

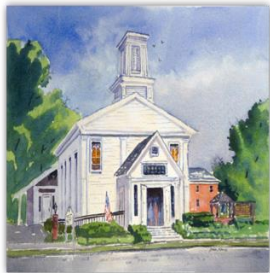
First Baptist Church of Penfield

A Congregation
of the American Baptist Churches

Established 1804

Sunday, March 19, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent



Welcome and Sharing within the Community

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. We hope and pray that God's loving spirit will be made real and meaningful for you here.

Worship today takes place both in the sanctuary
and using the Zoom platform.

Links to the online service appears on our website.

If you need to contact us, please phone or e-mail us

Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 12:00pm

Wednesday hours will vary

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Website ~ www.fbpenfield.org

*All who are able are invited to stand.
(All music used with permission -CCLI #997703)

PRELUDE

O Man, Lament Your Great Sin

Bach

WELCOME

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

One Great Hour of Sharing

Ellen Stokes

INTROIT

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Thomerson

THE CHIMES

Three chimes are sounded, awakening us to the presence of God, alerting us to the voice of Christ, centering us in the embrace of the Spirit. As we gather, we present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship.”

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Ephesians 5: 8-14

Marsha Kiriazides

Leader: For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light.
Walk as children of light,

Congregation: For the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true.

Leader: Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.

Congregation: Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them.

Leader: For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light.

Congregation: Therefore, it says, “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

***Invocation & The Lord's Prayer**

Marsha Kiriiazides

God of Light and Sight: We are made blind by the compromises of this world. We pursue things instead of Spirit. We seek physical security rather than eternal life. We judge rather than understand. Please forgive us where we fail You. Join us in worship and guide us to see You in fullness. May our eyes be opened to Your Kingdom of Grace and Light. We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. AMEN

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 16: 4-13 (NRSVUE)

Marsha Kiriiazides

ANTHEM

Our Father, We Have Wandered

Johnson

Alyssa Estrella, clarinet

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

You are invited to offer a joy or a concern. Please complete your prayer requests with "Lord, hear my prayer."

***HYMN**

Find Us Faithful

#497

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman

How to Tithe and Give in these Circumstances

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Doxology* #34

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. AMEN**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE CHILDREN'S HYMN

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

#80, vs. 1 & 4

1. He's got the whole world in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands,
He's got you and me, sister, in his hands,
He's got all of us together in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Debbie Lochner

SCRIPTURE

John 9: 1-41 (NRSVUE)

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SERMON

"Who Sinned...that he was born blind?"

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman

HYMN

Open the Eyes of My Heart

#656

***SPOKEN BENEDICTION**

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Amen

Rutter

POSTLUDE

Variation 11 from Hail to You, Kind Jesus

Bach

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS*

Edda Schneider, Betty Holderbaum, Jake Mesi (Friend of Liz Fasel),
Diani Lotzow (friend of Rose Reynolds), Scotty Peck (Helga Peck's son),
Kevin Enter

*If you wish additional information on the prayer list, please contact one of the deacons: Judy McNeil, Marsha Kiriazides, Susie Sparnecht, Carol Morse

We believe in the Power of Prayer. Prayer requests will be listed in the bulletin for one month, unless the need is resolved, or if a family member or the Deacons request an extended listing. To remove or extend a prayer request, please contact Sandra at the Church Office.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have any information you would like to share, concerning the mission and ministry of this church, please send them to the office to be included in the bulletin by Tuesday at 9 am.

REMINDER TO ALL TEAMS

Be sure to pass along all future dates and activities to the church office so they may be placed on the general church calendar and building use plan.

PASTOR STEVE

Pastor Steve will be in the Pastor's Study mornings, Tuesday through Friday this week. You may reach him by phone or e-mail on those days or anytime.

The church will be open for visitors. **If you decide to visit, out of an abundance of caution, we ask that you wear a mask, whether vaccinated or not.** Likewise, Saundra and Pastor Steve will also don masks when we receive visitors.

