

# The Visitor



Lenten and Easter greetings to you all!

We are blessed to have some signs of spring accompanying us in this latter part of Lent this year. For example, a few green shoots have pushed up through the soil around the parsonage. We await the day when exactly what they are will be revealed!

TBC recently received the piece of art pictured here. “The Crucifixion” is by Henry Coupe, a noted local artist and former art teacher. Mr. Coupe’s wife donated her late husband’s work, and we will display it on Maundy Thursday when we gather for a meal and a service beginning at 6 p.m.

Although the painting is a bit abstract, there is no question of what it reveals: Christ’s execution on a cross. The Christ figure is central, but he is not alone in the scene. Lacking Coupe’s commentary on the painting, we are free to consider who the other figures represent. Might the center-left figure be Judas? He stands to the fore clutching something—potentially, a bag of silver coins. According to Matthew 27:3-6, Judas died by suicide before Jesus’ crucifixion. Having heard that Jesus was condemned, Judas returned the silver to the authorities who had paid him to betray Jesus. But, turning over the money was not enough to salve his conscience. He put an end to his sense of guilt by ending his life.

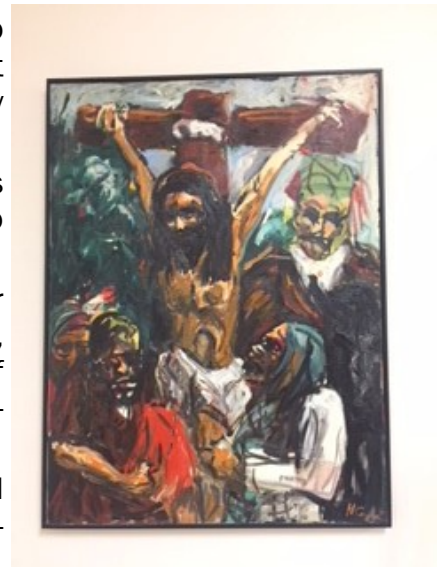
Judas missed that first Easter morning. Sure, he missed watching Jesus carry the cross and being beaten. He missed the sight of the one who had shown him nothing but love dying a shameful criminal’s death.

But, Judas also missed the opportunity for forgiveness in this life. Other disciples messed up big time, too. Take Peter’s 3-round denial of Jesus, for example. But, Peter stuck around past those denials and was one of the first to go to the empty tomb. Peter, along with the rest of the disciples, would see the risen Christ revealed to them as resurrected.

What was the difference in Judas’ understanding of unfaithfulness and that of Peter? When Judas was on his way to punish himself in the cruellest way, what could a fellow disciple have said to give him hope?

“It’s not over yet!” “You made a mistake, but Jesus taught about forgiveness.” “Perhaps God has yet more to reveal to us about this Messiah!”

All those statements and more were true then and are true for us today. We stand in the foreground waiting to remember the Last Supper, Jesus’ crucifixion, and the resurrection. Come and stand with us. Picture yourself there with whatever you bring.



It’s not over yet! You made a mistake, but there is forgiveness! God has yet more to reveal to us about this Christ!

Pastor Debbie



# Karen Pastor's Page



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ယှဉ်ရှုးခရ်အပျ်အဘိဉ်တဖဉ်ဒီးတၢ်မၤဖိလၢအဘဉ်တၢ်မၤသံအီၤဒ်မၤထူရၢအသိးတဖဉ်အဂ့ၢ်ပဟ်ပျါက့ၤအီၤဒ်လၢအံၤအသိးန့ၢ်လီၤ.

၁. စီၤပိလူးဘဉ်တၢ်ကျိတ်အကိၣ်ဒီးမၤသံအီၤလၢဝံၤရိမ့ၤအပူၤန့ၢ်လီၤ.

၂. စီၤယၤကိၣ်(ကစၢ်ယှဉ်ရှုးအဒိပုၤဝဲၢ်) ဘဉ်တၢ်တၢ်လီၤလၢတၢ်လၢဟံၣ်တသံတဘျီယီၤဘဉ်အယီၤဘဉ်တၢ်တီၢ်သံအီၤလၢနီၢ်တီၢ်လၢပုၤတီၢ်ပုၤဆူၣ်တၢ်ကူတၢ်ကၤသံတနံၤယီၤဘဉ်တၢ်ခုၣ်လီၤကွံၣ်အီၤတချုးအသံဘါထူကဖဉ်လၢကစၢ်ယှဉ်ကပျါပုၤမၤသံအီၤအတၢ်ကမၣ်တၢ်ဒီးဘး

