

THE BRANCH NEWSLETTER MARCH 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

CWC BOARD

2023-2024 Board of Administration

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2023-2024 Ministry Leaders

Adult Sunday School
Coordinator: Holly O'Hara
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Coordinators: Susan Dyer &
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Junior Church Coordinator:
Dan Perez
Children's Church (5 & Under)
Coordinator: Jennifer Lewis
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Youth Director: Frank Palmisano
*After School Good News Club &
WKFM Director:* Barb Good
Church Family Ministries
Coordinator: Tracey Perez
FOC Director: Beth DeWeese
Chick Chat: Dorothy Polmanteer



MOMS CONNECTING:

Moms join us for our March get together on **Wednesday, March 6th**, from **6:30-7:45pm**. All Moms are welcome. This month we will be discussing service projects for families. We also will be working on a service project together. There will be a door prize, refreshments and child care is available. Invite a Mom friend!



PIZZA & TRIVIA NIGHT:

Join us on **Saturday, March 2nd**, at **6pm** for a Pizza & Trivia Night in the Fellowship Hall. There will be games, trivia and pizza will be provided. If you did not sign up yet to participate in the trivia, contact Beth DeWeese at 937-243-0056 or email her at bdeweese@twcnny.rr.com.

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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**EASTER
EGGSTRAVAGANZA**

SATURDAY , MARCH 30TH

• EGG HUNT • MOVIE • CRAFTS

Visit the Church Website
to **SIGN UP** for an Indoor
EGG HUNT TIME for Kids 12 & Under

FREE!



9:30AM
10:00AM
10:30AM
11:00AM

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EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA:

Easter Eggstravaganza, CWC's Spring outreach event, is returning on **Saturday, March 30th**. We will be having four egg hunts for kids 12 and under. Visit our church website at www.communitywesleyanchurch.com to sign your children up for an egg hunt time. In addition to the egg hunt, families will be able to do a craft, watch a short movie and more.

We need your help to make this event a success. Please see the volunteer sign up board in the church foyer or contact Jenn Lewis to get involved. We need donations of small wrapped candy (chocolate eggs, Hershey kisses, starburst etc.). We will also have an egg filling get together and church decorating time the week of the event, watch your bulletin for more information.

MARCH CHURCH TIME VOLUNTEERS

Nursery

March 3rd: Lynn Hannon
March 10th: Sarah & Greg Humble
March 17th: Holly O'Hara
March 24th: Kim Rice
March 31st: TBA

2's and 3's Room

March 3rd: Marian Morris & Abby Demianenko
March 10th: Stacey Hauswirth & Checka Palmisano
March 17th: Jennifer Aquino & Cindy Chapman
March 26th: Rachel Coleman & Madison Upham
March 31st: Marilyn Palermo & Georgi Duprey

4s & 5s Class

March 3rd: Chris Sykes
March 10th: Tiffany Loftus
March 17th: Barb Good
March 24th: Tiffany Loftus
March 31st: Chris Sykes

Junior Church

March 3rd: WKFM Barb Good
March 10th: Beth DeWeese
March 17th: Jenn Lewis
March 24th: Dee Wagner
March 31st: Dan Perez

Greeters

March 3rd:

- Sara Guenther (sanctuary)
- Stephannie Roziack (front door)
- Mike Hodell (back door)

March 10th:

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

March 17th:

- Georgi Duprey (sanctuary)
- Bob Duprey (front door)
- Chuck Abbott (back door)

March 24th:

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

March 31st:

- Betty Barrett (sanctuary)
- Checka Palmisano (front door)
- Dennis DeWeese (back door)



LENTEN SERMON SERIES:

Our Lenten Sermon Series is titled “**Called to More**”. We love the concept that God has and wants to do more for us than we can think or imagine. But we aren’t so excited when we begin to realize that God has called us to more. We like a comfortable and convenient relationship with Jesus. But He has called us to more.

