

***First Baptist Church
of Manlius***

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Sunday, February 11, 2007

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Worship Service ~ 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Adult Education ~ 9:45 a.m.

Worship Service ~ 11:00 a.m.

***“Blessed is the one whose...delight
is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he
meditates day and night.”***

-Psalm 1:1-2

***Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius
Sunday, February 11, 2007 ~ 8:30 a.m.***

~Blanket Sunday~

We gather in this place to worship God, to encourage and care for one another, to grow in our relationship to Christ and to learn to serve God both within this church and in God’s world.

Our worship leaders this morning include:

Our Praise Team Leader, Mary Schwarz and the Praise Team.

Our Music Director and Accompanist, John Spradling.

Our Pastor, Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee.

Scripture Focus

Psalm 1

¹Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. ²But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

³He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

⁴Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. ⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Sermon

“A Life That Bears Fruit”

Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

ABOUT THIS MORNING

- Guests are invited to sign the guest book or fill out a visitor card.
- Hearing devices are available. Ask one of the greeters.
- **Greeting:** Sally Lyon

PRAYER AND CARE

- Prayer Needs:** Please call Cindy Mapstone at 655-0616 to contact the prayer chain.
- In Case of Emergency:** If you or anyone you know is in need of food in times of sickness or family emergency, please notify Shirley Mapstone at 682-8169.
- Caregiver in Action:** This week please keep Ken and Ada Phelps in your prayers, as well as their Caregivers, Pauline and Harry Cole.

Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee, Pastor
John Spradling, Music Director
Joyce McCartney, Organist
Elaine LaFollette, Secretary
Michael McCartney, Custodian
Kathie Shevchuk, Ministry Coordinator
Shirley Mapstone, Joyful Sounds Director
Mary Schwarz, Praise Team Director
Wendy Mapstone, Playschool Director
Marge Edwards, King's Kids Director

Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius
Sunday, February 11, 2007 ~ 11:00 a.m.
~ Blanket Sunday ~

Gathering Time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

John Spradling

Call to Worship

from Luke 6:20-26

Leader: Looking at his disciples, Jesus said:

**People: Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.**

Leader: Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you
and reject your name as evil, because of the Son of Man.

**People: Rejoice in that day and leap for joy,
because great is your reward in heaven.
For that is how their fathers treated the prophets.**

Leader: But woe to you who are rich,
for you have already received your comfort.
Woe to you who are well fed now,
for you will go hungry.
Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will mourn and weep.
Woe to you when all speak well of you,
for that is how their fathers treated the false prophets.

***Songs of Praise** See Insert

Reading Jeremiah 17:5-10 Page 1201

Offering
Offertory *Softly and Tenderly* Adult Choir

***Doxology and Dedication of Offering**

Children's Time** JoAnn Mostar

***Hymn** *God, You Wrap Your Love Around Us* See Insert

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

Scripture **Psalm 1** Page 843

Sermon **"A Life That Bears Fruit"** Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

***Hymn of Response** *He Leadeth Me* No. 606

***Benediction**

Postlude John Spradling

*If you are able, please stand.

**4 & 5 year olds are welcome to go with Mrs. Guynup following the Children's Time; all those children in Grades 1 and older are invited to join the rehearsal of the Joyful Sounds Choir under the direction of Mary Schwarz.

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- **Greeting:** Kelly Griffin
- **Ushers:** Harry Cole and Jeffrey Loope
- **Child Care:** Greg Short

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Volunteers Needed for Rotational Curriculum

Beginning on March 11 our children's Sunday School classes will begin the Lenten Rotational Curriculum, Jesus – Death Destroyer. Over 4 weeks, the children will discover these events from Jesus' final days: Jesus' Triumphal Entry, The Passover Meal, Jesus Prays for His Followers, and Jesus is Crucified – and Rises Again!

ADULTS ARE NEEDED to help make this a success. No experience is necessary for many of the jobs – just a love of our children and seeing them grow with the Lord. We provide on the job training! Leaders are needed for the Games Center, the Storytelling Center, The Art Center, and the Drama Center. Your commitment will be only 2 of the 4 Sundays. If you have 4 Sundays to give, then your help is needed in the Opening and Closing sections, as well as being a group leader. More details of the duties are available by speaking with Kathie Shevchuk (682-8678).

If you are interested, please see Kathie as soon as possible. Again this curriculum will begin March 11, 9:45-10:45.

Children's Day will be **Sunday, June 10** and the young people will be presenting the musical *The First Action Heroes*. If you can help in any area listed below, please see Kathie Shevchuk (682-8678).

Assistant Director – available to go out with Joyful Sounds for rehearsals; **Set Design** – able to paint backdrop scene; **Props** – not hard to find; and **Costumes** – able to sew

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Sunday School hour:

The Fruit of the Spirit – Leader, Betsy Burt – Meeting in the Chapel
Bible Discussion – Focus: Gospel of Matthew - Meeting in Rm. 207
Journeys Bible Study – Leader, Erm Ferris – Meeting in the Library

God, You Wrap Your Love Around Us

Tune: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

God, you wrap your love around us, like a blanket, soft and warm.
You give rest when we are weary; You protect us from the storm.
May each person who finds shelter in these blankets that we share
Also feel the joy and comfort of your love's protecting care.

Jesus, you were once a baby, sought by those who would destroy.
Into Egypt you were carried--far from home, a little boy.
Were you wrapped up warm to travel, safe from terror, free from harm?
Did you feel God's strong protection, snuggled there in Mary's arm?

May the women, men and children fleeing danger every day,
Know, through us, your living presence; You walk with them on their way.
Spirit, as you give them comfort, teach us here to freely give;
May we blanket this world over with your love, so all may live.

