

# First Baptist Church of Central Square

701 North Main Street, P.O. Box 476, Central Square, NY 13076

[www.fbc-cs.com](http://www.fbc-cs.com) T: 315-668-2138 [fbccsny@gmail.com](mailto:fbccsny@gmail.com)

**Prayer Concerns:** Judith Backus, Melody Clark, Lynn Cuny, Patrick Fenton's Uncle Mark, Nancy Flower, the Fuller Family, Pat Harrington, Jo Heitmann, Lynda Heer, Cherie House, Leighton Merritt, Ken Leamon, Vic Perotti, Pastor Terry Nichols' Uncle, Family of Gladys Scrimaker, Stephen Springer, Frank VanBuskirk, Helen Webb, our church, our schools, our nation, and our military.

## Birthdays:

Maelynn Derosiers 4	Victor Vrooman 14	Bob Chamberlin 28
---------------------	-------------------	-------------------

## Mystery Member:

January's Mystery Member is Roxanne Spink! Her favorite color is blue, she has a talented singing voice, and while she detests hugs, she has more love in their hearts than most.

February's Mystery Member is an incredible talented at knitting, enjoys spring conferences of veteran's of foreign wars, and carries a positive attitude no matter the situation. Can you guess who it is?

## Witness Articles

Please submit all articles by February 24<sup>th</sup> to [Kahminder@gmail.com](mailto:Kahminder@gmail.com)

We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone.  
—Ronald Reagan

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world. —Anne Frank



## Upcoming Events

### February 12

WIC 10:45 – 7pm

### February 14

Ash Wednesday Service (7pm)

### February 16

Put together goodie trays

### February 17

AB Women Meeting (10:30 am)

### February 21

WIC 10:45 – 7pm

### February 24

Pork Dinner (4 – 7)



### Christian Education Facilitators Update

Our annual collection for the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO) started on January 21st and will run for four weeks ending in February. This offering is the one offering we collect every year that benefits people that we know and have served our congregation. Please prayerfully consider contribution to this offering. 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 "RMMO."

A monthly movie night will be starting in 2018 but we have not completed the planning for this event. We have decided to show The Chronicles of Narnia movies based on the novels by C. S. Lewis. We hope to encourage a discussion of these movies which will be continued in the Junior Church program. 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

### Trustee Update

Work continues on the repair of the roof. We are looking into the best financial option. Our boiler had a few repairs, thank you to Dale Bort! The hot water heater for the baptismal has been replaced (thank you again Dale Bort!) The main furnace acting up, and we are trying new thermostats to correct this problem. The sanctuary has been getting too warm.

### Thank You

Thank you to all who supported me financially, and prayerfully, while on the DR medical mission trip. - Randi

### Bottle and Can Return Update:

Vern's is now open almost 7 days a week giving us more days to turn in our returns for not 5 but 6 cents. If you cannot get your bottles and cans there, we can pick up and deliver and or leave in the church and let Cherie House know and she will return them. This has been a steady but profitable fundraiser for the church.

### Top This

Top This Pizza Gift certificates are still available to buy and to sell. They do not expire until end of June 2018. Now that our Christmas shopping is over, we still have Super Bowl Sunday, Valentine's Day, Daytona 500 and I am sure there are other great events for Pizza. Our pizza Night was a great success with a profit over \$300 based on bake sale and overall pizza sales and I believe we have sold close to \$900 in certificates. We do only get a small portion for each sale and we will find out just how much at the end of June when Top This turns in the certificates used. See Cherie to purchase or to sell.

### Church Officers

Reverend

Moderator

Lynn Bort

Church Clerk

Rebekah Springer

Treasurer

Elizabeth Rotundo

Financial Secretary

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



### **Community Outreach Opportunity:**

Some times when God speaks.....I do have my ears open!! I had a thought that we could create some Thank You Trays to offer up to those in our community that make a difference and provide us a great service. I was thinking the 2 local police departments, the Fire Department, Sovac, and the Town Highway department.

If we could get several members to bake a couple of different types of cookies, maybe donate some candies, fruit ect. We can create some Thank you for your service trays from the First Baptist Church of Central Square.

We will be getting together on Friday, February 16, to put them together and deliver. There is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hall! We will need goodies, help assembling the trays and delivery people! Look for a specific time as the date gets closer!

### **AB Women Update:**

AB Women will meet Saturday, February 17th at 10:30 in Fellowship Hall, I hope everyone can make it!!

### **Diaconate Update:**

Pulpit Supply for February:

February 4th: Rev. Bud Adams

February 11th: Lillian Cabral

February 18th: Rev. Terry Nichols

February 25th: Rev. Terry Nichols

### **Ash Wednesday Service**

Rev. Ken Leamon has graciously volunteered to lead an Ash Wednesday service on February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Let's all make the commitment to be present as Ken leads us into the beginning of this important season of the church year.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The women are meeting weekly again after taking the holidays off. We meet at Penny Faulter's home usually on Thursdays at 1 pm; sometimes subject to change. So if you are interested you can contact Cheryl Backman at 668-2230 or Penny Faulter at 668-6824 for details.

We have a new project we are doing for the Syracuse Community Health Center making baby hats and baby blankets; along with our prayer shawls.

All are welcome to join us on Thursdays, or if you are unable we will graciously accept your knitted, crocheted, or sewn items; along with donations of yarn or material. All yarn and material must be new and from a non-smoking, pet-free home, as we must follow the health department regulations. Thank you.

