

### GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, March 14 all ladies are invited. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 and head to Al & Micks in Snead!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will be hosting a Mission's Fundraiser Golf Tournament at Limestone Springs on Saturday, May 20. We need 20 volunteers for various jobs that day. Please contact the church office if you are interested in volunteering.

### SPRING BREAK

We will not have any church activities on Wednesday, March 22.

### SAMFORD/MTI CLASS

Spring B- ZMTI 128 The Acts of the Apostles

Mondays at 6 p.m. March 27- May 15

An exegetical study of the book of Acts including the impact of the Gospel, multiplication of the church, and foundations of Christian Mission. The book of Acts is a continuation of the Gospel of Luke and gives us insight into the rapid spread of Christianity in the first century. Participants will study the rich history and theological context of this incredible book. Contact the church office for more information.



**Ways to Give** *Giving*

- Place it in the offering plate
- Place it in the basket as you exit
- Online: [oneontafbc.org](http://oneontafbc.org)
- Text FBCO to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)
- Mail to FBC  
300 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave E.  
Oneonta, AL 35121

#### Our Response to God's Faithfulness Our Tithes & Offerings

Monthly Budget Needs.....\$66,117.21  
Budget Receipts to Date in Mar.....\$15,543.46

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## Sunday, March 12, 2023

*"To connect people to Jesus by evangelizing, equipping,  
gathering, serving, and sending."*

*Larry Gipson, Senior Pastor*

*Gary Morgan, Worship Pastor*

*Patrick Dalstra, Students & Young Adults Pastor*

*Shana Towns, Children's Coordinator*

*Dan Sims, Pastor Emeritus*

## MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

### Recognition of Lisa Wood: 30 Years of Faithful Service to CDC

**Welcome**.....Larry Gipson

### Praise and Worship

Victory in Jesus  
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)  
Way Maker

### Annie Armstrong Week of Prayer “United: Called To Be One”

**Prayer for North American Missions**.....Patrick Dalstra

**Message in Song**.....Celebration Choir and Band  
Jesus Hold My Hand

**Children’s Message**.....Shana Towns  
(After the Children’s Message, children will be dismissed  
to First Kid’s Worship in Room 140.)

**Message**.....Larry Gipson  
**The Voice from the Cross**  
“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”  
Matthew 27:45-49

### Time of Commitment

Footsteps of Jesus

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings**.....Celebration Band  
Jesus Is Coming Again

**Closing Comments**.....Larry Gipson

**Post Service Music**.....Celebration Band  
Victory in Jesus

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Are in memory of Brady Moss & Pam Moss  
placed by the Family

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

**March 15:** Chicken Tenders, Tater Tots, Baked Beans, Rolls, and Desserts.



Thank you to Ms. Lisa Wood for 30 years of faithful work in our CDC. We are so thankful for your ministry to our children!



The Week of Prayer for North American Missions is annually observed by SBC churches to pray for missionaries, their ministries, and their families. The Week of Prayer is March 5 through March 12. Please visit [anniearmstrong.com](http://anniearmstrong.com) for a prayer guide. Prayer guides and offering envelopes are on the tables outside the sanctuary.

**FBC GOAL \$10,000**

**RECEIVED TO DATE \$400**

## MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER MEAL

Sunday, March 26, immediately after the morning worship service  
The Mission Teams will be preparing the following meal: Chicken Alfredo, Salad, Bread and Dessert. Donations will be appreciated!

## CHURCHWIDE WORK DAY

We are having a work day on Saturday, April 1 beginning at 8 AM. There are various jobs and updates to do inside and outside the church. Please bring any tools you would like to help complete these jobs!



## EASTER CANDY DONATIONS

Our annual children’s Easter Egg Hunt will be Sunday, April 2 following the morning worship service. Lunch will be served before the hunt begins! Please bring candy donations to help us fill the eggs. There will be a collection bin outside the church office.

Title: "My God, my God why have you forsaken me?"

Text: Matthew 27:45-49

Date: March 12, 2023

Introduction: Let us try to picture the scene. Jesus was crucified at nine o'clock in the morning; and from nine until noon, He hung in the light. However, at noon, a miraculous darkness covered the land. This was not a sandstorm or an eclipse, as some liberal writers have suggested. It was a heaven-sent darkness that lasted for three hours. It was as though all of creation was sympathizing with the creator. There were three days of darkness in Egypt before Passover (Exodus 10:21-23); and there were three hours of darkness before the Lamb of God died for the sins of the world.

Let's remember that Jesus had spoken at least three times before this darkness fell. While they were crucifying Him:

- He repeatedly prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing" (Luke 23:34).
- He had spoken to the repentant thief and assured him a place in Paradise (Luke 23:39-43).
- He had also given His mother into the care of His beloved disciple, John (John 19:18-27). However, when the darkness came, Jesus was silent for three hours.

After three hours, the darkness passed then Jesus cried out, "My God, my God why have you forsaken me?" This was a direct quotation from Psalm 22:1.

How can we understand this scene? How can we express its meaning? We can grasp some of its wonder by examining four events.

I. The Desolation of the Christ

II. The Separation from the Father

III. The Substitution for Our Sin

IV. The Proclamation of the Scene

Larry Gipson  
First Baptist Church Oneonta