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Church World Service (CWS) uses the funds to purchase and ship blankets worldwide and within the U.S. and to support a variety of self-help textile-oriented development projects through its partner agencies. Because CWS buys in large quantities, it can provide a good wool or cotton blend blanket for a modest \$5. When possible, blankets are purchased closer to the scene of a disaster, to speed delivery and to spur local economies.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Recent Prayer Requests:

Leah Lichter – passed away Saturday, February 3rd. Leah is Avis Sell’s mother, Wendy Mapstone’s grandmother, and Jeremy and Kelsey Mapstone’s great-grandmother. The funeral was Tuesday in Massachusetts.

Kermit Breed, Jr. – JoAnn Mostar requests prayers for this 28-year old with cancer. The website to follow up on Kermit’s battle with cancer is: www.kermitsbattle.blog.com.

Please Pray for:

Virginia Noble	Cecile White’s Aunt Irene	Ruth Costello
Wanda Baker	Ken Bex	Andy Burt
The Loope Family	Mary Jane and Russell Davis	
Barbara, Carol Davenport’s sister		

PRAISES

Haralds Rikveillis celebrated his 100th Birthday on Tuesday, February 6th!

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“Dear Friends, 2007 winter has been relentless. Spring will come and be as beautiful as ever. I’m so glad I can look forward and remember all my loving and fond memories. My rocking chair is such a comfort ~ rock and remember. My love to all my Church family, Edith Laning.”

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Do you have a prayer request or praise to share?
Please call Elaine in the Church office (682-8941) by Wednesday morning.



**FM COMMUNITY
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**
“We begin our Lenten journey together...”

**Hosted by our friends at
Immaculate Conception Church,
Fayetteville**

**Wednesday, February 21st
at 7:00 pm**

Sr. Monica Nortz, CSJ will preach



***Please join your friends, clergy, and neighbors
for this important day in our Christian life...***

JR. – SR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Tonight, February 11th, 6 – 7:30 p.m. (Meet at the Church)

Next Meeting: February 25th, 6-7:30 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PLANNING

This Thursday, February 15th - at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel

WE WANT YOU!!!! Calling all those interested in seeing a VBS at First Baptist Church this summer. If you missed our traditional VBS this past summer and would like to be part of making it happen in 2007, please come to our initial planning meeting. Help get the ball rolling!



The Christian Ed. Board will provide a delightful meal to help inspire some creative ideas and help set the stage for what we hope will be another wonderful and inspirational event. Help touch the lives of the children of our church and reach out to those who are our guests.

HAND BELL CHOIR - "Would you like to listen to a beautiful Hand bell Choir? If so, maybe you would be willing to be a part of that hand bell choir! If you have ever thought that it would be fun to try, now is your chance. This would be a one-time concert event. Ages 9 and older are welcome to participate. Please see Al Dominy or Joyce McCartney for more details."

ABW MINISTRIES – Tomorrow, Monday, February 12th, 10:00

a.m.-Noon, there will be a White Cross work meeting held on this date in the Church library. The hostesses for this event are Ruth Ware and Annette Andrusyszyn. Please remember that we are still collecting Campbell products UPC codes (on the back of cans).

UNITY FELLOWSHIP – PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE!! Saturday,

February 17th at 9:00 a.m. ~ a breakfast is planned in the Chapel. The committee consists of Ken Bex, Ruby Pfohl and Betty Heller. The guest speaker is Don Ford on "What the Church Is." **All are invited!!**

CALENDAR

TODAY, February 11th – Blanket Sunday!

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:15 p.m. Missions Board Meeting
- 12:15 p.m. "Women of Faith" Informational Meeting
- 12:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Trustees Board Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, February 12th

- 10:00 a.m. ABW White Cross Work Meeting in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY, February 14th – Happy Valentine’s Day!

- 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting

THURSDAY, February 15th – March Newsletter Items are due!

- 6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting w/dinner (Chapel)
- 6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

NEXT SUNDAY, February 18th

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

March Newsletter Items – are due no later than **Thursday, February 15th.**

Please email all articles to: fbcman@twcnj.rr.com or place in the secretary’s mail slot. Thank you☺

	<p><u>Pastor Leon’s Office Hours</u></p> <p>Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-Noon</p> <p>Email: fbcman@twcnj.rr.com</p>	
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BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

**Five Wednesday Evenings during Lent
6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Begins on Wednesday, February 28th

Fellowship: We will begin our meal at 6:00 p.m. sharing a light but filling meal of soup, salad, bread and dessert. We will complete the meal with time to clean-up and gather for the Bible Study with Pastor Leon.

Bible Study: The Bible Study will begin at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Leon will lead us in a study of:

“Peter: A Model for Discipleship”

Children’s Program: There will be activities for the children which will follow the evening topics. Kathie Shevchuk will coordinate these, so it will be helpful to let her know what children plan to attend.

Can you help with the Children’s Program? Call Kathie at 682-8678.



ABW LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

A 4-week Lenten Bible Study series will begin on Monday, March 12th at 10:30 a.m. in the Library. A soup luncheon in the Chapel will follow the study. The dates are as follows:

Monday, March 12th

Leader: Cindy Mapstone

Monday, March 19th

Leader: Myrna Benedict

Monday, March 26th

Leader: Gail Carlsen

Monday, April 2nd

Leader: Myrna Benedict

The Committee for the luncheons consists of Annette Andrusyszyn, Shirley Mapstone, Ruby Pfohl, and Olga Schmidt.

All are invited and encouraged to attend!

