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Hilton Baptist Church March Banner

Dear Family and Friends of Hilton Baptist Church,

Several weeks ago, I was talking with a gardener in our church about Stevia plants. If you do not know what a Stevia plant is, it is sometimes referred to as "Sweet leaf" because the leaves of this plant can be used as a sweetener. The leaves of a Stevia plant are up to 300 times sweeter than sugar. Sometimes people will dry them and then grind them into a powder that can be used as a healthy sugar substitute.

I was telling this gardener that I would like to plant a Stevia plant this year but I cannot find any seeds in the stores. A couple weeks later this person gave me a packet of Stevia seeds. I bought a planter kit, read the instructions and planted the seeds. I had to prepare myself to be patient because the instructions on the seed packet indicated it could take three weeks before I observed any green shoots of Stevia rising in my little planter.

To remind myself be patient, I placed a small quote written by poet Wendell Berry on the outside of the planter kit:

"The seed is in the ground. Now may we rest in hope While darkness does its work."

I find that these seventeen words hold a lot of depth and meaning. When we plant a seed, whether literally or metaphorically, it goes to a place where we cannot see it. Yet we must rest, be patient with hope and trust that darkness will do its work.

Very often we may find our spiritual practices such as prayer, sacrificial living, reading of Scripture, etc. to be fruitless and ineffective. Likewise, we may find the time and commitment we invest into others is pointless and futile.

But we must be patient because, as it is written in 1 Corinthians 3:7, "It's not the one who plants or the one who waters who is at the center of this process but God, who makes things grow." (The Message Translation).

We have planted the seeds and now we must rest in hope, trusting that God works in the darkness to do His work.

Keep Planting, Dan

PS – Perhaps you would like to place these words somewhere to remind you to rest in hope, trusting that God is at work, even when it seems nothing is happening.

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Christian Education News...

- Adult Education meets on Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:45am in the Library
- Saturday Women's Bible Study meets in the library from 9:30-11:00 every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. February meetings are March 9 & 23. All Women Welcome!

Sunday School News...

Our Sunday School kids are learning about the Parable of Talents. We are discussing our own talents and learning to see the talents of others. They are displaying some of their talents in these pictures.





Finance News...

\$ Please remember if you are putting cash in any offering envelope and you would like your contribution to be recorded so you receive a year-end statement, you need to make sure your name is on the envelope. If there is no name on the envelope contributions are considered to be anonymous donations.

A Look at February Finances...

	January 2024	Monthly Budget	Over Budget	Under budget
Pledges	\$ 10,744.00	\$ 11,080.00		- \$ 336.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 1,167.00	\$ 1,833.00		- \$ 666.00
Church Life Events	\$ 2,179.00	\$ 1,667.00	\$ 512.00	
Misc. Income	\$ 265.81	\$ 1,167.00		- \$ 901.19
Special Offerings	\$ 102.00	\$ 167.00		- \$ 65.00
Total Income	\$ 14,457.81	\$ 15,914.00		- \$ 1,456.19
Total Expenses	\$ 16,672.30	\$ 21,321.24		- \$ 4,648.94



Thank you for your Support

Worship News...

- Beth Heintz is our new Sonshine Lady. If you know of anyone that might like a card from our HBC
 Family, please let Beth know and she'll send a card from all of us!
- We've been Blessed once again with our New Handbell Choir Director, Sue McLean and Ringers. Keep watch! They're hoping to ring early April! Our Handbells are Memorials for Loved Ones, and it will be such a Blessing to see and hear them giving God the Glory once again! Thank you, SO MUCH, Sue and Ringers!
- March 31~ Easter Sunday ~ Service at 10:AM In-Person and On-Line at YouTube under "Hilton Baptist Church Live"





Young-at-Heart Events...



Annual Card & Game Night ~ May 4, 2024 - 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



Progressive Dinner ~ Saturday, August 3, 2024

We are already making plans and looking forward to (and hoping for) a crowd.