March 3: Called to More Pleasing God
(1 Thessalonians 4:1)

March 10: Called to More Faith
(2 Thessalonians 1:3)

March 17: Called to More Love
(Philippians 1:9)

March 24: Called to More Praise
(Psalm 71:14)

March 31: Called to More Rejoicing
(Luke 15:7)

chickchat

Ladies Lunch & Fellowship

CHICK CHAT:

All ladies are invited to this month’s Chick Chat on **Sunday, March 24th**, from **1-3pm**. Join us for a great afternoon of food and fellowship. Please bring a dish to pass. See Dorothy Polmanteer with questions.



MISSIONARIES CHRIS & MELISSA GEORGE:

Come and meet or catch up with Chris & Melissa George on **Sunday, March 10th**, at **6pm**. People from several other area Wesleyan Churches will be joining us as we welcome the George’s to our church. They will be sharing what God has been doing in Australia. Things have changed with their family. Makayla, their daughter, is attending a college in Australia and their son, Dawson, just enrolled in college in California. Don’t miss this opportunity to hear what God is doing on the other side of the world and how we can partner with them through prayer.



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE:

Life is busy and fast-paced. Holy week will be no different. So, why not come out on Maundy Thursday, **March 28th**, at **6:30pm** for a time of slowing down and focusing on what Jesus did for you and how much He loves you. We will celebrate communion, sing a few songs and spend time in prayer - all things Scripture tells us that Jesus and his disciples did on this evening of Holy Week.



SPRING QUARTER

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES SPRING QUARTER

*The Spring Quarter in Sunday School Starts on
March 3rd. We have three new adult electives
that we are offering this quarter.
Classes Meet Weekly from 9:45-10:45am*

#1. The Letter of James

James pushes believers to go farther, grow deeper and strengthen what faith they already have. Faith is good, but we need to add endurance, action, love and wisdom. Some key points in the study will include: to embrace suffering as a means of developing a stronger faith and lifestyle, walking the talk and putting faith into action, loving God means loving others, faith means being tolerant of others and reserving judgment. Young adults to mature Christians, this class will challenge you to live by the principles that James has presented.

Teacher: Ticia Wicks

Location: Board Room

#2. Old Testament Overview

Do you wish you could have a better grasp and deeper understanding of the Old Testament? Join the adult spring class "Old Testament Overview". This fast-paced study will highlight key people, places and events, from Genesis to Malachi, pausing along the way to highlight various themes and spotlight some little-known people that you might otherwise miss. Whatever season you may be in with your walk, this study will enhance your understanding of how the whole bible fits together.

Teacher: Cindy Chapman

Location: Fellowship Hall Kitchen Side

#3 Forgiving What You Can't Forget

In order to heal you must first forgive. Lisa Terkeurst uses her own past to teach ways to move on and make peace. This study will help you understand the past and how it influences the present, how we can change our perception to see things differently and to remember that you are forgiven, therefore you must forgive others. Letting go of bound up resentment and overcoming the resistance to forgive people will assist you in healing. Join this study and discover what the bible says about forgiveness and peace.

Teachers: Pastor Carl Chapman

Location: Fellowship Hall Far Side



EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST:

Join us Easter morning, **March 31st**, at **10am** for breakfast with your church family. We will be having a waffle bar with make your own waffles with your favorite toppings. All are welcome to attend. There will be Easter crafts for the kids. Regular Sunday School classes will not be meeting that day. See Holly O'Hara, Cindy Chapman, Steve LaQuay or Jenn Lewis for more information.



Finding Your Seat at the Table



FINDING YOUR SEAT AT THE TABLE:

When your parents called “it’s time for dinner”, you went to your seat. When a family sits down to eat a meal, everyone has a seat at the table.

As a church family, for everyone who is part of CWC, you have a seat at the table. Do you know where your seat is?

During the month of March we will be looking at the different “seats” at the CWC table. We can’t afford to have empty seats at our table. So it is important to identify your seat. With the Holy Spirit’s guidance, let us help you find a seat at the CWC table. There is a place for you at the table.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

The collection item focus this month is children’s toys for ages 2-14. See the display in the church foyer for suggestions and the collection box for your donations. See Dee Wagner, Peggy Link or Kathy Weller for more information.