Pastor Steve is available to talk to you any time of day, for any reason. His phone number is 585-368-8643, his email is pastorbrotz@gmail.com

Date	Prepare Proclaim Presentation	Run Zoom	Camera & Participants
Mar/19	Gregg Goodman	Gregg Goodman	Penny Goodman
Mar/26	Jeff Phillips	Jeff Phillips	Sarah Phillips

THIS SUNDAY – MARCH 19, 2023
Moment for Missions – Ellen Stokes
Reading – Marsha Kiriazides
Children's Time – Debbie Lochner
Usher – Liz Beauter
Coffee Time – Kathy Ahl

NEXT SUNDAY – MARCH 26, 2023

Moment for Missions – Janette Keenan

Reading – Georgia May

Children's Time – Sandy Pray

Usher – Marie Foltz

Coffee Time – Liz Fasel

This Week at First Baptist Church of Penfield

Sun Mar/19	<u>Morning Worship</u> Rev. Steven D. Brotzman	9:30 am	Sanctuary and Zoom
	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	10:30 am	NFH
	<u>Adult Discussion</u>	11:15 am	NFH and Zoom
Tues Mar/21	<u>Church Ladies' Luncheon</u> * see details – page 9	Noon	The Underpass
Wed Mar/22	<u>Prayer Group</u>	1:00 pm	NFH and Zoom
	<u>Bible Club</u>	6:00 pm	NFH and Zoom
	<u>Chancel Choir Rehearsal</u>	7:30 pm 8:45 pm	Sanctuary
Thurs Mar/23	<u>Men's Lunch</u>	12:00 pm	Riki's in Fairport
	<u>Bell Choir Rehearsal</u>	6:30 pm	Choir Room
Sat Mar/25	<u>PEFS Food Drive</u> * see details - page 10	10:00 am Noon	Church Parking Lot
Sun Mar/26	<u>Morning Worship</u> Rev. Steven D. Brotzman	9:30 am	Sanctuary and Zoom
	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	10:30 am	NFH
	<u>Adult Discussion</u>	11:15 am	NFH and Zoom

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman ~ Pastor
Dr. Naomi Gregory ~ Organist, Music Director
Samantha Sosa, Caroline Duers,
David Griffith, Jason Rober ~ Choral Scholars
Saundra Augustus ~ Office Assistant
Laura Swail ~ Nursery Care
Meho & Hava Kapidzic ~ Church Custodians

Welcome to Our Guest Musicians!

Grace Wang, organist
Alyssa Estrella, clarinetist

How to Join Sunday Worship Service by Phone

Dial in by phone to join each Sunday's virtual service
Zoom Meeting opens at 9:00 am - Worship Service starts at 9:30 am

Phone Users Dial +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

When prompted, punch in this meeting ID -----> 839 345 585

When prompted, punch in -----> #

Adult Discussion

11:15am – NOON
NFH and Zoom

Lysa Terkeurst
This isn't Easy, But It Is Good

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84560421536>

Call-in information
+1 646 876 9923 US (New York)
Meeting ID: 845 6042 1536

Wednesday Zoom Prayer Group

1:00 pm – Zoom

Please join Pastor Steve Wednesday for a Zoom Prayer Group Meeting. Pastor Steve will read a brief meditation followed by a brief discussion, a listing of our prayer concerns, and a time for anyone who wants to lift our concerns to God. Although we've scheduled a one-hour Zoom meeting, these are expected to end sooner. Please join us!

1:00 pm Prayer Group:

Zoom Computer Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/950690121>

Phone users dial: 1-646-876-9923

When Prompted, enter **Meeting ID: 950 690 121**

Bible Club Meeting

Wednesday - Time: 6:00 pm

NFH and Zoom

Please join us as we begin reading the Bible, from start to finish, using *The Daily Contemplative Bible*, which has segmented the entire Bible into 365 daily readings. By the end of the year, we will have read the Bible cover-to-cover! Even if you haven't started reading yet, you can "drop in" anytime. Cost of Bibles is \$14.00. Please call Pastor Steve if you'd like to join.