Planning to start around 4:00 with the following line-up:

Appetizers at Cheryl Nolan's (Burning Tree Drive)

Main Course at Rhonda and Paul Russo's (Sunny Slope Drive)

Dessert at Barb and Dale Provost's (Sunny Slope Drive)

Caring Cook News...

St. Paddy's Day Sale Table

- Candy Coated Pretzels
- Peanut Clusters
- White Trash
- Pies
- Chocolate Suckers
- Meatloaf
- Chicken Chili
- Potato salad



Broccoli Salad

and More....

Pre-orders appreciated. Please call or email the church office with your order by March 12th

Lenten Lunch...

All Lunches - Wednesdays (2/21-3/20) - At Noon

<u>St. Leo's Church</u> 110 Old Hojack Lane, Hilton, NY

Programs will begin at Noon:

Introduction, Grace, Lunch (Soup & Sandwich)

Concluding with a Short Message

Free Will Offering will be taken to benefit The Food Shelf

Birthday Wishes...

Helen Osborn will turn 101 on April 2. If anyone feels like sending a card, her address is: 700 Island Cottage RD

> Country 228B Rochester NY 14612







So it's a New Year and this a reminder that we still need to pay back our "Roof" Loan.

Many thanks to everyone that have supported the "Roof Fund" up until now and we hope you will continue to support the fund by giving monetary donations when you can and supporting our fundraisers. Every little bit helps even if it's a dollar or two a week. We have 6 years left to pay back the \$130, 820 loan that the Church Body approved in March of 2023. We still need \$105,457 to take care of the loan.

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
- March 13 ~ Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner
- ♥ March 17 ~ Sale Table
- March 24 ~ Palm Sunday Breakfast
- April 8, 2024 ~ Solar Eclipse Glasses ~ \$2 a pair (Don't forget to tell your family and friends we have these for sale)





America for Christ Offering 2024

The 2024 AFC biblical theme is based on Lamentations 3:22-23: "Because of God's great love, we are not consumed, for God's compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." God's love for us, even in times of despair, never wavers.

AFC 2024 Goal

American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) is promoting the 2024 America for Christ Offering (AFC 2024) which seeks to raise \$1,500,000 to support American Baptist mission and ministries through our churches and community partners across the United States and Puerto Rico.

AFC 2024 Promotional Window

ABHMS actively promotes the AFC 2024 campaign from January through March through visits, phone calls and email communications. However, our church can support the AFC campaign throughout the year.

How to Give to AFC 2024 You can give during our church's weekly service, or you can give online by visiting abhms.org/ afc, anytime.

How AFC Funds are Used

Each year American Baptist Home Mission Societies awards grants from the donations that they receive from AFC. Here are some of the areas that are funded by AFC:

- Grants to churches to fund ministry initiatives such as camps, daycare and youth and young adult initiatives
- Grants to American Baptist seminaries and colleges
- Grants to American Baptist Partners training opportunities, funding of learning opportunities that involve travel and housing, repairs, and upgrade to preserve our critical American Baptist spaces
- American Baptist Regional Offices

Or another way to look at this:

- Cultivating Leaders strong leaders advance the mission of faith communities.
- Equipping Disciples broadening the understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.
- Healing Communities we believe the power of Christian love can—and will—change the world.

AFC dollars also fund scholarships for which our own members may apply. Our churches are eligible to apply for AB-HMS grants as well! **ABHMS does not retain any AFC funds for its own operations or overhead. One hundred percent of AFC dollars support vital ministries.**

AFC 2024 empowers us to provide "Grace upon Grace." Please give generously to this year's AFC offering as we partner with ABHMS to provide support and share the Good News!





Our Lenten Breakfast was enjoyed by many. Hats off to the creators of delicious offerings of food and helping hands.

Please join us for our next Breakfast on Palm Sunday!!



