



MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

THE MAIN ARTERY

April 2024

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*"Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;
his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the
spring rains that water the earth." Hosea 6:3*

Main Street Baptist Church

Sunday School- 10AM

Church Service- 11AM

Evening Service- 6PM

March Church News



March 16th ,Free Clothes and More was held to serve families in our community. We served 11 families! Your donations help to keep this ministry going! Please be in prayer for this ministry.



March 24th was Palm Sunday.



March 28th was Maundy Thursday which is the observance of the Last Supper.



March 29th was Good Friday. Service was held in which we reflected on the crucifixion of Our Savior.



March 31st was Easter. Morning service was held in which we lifted our voices in song to praise our Risen Savior.

April Events

BIRTHDAYS



April	
4	Cheri Busch
9	John Beattie
12	Tom Weyant
17	Deb Thiel
28	Dan J. Fassett
30	Tom Reed Sr.

April Anniversaries:

April 17th Scott & Jeannette Farr-25 Years!

April 25th Bob & Anna James-54 Years!



Congratulations to both couples!



April 19th, Southern Tier Christian Choir, 7pm – presents sing the gospel favorite gospels songs will be sung at this concert. Doors open at 6:30PM at Central Baptist Church at 1606 Route 12, Binghamton, NY 13901.



April 20th, Pease Tree Farm Planting, 8AM-till finished, 400 trees need planting at the Pease Tree Farm. If you would like to lend them a helping hand it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!



April 20th, Free Clothes and More- please see Diane Runion if you can offer a helping hand to this outreach program!



April 27th, Ladies Conference, 3-6PM, The North Fenton Baptist Chapel has invited the ladies of Main Street to a conference. North Fenton Baptist Chapel is located at the corner of 79 and 369 in Chenango Forks.

WE ARE TO BE NEW

The Great Easter Truth is not that we are to live newly after death- that is not the great thing-but that we are to be new here and now by the power of the resurrection; not so much that we are to live forever as that we are to, and may, live nobly now because we are to live forever. Phillips Brooks

MISSION MINUTES

WYCLIFFE NEWS:

"Parts of Kenya which includes the Dorobo people haven't seen rain for three years, and now they have fresh water and God's Word too! A devastating drought has led to severe famine and has left many families struggling to afford even to one meal a day. Some of the people have been evacuated to overcrowded refugee camps, including two Bible translators who were forced to leave their homes behind."

"Despite the problems, the Dorobo people remain unwavering in their faith and commitment to spreading God's Word in their language. Bible translators persevered to complete several books of the New testament. Now that they are home, 20 books have been translated.

"However, the impact of your support has helped drill two new water wells and a solar-powered pump, and for the first time ever, they have a reliable source of clean, life-giving water." They now have their physical and spiritual thirst quenched. Wycliffe translators are included in our mission budget. Thank you for your support.

CRU NEWS

CRU is another ministry that is supported through your Mission giving. It is an effort to bring the truth of the Scriptures to college students, dispelling the darkness of sin, guilt, shame, and hopelessness.

The hard facts are that out of the 4,220 campuses in the United States, 1,745 have no known active group of Christians sharing Jesus with students. Even

though God has already planted faculty and students on these campuses who know and love Jesus, all too often their voices stand alone and are drowned out in the din of competing ideas.

Through CRU, students and faculty who are Christians, are equipped and empowered, are given a platform, and a voice to effectively proclaim the Gospel. Through this organization, we help support Thomas and Erin Rogrigues at Queens college in New York.

UPDATE ON THE LEMANS' MINISTRY

We recently had an update on Marcus and Rachel Leman's ministry through Wycliffe. Marcus had traveled to an area of Africa in league with others who were checking a translation of Scripture.

Travel, though sometimes dangerous in that area was secure- "God did that!"

Despite Spiritual dangers from Satanic influences and from relational friction and translation difficulties, the workers came together with other leaders and there was forgiveness and rededication to getting the translation out and done. God's message of His Word was evident. – "God did that!"

Despite training 3 new members and coordinating with 3 new consultants, and meeting in a new location, the main goals were accomplished. – "God did that!"

