

Hilton Baptist Church

January Newsletter



Dear Friends and Family of Hilton Baptist Church,

Recently my parents made the decision to sell their house and find a smaller more manageable home. Their house is too big for just the two of them, the stairs are unsafe for people their age, they are wasting money heating such a large house and at their age they cannot keep up with all work that needs to be done.

This was not an easy decision and it will be difficult for them to leave this house. I am certain there will be things they *don't* miss, such as the heating bill and needing to upkeep the home and property. Yet I am also certain there will be many things they *will* miss, such as having lots of space to themselves and hosting large family gatherings.

As you may have heard me mention in another context “What worked in the past, isn’t going to work now or going forward.” My parents realized the house that served them well in the past, was not going to serve them well in the present or the future. I am proud of them for recognizing it is time to move on and having the courage to take the necessary steps forward into the unknown.

As we start a new year, it is not uncommon for us to reflect on our lives and ask “What changes do I need to make in this new year?” So please allow me to ask you this question, “How is your ‘house’ working for you?” I do not mean your literal home with walls and windows. I am asking about the house where your soul lives - how is *that* house?

Is this house in need of repair? Are you finding this house meets your needs and brings you fulfillment? Is it time to get rid of some of the clutter? Are there things in this house that maybe served you well in the past, but now you realize they need to go?

How well are you taking care of your house? Are you keeping up with spiritual practices? How often have you made it a priority to attend the worship services of your church? Have you done your part to serve your church with your prayers, your physical presence, your gifts and your service?

Are there behaviors, habits or attitudes that need to be changed and/or corrected because they are causing damage to your house or the ‘homes’ of others? If so, what practical steps are you going to take to fix these?

Just as my parents needed to take a hard but honest look at their home to come to the realization something needed to change, we too may need to take a hard but honest look at the ‘home of our soul’ to recognize what needs to change in us as well.

A friend of mine often says “You get to choose your pain. You can either live with the pain of the past or the pain of moving forward that will eventually bring peace. Either way, you are going to have pain but you get to choose which pain you are going to have.”



As we start a new year, I hope you will look at your own “house” and make the changes that need to be made. It may be difficult and require some attitude and life adjustments, but now is a good time to ask yourself “What has been beneficial for me in the past, that is not beneficial for me now? What changes do I need to make in my ‘house’?”

Do not fear, you are not alone. God is with you so have the courage to take the necessary steps forward into the unknown.

Peace, Be still. Dan



2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day Parking Lot Closed Office Closed - Holiday No School	2 Property Meeting 6:00 Worship Meeting 10:00	3 Chancel Choir 7:00	4	5	6 GriefShare 2-4:00
7 10:00 Worship Service Baptism/New Member Welcome Adult Education 9:00-9:45 Sunday School 10:15-11:00 Outreach Meeting 11:15	8 Mon. Ladies Bible Study 10-12:00 Finance Meeting 10:00	9	10 Chancel Choir 7:00 Chicken Pot Pie Dinner 4:30-6:00	11 Wool Club 6:00-8:00 Library	12 Fund Raising Meeting 10:00	13 GriefShare 2-4:00 - Library Sat. Bible Study 9:30-11:30 Library Creative Memory Mtg 10-8:00 L.R.
14 10:00 Worship Service **Communion Sunday** Adult Education 9:00-9:45 Sunday School 10:15-11:00	15 Martin L. King Jr. B. Day Mon. Ladies Bible Study 10-12:00 Official Board 10:00 No School	16	17 Chancel Choir 7:00	18	19	20 Scrapbook Event 9-4:00 - L.R.
21 10:00 Worship Service Adult Education 9:00-9:45 Sunday School 10:15-11:00 Church Body Meeting 11:15	22 Mon. Ladies Bible Study 10-12:00	23	24 Chancel Choir 7:00	25	26	27 Sat. Bible Study 9:30-11:30 Library
28 10:00 Worship Service Adult Education 9:00-9:45 Sunday School 10:15-11:00 Christian Ed. Meeting 11:15	29 Mon. Ladies Bible Study 10-12:00	30 Worship Meeting 10:00	31 Chancel Choir 7:00			

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS...



The Friendly Beasts welcomed Baby Jesus on Sunday, December 17 during the children's moment.

We hope you enjoyed our presentation.

Thank you, kids, for working hard on your line(s) and bringing a gift of JOY to our grown-up friends.

Sheep: Duncan, Rupert and Sam

Doves: Ellie, Lydia and Thomas

Cow: Christian

Camels: Baron and Beau

Narrator: Evie

Donkey: Lincoln (substitute)

Ange: Laney (making her HBC debut)



Thanks to:

Costumes - Debbie Parsons, did a time consuming and creative job to make each costume for each child.

