

NATIONAL GUARD CITIZEN'S PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP

On Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm, members of the New York State Air National Guard, Latham, will present a citizen's preparedness class. The training program equips attendees to have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. Participants will learn on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and stocking up on emergency supplies.

CARE CORNER

Please pray for continued opportunities to invite people to faith and new people to fellowship in the church.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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4/2 Emily Freer
4/4 Shannon Houghton
4/5 Eric Emerson
4/6 Jean Cowan
4/11 Evan Woodworth
4/12 Scott Emerson
4/12 Morgan Lorey
4/23 Carly Horton
4/27 Marie Schilling



How many times have we heard someone say, "That was an interesting experience!" To that we must ask, "Do you know the definition of experience?" The answer is this: "Experience is what you get when you expected something else."

The women who went to Jesus' tomb early on the morning of the first day of the week had an experience. They expected to find the dead body of their beloved Jesus. Instead, they encountered angels and eventually the risen Lord himself. That experience changed their lives and the lives of the disciples forever. The resurrection of Jesus was the pivotal experience that changed them into people of extraordinary peace and courage. The resurrection would inspire Paul to write, "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Unfortunately, many Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus once a year on Easter Sunday and then pack away the experience of the day until the next year. Knowing that Jesus arose from the dead should change the lives of everyone who calls Him "Lord!" It is the cause of our faith and source of comfort that we cannot be separated from God's love. I want to encourage you not to let go of the power of the resurrection but live in the joy of the resurrection daily. If you do, I am sure it will be the greatest experience of your life!

Peace,

Pastor George

SCHEDULE OF MAJOR EVENTS FOR APRIL

	<p>Monday, April 4 at 6:00 pm – We will serve a community meal and distribute personal care items at Troy Area United Ministries.</p>
	<p>Thursday, April 7 at 7:00 pm – NY Army National Guard will present a seminar on emergency preparedness lessons.</p>
	<p>Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 am – CABA will host a meeting at LCBC to vote on accepting the Gethsemane Karen Baptist Church into CABA.</p>
	<p>Sunday, April 17 - We celebrate the dedication of Kennady Lynne Wilkerson.</p>
	<p>Saturday, April 23 – Troop 279 will conduct an Eagle Scout court of honor for Tarquin Croteau, Jr., the scout who made the tables now in the lounge.</p>
	<p>Sunday, April 24 – We will have a quarterly business meeting immediately following worship service.</p>

TWICE FED MINISTRIES

The Saratoga Thoroughbred Racetrack season will start the last week of July 2016 and end in September on Labor Day. However, the backstretch workers are beginning to arrive now to make preparations and will not leave until early November. Twice Fed Ministries, an outreach partnership of Capital Area Baptist Association churches, Saratoga Springs Living Waters Church, and the New York Racetrack Chaplaincy will begin ministering to the workers in early May. You can be part of this growing ministry in two ways:

- Every Monday evening, Twice Fed Ministries provides the workers a home cooked meal (fed once) and then a speaker provides a testimony of Christian living (twice fed). Last year, over a dozen people gave their lives to Christ or recommitted their lives to Christ during these meetings. If you want to serve a meal, let Pastor George know. He will be providing testimony on three Mondays this season.
- Every Wednesday evening, women from CABA churches will join the women from the track for fellowship and development of life skills. The CABA women are planning to work with the women of the racetrack to make “quillows,” a combination pillow and quilt. If you want to help serve in this ministry, please let Becky Stefani know.

SPECIAL CABA MEETING

On Saturday, April 16, 2016, CABA will host a special meeting at LCBC to consider and vote on a request from the Gethsemane Karen Baptist Church into membership to CABA. This is an exciting development for CABA and for the Karen church. In 2007, Karen refugees from Thailand refugee camps began resettling in the greater New York Capital district. The Karen community, many of whom were Baptists, gathered for Sunday worship services in each other’s apartments. In August 2013, the Karen Baptist community secured worship space at the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Albany, a CABA church. Please consider coming to this meeting to welcome a new Christian community into our broader church family.