

November Artery 2020



A big thank you to all of our volunteers that made the reopening of the nursery such a huge success! Our families are really grateful that we've been able to reopen. Stay tuned as we continue to see if we're able

15 Things to Remember:

1.) "For in him all things were created: Things in heaven, and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him." Colossians 1:16

2.) "Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him." Psalm 115:3

3.) "Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgements, and his paths beyond tracing out!"

4.) "The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me [Jesus], because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners." Isaiah 61:1

5.) "For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves." Ephesians 1:4-6

6.) "He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. In that day they will say, 'Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.'" Isaiah 25:8-9

7.) "Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you." Jeremiah 32:17

8.) "My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." Psalm 121:2

9.) "And looking at them Jesus said to them, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'" Matthew 19:26

10.) "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." Proverbs 19:21

11.) "But if it is from God, you will not be able to stop these men; you will only find yourselves fighting against God." Acts 5:39

12.) "Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, 'if it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that.'" James 4:14-15

13.) "I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, Sovereign Lord; I will proclaim your righteous deeds, yours alone." Psalm 71:16

14.) "Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, 'the Lord reigns!'" 1 Chronicles 16:31

15.) "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will



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Missions Update

prepared by Diane Runion

Breadbox Offering: Samaritan's Purse

This month's breadbox offering will be given to Samaritan's Purse to assist in the aftermath of the horrific blast in Beirut, Lebanon. In speaking to relatives of those who were there during the blast, the devastation is still everywhere. Samaritan's Purse is providing critical relief supplies in the form of tarps, hygiene kits and solar lights and have established a mobile surgical unit, working with local hospitals. This organization partners with active churches in the area as well. Everywhere they go, they share the hope of Jesus Christ.

If you are interested in giving, please use the breadbox envelope in your giving packet or on the table with the offering plate, or write a check to Main Street Baptist Church, notated Samaritan's Purse Lebanon Project.



Excerpts from a Letter (from Heather Nicholson, sister to Katie)

I wanted to write a quick note thanking you for your continued prayer and support in my forthcoming missions trip. Though the trip has been postponed, I have not lost the excitement or anticipation for it. God had this planned from the beginning and I trust that he knows what is best for me and my missions team, but also the precious souls in Togo.

Currently, my team is planning on flying out to Togo on the 24th of November...and flying home on the 22nd of December. Due to a slightly shortened trip we will be jumping right away into teaching in the schools (teaching ESL) and ministering to the believers. (Heather will train local teachers on how to teach, do lesson plans, etc., assisting in vacation Bible school events, helping women set up Bible studies and lead them, and assisting in a local shelter for young women and orphans.)

While my hope and prayer is to still go to Togo, there is a possibility that this desire will not come to fruition. Over the past few months, I have started to work toward many a plan B; however, God has unequivocally shut each and every one of those opportunities. It is certainly a blessing to know that God is at work in this internship.... I am confident that His plans surpass any that I could desire. Flexibility and humility are vital in every walk of life and I am glad that God has used this time to show me what it truly means to be flexible and humble.

Again, thank you for all the support!

With much love, Heather Nicolson.

Hebrews 10:23 - "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful."

(Our church has given \$500 toward her trip)



Missions Note

RHAYLENE ABBEY had been a missionary in Kodiak, Alaska working with native peoples in that area and at times in Siberia, Russia for short-term ministry. She worked through the Interact Mission and has been retired for several years, now living in an assisted living facility since early May. Many will recall her coming to speak to us and to see her family, many of which lived around here and were active in this church. She is still a recipient of support through our mission budget. To give a little insight into who she is, she was so used to cold weather, she often came home to visit in the winter. She was an avid fisherman, and loved coordinating summer camps for kids in Alaska.

Her family wants us to join with them in a "Birthday Card Shower" for her 76th birthday. Her birthday is November 11th and if you send a card by the 1st of November, she will get it in time for her special day. Please send cards to:

Rhaylene Abbey
309 Erskine Avenue, Apt 208
Kodiak, Alaska 99615

Thank you for the smiles your cards will bring!

