

THE BRANCH NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2024

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."
John 15:5

WATCH OUR SERVICE ONLINE

You can watch our Sunday Morning Worship service on Facebook live each week at 11am at www.facebook.com/BvilleCWChurch. You can also find the links to past services on our church website at www.communitywesleyanchurch.com. Our church service is also aired on Spectrum Digital channel 98 and Verizon channel 30 at 5pm on Saturdays & Sundays.



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WHERE PEOPLE BECOME FRIENDS AND FRIENDS BECOME FAMILY

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WKFM Director:* Barb Good
Church Family Ministries
Coordinator: Tracey Perez
FOC Director: Beth DeWeese
Chick Chat: Dorothy Polmanteer
Ladies Ministry: Lynn Hannon
Men's Ministry: Paul Hernandez



MOMS CONNECTING:

This month's Moms Connecting will be on **Wednesday, January 3rd**, from **6:30-7:45pm**. This month we will be discussing "Money Saving Ideas for Your Family. Moms of all ages and stages of parenting are welcome to join us for a relaxing evening. Refreshments will be provided. We meet at the same time as Youth and CW Kidz, childcare also available for children 5 and under.



CHILDREN'S MOVIE TIME:

Children's Movie Time returns on **January 20th** from **1-3pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We will be showing "The William Booth Story" by Torchlighters and "The Good Samaritan Parable" by SuperBook. Plus Gospel Spotlight, songs, memory verse, review game and snacks. For children in K-5th Grade.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? If you have prayer needs you can submit your request on the church app or email it to communitywesleyanchurch.com@gmail.com anytime or you can call the church office at 315-635-3501 during office hours.

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UPCOMING SUNDAY SERMONS

NEW SERMON SERIES:

As we begin a new year, no one knows exactly what 2024 will hold. My guess is that it will be like most years, a year that has its ups and downs; a year that has success and failures; a year that has troubles and joys. But we don't

know and the unknown can cause anxiety, fear and worry. As we head into the unknown, John 14-16, has some awesome truths that can help us overcome the fears and anxiety of what lies ahead. These were the words that Jesus shared with the disciples just before he was arrested, tried and crucified. They heard these words just before their world was turned upside down. Join us as we take a deep dive into these 3 chapters.

January 7th - Don't Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

January 14th - There is a Way. There is Truth. There is Life.

January 21st - Remain in Me

January 28th - Your Helper



BEAUTIFUL MESS MINISTRIES

WORSHIP & OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

The January Beautiful Mess Worship Night will be on **Friday, January 5th at 7pm** at Brown Memorial United Methodist Church in Syracuse. Followed by a Pop Up Market at 907 Butternut Street on **Saturday, January 6th, from 10am-1pm.** Carpool leaves from church at 9:30pm. See Pastor Carl or Cindy Chapman for more information.



JANUARY CHURCH TIME VOLUNTEERS

Nursery

January 7th: Lynn Hannon
January 14th: Cindy Chapman
January 21st: Jenn Lewis
January 28th: Tiffany & Jim Loftus

2s & 3s Class

January 7th: Rachel Coleman & Sophia Loftus
January 14th: Stacey Hauswirth & Checka Palmisano
January 21st: Georgi Duprey & Abby Demianenko
January 28th: Jennifer Aquino & Stephannie Roziok

4s & 5s Class

January 7th: Chris Sykes
January 14th: Tiffany Loftus
January 21st: Barb Good
January 28th: TBA

Junior Church

January 7th: Barb Good
January 14th: Ticia Wicks
January 21st: DeWeese
January 28th: Jenn Lewis

Greeters

January 7th:

- Sara Guenther (sanctuary)
- Laurel Didget (front door)
- Mike Hodell & Sam Wilmot (back door)

January 14th:

- Sandy Hilliard (sanctuary)
- Paul Hilliard (front door)
- Scott Spier (back door)

January 21st:

- Michael Cavallo (sanctuary)
- JoAnn Brown (front door)
- Chuck Abbott (back door)

January 28th:

- Beth DeWeese (sanctuary)
- Toots Cooper (front door)
- Dick Rice (back door)




With Music Led by
BEAUTIFUL MESS MINISTRIES

CNY YOUTH *United*

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD
6-8PM**

Teens and Youth Leaders Join us for a Night of Worship, Group and Minute to Win it Games and Fun with Other CNY Youth



MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES

We will be collecting **winter hats & gloves** for Beautiful Mess Ministries which serves the local community through music and monthly distributions of clothing in the City of Syracuse.

RSVP at 315-635-3501 or by e-mailing fpalmisano111@gmail.com



Evening Speaker
Rev. Frank Palmisano

YOUTH GROUP:

Members of the CWC Youth Group had fun while shopping for Christmas presents for the family they adopted this year from Peace. During the Youth Group Christmas Party they wrapped the presents to be donated.