### **First Baptist Pork Dinner**

We will hold a Roast Pork Dinner on February 24th from 4pm-7pm. Price will be \$10 per person and there will be a family price available. If you are willing to help out with set-up or clean-up please contact Mark Heitmann or sign up in the fellowship hall.

### **History of the Ladies Auxiliary By Delores Olin**

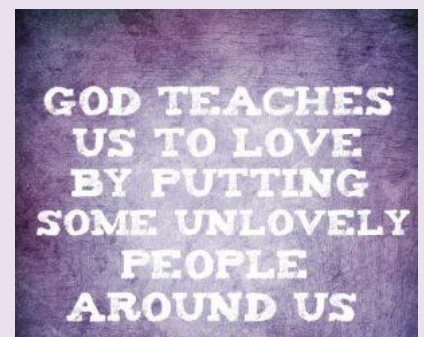
A continuation...

The mission statement was; "In commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and to the mission of the Church and through the enabling of the Holy Spirit, American Baptist Woman's Ministry provides opportunities for each woman to become a develop as God's person, build God's faith community, and serve God's world."



### **Motto of the Day # 3**

Give truth and your gift will be paid in kind; and honor will honor meet; and a smile that is sweet, will surely find a smile that is just as sweet.



## Scrap Metal Collection

We will continue to collect scrap metal for recycling as an ongoing fund raiser for the church. Please let your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors know about this, as we try to raise money for the church. We can arrange pick-up or set up a time for drop off at the church garage. For more information please contact Cheryl Backman at 668-2230.

## Six Ways to Avoid Church Burnout

As we start another year, make sure your mental health resolutions are as important as your physical ones! **(source cited below)**

"Let me preface by pointing out that I am not saying that you have to serve in church to go to heaven or to have a relationship with God, rather serving in church offers so many benefits and opportunities to grow, both for you and for the people God wants to work in through you. For me, serving in church has enhanced my relationship with God, my leadership, my relationships, my growth as a person, and my influence with others who are growing in their relationships with God. The enemy has tried to stop this multiple times over the years with his tactic of burnout, but thanks to wonderful mentors and leaders that have poured into me over the years and my commitment to hearing God's voice in my life, I've learned a few ways to help avoid or correct this. Whether you are a volunteer, a church leader, a staff member, or even a pastor, I hope some of these can help you if you are facing burnout in your life right now..

**Way 1: Stay Spiritually Strong** – "If you don't take the time to cultivate your personal relationship with God on a regular basis, you won't have the strength, energy or motivation to continue serving with a good attitude. We are to serve as an extension of our relationship with God, not as a replacement for it..."

**Way 2: Focus on Your Passion** – "God gives each individual certain passions that are to be the fuel to keep us going when things get tough."

**Way 3: Learn to Say No** – "If you are responsible and productive, chances are that you will be pulled by many different departments. Learn to focus on one or two areas of service and do those well instead of doing many different things halfway. Then be okay with saying no to other things."

**Way 4: Recognize Your Season** – "There are other varying seasons in life that will affect how much you can serve and what you can do so it's important to recognize what season you are in and what you are able to do at that time without comparing yourself to others, or even to yourself at a previous season."

**Way 5: Take a Break if Needed**

**Way 6: Take a Sabbath** – "I heard a pastor once say that if you don't take a Sabbath day, you are telling God you can do more with 7 days per week than He can do with 6!"

**Read the full article at:**

<https://www.crosswalk.com/church/pastors-or-leadership/6-ways-to-avoid-church-burnout.html>

## MISSION PROJECT HEALTH KITS

The health kits will be used by Church World Service to meet the needs of those who have been misplaced due to hurricanes, flooding, nor-eastern, or other national disasters. Many of which are in our own area.

Please include the following:

- One hand towel (Approx. 16" x 28")
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
  - One nail clipper
  - One bar of soap (bath size) in wrapper
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six (6) band-aids

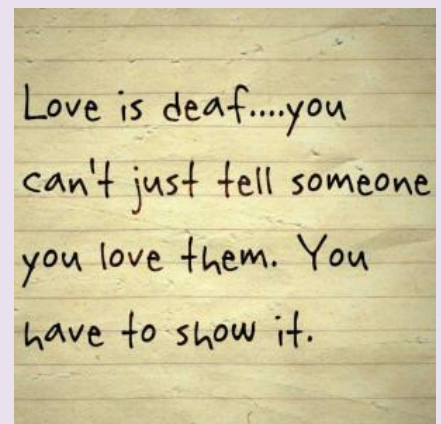
DO NOT ADD ANY OTHER ITEMS!

Place these items in a gallon plastic zip-lock bag.

"To believe is to care...To care is to do."

Thank you for your help in these projects for our sisters and brothers who are without basic needs.

- Nancy Leamon



# First Baptist Church of Central Square

## February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Rev Bud Adams	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Lillian Cabral	12 WIC 10:45 – 7pm	13	14 Happy Valentine's Day! Ash Wednesday Service 7pm – Rev. Ken Leamon	15	16 Put together goodie trays	17 AB Women meeting 10:30
18 Rev. Terry Nichols	19	20	21 WIC 8:15-4:30	22	23	24 Pork Dinner 4pm – 7pm
25 Rev. Terry Nichols	26	27	28			

And now these three remain:

*Faith, Hope, and Love*

But the greatest of these is Love.

– 1 Cor 13:13 –