Betty Benoit - for time, energy and thoughtful slides for the program and providing music for Church family.

Dave and Dan for tech expertise

Kim, Kirsten, Debbie, Bethany

Parents and grandparents for helping kids learn lines

Debbie McCracken for getting our Birthday Cake

Cake cutters - Sue and Ginny

Kitchen cleaner uppers, floor sweeper, etc.



Merry Christmas!!



FINANCE NEWS...



- \$ Thank you to those that have turned in a 2024 pledge card. We will be meeting January 8 to finalize the Proposed 2024 Budget that will be voted on at the January Church Body meeting. If you haven't already turned in a pledge card and plan to do so, please turn it in as soon as possible or let Dawn know of your plans. If you have any questions about the budget or the process, please see a member of Finance.
- \$ Did you know... We will still accept 2023 pledge monies in 2024. If you were behind on your 2023 pledge and you would like to make payments towards your shortage you may continue to do so. Please make sure to mark your check or envelope that the money is for your 2023 pledge and that money will be recorded as a "prior" year payment on your 2024 year-end statement.
- \$ Thank you to everyone who participated in the Tops Gift Card Program during the past year. We made **\$587.50**. We will be continuing the program in 2024. If you would like to purchase any cards, please reach out to Dawn during office hours.
- \$ Don't Carry Cash?? Do you use on-line banking to pay your bills??
If you answered yes to either of these question, try sending an offerings/donation to the church through your bank....
You can set Hilton Baptist Church up as a "Payee" on your on-line register and send the church your contribution through your on-line service provider. Just enter Hilton Baptist Church 50 Lake Ave., Hilton NY 14468 in your "Payee" information section. Select you want to pay HBC, enter the amount you want to send us, select the date you want it to be sent and hit your confirm button. If you have an option to use the memo line you can type in there what its for. Example Pledge, OGH, Communion, Etc. If you have any questions, please contact Dawn

YOUNG-AT-HEARTS NEWS...

Save the date May 4, 2024 - Our Annual Card and Game Night is returning. Event will start at 2:00pm and is hosted by Carolyn Hoefen at her clubhouse located at 111 Maryview Dr. Webster, NY. Watch for a sign-up sheet in April



PROPERTY NEWS...

- ⇒ The church parking lot will be closed on Monday, January 1. If you need to use the church, you will need to park off premises and walk over.
- ⇒ In the event that church decides to close due to weather or an emergency, we will send out an email to the church Hot-line Group



OFFICE NEWS...

- √ The office will be closed on Monday, January 1 for the holiday. If you have any news or prayer requests that you would like to share during this time you can send them to Joan Blair at blairjoan3@gmail.com and she will send them out when she has a chance.
- √ 2023 Year-end Statements will be available in the Narthex in Mid-January
- √ Church Body Meeting ~ Sunday, January 21 ~ 11:15am after service ~ Watch your email for packets (Packets will not be printed and handed out at the meeting. If you would like any of the information printed, let Dawn know and she can leave you a copy in your mailbox)
- √ "Book of Envelopes" are available on the table in the Narthex. These envelopes do not have dates or numbers on them so they can be used year after year. **If you use these envelopes and place cash in them and want your donation to be recorded so you receive a year-end tax statement you will need to make sure you write your name on the envelope.** If there is no name on the envelope the donation cannot be recorded and will be considered an "Anonymous" donation.
- √ Writing a check for a "Special Offering" Please make sure to make the check payable to "Hilton Baptist Church" and not the name of the offering. The name of the offering should go in the Memo Line

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS...

- ◆ Adult Education meets on Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:45am in the Library
- ◆ Saturday Women's Bible Study to start Jan 13th from 9:30 -11:00. We will be meeting in the library. It will be every 2nd and 4th Saturday ending on 5/11/24. You will need a guide book at a cost of \$15. If you are in need of assistance, no worries we've got you covered. Light refreshments and great conversations, see you there. Debra Hebing





We Have a New Roof!!!

Many thanks to everyone that has supported the "Roof Fund". Between donations and fundraisers we have taken in **\$23,943.50** for our first years repayment. We have a maximum of 7 years to pay back the \$130,820 loan that the Church Body approved in March of this year. We are off to a GREAT start!! Thank you again!!

We hope you will continue to support this fund by giving monetary donations when you can or by supporting upcoming fundraisers. If 50 folks gave a \$1.00 a day for the next 6 years we would have the loan paid off ahead of time!!