The CWC Youth Group will host CNY Youth United **January 3rd** from **6-8pm.**



WKFM

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This month's Wesleyan Kids for Missions will take place on **Sunday, January 7th**, during the entire morning worship service for kids in 1st-5th Grade. Kids, come right after Sunday School. We will be visiting "that country" in Asia where Rachel Zaw (Claude Syke's niece) has served as a missionary doing Bible translating. See you there!
~ Mrs. Good, Mrs. Sweeney & Mr. Chip Good



GOOD NEWS CLUB:

In December our kids prepared for their annual Christmas play then performed "The Promise Kept" the next week. We were small in number due to sickness

but mighty in the Lord! We had a lot of fun doing the play, playing a fun game, singing lots of Christmas carols, songs and favorites, reciting 3 of our Christmas verses then enjoying Klondike ice cream bars. Each kid left with a candy cane filled with candy and a snack. The following week we heard the lesson "The Magi Worship the King," began preparation for the next play, did sword drills and played 2 new review games. The students knew the answers! On **January 2nd** we will return to Good News Club for more preparation for the 2nd Christmas Play, then we will perform "The Magi Find the Child King" on January 9th. The rest of the month we continue Life of Christ Vol. 1 and our Award Day Contest. Please pray for good health, good weather & that more students will join us.



WINTER Quarter

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WINTER QUARTER

*Join Us this Month in Sunday School
Classes Meet Weekly from 9:45-10:45am*

#1. Study of Matthew (Wesley Press)

This quarter will focus on the words of Jesus recorded by Matthew. Looking at some of the most powerful words of Jesus, you will be challenged to make your life more like Christ and examine the strength in your faith. Some of the topics include evidence of true faith, spiritual pride and parables of the kingdom.

Teacher: Ticia Wicks

Location: Board Room

#2. God Never Gives Up On You (Max Lucado)

Ignite your faith and be reminded that God will never give up on you. Using the story of Jacob, Max Lucado shows us how through God's grace, mercy and love, our imperfections are pathways to transformations.

Teacher: Pastor Carl Chapman

Location: Upstairs Gathering Room

#3. Spiritual Warfare

This study will look at what believers need to know about Satan, demons and spiritual warfare. We will dive into what the Bible has to say about these threats and how we can safeguard ourselves and our families through knowledge and prayer.

Teacher: Charlie Lewis

Location: Fellowship Hall

CHILDREN'S Sunday School

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We are offering 4 classes for our children :

3rd - 5th Grade: Led by Peggy Link

1st - 2nd Grade: Led by Yvonne Hanrahan

4s & 5s Class: Led by Chris Sykes

3 & Under Class:

January 7th: Colleen & Mike Hodell

January 14th: Gail Duger

January 21st: Renee Charette

January 28th: Georgi Duprey

New this Month!

NURSERY OPEN:

We are very happy to announce that our nursery is back open now during the morning worship service (11am-noon) for our littlest church attendees. Infants up to age two may now stay and play in our adult staffed nursery while their parents/caregivers attend worship upstairs. If the need is there we will be working to provide infant childcare during the Sunday School hour by Fall of 2024. Thank you to our volunteers for making it possible to reopen this room.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are in need of a few more volunteers to work with the kids during churchtime (10:45am-noon). We are looking for a teacher for our 4s & 5s class the 4th Sunday of the month beginning this month. We also need a few more volunteers to help in the 2s and 3s room and nursery. For more information or to get involved please contact Jenn Lewis at jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com.



CWC SEWING CIRCLE:

CWC's Sewing Circle will meet **Thursday, January 25th**, from **10am - 2pm**. Bring your sewing supplies/machine and a lunch and join us in

constructing quilts that will be used to bring joy and comfort. If planning to attend or have any questions, please contact Kathy Weller at kitwhel@gmail.com or 315-561-3656 (text or call).

In November, the Circle gathered and created



over 50 zipper pencil bags that were included in the Operation

Christmas Child boxes.

CW KIDZ

CW Kidz returns on **January 3rd** for all kids in Kindergarten - 5th Grade and meets from **6:30-7:45pm** each Wednesday.

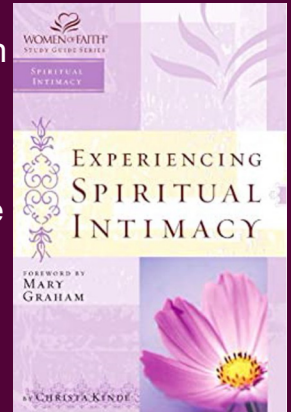


Our theme verse this month is

"God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble." Psalm 46:1

NEW LADIES BIBLE STUDY:

The Monday night ladies bible study will be starting a new study on **January 8th** called "Experiencing Spiritual Intimacy." Do you long for spiritual intimacy, to know God and to be known by Him? God the Holy Spirit dwells in us and this study will open our eyes to His role in our lives. The study is 12 weeks long and books are \$10. Please let Lynn Hannon know if you would like to join the study by e-mailing lkannon10@gmail.com.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

On **Saturday, January 13th**, join us for our monthly men's breakfast from **8-9am**. Bring your sons, grandsons, a neighbor, friend or co-worker. Please RSVP through the CWC church app so we can plan how much food to prepare. You are going to eat breakfast anyways, why not come and enjoy a breakfast that is made by men for men!

chick chat

Ladies Lunch & Fellowship

CHICK CHAT:

All ladies are invited to this month's Chick Chat on **Sunday, January 28th**, from **1-3pm**. Join us for a great afternoon of food and fellowship together. Please bring a dish to pass. See Dorothy Polmanteer for more information.