၃. စီၤယၤကိၣ်(လီၤသီၣ်အဖိခွါ) ဖဲခရ်န့ၢ် ၄၄ နံၣ်န့ၢ်စီၤပၤဟ့ၣ်ရိၣ်ဟ့ၣ်လီၤတၢ်ကလုာ်လၢပုၤကကျိတ်ကွံၣ်အကိၣ်ဒီးဘဉ်တၢ်မၤသံအီၤ

၄. စီၤဘဉ်သလီၤမဲ ဘဉ်တၢ်တီၢ်အီၤ, ပျၢထီၣ်အီၤလၢထူၣ်စုညါအလီၤဝံၤဒီးဘဉ်တၢ်ကျိတ်ကွံၣ်အကိၣ်

၅. စီၤမးသဲဘဉ်တၢ်ဆဲးသံအီၤလၢဘီ

၆.စီၤပုၣ်တရူးဖဲခရ်န့ၢ်၆၇ လါ ယူၤ ၂၉ သီအနံၤဘဉ်တၢ်ပျၢထီၣ်ဆဲးခိၣ်လီၤလၢအီၤဒီးမၤသံအီၤလၢရိမ့ၤအပူၤ

၇. စီၤမၤကူးဘဉ်တၢ်ဒွဲၣ်သံကွံၣ်အီၤလၢမ့ၣ်အူ

၈. စီၤအၢဒရူးဘဉ်တၢ်ပျၢထီၣ်သ့အီၤလၢထူၣ်စုညါအလီၤတချုးသံန့ၣ်အသးလၢယှဉ်ရှုးခရ်သံဝံၤဂဲၤထၢၣ်သမူအ ဂ့ၢ်လီၤ.

၉. စီၤသိမါဘဉ်တၢ်ဆဲးသံအီၤလၢဘီန့ၢ်လီၤ.

၁၀. စီၤဖဲလံးပူးဘဉ်တၢ်ကွံၣ်အီၤလၢလၢ်ဘဉ်တၢ်ပျၢထီၣ်အီၤလၢထူၣ်စုညါအလီၤဒီးဒွဲၣ်သံကွံၣ်အီၤလၢမ့ၣ်အူလီၤ.

၁၁. စီၤလူကဉ်ဘဉ်တၢ်မၤသံအီၤလၢကီၢ်ဟံးလုာ်အပူၤစၢသံအီၤလၢသ့ၣ်စၢယံးတထံအလီၤလီၤ

၁၂. စီၤယူၤဒၤဘဉ်တၢ်ခးအီၤလၢပျၢ, ကွံၣ်အီၤလၢလၢ်တသံအယီၤဘဉ်တၢ်ကျိတ်ကွံၣ်အကိၣ်လီၤ.

၁၃. စီၤရံမိၣ် (ဒိပုၤဝဲၢ်ဒီးစီၤယူၤဒၤဒီးစီၤယၤကိၣ်) ဘဉ်တၢ်ပျၢထီၣ်သံအီၤလၢထူၣ်စုညါအလီၤလၢကီၢ်အဲၤကူပတူးလၢရိမ့ၤအစီၤပၤ TRAJAN အစီၤလီၤ.

၁၄. စီၤဘၢနါဘၢ ဘဉ်တၢ်ကွံၣ်အီၤလၢလၢ်ဝံၤသုးစၢလနံၤအပူၤ

၁၅. စီၤယိၤဟဉ်ဘဉ်တၢ်ဒၤန့ၣ်အီၤလၢသိသပၤလၢအကလၢထီၣ်အပူၤတသံဘဉ်လၢယှဉ်မၤတၢ်လီၤလးအယိ, ဘဉ်တၢ်ဆုၤဆူကိးပါမူးဒီးကွဲးလံာ်လီၤပျါန့ၢ်လီၤ. သံအဆၢကတီၢ်တၢ်တ သ့ၣ်ညါလီၤတံၢ်လီၤဆဲးဘဉ်

★ပဝဲဒၣ်ပုၤစူၢ်က့ၤန့ၣ်က့ၤတၢ်ကိးဂၤဒဲးပကဘဉ်သ့ၣ်ညါလၢပန့ၣ်ကစၢ်ယှဉ်ရှုးဒ်ပတၢ်အုၣ်က့ၤခိၣ်က့ၤကစၢ်အယီၤပကဘဉ်ကွံၣ်ဆၢၣ်မဲာ်တၢ်ကီၢ်တဲလၢကျဲအဘိဘိလီၤဘဉ်ဆၢအလီၤအိၣ်လၢပကဘဉ်အိၣ်ဂၢ်ကျၢၤလၢပတၢ် စုာ်တၢ်န့ၣ်အပူၤဒ်တၢ်မၤဖိဒီးမၤထူရၢတဖဉ်အသိးလီၤ.

