

LIGHT/VISION 23






We are embarking on a faith-based vision to update our stage lighting, video and assistive listening systems, called "Light/Vision 23." The total estimated cost for "Light/Vision 23" is \$60,000. Now, this may seem like a daunting figure, but let us remember that we serve a God who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think (Ephesians 3:20). We are determined not to borrow money to accomplish "Light/Vision 23." To be good stewards of the resources that God has entrusted to us, we have a plan to minimize costs. Prayerfully consider how you can participate. You can make a one-time gift or spread your contribution out over time. You can choose to use an offering envelope during a worship service or give online to the designated account, "Light/Vision 23." Your generosity will make a significant difference now and for years to come.

Together, let us step out in faith, knowing that our commitment today will pave the way for a brighter and more immersive worship experience tomorrow. May we be inspired by the love of Christ, who gave His all for us, and may His example guide our giving.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

Monthly Budget Needs	\$66,117.21
Budget Receipts for August	\$47,988.80
Light/Vision 23 (Goal: \$60,000)	\$11,680.33

WAYS TO GIVE

in service 	online 	app 	text 	mail 
offering plate	oneontafbc.org	phone	1-888-364-GIVE (4483)	300 3rd Ave E. Oneonta, AL 35121

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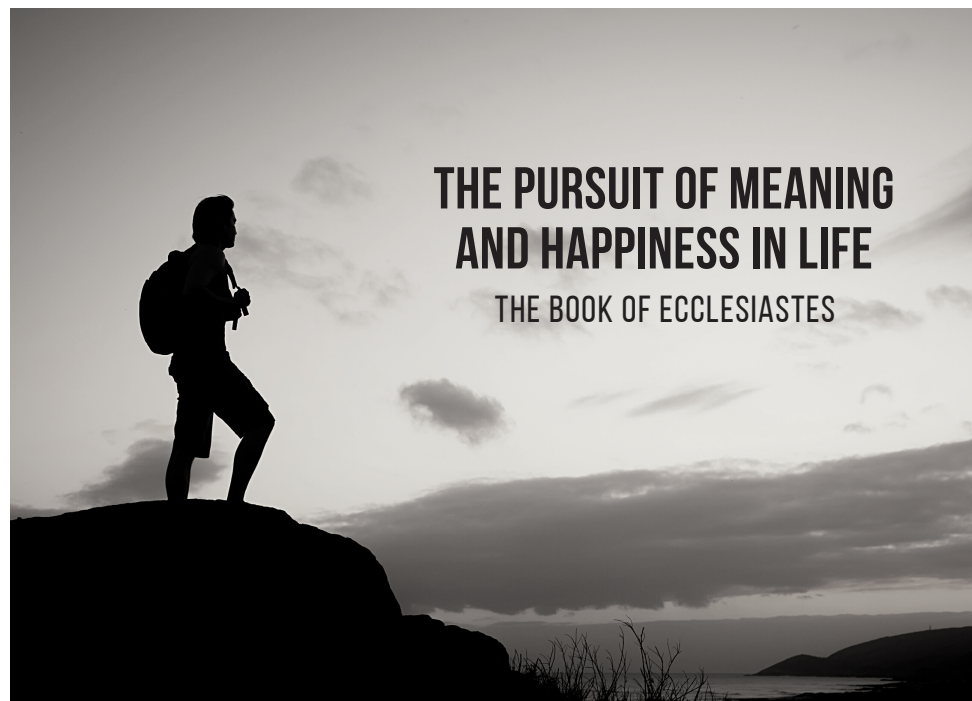
***Sept 21 | 5:30 PM | Sargent Home**
Open Heart Open Home

Join Lynne Sargent for the second meeting of the Book Club. We will be discussing ***Open Heart Open Home*** by Karen Mains. Can a simple dinner party for the neighbors change the world? Karen Mains says, "Yes!" And in ***Open Heart, Open Home*** she shows how. In this classic on Christian hospitality, Karen Mains steps far beyond how-to-entertain hints to explore a biblical and spiritual approach to using your home to care for others. You can purchase the book at Amazon. If you are interested, please read the book, then come and discuss. Please let us know you if are coming by registering at oneontafbc.org or on the church app.

**Please note the date has changed.*

THANK YOU NOTES

Thank you notes have been received from the Family of Camilla Meeks, and Jerry & Mary Harkins, and have been placed on the bulletin board near the church office.