March Requested Items
- Small Toys -



BEAUTIFUL MESS MINISTRIES

WORSHIP & OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

The March Beautiful Mess Worship Night will be on **Friday, March 1st at 7pm** at The Connected Church at 107 E. Beard Ave., Syracuse. Our Hand-to-Hand Pop Up Market will be **Saturday, March 2nd, from 10am-1pm** at 907 Butternut St., Syracuse. Our normal CWC crew will be smaller in number this month due to vacations. If you’ve been thinking about jumping in some month, we could use you this time! Carpool leaves from church at 9:30am. See Pastor Carl or Cindy Chapman for more information.



WKFM (WESLEYAN KIDS FOR MISSIONS):

In February we focused on our missionary Miss Rachel from SE Asia. The children took home a picture of Rachel and her family and were encouraged to give some of their own money to help support her work with Wycliffe translation. To learn more about her work they heard Part One of a missionary story of “The Life of Betty Greene”. Her first job with MAE (Missionary Aviation Fellowship) was with Wycliffe! On **March 3rd**, the children will hear Part B of “The Betty Greene Story” PLUS learn about our missionaries Tony and Carrie Givens who minister to the people of India. The children are learning how different missions organizations work together to reach the people of the world with the Gospel of Christ. Please pray that our children will have a heart for missions. ~ Barb Good, Patsy Sweeney, Chip Good and our young helpers



AFTER SCHOOL GOOD NEWS CLUB:

On February 6th we celebrated our February birthdays (3 staff and Lisa's) with ice cream sundaes then celebrated everyone else's birthdays. It was fun. Then we watched the movie "The Story of Jesus through the Eyes of Children" which is excellent. On February 6th Lisa completed her 3rd devotional book and became a 15'er, Julian completed devotional book #1 and Ayla became a 15'er and completed devotional book #2. Next we learned about the armor of God from Ephesians 6 and 6 of the gifts God gives when we receive His gift of salvation. Lisa and Ayla are moving to Syracuse during Winter Break so this was our last club with them. God blessed us with two very special clubs in February. Julian's mother said she still wants him to come to club, even though we are now down to one student.

March clubs will focus on Jesus fulfilling prophecies for his death, burial and resurrection from the dead, proving he is the Son of God, the Savior of the World. We will do some Easter plays, with our faithful staff playing parts. Please pray that more students will join Julian. Thank you.

For the children, their families and God's glory, ~ Barb Good, Chip Good, Dick Rice, Paul and Sandy Hilliard

LADIES RETREAT:

Mark your calendars for a Spring Ladies Retreat on **May 31st - June 1st** at St. Margaret's Retreat Center in New Hartford, NY. Overnight and day options available. More information to come.



CWC SEWING CIRCLE:

CWC's Sewing Circle will meet on **Thursday, March 28th**, from **10am - 1pm**. Bring a personal project or

take part in constructing quilts while we share a time of fellowship together. If you are planning to attend or have any questions, contact Kathy Weller at kitwhel@gmail.com or 315-561-3656 (text or call).



HOMESCHOOLING CHAPTER:

Schooling Together Homeschooling Group is starting up our Spring Semester on **March 1st** and will meet each Friday from **1:30-3:30pm**. Please share with any homeschooling friends or family. For more information see Stacie Wilmot or Tiffany Loftus.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

On **Saturday, March 9th**, join us for our monthly men's breakfast from **8-9am**. Bring your sons, grandsons, a neighbor, friend or co-worker. You can RSVP through the CWC church app to help us plan how much food to prepare. Come and enjoy a breakfast that is made by men for men!