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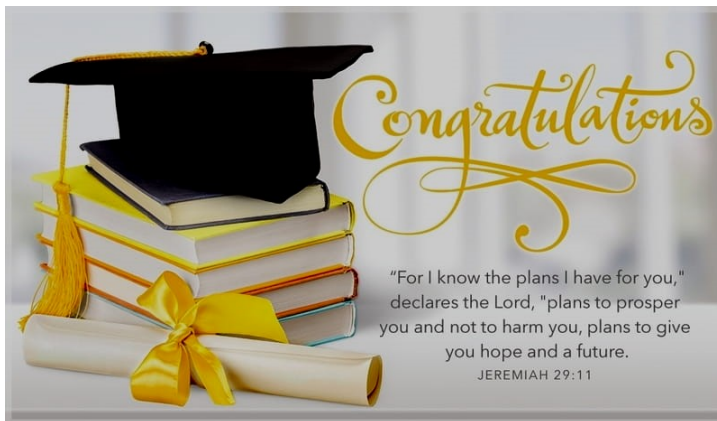


### Senior Luncheon at Red Lobster

The Sr. Luncheon will be held on **May 5 at Red Lobster, 12:00 p.m.** Please call for your reservation to either Gwen Deragon at 317-736-6037 or Gee Lar in the office of Tabernacle Baptist Church at 315-735-7534 **by May 2, 2019.**

### Baby & Child Dedication

The child dedication will be held on Sunday, May 12 – English Service. Is there a baby or young child in your family whom you would like to dedicate to the Lord? If so, please give Gee Lar ([churchoffice@tbcutica.org](mailto:churchoffice@tbcutica.org)) the child's name, birthdate, and parents' names. We look forward to celebrating these little ones on Sunday, May 12.



### ARE YOU GRADUATING??

If you are graduating from High School or College in 2019 please let us know ***no later than May 12, 2019*** – We would like to include your name in our graduate recognition, which will be held in June. High School or College graduates are asked to provide your name and a recent picture. Please give the picture to Say Wah Htoo or Olive San.

### TEEN AND YOUTH SPRING RETREAT - PATHFINDER CAMP

*It's time for the annual Spring Retreat at Pathfinder!*

It will be held from **Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>**. This year's speaker is the Rev. John Buskey of VPCC Ministries and Manlius Baptist Church in Syracuse. The Band this year will be "Signs of Earth". They are the same band who played during our ABY Convention last fall. The cost to register is \$20.00, and registrations are due by **April 28, 2019**. Please speak to either Karen Dunne or Say Wah Htoo for registration forms.



### American Baptist Women's Ministries and AB Girls of NYS Convention 2019

**Theme: "Upheld by God" Isaiah 41:10**

**April 26-28, 2019**

**Doubletree by Hilton**

**Syracuse**

Fifteen Tabernacle Baptist Church women and youth will be participating in this meeting. We appreciate Tabernacle's support.



## Pastor's Baptism Class

Pastor Debbie is offering a Pastor's class for those interested in Baptism and Church Membership beginning on *Sunday, April 28*. If you are interested in learning more about our Baptist history and identity, making a public profession of faith, and joining our church, please have join Pastor Debbie in the East Room after English worship.



## SECOND HOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!

If you can help teach our Pre-School and Elementary Sunday School classes during Karen service, please contact either Karen Dunne or Say Wah Htoo. Classes begin on Sunday, April 28, 2019.

April dates:

(No FNT meeting in April)

- ♦ *Palm Sunday* – *Sunday, April 14, 10:00 a.m.* – During the English language service, worshipers will receive Palm fronds and we will begin our worship service celebrating our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The service will invite us to walk with Jesus past the joyous crowds who welcome him to Jerusalem on Sunday as He set his face toward the Cross on Friday. Steve Grotevant will sing, accompanied by Joanne Gould.
- ♦ *Maundy Thursday* – *Thursday, April 18, 6:00 p.m.* – We will observe a Lenten tradition at Tabernacle. Our evening will begin with a fellowship supper in Thorn Chapel. (Please bring a dish to share. The church will provide tableware and beverages.) We will then share the Lord's Supper and think about Good Friday.
- ♦ *Good Friday* – *Friday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.-8:45 p.m.* – We invite you to join us as we watch a movie of the life of Jesus based on Luke's Gospel.
- ♦ *Easter Sunday* – *Sunday, April 21, 10:00 a.m.*

April 28: *Camping Sunday*

2<sup>nd</sup>-Hour Sunday School Starts During Karen Worship Time


Baptism Classes begin at 11:30. We will meet every Sunday at 11:30 until the day of the baptism, which is Sunday, June 9, in the English service.

