

First Baptist Church of Central Square

October 2024

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Birthdays:

Theresa Besanson 1
Penny Faulter 2
Dakota McGraw 12
Courtney Balch 14
Phyllis Smith 18
Dail Mizerski 20
Randi Driesen 21
Amelia Shanahan 23
Margaret Heitmann 25
Nick Cuny 26

Anniversaries:

Courtney & Nathan Balch 3
Cherie & Merrill House 12

Please submit witness articles and prayer requests to
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Watch Past Services

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

Sunday School

Adult Sunday School is starting up next week, (9/15/24).

Christian Education

No Update

Diaconate Updates

Our Free Lunch Program remains active. The one recently on September 25th saw more take outs than eat here in Fellowship Hall. Also, Rich delivered 4 meals to those not able to come in. Your Deacons Fund contributions continue to support the needs of others when known to us. Additionally, free meals as first mentioned above, items needed for monthly communion, cards and notes along with distribution methods continue, and other emergency needs when they happen. We have added a "Praise and Prayers Answered" section to the weekly church worship bulletin. Those who have asked for prayers are receiving contacts from us for any updates. We are trying to establish the best method of contacting inactive persons for any updated information. Your Diaconate would love to see them more frequently and will strive to answer any questions they may have.

Trustee Updates - No Update

Women's Group - No Update

Mission Committee

As an ongoing mission project we will be collecting WHITE socks for Homeless Men in and around Oswego County. White socks are easy to launder. There is no worry of bleaching them or matching them. White is white and socks are always in need to keep feet warm and dry. White socks can be found at the Dollar (and a quarter) Store. And also



Food Pantry - holiday food fixings

Missions -

White Socks for Men
Hats, mittens, gloves

Oct 11 - Baked Potato Fundraiser

Oct 23rd - Free Lunch

Oct 27th - Trunk or Treat

Nov 27 - Free Thanksgiving Dinner



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

Mission continued: wherever Men's socks can be found. Whenever you shop and happen to be in the area of men's socks, think of the homeless and be a blessing. We are the hands and feet of Jesus and what better way to serve Him than keeping feet clean and dry.

From the Pastor

37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:37-38

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 11:29-30

My husband had a book called, "Jesus Freaks". I never read it. Maybe I should. If I were to guess, I'd say a Jesus freak loves Jesus and follows him relentlessly. I'd like to believe I'm a Jesus freak but I don't know how good I am at doing the relentless following. I "fall short". Like Apostle Paul, I do the things I shouldn't and don't do the things I should. I guess that makes me human. But as a "Jesus Freak" maybe I should be better at following the Lord, sharing his love and humbling myself to be more like Him. It's sort of like dieting. I know what I should be eating or not eating. I might start off good in the morning, eat salads for lunch and dinner and then, oops, a nice dish of ice cream before bed. I know drinking water helps. I know I should get more exercise. But that is uncomfortable and it hurts. I have lots of good excuses.

What about you? I have reason to believe I'm not alone. I guess we're not perfect. Well, maybe you are, but I somehow doubt it. It's a good thing for us that we have Jesus in our corner. When we get bogged down with all the harvesting we want to do, He is there waiting for us to let Him share the load. He will take our burdens and relieve us from the stress of all that baggage we carry, if we just ask and then let Him.

Let's pray and ask.

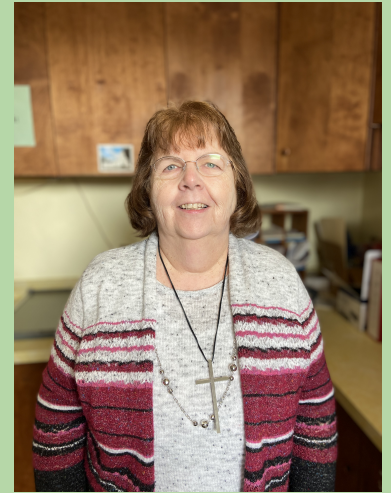
Hang in there, He's got this.

Blessings,

Pastor Lilly

on.*

From our Pastor



A Christian Pumpkin

I am a Jack O' Lantern
My light will shine so bright

For I am a Christian pumpkin
My symbols tell what's right.

My nose is like the cross
on which our Savior died

To set us free from sin
We need no longer hide.

My mouth is like a fish
The whole wide world to show

That Christians live in this house
And love their Savior so!

The story starts at Christmas
My eyes are like the star

That shone on Baby Jesus
And wise men saw from far

My color it is orange
Just like the big bright sun

That rose on Easter Day
Along with Gods' own Son.

And so on Halloween
Let's set our pumpkins out

And tell the trick or treaters
What Gods' love is all about!





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