## FBC January Newsletter

## Sundays

9:15 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship
6:15 - 8:00 pm Youth Group
(For the school year)

## Tuesdays

9:00 am Bible Study, We will finish Job and begin Ephesians - Everyone welcome

## Wednesdays

7:00 am Prayer Meeting

#### Men's Breakfast

Saturday, January 14th, 8:00 am

### Women's Breakfast

Saturday, January 21st, 8:30 am

### **January Greeters**

- 1 Belinda & Fred Crouse
- 8 Cathy & George Hardy
- 15 Jai & John Dudley
- 22 Leola Pingree
- 29 Carol & Fred Sherburne



# Greetings from FBC as we move on to the new year of 2023.

The Lord promises His faithfulness as we enter into these turbulent times. Blessings abound to those whose hope is in Christ but our world offers anything but peace.

We sent many gift boxes to Samaritan's Purse for children around the world and many contributed funds for buying animals for families to use to help support themselves. Our church continues to thrive and we have celebrated a joyous Christmas season of generosity, worship and song.

#### **CANTATA NEWS**

On Sunday, Dec. 18 the weather cleared enough for us to sing our worshipful cantata, NIGHT OF THE FATHER'S LOVE.

The church was filled with an appreciative audience as thirty five singers and three narrators led the service of worship.

Forty three singers had been with us all season but severe colds left eight of them at home. We are hoping for better weather and health when the Easter cantata arrives on April 2! We welcomed many new singers this fall and anticipate that they will return with enthusiasm.

#### **BIBLE STUDY NEWS**

We are now finished with our 13 week study of the amazing book of Job. On January 10 we will begin this semester's study of Ephesians. This very supportive group meets about 9:00 each Tuesday morning for fellowship with coffee and plenty of treats. We study from 9:30 to 10:30+ and then have a valuable time of prayer. The books are only \$7 and the format allows you to arrive prepared or not so much! We encourage you all to consider joining us.

#### **PROGRESSIVE DINNER REPORT**

On Dec. 20 the Bible Study people had a Christmas party day in the form of a progressive dinner. We gathered at Carol Sherburne's home in the country for delicious appetizers and a fun game of guessing what Christmas songs or carols were depicted in little pictures. She always challenges us with something fun! We progressed to the church for an amazing dinner.... not pot luck this time!.... and then on to Don Swan's home for sharing desserts and favorite stories of Christmases past. It was a day to remember!

## Birthdays

## January 8 Jessie Gonzales

13 King St, Dexter, ME 04930

## January 9 DeAngelo Bettis

22 Hill Side Apt. 22, Dexter, ME 04930

## January 11 Irene Sinclair

547 Stetson Rd., Newport, ME 04953

## January 17 Ruth Gustin

32 Nokomis Rd., Corinna, ME 04928

#### January 28 Meagan Whitten

391 St. Albans Rd., Palmyra, ME 04965

## January 30 Shirley Patterson

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