Ordination of Pastor Marilyn Bell – St. Paul's Baptist Church – Utica, NY – 5 PM

Ministry Coordinating Council – 12:30







# EASTER SERVICE & DINNER

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019 AT 11:00 AM

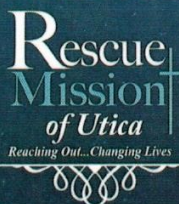
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SERVICE BEGINS AT 11:00 AM IN THE SEABURG CHAPEL

DINNER TO FOLLOW IN THE DINING ROOM

ALL ARE WELCOME!



**NO MEALS WILL BE DELIVERED, BUT YOU'RE WELCOME TO JOIN US!**





Pa Koo Day	1
Sirr Htoo Hae Thi	1
Eh Wah	2
Jewel Isaac	3
Kaw Ku Htoo	4
Kho Kwa	5
Maung Aung Mya	5
Marina Eh Win	5
Journey Gyi	6
Nan Kyi Na	6
Be Me	7
Angel Jilline Wah Win	7
Anne Tomidy	11
Saw Titu	11
Ah Mu	11
Do Taw	14
Tha Su	15



Paw Eh Klay	15
Moo Lay Paw	16
Gwen Deragon	17
Sei Sei	18
Eh Tha Su Moo Mu	20
April Say	23
Junior R. Baw	23
Lori Ann Forbes	25
John Nyunt	25
Sebastian Cataudella	26
Angelina Wah Htoo	27
Shining Shore	28
Ku Moo Soe	29
Susan Scholl	29
Stephen Green	29
Ku Thayou Htoo	29
Lovisa Lay	30



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## ***Services, Meetings, Special Events and Deadlines ~ April 2019***

<i>Adult Bible Study</i>	<i>Saturdays, 11:30 a.m.</i>
<i>Praise and Worship Band Rehearsal</i>	<i>Saturdays, at 3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Karen School</i>	<i>Saturdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Karen Choir Practice</i>	<i>Saturdays, 4:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Adult and Youth Praise &amp; Worship, Bible Study and Song Practice</i>	<i>Saturdays, 5:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Prayer Service</i>	<i>Sunday, 7:00 a.m.</i>
<i>English Worship Service and Sunday School</i>	<i>Sundays, 10:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Karen Worship Service</i>	<i>Sundays, 11:15 a.m.</i>
<i>Sunday School Teachers' and Assistants' Communion Service</i>	<i>April 7, 9:15 a.m.</i>
<i>Communion Sunday</i>	<i>April 7, 10:00 a.m.</i>
<i>Camping Sunday</i>	<i>Sunday, April 14</i>
<i>Stewardship Ministry Team Meeting</i>	<i>Sunday, April 14, 12:30 p.m.</i>
<i>Easter Sunday Services</i>	<i>April 21, 10:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.</i>
<i>American Baptist Women's Ministries and AB Girls of NYS Convention 2019</i>	<i>Friday, April 26 - Sunday April 28</i>
<i>Second Hour Sunday School</i>	<i>Sunday, April 28, 11:30 a.m.</i>
<i>Baptism Class</i>	<i>Sundays. April 28- June 2, 11:30 a.m.</i>
<i>Ministry Coordinating Council Team Meeting</i>	<i>Sunday, April 28, 12:30 p.m.</i>
<i>Faith Nurturing Ministry Team Meeting</i>	<i>Sunday, May 5, 11:30 a.m.</i>

### **Meaningful Messages for Today**

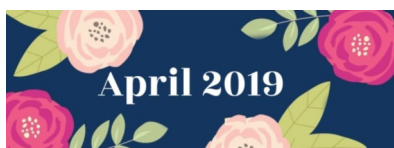


<b>April 7</b> First Sunday in Lent Communion Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8	<b>April 14</b> Second Sunday in Lent Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16 Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 19: 28-40	<b>April 21</b> Third Sunday in Lent Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 John 20:1-18
<b>The Deadline to submit an article for the May Visitor is Sunday, April 21</b>	<b>Save the Date!</b> <b>October 5 &amp; 6, 2019</b> <b>Tabernacle's 200 Year Jubilee</b>	<b>Save the Date!</b> <b>Baptisms</b> <b>Sunday, June 9</b>



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10:00 a.m. English Service  
11:15 a.m. Karen Worship

**Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday  
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
*Closed on Fridays*

**In case of  
emergency,  
please contact:**

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**TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Rev. Debbie Kelsey	Pastor
Rev. Daniel Calvin San	Pastor
Rev. Dr. James V. Davison	Pastor Emeritus
Karen Dunne	Minister of Christian Ed.
Say Wah Htoo	Christian Ed. Associate
Gee Lar See	Administrative Secretary
Melody Gay	Choir Director/Organist
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