If you are interested in making a donation to this project you may put your donation in a "*Raise the Roof*" envelope (envelopes are in the pew racks). Please remember if you put cash in the envelope and want it to be recorded on your year-end tax statement for tax purposes, you need to put your name on the envelope. You may also send in a check by mail or from your banking institution, Please put "Roof Project" in the memo line so it gets recorded properly.

Current Fundraisers

- ♥ Slate Sale ~ Call the office for purchase
- ♥ January 20 ~ Scrapbooking Workshop
- ♥ February 18 ~ Lenten Breakfast Buffet
- ♥ April 8, 2024 ~ Solar Eclipse Glasses ~ \$2 a pair
- ♥ Quilt Raffle



Quilt Raffle

This beautiful quilt measures 80" x 100". It's beige with multicolor blocks and would be a lovely addition to any home!

Tickets are a donation of \$20 each. We only have 50 tickets available and they will be sold during the month of January or until we sell out. If you have any questions or want to purchase tickets, please see Debbie McCracken. Don't forget to let your friends, family, neighbors, or anyone else you can think of that might be interested in purchasing a ticket.

Thanks so much for supporting our efforts to raise money to help repay back the Roof Loan!!

THANK YOU...

Many, Many Thanks to Our 2023 Christmas Elves

We had 18 families (69 adults and kiddos, and a multitude of cats and dogs) to bless with Christmas goodies this year. Families ranged in size from 1 person to 10 people; and, ages were from toddlers to adults well into their 80s.



With your help, we supplied them with items for their Christmas dinner, some breakfasts, and a few other meals – along with many, many gifts. The cost for this program – through the church – was pennies less than \$XXX. We did eliminate some items from our normal grocery list in order to stay within budget and we were exceedingly blessed by donations from individuals and families...

Thank you to all the elves who helped us with "2023 Project Christmas Dinner Plus". Thank you to those who contributed to our Communion Sunday Offerings (first Sunday of each month) that benefits the Christmas Basket program. Thank you to those who purchased food to help fill those “baskets”! Thank you to those who signed up to sponsor a person/family/critter and, then, purchased, wrapped, tagged and returned gifts to the church – or by providing cash for another elf to shop. Thank you to those who picked up our special delivery of food from the Food Shelf and those who brought the final order of perishables from Tops. Thank you to those who helped stage all of the perishables, non-perishables and gifts for our families. Thank you for making phone calls - or accepting phone calls from our families. Thank you to those who helped deliver - whether it was to someone's home or someone's car. Thank you for taking the time to listen to our families' stories and praying for them or with them, when needed.

Thank you for having faith. Faith requires us to believe in something we haven't yet seen with our own eyes (or maybe we have) - and it requires our thanks, in advance, for what is yet to come - knowing that it will be something beyond what we could dream to ask for.

So, thank you again and bless you all in 2024!!!

With great appreciation from Jayne Gerega, on behalf of the Outreach Department and our Hilton community (And a huge thank you from our families – who were all very, very grateful for your generosity.)





OUR GIVING TABLE



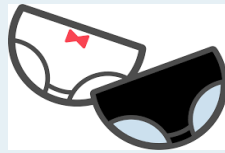
JANUARY 2024

For the Clothes Closet

SOCKS



BRIEFS



BOXERS



TEES



The Following Items Are Needed:

- **Socks - Crew Style - All sizes (White or Black)**
- **Women's Briefs - Size 8**
- **Boys Briefs/Boxers - Size 5**
- **Men's Boxers - All Sizes
(Greatest Need Size Large & X-Large)**
- **Men's White Tee Shirts - All Sizes
(Greatest Need Size Large & X-Large)**

**YOUR HBC OUTREACH DEPARTMENT SINCERELY
THANKS YOU
FOR YOUR VERY LOVING GENEROCITY!**

HILTON Baptist Church

50 Lake Ave., Hilton N.Y.

“Chicken Pot Pie”

Wednesday, January 10

4:30-6:00pm

OR

Until We Sell Out!!



Dinners are \$12 per person and should be
Ordered and Prepaid in Advance

To order your dinners, please call the church office at
(585) 392-7990

Email us at hbchurch50@gmail.com or
Stop in during office hours M-F 9:30-1:30

Dinner will include:
Chicken Pot Pie ~ Sides ~ Dessert

Scrapbooking at Hilton Baptist Church

50 Lake Avenue, Hilton NY 14468
585-392-7990 or hbchurch50@gmail.com

January 20, 2024
9:00AM to 4:00PM



Scrapbooking Workshop & Raffle

Hosted by Creative Memory Consultant, Holly McNair

Workshop Registration Fee is \$25 per person

Lunch (Turkey Noodle Casserole) will be available for
\$5.00 per person

Pre-Register for Workshop by January 15, 2024

Cash or checks accepted. Checks made payable to *"Hilton Baptist Church"*

Contact Person _____ Number attending _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Plan to have Lunch Yes _____ No _____

