First Baptist Church of Central Square

January 2021

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Birthdays: Karl Backman 1 Maizie Jane Casatelli 3 Emily Schaefer 6 Lynn Cuny 9 Pat Harrington 20 Mark Heitmann 22 Kay Springer 25 Jeffery Desrosiers 25

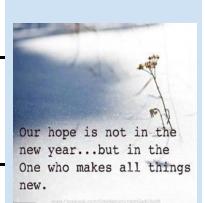
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Anniversaries: Maggie & Scott Heitmann 30









Tithes

Please have offering ready when you come into church or mail to Attn: Cherie House P.O. Box 476

Please submit witness articles and prayer requests to

Central Square, NY 13036

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

Trustee Updates

No updates.

Diaconate Updates

No Updates.

Christian Education Updates

No Updates





Food Pantry

January - We are collecting Cereal and Canned Fruit

RMMO

We are currently collecting for the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering!

2020 Missions

The mission committee met and we would appreciate your donations for items for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners.

Don't forget that our outhouse needs toilet paper. Single wrapped rolls or four roll packages. We are also starting to collect hat's, mittens and gloves for the cold winter months ahead. Please leave it on the parsonage porch or bring to church on Sunday.

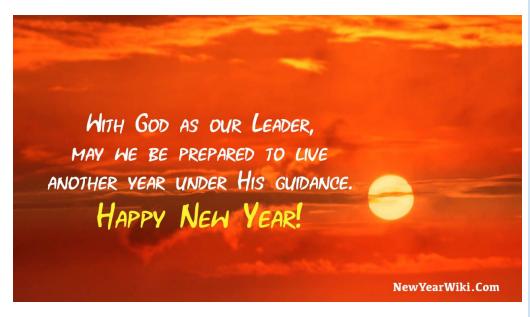
Due to circumstances beyond our control we will not be able to due White Gift this year.

Health Kits

The Homeless Women in the Oswego County Shelters need supplies. Some suggested supplies

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Bar Soap
- Femine Products

Please place items in a ziplock plastic bag.









From the Pastor

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up, do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. Isaiah 43:19

This is one of my favorite verses in the Old Testament. It certainly can be applied to today. We have put an old year behind us and have entered a new one. Well, that's what we are supposed to believe but most of the issues we faced last week, last year, are still with us. Bummer!! Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if we could throw away our collection of face coverings, feel safe going out in the public, visit friends and loved ones in person, and hug all of them and anyone that needs a hug? It makes me wonder.... What is God up too; What New thing is in His vision? I would like to know now, please Sir. This is where He wants us to exercise patience. That's not something we want to consider. Patience is waiting. Patience is not knowing what, when or where until the answer arrives - sometimes even later when we can only see with 20/20 hindsight.

Thankfully, we have Hope. We hope that this will all be a distant memory soon. We hope this vaccine is an answer to the suffering of so many. We hope that we can gather at family picnics on Memorial Day and July 4th. We hope to be able to attend sporting events and movies and live theater performances. As a church family, we hope to re-open our doors, to celebrate Easter together, offer VBS to children in the neighborhood, and open our arms and our church to others to meet Jesus and find the hope He offers in eternal life. After all, isn't that the real bottom line? Every day, God is doing a new thing. Do you not perceive it? Don't give up. God is working. He is alive and well. He is busy watching over each of us every day of our life. He is planning, creating and protecting us. We can be confident in His steadfast love. Praise God from whom all things flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above e Heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen Blessings, Pastor Lilly



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