Keep in prayer for this vital work in which God is actively working. When you pray, you are a part of this ministry.

THANK YOU

Thank yous go to those who planned and cooked and decorated for the St. Patrick's Day luncheon after church. The Mizpah room looked lovely with all the colorful décor, the food was marvelous, and the games were fun. Pastor spoke about St. Patrick and his life and ministry in Ireland. We all went away with full tummies, full hearts after enjoying the fellowship of our friends at Main Street, and gratitude for God's provision in the gifts and abilities of those who put on the dinner. Thanks go to Amanda Svoboda for doing a lot of the cooking (and Jack who cut up all those potatoes and carrots and cabbages for his Mom) and funded some of the prizes and organized the games; Tom and Marcia Weyant, who decorated and made the desserts, and helped organize; Drew Stevens who made the sliders and washed a multitude of cooking pots and pans; Diane Runion who organized a game and some prizes, and made the Irish Soda Bread, and to all who helped clean up. A good time was had by all. We thank you!!

SOUTHERN TIER CHRISTIAN CHOIR
presents
SING THE GOSPEL,
favorite Gospel songs

FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH AT 7pm(doors open at 6:30)

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH
1606 ROUTE 12, BINGHAMTON

admission is free, and donations will be gratefully received at the door

Contact stchristianchoir@gmail.com or stchristianchoir.org



INVITATION TO THE WOMEN OF OUR CHURCH
FOR A LADIES CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 27 FROM 3-6PM

AT NORTH FENTON BAPTIST CHAPEL
CORNER OF 79 AND 369 IN CHENANGO FORKS

(call church office or Diane Runion for reservations by Wednesday
April 24th)

*... but this virtuous woman lives in the wonder, awe, and the fear of
the Lord.*

Proverbs 31:30b TPT

2024 Keep the Fire Burning- On the Road – Women's Conference

Speakers from Northside Church, Liverpool, NY

Teaching Topics – Women from Scripture:

Ruth
Anna

The Woman with the Alabaster Jar

Priscilla

Learn how their stories, their decisions, their lives, their
ALL reflect

how they lived in the wonder, awe, and the fear of the Lord.

Pages 4-6 Submitted by Diane Runion

John Fawcett (1740-1817) was an early Particular Baptist best known to us today as the author of the hymn "Blest Be the Tie that Binds." Here is a poem Fawcett wrote celebrating the coming of spring.

Fawcett bids us to become like young lovers infatuated with the beauty of spring. Let that beauty point us to the Creator behind it and add to that beauty ourselves by bringing praises and worship to our God. The annual return of spring is a wonderful reason for us to give glory to the Triune God.

Pastor Luke

RETURN OF SPRING

Welcome bless'd season of the year,
My heart is glad at thy return
April proclaims the summer near;
Rejoice, ye swains¹, no longer mourn.

The stormy winter now is o'er,
The nipping frosts begin to cease;
Awake, my heart, adore the Power
That forms creation as he please.

He bids the northern breezes blow;
The piercing wind obeys the Lord:
His hand bestrews the falling snow,
And nature trembles at his word.

Again he rolls the seasons round;
Once more the blooming spring appears;
A thousand beauties clothe the ground,
And earth her brightest garment wears.

Once more my wishful eyes shall see
Nature put on her gay attire;
The grassy mead, the budding tree,
I'll view with transport, and admire.

Oft wakeful with the rising dawn,
I'll watch fair Phoebus² gently rise;
My feet shall tread the flowery lawn,
With inward pleasure and surprise.

I'll join the songsters of the grove;
The lark shall teach my matin³ song;
Of her I'll learn to mount above,
And praise my God with thankful tongue.

I'll strive more grateful thanks to pay;
With all the winged tribe I'll vie;
'Your Lord for me took human clay,
To live for me, for me to die.'

Thus my enraptur'd soul shall sing,
Creating and redeeming grace;
And thus improve the cheerful spring
With songs of gratitude and praise.

¹ A swain is a young man in love with a woman

² The Sun

³ Matins is the traditional name for prayer at sunrise