Dave Lloyd is our cleaner of walkways on snowy mornings, making it safe for all. One Sunday morning, Dan Smith came over at 2 AM to help with this important job. Thanks to Dave and Dan

Many thanks to Diane Church for all you do. She has been known to have a shovel in her hand helping with the snow to give Dave a break. She also spends a lot of time at church cleaning and setting up the Lloyd room for the Sunday School kids, GriefShare, Funerals and many other activities that go on in church. Thank you Diane!!

Thank you to all who continue to sign up to bring cookies for Sunday Fellowship time. We all love a tasty treat while catching up with friends. I appreciate giving Debbie McCracken, one less thing to do each week, as she has been doing for years.

There is a sign-up on table in Lloyd Room if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

Dear Friends,

March 19 is the one-year anniversary of my receiving my new lungs, which I thank God and my donor for every day. I wish to thank you for all your support, cards and prayers throughout the year. They were so appreciated as I struggled to get better. I miss you and hope to soon be back in my pew surrounded by my friends as we worship God together. \sim Mary Fisher





HILTON BAPTIST CHURCH 50 LAKE AVENUE, HILTON, NY

Palm Sunday Breakfast

March 24, 2024 8:30-9:30 AM

\$10.00 per person

Breakfast includes: Scrambled Eggs Casseroles French Toast Casserole Potatoes Sausage/Bacon Muffins Fruit Beverage

R.S.V.P. by March 18 Call (585) 392-7990 or Email: hbchurch50@gmail.com

Hilton Baptist Church

50 Lake Ave, Hilton, NY 14468 (585) 392-7990 Email: <u>hbchurch50@gmail.com</u> Website: hiltonbaptist.org

Please join us for our Seminar on April 28th 2024 from 11:15am to 1:00pm

<u>Wills vs Trust</u>

Listen to Maureen Werner, Esq as she explains about the best financial advice for you and your family's future.







50 Lake Ave., Hilton N.Y.



"Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner"

Wednesday, March 13 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: Ham ~ Potatoes~ Side ~ Dessert



OUR GIVING TABLE

FOR MARCH, 2024 SHARING NEEDS WITH JOURNEY HOME & AURORA HOUSE





Greetings Dear Church Family,

Once again, we are collecting items for our community in need. This month, our focus is Aurora House and Journey Home! These two very worthwhile agencies care for and comfort those preparing for heaven. They are without a doubt the hands of God.

Here's a list of items that both homes need.....

Antibacterial Hand Soap ~ Paper Towels Wegmans, Tops or Amazon Gift Cards 13 gal. Garbage Bags ~ Postage Stamps

Your donations will bless all involved in these wonderful charities! Please bring your gifts to church during the month of March. We'll get them to Aurora House and Journey Home.

Thank you so much for your contributions. We ARE God's children doing His Work!

With Grateful Hearts

Your Outreach Department Thanks You







Hilton Parma Community Council of Churches



Save the Date!



Northwest Health and Community Services Day

Saturday May 4, 2024 11AM-2PM

St. George's Church 635 Old Wilder Road, Hilton, New York 14468



hiltonparmacommunitycouncilofchurches.org



Solar Eclipse ~ April 8

The church parking lot will be opening at 8:00am for visitors to be able to park in the lot for \$20 a spot. The church will be open and the Caring Cooks will be serving a Continental Breakfast and

Lunch for \$5 a person for each meal. They will also be selling snacks and drinks for a minimum charge.

If you would like to help before, during or after this event, please reach out to Debbie McCracken.

If you know of anyone that might be traveling into the area and looking for a place to park to watch the eclipse, please have them call or email the church office to reserve a parking spot.