THE PURSUIT OF MEANING AND HAPPINESS IN LIFE

THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

LARRY GIPSON, PASTOR

GARY MORGAN, WORSHIP PASTOR

PATRICK DALSTRA, STUDENTS & YOUNG ADULT PASTOR

SHANA TOWNS, CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR

DAN SIMS, PASTOR EMERITUS

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Evangelizing, Equipping, Gathering, Serving and Sending*

MORNING WORSHIP - 10:15 AM

Praise & Worship

**He Keeps Me Singing
Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus**

Welcome & Prayer

Patrick Dalstra

This I Believe

Children's Message

Jim Henderson

Message in Song

Celebration Choir & Band

No Sweeter Name
Scott and Cindy Graham, Soloists

Message

Larry Gipson

The Power of Envy - Ecclesiastes 4-5

Time of Response

Wherever He Leads I'll Go

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Celebration Band

All Creatures of Our God and King

Security Update

Jimmy Register

Closing Comments

Larry Gipson

Post Service Music

Celebration Band

Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus



FLOWERS TODAY

*The flowers in today's service are in memory of
M.L. & Miriam Jenkins and Paul & Reba Loyd placed by the family.*

CHURCH PICNIC AT PALISADES PARK

Today | 4:30 PM | D.S. Lloyd Bldg

Join us Sunday, August 27 from 4:30-6:30 at the D.S. Lloyd building at Palisades Park. This will be a great time of food, fun, and fellowship. Hamburgers, Hotdogs, and Drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dishes and desserts. We will hear a report from our South Dakota Mission Team. We look forward to seeing you at the picnic!

FIRST KIDS ZOO TRIP & FELLOWSHIP

Sept 3 | After 10:15 AM Service

Join us on Sunday, September 3 for a Children's Family Fellowship Event! We will meet in Fellowship Hall immediately following the morning Worship Service for lunch. Then, we will leave on the church bus around 1:00 PM. We will go to the Zoo for a Noah's Ark Scavenger Hunt! We would love to have all of our Children's Ministry families to join us for this fun fellowship and family time.

Kids are free, each adult will be \$10. Please notify Shana Towns (205-332-9106) as soon as possible with the number of Adults and Children in your group so we can receive a group discount. For safety, parents must ride the bus with their children or in their own vehicle and will be responsible for their own children for the duration of the trip.

GUYS NIGHT OUT

September 5 | 5:30 PM

All guys are invited to join us for a time of great food and fellowship as we travel to the Cleveland El Burro Loco. The bus will leave the church at 5:30 PM, so don't be late.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING

September 30 | 6:00 PM

Just a reminder that our next Quarterly Business Meeting is Wednesday, September 30 at 6:00 PM, Fellowship Hall.

SEPTEMBER DEVOTIONALS

September Magazines and Devotionals are available outside the church office.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT FBC

5:00 - Wednesday Night Dinner

6:00 - Pastor's Bible Study

6:00 - Celebration Band & Praise Team

6:00 - Preschool Choir (K4-K5) Room 130

6:00 - Children's Choir (Grades 1-6) Room 140

6:00 - Youth Worship & Bible Study

6:45 - Celebration Choir

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

August 30 | 5:00-6:00 PM

Join the church family around the table each Wednesday Night for great fellowship and a wonderful meal. You can make your reservation by Monday at 9:00 AM on the website or the church app or call the church office.

Menu for August 30: Sausage Gnocchi Soup, Cornbread, Waldorf Salad, Dessert

CELEBRATION CHOIR & BAND CHRISTMAS REVEAL PARTY

August 30 | 6:30 PM | Choir Room

Now is a great time to join the choir or band as we begin the Christmas music for Christmas at First Baptist 2023. Join us this Wednesday for the Reveal Party and get the first look at this year's Christmas music. We look forward to seeing some newcomers!

SMALL GROUPS KICKOFF

September 10 | 5:00 PM

Bring your favorite finger foods and desserts. We will fellowship around the table and discuss the small groups that are being offered.

SUNDAY AT 5:00 PM

Where Do We Go From Here? - Larry Gipson
Emotionally Healthy Woman - Katie Dalstra
Man Church - Mark Towns
Grief Share - Carol Parker
Raising Kingdom Kids - Deana Pesnell
Spanish Class - Jesús Navarro
Youth "Hermeneutics" - Patrick Dalstra
Children's Activities - Shana Towns

MONDAY AT 10:00 AM

Missing Pieces - Jo Stewart