

THE MAIN ARTERY

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES

April 13th at 11AM- Palm Sunday

April 17th at 6PM- Maundy Thursday

April 18th at 12PM- Good Friday

April 20th at 11AM- Easter Sunday

"But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.

Come, see the place where he lay." Matthew 28:5-6 (ESV)

March Church News

March 23rd, a covered dish and dessert auction was held. Thank you to everyone who made and purchased desserts. We raised \$239.00 from the auction which will go towards the boiler fund!

April Events



BIRTHDAYS



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

<u>April Anniversaries:</u>

April 17th Scott & Jeannette Farr-25 Years! April 25th Bob & Anna James-54 Years!



Congratulations to both couples!



April 13th, Palm Sunday.



April 17th, Maundy Thursday, 6PM.

April 18th, Good Friday, 12PM, please remember to exit the service quietly in remembrance for what Jesus did for all of us.



April 20th, Easter Sunday.

April 29th, Pastor's Book Club, 10AM, They are reading Mere Christianity Books 1 and 2 and will be discussing them during the meeting.

MISSION NOTES:

Thank you for your recent gift, and for your faithful, generous support of Life Choices Center. Your support allows us to continue to be a place where women and men facing unplanned pregnancies can experience the Love of Christ and discover the Truth about who they were created to be.

We are grateful for your partnership to provide compassion, help and HOPE to those who come to us in crisis. (emphasis in original)

With Gratitude, the team at LCC

UPDATE ON CHOSEN PEOPLE MINISTRIES

Chosen People Ministries works closely with Jewish People in Israel, the United States, and around the world to bring them to faith in Jesus as their Messiah. Some of their missionaries have been in Israel witnessing the grief and rage of so many as they mourn for those killed in the fighting and await having the hostages released to them by Hamas. To quote from their newsletter: "Very few Israelis are turning to Jesus – the One who sees their suffering, who knows their pain more intimately than anyone. Let us pray that both secular and religious Israelis recognize the One who says, 'Come to Me, all who are weary and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest" Matt. 11:28

Chosen People has a coalition against antisemitism that produces teachings, videos, and various resources for better understanding and countering it when you witness it. Please pray for the physical, material, and spiritual well-being of the Jewish people.

This month, their new Tel Aviv center will be opening for the celebration of Passover. It is to be used for outreach events such as concerts, Bible studies, and group counseling sessions. The purpose is to help Jewish people see Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. (Speaking of Passover, representatives travel to churches to present a Passover Sedar. They presented at our church a couple of years ago).

Another means of reaching the people is to have guest houses around the world for Israeli backpackers. Many young people, after military service, travel extensively, and the housing provided and staffed by Christians and Messianic Jews has provided popular stopping off points on their trips.

Chosen People Ministries is a recipient in our mission budget.

ANOTHER RESOURCE is "The Land and the Book" which is on WPEL Saturday mornings at 7 and Sunday afternoons at noon. They give up to date reports on what is happening in Israel and on how to witness to Jewish people.

LADIES,

You are invited to a SPRING LADIES' CONFERENCE at the North Fenton Baptist Church on the corner of rte 79 and rte 369 in Chenango Forks on May 3^{rd} from 1PM -4:30PM. The theme is, "Keep the Fire Burning". An early supper is available around 4 or 4:30.

If you wish to go, please let Diane Runion know by the 30th of April.

RECYCLABLE CANS AND BOTTLES (questions)

Do you have a lot of cans and bottles that you haven't yet taken for recycling?

Do you know that we have two collection areas at our church? One is at the back entrance for the education building which is a large receptacle. The other is at the ramp entrance on the left as you come in the building. So bring them in for redemption. There's a sign on one of them that says, "Your redemption draweth nigh" - taken from Scripture. (KJV)

So, where will the money go? It will be put toward the boiler fund. How will I know how much is in the fund? You can watch the fund increase week after week in the bulletin.

The church thanks you ahead for your donation.

GOLDEN NUGGET

The Greater 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

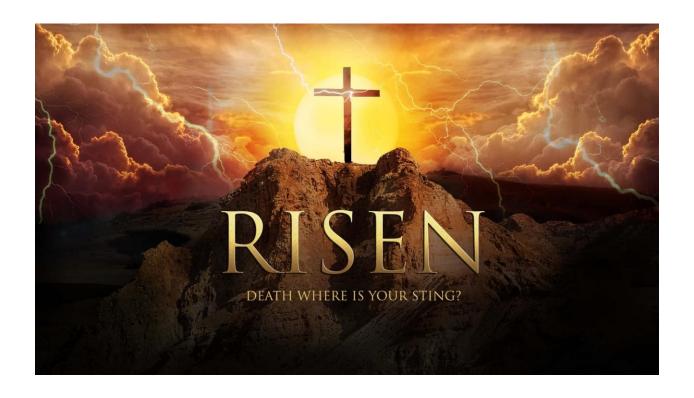


Thank you all for loving us and supporting us for over 40 years. I joined MSB in 1984 when Tyler was born. Thank you for collecting mail for us and mailing it to us. We are changing addresses so we assume very little will come to you. We are still singing and God is touching hearts every time we do. In Christ,

Gretchen Dunneman

THE GOOD NEWS CLUB

The Good News club will end April 15th. We have had 22 children in attendance this school year and 15 of them are new to the group this year. We had an anonymous donor purchase 15 bibles to send with our new comers. Thank you to Gail Welter for all your hard work heading up and leading this group. Pastor Luke, Tabatha Reed, Nate Allen, and Tammy Giovinazzo thank you for your faithful service to these children. Thank you to our Main Street family for your support of this ministry.



"He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise."

Luke 24:6-7 (ESV)