LENTEN BREAKFAST BUFFET

February 18, 2024
8:30-9:30 AM

HILTON BAPTIST CHURCH
50 LAKE AVENUE,
HILTON, NY

\$10.00 per person

Buffett includes:

Scrambled Eggs

Casseroles

French Toast Casserole

Potatoes

Sausage/Bacon

Muffins

Fruit

Beverage

R.S.V.P. by February 12

Call (585) 392-7990 or

Email: hbchurch50@gmail.com

This is THE HBC DAILY PRAYER LIST. Please join us as we pray daily for the following people. Prayer works. Talk to God. It won't only affect those you pray for – it will affect you!

January 6, 2024 Janet Colburn, John, Marcia, Sean and Paola Bullock	January 21, 2024 Church Body Meeting All Members of HBC
January 7, 2024 Gary and Donna Schalge and family, Ken Vinita and Beth Heintz	January 22, 2024 Diane Church, Loretta Rudolph Pat Gilmore, Helen Hoffman
January 8, 2024 Virginia (Ginny) Norbut, Phil Hallett, Lydia Farrell Greg and Sky Waller	January 23, 2024 Garett Schalge and family, Arlene Gallipeau and family
January 9, 2024 Phil, Carrie (Hoffman) and Emilee Secrest Brian, Kim, Drew and Lilly Hoffman	January 24, 2024 Ann Searls, Bob Taber Deborah Parsons
January 10, 2024 Mat Thomas, Cindy Harding, Lynn Zukauskas and family	January 25, 2024 Debbie McCracken, Marilyn Mattle, Richard McIntosh
January 11, 2024 Jeanne and Fred Townsend and family, Beth McDougall and family	January 26, 2024 Kirsten and Gary Wolters and family, Sue Mullen, Karl and Cheryl Fishbaugh
January 12, 2024 Richard, Christine, Lincoln and Hope Hendrick, Becky Place and family	January 27, 2024 Neal and Karen Senglaub and family Michael Hann, Kathy Soule
January 13, 2024 Helen Osborn, Pastor Walter, Lori and family Jane Clift	January 28, 2024 Kevin, Leah and Laney Burritt Jodie (Blair) Jensen
January 14, 2024 Kim Bauer, Saralynne Mullen, Kyle and Liz Fishbaugh	January 29, 2024 Seb and Kathy Burritt (and daughter, Shelley Eppers) Jeff and Jen Searls
January 15, 2024 Sue McLean, Pat Johnson, Alex Bradshaw, Donna Pickett and Jim Way	January 30, 2024 Joan Blair, Bob and Lori Tice Rob, Chandra, Ellie and Avery Blair-Heim
January 16, 2024 Anne Forberg, Carolyn Hoefen, Molly Doell	January 31, 2024 Ken Mullen, Pastor Dan and Karen Brown and family
January 17, 2024 Jack and Barbara Wilson, Mindi Barnes, Steve and Linda Irish	February 1, 2024 Heidi and Randy Barrett Craig and Sue Corey, Bob and Dorene Avel
January 18, 2024 Sharon and Steve Shideler, Dawn and David Comden	February 2, 2024 Adam and Edris Hitchcock and kidlings (Lydia and Liliana) Rheanolte and Annie Marie LeBarbour
January 19, 2024 Mary Fisher, Tom Dobles, Dave Couchman	February 3, 2024 Linda Judd and Leah and Matt Schumacher Dave and Trudy Roach
January 20, 2024 Dave and Dan Lloyd, Chuck Doell	February 4, 2024 Karen, Tom and Olivia Kuebler Arnie and Dianne Anderson
	February 5, 2024 Jean Steinmetz, Ron Wake, Fred and Sharlene Bradshaw



