

March 2020



Council of Churches

Connecting Congregations

Council Calendar of Events March 2020

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | Wednesday, March 4th, 2020 Staff Meeting 2:15 PM | | | |
| | | Tuesday, March 10th, 2020 FIAV Orientation Noon - Call to confirm | | | | |
| | | Tuesday, March 24th, 2020 Program Directors' Meeting 8:30 AM | | | | |
| | | Wednesday, March 25th, 2020 Board of Directors' Meeting Noon | | | | |

Fairview United Methodist Church
254 Robinson St.
Binghamton, New York
(Corner of Robinson St. and Bigelow St.)



FREE Community Meal

**3rd Thursday of the month from
September 2019 through May 2020**

Thursday, March 19th, 2020

5:00 PM to 6:00 PM



Our Lady of Sorrows Community Meal
Mary's Meal Tuesdays, March 2020
**2nd Tuesday, March 10th, and
4th Tuesday, March 24th, of each month**



Doors Open 5:00 pm, Meal Served 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
801 Main Street, Vestal, NY

Free community meals for those in need of food or companionship. If you have any questions, please call
607-748-8287

Holy Nativity Church in Endicott SAD NEWS



312-314 East Main St., Endicott, NY

As you may know we face the unfortunate reality of closing our church at the end of 2020 due to declining enrollment. Our last service will be December 27, 2020, shortly after the celebration of our 100th anniversary.

In considering what to do with our church building and its adjacent church house at 312-314 East Main Street in Endicott, Holy Nativity's Church Council and congregation are most desirous that the properties continue to function as a Christian church.

Accordingly, we will seriously consider gifting the properties to interested members of the faith community. Secondary to being used as a house of worship, we will also consider other uses that we feel benefit our community.

Interested parties for tours of both properties may contact me at the phone number or e-mail address provided below to make an appointment.

We do request that any expressions of interest be made to us by **July 1, 2020**. If not it is our intention to then list the properties for sale.

Contact:

Edward A. Dunscombe
Church Council Vice-President
(607) 242-2123
edunscombe@stny.rr.com

2020 Hospital Ministry

March is upon us. I think of Valentine's Day the day of sharing love.

Likewise I think of John 3:16 God's giving love and care. In Hospital Ministry we seek to share God's love and hope.

Hospitalization often brings fear and depression now and for our future. God can help us overcome all obstacles.



I am looking for folks who want to share God's hope. Call me if you might be interested at 763-6003.

A reminder: if you are coming to the UHS hospitals please tell Admissions your church affiliation.

Pastors if you have a patient in Wilson and want a visit please call me at 763-6003.

Please remember, we have an All Faiths Worship Chapel on the 4th floor at Wilson and the 1st floor at Binghamton General.

- *Chaplain John*



Sarah Jane Johnson United Methodist Church

Is accepting applications for a part-time (25 hours/week) **Administrative Assistant position**. Qualified individuals will have a high school diploma or equivalent, strong computer skills (particularly Microsoft Office), excellent organization, communication & time management skills, the ability to multi-task comfortably, and the ability to work well with a variety of people. Those interested should send a resume to

JCchurchapp@gmail.



Church Women United of Binghamton



You are invited to
World Day of Prayer Service

Friday, March 6th at 10:00 AM

Trinity A.M.E. Zion Church
203 Oak Street, Binghamton
(between Clinton and Prospect Streets)

Everyone is welcome!

For further information, call 648-4711.

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

The 22nd Annual Lives of Commitment Awards Breakfast

Thursday, May 7th 7:15 AM — 9:00 AM
DoubleTree by Hilton

Join *Faith in Action* Volunteers as we honor our volunteers and Broome County residents who have committed their lives to volunteerism.



Faith in Action Honoree: Kay Hahn Casler
Council of Churches Honoree: Ida Taft
Community Honoree: Dave Gouldin
Keynote Speaker: Gregory Keeler



For more information, contact
Paula Johnson, 607-724-9130 ext. 318 or pjohnson@broomecouncil.net

NUMC One Hundredth Anniversary Nimmonsburg United Methodist Church

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March 22nd, 2020

Rededication Sunday during Worship
Dist. Superintendent **Rev. Dr. David Kofahl** will be our guest speaker. This special service will be followed by a **Chowder and Chili Luncheon** in Fellowship Hall. *Burial of the time capsule* will take place following our Fellowship Time.

Faith in Action Volunteers Senior Living Ministry Needs Your Help

Senior Living Ministry allows residents to maintain traditions that are dear to them and receive the spiritual support they desire. We are in need of clergy and lay people to lead worship services in local nursing homes.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sue Spencer at 724-9130 ext. 304 or sspencer@broomecouncil.net for more information



Helping Hands for Independent Living



CRAFT SHOW

SATURDAY, MARCH 21st, 2020

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

AT

VESTAL CENTER

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

478 West Hill Road, Vestal Center

**COME FOR OUR FAMOUS BAKE SALE
GIFT BASKETS PLUS MANY
SPRING & EASTER ITEMS!**



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**Deadline for the April 2020 issue:
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