First Baptist Church of Central Square

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Prayer Concerns: Courtney & Nathan Balch, Melody Clark, the Delong Family, Misty DeFalcoNancy Flower, the Fuller Family, Pat Harrington, Christa Koagel, Leighton Merritt, Donnie O'Neill, Helen O'Neill, Frank VanBuskirk, Helen Webb, hurricane victims, our schools, our nation, and our military.

Birthdays:

Cindy Cuny 14	Merrill House 24	Kristen Desrosiers 24
David Shanahan 24		Chris Ayre 27

Mystery Member:

November's Mystery Member makes models of cars and boats, has a beautiful garden full of delicious tomatoes, and is one of the biggest SU fans around. Can you guess who it is?

October's Mystery Member is Penny Faulter! She is a very fun person that enjoys music and is very talented at playing the piano. Penny loves taking trips to Maine, and she enjoys gardening!

Witness Articles

Please submit all articles by November 24th to <u>Kahminder@gmail.com</u>

Let us run with determination the race that lies before us.











Upcoming Events

November 2

Top This Pizza Fundraiser

November 3-5

ABYouth Convention

November 5

Council Meeting

November 6

Women's World Day of Prayer

November 12

Christian Education Meeting

November 14th

Paint Night 6pm

Looking Ahead...

December 3

Family Craft Day

December 10

Christmas Pageant

December 17

Cantata





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Trustee Update

The smoke alarm system is nearing completion. The new system will cost a **total of \$6,553.00**. The church as paid \$1,200.00 so far, making our **owed balance \$5,353**. We are anticipating \$3,000 dollars to be donated to this cause from the Memorial Committee, but still need help covering the total cost. If you would like to donate directly to this cause, send a check with "Fire Security System" in the memo, or send in a labeled envelope. In order to keep our building, we had to put in this system. We are also much safer because of it!

Also, the parsonage is being cleaned and scrubbed! The carpets will be professionally cleaned and it also needs to be painted before it can be occupied again.

The windstorm on Sunday, October 15th took off a shingle from the bell tower roof. At this time it is being looked at by the insurance company. If it turns out to be something that can be taken care of by someone in our church, the claim can be cancelled at the insurance company

Pizza Fundraisers!

Pizza Night

Don't forget **Thursday November 2nd** is First Baptist Church Pizza Day!! Instructions:

- -Go To Top This Pizza (9664 US-Rt. 11 Brewerton, NY 315-668-1810)
- -Order Lunch AND/OR Dinner
- -Eat and Enjoy!!

A PORTION OF ALL PROCEEDS FOR THE DAY WILL COME BACK TO THE CHURCH

Pizza Gift Certificates

We are still selling Pizza Gift Certificates! If you are able to sell any or want to buy some as Christmas Gifts please see Cherie House, email her at CherHou3@aol.com, or call or text at 315-391-5408.

Bottle Drive Fundraiser

Any Bottle and Cans to be returned??

We can pick up or bring to the church and Cherie or Rebekah will make sure they get returned to get 6 cents per can for the Church!

Or, roll The Dice For A Chance At 6 or 7 Cents per 300 Pieces, then tell them you want some, or all of your cans and bottles donated to the First Baptist Church of Central Square! Take your returnables to **Vern's Return** located at: **5501 Bartell Road Brewerton**, **NY** (Closed Wednesday & Sunday).

Thanks to all who have supported these Fundraisers, any new ideas or you just want to help, let us know!!

Prayer is a strong wall and fortress of the church; it is a goodly Christian weapon. – Martin Luther

Church Officers

Reverend

Moderator Lynn Bort

<u>Church Clerk</u> Rebekah Springer

<u>Treasurer</u> Elizabeth Rotundo

<u>Financial Secretary</u> Grace Fuller

Christian Education Facilitators

Roxanne Spink Carol Chamberlin Misty DeFalco

Trustee Facilitators

Randi Driesen Cherie House Diana Baxter

Diaconate Facilitators
Rich Mizerski
Penny Faulter
Cheryl Backman





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Shout Out to Randi

I would like to take a moment to say that as I have been back on the Trustees Facilitator's for the last 6 months. I would like to commend Randi Driesen for the amazing job she has done. She has taken on some big projects, not necessarily alone (Cheryl Bachman, I am sure has been a co-pilot as well as The Flower's, Diana Baxter and maybe more that I am not aware of) of getting the church up to code with our smoke alarm system, the cleaning of the properties and or making arrangements to get it done, the opiod crisis meeting and getting quotes for the roof damage done by our last storm, and more. She has given her time and talents with no complaints that I have heard for the love of the Lord and our church. I have witnessed so many others that have given their time and efforts and talents in the last several months and over the years as well. We are truly blessed to have her and a committed congregation that is just like her that want to see God's will for our church. I am excited for our future as First Baptist Church of Central Square that we can overcome any difficulties with God by our side and the passion of those that love our church. Blessings to all! Love God, Love Yourself, Love Others

- Cherie House

Women Update

Trunk or Treat

This year's Trunk or Treat was a HUGE SUCCESS! We had over 125 children attend. Thank you to everyone who was a part of this wonderful event! Start planning your trunk for next year!