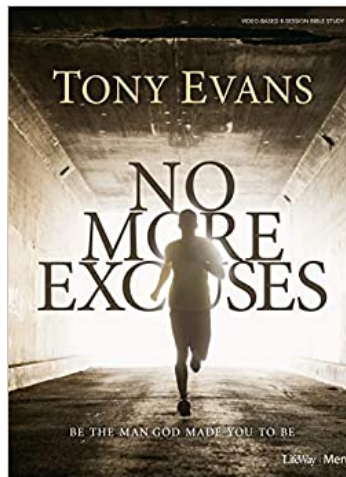
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL & BLOCK PARTY:

Mark your calendars, this year's Vacation Bible School will be **August 12th-15th** from **9:30-11:30am**. Our theme this year is SCUBA: Diving into Friendship with God. We will kick things off with a Block Party on **August 10th**. See Debbie Lewis to get involved this summer.



UPCOMING YOUTH EVENT:

Once again this year, the Youth Group is participating in Feed My Starving Children on **March 14th** from **6-8pm** at the Vineyard Church for 7th-12th graders. Feed My Starving Children is a nonprofit organization that organizes volunteers to pack meals for malnourished children around the world. Teens, see Lynn Hannon if you are interested in going.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

Men, join us for a bible study based on Tony Evans' book "No More Excuses." The group meets on **Wednesday nights** from **6:30-7:45pm** at 5 Ford Street (the house next to the youth house). Since Jesus came from this no-name place, He can meet anyone in any place at any time, even when life seems worthless. He can

turn your life around and set you on your feet, if you will just look to Jesus from Nazareth. You can look to Jesus who came from no hope, no opportunity and no way out. There's no room for excuses like "If it weren't for him," or "If it weren't for them," or "If it weren't for that circumstance, or my background, or my limitations." All that is real, yes. But in the name of Jesus Christ, the one from *Nazareth*, you don't need to be whining anymore. You can get up. You can dust yourself off. You can walk. You can be responsible. You should no longer see yourself as a victim. Your relationship with Jesus Christ makes you an overcomer (1 John 5:1-4). Contact Paul Hernandez for more information at 315-857-7855 or email Hernandez.paul357@gmail.com.



MISSIONARY Spotlight

Andrew & Lydia Vaughan, Missionaries in England with YWAM

Notes of Thanksgiving from the
Vaughan Family in Derby, England:

- The provision of the Lord to our family since we moved to England 7 months ago.
- Being part of a YWAM community here and the relationships & friendships we are forming.
- Ministries that the Lord has opened doors for us to serve Him through.
- Luka (7) and Maja (3) have settled really well into school and are loving their time and learning well. Anya (6) is learning well and exceeding expectations academically, but she is struggling most days when we drop her off for school.
- Being closer to Lydia's family means we get regular visitors, and more precious time with grandparents and the children's 3 great-grandparents
- Our church - the Lord led us to join a church plant in the area in which we live and we have been able to serve through preaching, leading services, leading prayer meetings, hosting a weekly prayer meeting at our house, serving in ALPHA (a 12 week introduction to Christianity course for non-believers), and in the kids ministry.
- Our YWAM responsibilities - Lydia in Hospitality and Andrew in Maintenance of the 1850 house YWAM owns and runs in Derby. Lydia has finished her first course to become a crisis pregnancy volunteer practitioner in the city, she has one more course to complete this Spring, before she can apply to volunteer with the charity. Andrew is volunteering one day a week at Hope City Furniture, a local charity providing furniture and prayer support to those fleeing crisis situations.



Prayer Requests:

- For the children to continue to adapt to life in England, particularly Anya at school drop off time.
- Wisdom for us as to what to say yes or no to in terms of ministry and church life.
- The balance of life between work, church and family time and being able to support our children well
- ALPHA - please pray for the people who are attending, and those who are leading the sessions
- YWAM outreach teams - that teams would come and be a blessing as they show the love of God
- Lydia is on the board of trustees for a new charity, Lighthouse Derby City, and we are working towards beginning a VBS style week in Derby City Centre this summer or next.
- For Hope City Furniture as they seek to reach those in need - for volunteers, finances and ease as they change their structure a little as a charity in the coming months. They were recently awarded a King's Award for services as a charity, and the founders will soon meet the King & Queen! Pray that this status boost leads to them helping more and more people.



Thank you for your continued prayers and support,
~ Andrew, Lydia, Luka, Anya & Maja Vaughan