Don't forget to let your family and friends know that we are selling Eclipse Glasses for \$2 a pair





Scrapbooking at Hilton Baptist Church

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

> March 23, 2024 9:00AM to 4:00PM

Scrapbooking Workshop & Raffle

Hosted by Creative Memory Consultant, Holly McNair

Workshop Registration Fee is \$25 per person

Lunch (Goulash) will be available for \$5.00 per person

Pre-Register for Workshop by March 18, 2024

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

Contact Person	

_____ Number attending __

Plan to have Lunch Yes _____ No ____



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).

Note: It is important to sign up in case we need to contact you. Occasionally, we run into a conflict or bad weather and we want to make sure that we can communicate any changes to you.





This is the HBC DAILY PRAYER LIST. Please join us as we pray daily for the following people. Prayer works. Talk to God. And <u>PLEASE</u> pray for our congregation and Pastor Dan (and Karen). Prayer is a two-way conversation. Take time to talk and to listen... build your relationship with God!

March 5, 2024	March 20, 2024		
Liam, Amanda, Rupert and Lottie Rathbone (and extended family), Pat Gilmore	Neal and Karen Senglaub, Marilyn Mattle, Richard McIntosh		
March 6, 2024	March 21, 2024		
Sandy Boddy and family,	Dan and David Lloyd		
Anne Forberg, Jeff Forberg	Adam, Edris Hitchcock and family		
March 7, 2024	March 22, 2024		
Linda Judd, Chuck Doell	Taylor McHenry		
Dianne and Arnie Anderson	Kirsten Wolters and family		
March 8, 2024	March 23, 2024		
Mary Fisher and family	Seb and Kathy Burritt,		
Saba, Habteab, Hannah and Nathan March 9, 2024	Sharon and Steve Shideler March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday		
Kathy Pittaway and family,	Arlene Gallipeau,		
Erik and Sara (Blair) Herringshaw and Mina	Debbie and Ben McCracken		
March 10, 2024	March 25, 2024		
Dave Couchman, Kim Bauer, Jane Clift	Janet, Dennis, Paul & Beth,		
Marcia and John Bullock	Jeff & Oanh Colburn, and all the "kidlings"		
March 11, 2024	March 26, 2024		
Dawn and David Comden,	Amanda and Marissa Daubert,		
Molly Doell, Alex Senglaub	Karl and Cheryl Fishbaugh		
March 12, 2024	March 27, 2024		
Jodie (Blair) Jensen	Bob Taber, Ann Searls		
Joan Blair, Cindy Harding	Sue Mead and family, Mary Pfeffer (and family)		
March 13, 2024	March 28, 2024		
Jeanne and Fred Townsend,	Alicia Daubert and Eddie Jensen,		
Helen Osborn, Donna Pickett and Jim Way	Tom and Betsy Dobles (and family)		
March 14, 2024	March 29, 2024		
Sylvia Nemecek, Lynn Zukauskas,	Pat Johnson, Helen Hoffman		
Dan, Leticia (Kalweit) and Rio	Kevin, Leah and Laney Burritt		
March 15, 2024	March 30, 2024		
Beth Heintz, Loretta Rudolph,	Dave and Trudy Roach		
Steve and Linda Irish,	Sharlene and Fred Bradshaw and family		
March 16, 2024	March 31, 2024		
Randy and Heidi Barrett and family,	Easter		
Pastor Dan and Karen Brown and family	Thank You, Lord, for blessings, forgiveness		
March 17, 2024	and overcoming death! Halleluiah! April 1, 2024		
Mat Thomas, Kyle and Liz Fishbaugh	Jacob Phillips, Bob and Dorene Avel,		
	Andy and Laurie Blair		
March 18, 2024	April 2, 2024		
Carolyn Hoefen and family,	Donna and Gary Schalge		
Adam and Melanie Klock and family	Becky, Karleigh, Parker, & Cooper Place		
March 19, 2024	April 3, 2024		
Diane Church and family,	Karen, Tom and Olivia Kuebler and extended family,		
Richard, Christine, Lincoln and Hope Hendrick	Greg and Sky Waller		

This is just a small group of people that we ask for prayers for – there are so many who are hurting either physically or spiritually. Please ask for comfort and strength for those in need and give thanks for those rejoicing. This year, along with praying for God's presence in their lives, I've found myself thanking God for those listed - for their spiritual gifts and for their presence in my life. Perhaps you have a special prayer that you use - for all of these people - for health, for a deep desire for God's presence in their life, or something that helps you bless them and yourself through your conversation with God. Thank you for joining us in prayer!