Winter Paint Night

On Tuesday, November 14th, beginning at 6pm, the AB Women will be hosting a third paint night! It will be 40 dollars per person. Please sign up with Misty DeFalco at mdefalco2004@gmail.com beforehand please! It is a ton of fun!

Diaconate Update:

The pulpit is currently filled through November 19th. In the absence of having a pastor, the Deacons would like to remind everyone to let us know if there is a need; whether it is a visit, a phone call, food etc. The congregation can contact Cheryl Backman @ 315-668-2230.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Just a reminder that we do have prayer shawls and lap robes for anyone who might need some uplifting, whether they are experiencing an illness, surgery, or death in the family. Please contact Cheryl Backman and one will be sent out.

A church is a hospital for sinners, not a museum for saints.

The perfect church service, would be one we were almost unaware of. Our attention would have been on God.– C.S. Lewis

History of the Ladies Auxiliary By Delores Olin

A continuation...

Being an auxiliary, these gals used their money for such as church and parsonage repairs and additions, Oregon fun, Pastor salaries, balance of that on parsonage, wouldn't gas for kitchen stove.

Some items of special interest:
January 1910 noted: hereafter
the auxiliary shall pay no bills
contracted without the
knowledge of the positive and
numbers.

February 1910: menu for the men's social kettle roast, mashed potatoes, salad, pickles, brown and white bread, butter, pie, cheese and coffee. Profit was \$20.25

April 1910: picnic at
Harrington's Grove. Otis Fuller
took a large party in the "New
Windsor." Being the only man
present, he was well
entertained. 50 attended.



Motto of the Day # 3
Be not disturbed about trifles.

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Christian Education Facilitators Update

Adult Sunday School started on September 10th with Delores Olin as the facilitator. The class welcomes adults, young adults, and teens. Junior Church is going well under Rebekah Springer's leadership. The children enjoyed receiving their message with a Halloween theme in October. Our annual World Mission Offering will be ending October 29th although, as always, we will accept contributions after this date. If any of our friends not currently in the area wish to contribute to this offering please send your donation to the church with a notation that it is designated for the "World Mission Offering." We will soon be selecting of a recipient for our annual White Gift. If anyone in the congregation has a suggestion please let one of the Christian Education Facilitators know as soon as possible. Preparations are underway for the children's Christmas Play in December. If anyone has concerns or suggestions regarding Christian Education issues please contact one of the Christian Education Facilitators.

Respectfully submitted, Roxanne L. Spink, Christian Education Facilitator Chairperson Carol Chamberlin Misty DeFalco

Scrap Metal Recycling

We are starting to collect scrap metal to make a little extra \$ for the church. The small amount of scrap metal we had at the church and some that was donated by Bob Chamberlin netted us \$36. I know that it doesn't sound like a lot, but every little bit helps. I want to ask the congregation if you, your neighbors, friends, or family may have some scrap metal they want to get rid of please contact Cheryl Backman @ 315-668-2230. I will keep it in the church garage until we have a bunch. If you need it to be picked up they can be arranged. Thank you for your help in this ongoing project.





I'm not perfect. I have all kinds of problems. I have no ability. I have no gifts. I'm just not worthy.

Why would God want me?

Well, did you know that...

Moses stuttered. David's armor didn't fit. John Mark deserted Paul. Timothy had ulcers. Hosea's wife was a prostitute. Amos' only training was in the school of fig-tree pruning. Jacob was a liar. David had an affair. Solomon was too rich. Jesus was too poor. Abraham was too old. David was too young. Peter was afraid of death. Lazarus was dead. John was self-righteous. Naomi was a widow. Paul was a persecutor of the church. Moses was a murderer. Jonah ran from God's will. Miriam was a gossip. Gideon and Thomas both doubted. Jeremiah was depressed and suicidal. Elijah was burned out. John the Baptist was a loudmouth. Martha was a worry-wart. Noah got drunk.

But God doesn't require a job interview for salvation. He's our Heavenly Father. He doesn't look at financial gain or loss. He's not prejudiced or partial, not judging, grudging, sassy, or brassy, not deaf to our cry, not blind to our need. He know who we are and what we are and loves us in spite of ourselves.

Did I mention that Moses had a short fuse?
So did Peter, Paul - well, lots of folks did.

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November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Top This Pizza Fundraiser	3	4
5 Council Meeting Ken Leamon	6 World Day of Prayer	7 Election Day	8	9	10	11 Veteran's Day
12 Christian Education Meeting	13	14 Paint Night 6pm	15	16	17	18
19 Sheila Beers	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



