First Baptist Church of Central Square

January 2025

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Birthdays: Anniversaries: Karl Backman 1

Maggie & Scott Heitmann 30



Food Pantry - canned fruit, cereal, toilet paper

Jan 22 - Free Lunch

Missions -White Socks for Men Hats, mittens, gloves, hygiene products

Please submit witness articles and prayer requests to fbccsnv@amail.com

Watch Past Services

Maizie Jane Casatelli 3

Emily Schaefer 6 Lynn Cuny 9

Mark Heitmann 22 Kay Springer 25

http://www.fbc-cs.com/media.htm

Sunday School

Adult Sunday School will resume in 2025.

Christian Education

No Updates.

Diaconate Updates

So...to all of us who were celebrating the possibility of a Wonderful New Year...were once again confronted with a mass attack...this time in New Orleans. Our world is scary and we need to pray along with our Loving God for concern, Love and answers!!

With that in mind, our First Baptist Church family will continue to reach out to assist all in need. We are a beautiful positive family ready and willing to help.

We will continue our outreach with Community Free Lunches, assist with financial support with your continued generous contributions to the Deacon's Fund, sending cards of both celebrations and concerns, call and visit when needed. With all that in mind, God hears AND acts on health improvement within our family...so PRAYER WORKS!!

With everyone's help, we all can certainly "Survive and Thrive in Twenty Five!!"

> God Bless Us All Your FBC Diaconate

Trustee Updates - No Update

Women's Group - No Update

Mission Committee

The mission committee is accepting white socks and hats and gloves.



FBC Giving Tree Take a leaf...fill a need!

There are many little items that keep our church functioning and clean. Please stop by the table and grab a leaf to help support us financially.

Most items are probably a duplicate item on your shopping list!

If you are unable to stop by and grab a leaf or two and still want to support our fundraiser you can give any monetary amount by mailing it to the church:

First Baptist Church of CS PO Box 476 Central Square, NY, 13036 Attn: Cherie House/Money Tree **Fundraiser**

*These funds will be used for larger projects that the Trustees are working

From the Pastor

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: Ecclesiastes 3:1

It's 2025 and 2024 has been left behind for the historians to review and critique.

Time. It keeps ticking, doesn't it? Did you know that the word "time" is mentioned 888 times in the NIV version? Now you know; so when the trivia question is asked you will have the answer in the archives of your mind. I bet that is a relief to know.

There's a scientific study being discussed on the news about dinosaurs. Their time was 160 million years ago. They mysteriously disappeared around 65.5 million years ago; merely a few million years before Moses penned the Book of Genesis. I'm guessing Moses didn't have a clue. Apparently, when God inspired Moses to write about creation, He didn't think bringing up dinosaurs was advantageous to mankind's behavior patterns. To say God's timing isn't our timing is quite an understatement.

Then when He felt the time was right, God said to the heavenly hosts, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:19) Okay, I confess, I'm taking it out of context but here we are. Another year is over with a new beginning ahead. Where do we start? What can we do better as individuals and as a church family? Only time and determination will tell. We pray and give thanks to the God of the Universe that counts us as His children.

To God be the glory, great things He has done! (By sparing us from dinosaurs? Just wondering.)

May this month be a blessing. Stay warm. Stay healthy. Stay safe. And may you accomplish all God has planned for you in the year ahead.

Pastor Lilly

From our Pastor





Poinsettias 2024

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Given By:	In Memory/Honor Of:
Janet Bettinger	Andrew Bettinger Jack & Marion Chesebro Neil & Mary Gilmour
Lillian Cabral	Austin Cabral Harvey & Doris McLain Jeremy McLain
Joan & Don Haury Madi & Chuck Alridge	Janet Nelson Althea & Dave Nelson Gladys & Edward Haury Gladys Alridge Robert Munn Delores & Ray Olin
Carol Chamberlin	Robert Chamberlin
Cindy & Lynn Cuny Sr	Robert "Bob" Chamberlin Delores & Ray Olin
Mary & Michael Long	Jacob and Sarag Sanford Charlie Long
Nancy M. Leamon & Family	Rev Kenneth R. Leamon
Roxanne L. Spink Kay A., Stephen E., Rebekah G., Alexander E. Springer	David W. Fowler, Geraldine L. Spink, Harvey W. Spink, Benjamin E. Springer, Martha C. Baird, Raymond O. Baird, June A. Johnson, Walter F. Marshall, Ronald D. Marshall, Michael G. Marshall, Samuel M. Marshall
John M. Zelesnik	Patricia A.Gleason Briana M. Zelesnik Kenneth A. Gleason Michael A. Zelesnik
Rebekah G. McGraw	Benjamin E. Springer
Church Family	Members of our church family that are no longer with us.





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