Some Church History

Prepared by Teresa Luckert

On Palm Sunday, March 28, 1920, the memorial plaque for Herman J. Britton located in the sanctuary, was unveiled by his mother Mrs. Elizabeth Britton. Herman Britton served with Company H, 107th Infantry during World War I. This unit consisted of men from Broome County. He was killed in action in Bony, France on September 29, 1918 during the drive on the Hindenburg Line. A Binghamton Press article dated September 28, 1933 noted of the 187 men of Co. H, only ten avoided death, wounds or being gassed during the campaign. Fifteen would give their lives.

The tablet was made by the S.J. Kelley Engraving Company. Our former organist Melvin Kelley was an employee there as well as the son of S.J. Kelley. The company also made a similar second tablet for North Presbyterian Church, Binghamton in memory of John Leonard Livingston. Livingston, another Co H member, died from injuries he received on September 29, 1918 in Bony, France.

Sources:

“Alleged fraud on mother of dead hero disclosed.” February 28, 1920 [Saturday] Binghamton Press (pg.3) – Notes Mrs. Britton’s troubles with an out of state memorial company.

“Hero’s Memorial to be unveiled” Mrs. Britton will place tablet in church for son killed on Hindenburg Line. Binghamton Press [Monday Evening] March 8, 1920 (pg. 8). This article featured a picture of the Bronze tablet. Notes the memorial was probably the first local memorial for this campaign.

“Mother unveils Memorial tablet for soldier son” Binghamton Press [Monday] March 29, 1920 (pg. 13).

“Memorial Tablet to honor dead war heroes” Binghamton Press [Tuesday Evening] May 18, 1920 (pg.7) – This article is about the memorial tablet for John Leonard Livingston being an unveiled at North Presbyterian. It also mentions the Herman Britton tablet.



Did you know?

This year marks the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower ship arriving in America. One of our former members, Lydia Rosetta [Alden] Tripp was a descendant of Mayflower passengers John & Priscilla Alden. Mrs. Tripp died in March 1982 at the age of 99.

“Many Reunions and Outings in Parks” Binghamton Press [Saturday] August 17, 1907 (pg.2) – Article notes the Alden descendants gathering in Ross Park. Lydia Tripp’s name is listed.

“Her Daily Bread: Babcock kept baking for her 25 grandchildren, 334 great grandchildren” Press & Sun Bulletin [Friday] December 25, 1992 (pg. 10) – Mary C. Babcock was the daughter of Lydia Tripp.

Lydia R Tripp obituary - March 17, 1982 Binghamton Press

For further reading on the Mayflower & Pilgrims we have the following books in the library:

📖 Mayflower by Nathaniel Philbrick

📖 Saints and Strangers by George F. Willison

Nathan David (3), Craig Bach (4), Amy Sisson (4),
 Rhayleen Abbey (11), Jon Crawford (15), Neal A. Carl (17),
 MaryAnn Samples (18), Judy Wark
 (19), Payton Bennett (19), Jonah
 Conklin (25), and Tanyah Kicsak (27)



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

November 22nd is Thanksgiving Sunday. Our Thanksgiving offering will be taken then along with collection of your Notes of Appreciation for those who have had an impact in your life and you'd like to thank them.

Please keep in mind that the receipts from this offering help support the ongoing workings of the church.

From the Finance Committee



Judd and DLouisa Ford
 celebrate their 12 year
 anniversary on the
 29th



Combined
 Thanksgiving
 Service at
 Boulevard
 Methodist
 Church



Golden Thoughts
 When we bless God for mercies, we prolong them.
 When we bless God for miseries, we usually end them.
 Charles Haddon Spurgeon

Happy November Church Family,

For me, to think of November is to think of Thanksgiving. When times are difficult it is a good practice to count one's blessings and give thanks; indeed, it is required of us as Christians. I am thankful for the blood of Christ shed for me when I was his enemy. I am thankful that God is in sovereign control of this sin marred world. I am thankful that God is renewing me by his Spirit and changing me to be more like him. I am thankful that he is teaching me contentment in all circumstances under all conditions. And I am thankful that he has given us the church that we might weather this time together. As we meet together this November, here is where we will be in Holy Scripture:

November 1: 1 Corinthians 9: 24-27

November 8: 1 Corinthians 10:1-22

November 15: 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

November 22: TBD

November 29: Mark 13:24-37

Read ahead and come prepared to worship and hear our Lord from his Scriptures this month.

In Christ,

Pastor Luke