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February 7, 2024 Nancy, Hy, ~ Blair, Stefanie, Christopher ~ and Michael Johnson Barb Norton, Karen Barnes	February 24, 2024 Cheryl Nolan, Sharon Newton; Michelle Collins & Dorene Avel, Devon & Karen Nolan
February 8, 2024 Pastors Nancy and Chuck Leport and family, Barbara Hann, Estelle Gehan	February 25, 2024 Carol Chattin, Paul and Rhonda Russo Bryan and Erin Schalge
February 9, 2024 John and Brenda Barclay, Pete McCann, Jama Koester and family	February 26, 2024 Wendy and Jeff Koch, Chuck Catlin and family
February 10, 201 Vern and Deb Jesien and family Ron and Vicki Breslawski	February 27, 2024 Sandy Boddy, Kurt and Cathy Bishop Linda and Mike McHenry
February 11, 2024 Julie and Ed Daubert and family, Liam, Amanda (Hebing), Rupert and Lottie Rathbone	February 28, 2024 Mike and Jayne Gerega Barb Bockus, Sue Hunn
February 12, 2024 Vern Eisenbraun, Andy & Kim McOmber, Jake Phillips	February 29, 2024 An extra day this year to give thanks to God!
February 13, 2024 Bill and Donna Carter, Kathy Pittaway and family	March 1, 2024 Betty and David Benoit, Dawn Allen, Talon Moser
February 14, 2024 Thank You, God, for Loving Us! (Let's lift up those delivering flowers today! Safe travels!)	March 2, 2024 Dan and Margaret Brown, Melody Robinson, Katie and Gary Sears
February 15, 2024 Deb, Rob and Rebecca Hebing Derek Bradshaw	March 3, 2024 John Doell, Gary and Sherry Taber Gladys Gooding, Dave Partiss
February 16, 2024 Spike and Linda Rathbun Jim and Nancy Shott	March 4, 2024 Barb and Dale Provost, Kosta Konstas and Maddie Wolters-Konstas
February 17, 2024 Sarah deValliere, Thaddeus and Ophelia Eide Ann Steinmetz and family	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Don't know what to pray? Don't know why some of these people are listed? Ask God. Maybe they are having personal struggles, maybe we just wish to see them in church more often, maybe there is a health issue, or work issue... Maybe they are just celebrating a happy occasion...</p> <p>Maybe they are heavily involved in the ministry of this church and just need some uplifting prayers.</p> <p>There are so many people that could use that little boost – a kind word, a quick hug, or the knowledge that someone is thinking of them and praying for them on one day during the year.</p> <p>Even if you just glance at this list and add your voice in a 30 second prayer – miracles will happen. Please join us. Talk to our God, each and every day... God bless you...</p> </div>
February 18, 2024 Evie Smith, Amber Phillips Sheryl O'Yong, Carol O'Connor	
February 19, 2024 Alex Fortier, Dan Smith Mary Liz and Sharon Frisbee	
February 20, 2024 Dale and Linda Polmateer, Cathy and Bill Wackerman	
February 21, 2024 Marcey, Bill Garno and family Chris and Danielle Roach and family	
February 22, 2024 Grace Rohland, Betsy Speer Sara and Grace Speer, Mike (Sara's fella) and Charlie Anderson	

If you would like to have your name added to the prayer list, let me know. The next list will cover March and April. Perhaps you will be traveling, or are having a health problem or personal issue – you can ask for a specific prayer or just ask to be added to the list. Let me know by February 15th and I will add you to our next list. Thanks – Jayne Gerega, (Jayne@Gerega.com)



*Those suffering from the loss of a loved one are welcome to join at any time.
We meet at HBC each Saturday from 2:00-4:00.*

January 6



January 13



These are the last two sessions for this 13-week program. Amazing how fast those weeks go by.

We will be back in February to begin another 13-week program. Please be an ambassador for GriefShare and let others know about this program – whether they are in need or in case they know someone who needs the support. This program is available in multiple locations – at different times.

You will find encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member, or friend. Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent.

Where: Hilton Baptist Church, 50 Lake Avenue, Hilton, NY 14468 Fellowship Hall (Lloyd Room)

Time: 2:00-4:00 **Cost:** None ***You do NOT need to attend all to benefit. Come when you can. If you would like, bring a support person with you or be someone's support person.***

Sign up on-line (www.griefshare.org "Find a Group" – *when you type in 14468, you need to select Hilton – otherwise you will be sent to South Korea – why, I do not know*), email Jayne at jgerega@rochester.rr.com or Dawn at hbchurch50@gmail.com (or call Dawn at 392-7990) with your name and contact info. We want to make sure that we have enough materials so that everyone will have a participant book (and refreshments).

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Sunday Mornings...

Worship Service @10:00 AM ~ In-person or Streaming at YouTube under *"Hilton Baptist Church Live"*
Adult Education Class 9:00-9:45 AM in the Library

Tuesdays....

Clothes Closet Open 9:00-11:30 AM every week

Wednesdays....

Choir Rehearsals 7:00pm

Thursdays.....

Clothes Closet Open January 4 from 5:00-7:00 PM

Saturdays....

Women's Saturday Bible Study 2nd & 4th Saturday 9:30 AM
Clothes Closet Open January 20 from 9:00-11:00 AM

