! Come join us on Sunday mornings while following all safety guidelines. For those who are choosing to stay home still, follow the link below to the sermons!
<http://www.fbc-cs.com/media.htm>

Sunday School

Adult Sunday School will resume again in the Fall. Have a great summer!

Food Pantry

During August we will be collecting Fruit Cups and Pudding Cups products for the food pantry.

Diaconate Updates

Please see a diaconate if you have a need.

Christian Education

No Updates.

Trustee Updates

Numerous instances have been brought to the attention of the trustees regarding autos driving through our parking lot in order to cut off going through the light in town. This has resulted in near-misses of patrons walking and also for cars attempting to pull out when someone drives around the chain barrier through our handicap parking signs. It has caused lawn damages as well. Three new "No Thru Traffic" signs were procured and installed in the parking lot. Two are fixed ground-mounts, one at each entrance and one portable sign is located in the middle near where we used to have a sugar maple tree and chain across with a "STOP" sign in the past.

August 24
Free Lunch

Food Pantry - Fruit Cups
and Pudding Cups

Hygiene Supplies:
(deodorant, bar soap,
feminine products)

Cat litter and cat food for
Unity Acres

You're Always There for Me

When the world comes
crashing in
And chaos rules my mind,
I turn my heart to you,
Lord,
And pure, sweet peace I
find.

You lift me out of trouble
You comfort me in pain;
You nourish, heal and
cleanse me,
Like cool, refreshing rain.

In times of joy and bliss,
When things are going
right,
You lift me even higher,
And fill me with delight.

You listen to my prayers;
You hear my every plea;
I'm safe because I know
You're always there for me.

By Joanna Fuchs

The trustees and pastor met with Church Mutual for regular business review of our policy and inspection of facilities. No additional needs were recommended. However, we have initiated a simultaneous review of business and community; legal advice has been advised and has been procured following an auto fire in our parking lot July 1, 2022.

The roof over the sanctuary was cleaned and resealed in rusted areas where water has leaked on eaves. Protective materials have been applied to the front entrance vestibule roof. Work on the main sanctuary roof will begin with removal of limbs from the large oak overhanging the church. We have repaired and repainted other items requiring maintenance in the kitchen, bathroom and main sanctuary. Thanks to Cindy for extra cleaning in the downstairs storage room rafters so that pest control services can begin. Trustees will be in attendance for the first visit.

Bardoun Land Surveying provided more detailed maps of the church property boundaries. Bardoun also returned to install wooden survey stakes near the property corners on Fulton Street for our future reference. This builds upon and takes advantage of survey work by the fire department last year-at no cost to us.

Please remember and remind others using the facilities to put the chain up across the driveway before leaving.



**KNOWING THE BIBLE
IS ONE THING
KNOWING THE AUTHOR
IS ANOTHER**

We are collecting Cat Litter for Unity Acres!



For the Homeless

The Homeless Women in the Oswego County Shelters need supplies. Some suggested supplies: Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrush and toothpaste, deodorant, bar soap, feminin products.

Please place items in a ziplock plastic bag.

Thank you for all you do to help those in need.

From the Pastor

Oh dear! Oh my! Oh what am I going to do? What are they going to do?

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. Matthew 11:28-30

Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Matthew 6:27

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

Who among us has not had a sleepless night; a night when the brain just wouldn't shut off? Or, days of hand wringing, pacing or whatever you do when troublesome thoughts fill your mind.

Scripture and well-meaning people tell us to "Give it to God". Too often, that is much easier said than done. The problem often is a result of us taking back what we have given.

Thankfully, I have been blessed to not be a worrier. But there are times when I get troubled and it affects my mood and my sleep. (And probably my blood pressure.)

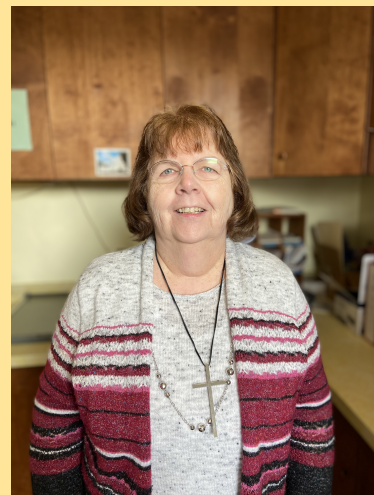
So, how do we give it to God? There are all kinds of experts who can tell us but they don't know everything either. If we try their methods and the method doesn't work, then what do we do?

I'm not an expert. And I certainly don't know everything. But as far as I can tell the best way is to leave it with Jesus. But leave it there in His hands. Switch off the thoughts and find something else to think about. Again, not an easy thing to do but Jesus has told us "All things are possible with God." YOU can do it! I'm praying for you.

Have a blessed day, week and month ahead as we continue to serve the Lord in our family, our church, our community and the world.

Pastor Lilly

From our Pastor



August 2022

Food Pantry Collection: **Fruit Cups and Pudding Cups**
 Other Collections: Health Supplies and Cat food and liter for Unity Acres

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Picnic in the Parking lot	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 FREE LUNCH	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Lift every voice and sing

Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;



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