How to join us online:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86182075740>

Meeting ID: 861 8207 5740

Call-in:

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 646 931 3860 US

Meeting ID: 861 8207 5740

To the Beloved People of First Baptist Church:

Annette and I are grateful for the wonderful cake and celebration you gave us Sunday acknowledging 5 years of service. God has carried our family and this church through some difficult times. May God continue to grow and bless First Baptist Church!

In Christ, Pastor Steve

March Church Ladies' Lunch

Tuesday, March 21st at Noon

The Underpass Bar & Grill,
1226 Fairport Road
Fairport, NY 14450

Call or E-mail the church office to RSVP
or Call Pat Heckman (585) 381-3498
before noon, Monday, March 20th

Penfield Hope Visits Us for Adult Discussion **March 26 11:15am**

Cathy Kamp, Co-Director of Penfield Hope will be presenting. Penfield Hope works directly with people in need within the Penfield Community and is located down the street from us at 1771 Penfield Road. Check them out at penfieldhope.org. Presentation is in New Fellowship Hall and will also be on Zoom.

Spring into Action

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023
10 AM to NOON
First Baptist Church Parking Lot
1862 Penfield Road
Drive thru food collection for PEF

The Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf Coordinator has asked if we would provide the following items needed to complete this year's family **Easter Dinner** boxes:

APPLESAUCE

CANNED SLICED PINEAPPLE (to go with the ham)

JELLO

SALAD DRESSINGS

MUFFIN MIXES

BOXED DESSERTS (cake/frosting, brownies, etc.)

Please Note!

The CDC guidelines are updated each Thursday at approximately 8:30pm, so the levels that you see in this Bulletin *may* change from week-to-week.

This community level of medium was updated on Thursday, March 16th after 8:30 pm.

Please check the CDC ([cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)) Website for weekly Updates.

Or, call the CDC at 1-800-232-4636 for updates

Your health and safety are foremost with us. Masking is optional but encouraged. Please see the following current information from the Centers for Disease Control Website. ([cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)): **Medium**

- If you are at [high risk of getting very sick](#), wear a high-quality [mask or respirator](#) (e.g., N95) when indoors in public.
- If you have household or social contact with someone at high risk for getting very sick, consider self-testing to detect infection before contact, and consider wearing a high-quality mask when indoors with them.
- [Stay up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccines, including recommended booster doses.
- Maintain [ventilation improvements](#).
- Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow recommendations for [isolation](#) if you have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow the recommendations for [what to do if you are exposed](#) to someone with COVID-19.

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a high-quality [mask or respirator](#) when indoors in public.

If you are immunocompromised, learn more about [how to protect yourself](#). Find out more about the COVID-19 situation in **Monroe County, New York** with [COVID-19 Data Tracker](#). March 16, 2023.

What Prevention Steps Should You Take Based on Your COVID-19 Community Level?

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines• Get tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions• Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines• Get tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wear a mask indoors in public• Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines• Get tested if you have symptoms• Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness

People may choose to mask at any time. People with [symptoms, a positive test, or exposure](#) to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. Masks are recommended in indoor public transportation settings and may be required in other places by local or state authorities.

If you are immunocompromised or high risk for severe disease, learn more about [how to protect yourself](#) with additional CDC recommendations for each COVID-19 Community Level.

Who We Are

The First Baptist Church of Penfield was established in 1804 in what is now an eastern suburb of Rochester, New York.

We are affiliated with American Baptist Churches of the Rochester/Genesee Region, and nationally with the American Baptist Churches, USA.

We welcome all to worship with us. Our congregation is a gathering of people who are diverse in theology and political opinions, but who are all seeking to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way.

The First Baptist Church of Penfield continues to include all who seek Jesus as Lord - regardless of race, class, gender, disability, place of origin, or sexual orientation, identity, or expression.