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April 4, 2024	April 20, 2024		
Gladys Gooding, Karen Barnes,	David and Betty Benoit,		
Barb Norton	Saralynne Mullen		
April 5, 2024	April 21, 2024		
Sue Mullen,	Kim and Andy McOmber		
Bob Floyd and family	Melody Robinson		
April 6, 2024	April 22, 2024		
Sue and Gary McLean,	Paul and Rhonda Russo,		
Jama Koester and family	Jim and Nancy Shott		
April 7, 2024	April 23, 2024		
Debbie Parsons,	Vernon, Debra, Brent and Rachel Jesien		
Carol O'Connor, David Partiss	Margaret Mary and Cyndy Burch-Lau		
April 8, 2024	April 24, 2024		
Julie and Ed Daubert and family,	Craig and Sue Corey		
John Doell and family	Tricia (Catlin) Bausch		
April 9, 2024	April 25, 2024		
Vern Eisenbraun,	Jean Steinmetz,		
Sherrie Kenyon	Evelyn Smith, Sue Hunn		
April 10, 2024	April 26, 2024		
Dale and Barb Provost	John, Ann, Ellie & Emma Steinmetz		
Betsy Speer	Talon Moser		
April 11, 2024	April 27, 2024		
Ken Mullen, Pete McCann,	Grace Rohland,		
Linda and Mike McHenry	Wendy and Jeff Koch		
April 12, 2024	April 28, 2024		
Dale and Linda Polmateer,	Deb, Rob, and Rebecca Hebing		
Chuck, Joanna (Doell), Baron and Beau Mambretti	Chuck Catlin and family		
April 13, 2024 Barb Bockus, Estelle Gehan	April 29, 2024 Spike and Linda Rathbun and family, Amber Phillips		
April 14, 2024	April 30, 2024		
Barbara Hann	Carol Chattin,		
Bob, Abbie, Ashley, & Matthew Huchzermeier	Mary Liz and Sharon Frisbee		
April 15, 2024	May 1, 2024		
Chris and Bethany Benoit and family	Bill and Donna Carter		
Virginia (Ginny) Norbut and Phil Hallett and Lydia	Dawn Allen and family		
April 16, 2024	May 2, 2024		
Alex Fortier,	Michelle Collins,		
Sarah deValliere and family	Laurie Speciale (and children)		
April 17, 2024	May 3, 2024		
Cheryl Nolan, James Blair,	Mike and Jayne Gerega and family		
Dan Smith	Carrie and Ada Hillman (Dan's sister and niece)		
April 18, 2024	May 4, 2024		
Gary and Sherry Taber	Karen and John Polandick,		
John and Sharon Newton, Sheryl O'Yong	Kurt and Cathy Bishop and family		
April 19, 2024 John and Brenda Barclay, Chris and Alexa Steenson (and Charlotte and Daphne)	t me know. The next list will cover May and June. Perhans yo		

If you would like to have your name added to the prayer list, let me know. The next list will cover May and June. 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 April 10th and I will add you to our next list. And don't forget to pray for God to deepen your relationship with Him and to help us to reach out to others who may not know God. Thanks – Jayne Gerega, 392-9737





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Pastor Dan Brown



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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 March 7 from 5:00-7:00 PM

Saturdays....

Women's Saturday Bible Study 2nd & 4th Saturday 9:30 AM Clothes Closet Open March 16 from 9:00-11:00 AM

