

First Baptist Church of Manlius

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Sunday, February 15, 2009

Worship Services ~ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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

*“Then you will call, and the Lord will
answer; you will cry for help,
and he will say: Here am I.”*

-Isaiah 58:9a

*Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius
Sunday, February 15, 2009 ~ 8:30 a.m.*

Our worship leaders this morning include:

Our Praise Team Leader: Mary Schwarz

Our Pastor: Leon Oaks-Lee

Scripture

Isaiah 58:1-9a

¹“Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet. Declare to my people their rebellion and to the house of Jacob their sins. ²For day after day they seek me out; they seem eager to know my ways, as if they were a nation that does what is right and has not forsaken the commands of its God. They ask me for just decisions and seem eager for God to come near them. ³“Why have we fasted,” they say, “and you have not seen it? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you have not noticed?”

“Yet on the day of your fasting, you do as you please and exploit all your workers. ⁴Your fasting ends in quarreling and strife, and in striking each other with wicked fists. You cannot fast as you do today and expect your voice to be heard on high. ⁵Is this the kind of fast I have chosen, only a day for a man to humble himself? Is it only for bowing one’s head like a reed and for lying on sackcloth and ashes? Is that what you call a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord?

⁶“Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe him, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? ⁸Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard. ⁹Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.

Sermon

“The Fast I Desire”

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:** Barbara Brace

PRAYER AND CARE

- Prayer Needs:** Please call Dave Knaebel at 569-0581 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 Beth Greene in your prayers as well as her Caregiver, Shirley Mapstone.

Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee, Pastor
Joyce McCartney, Music Director/Organist
Elaine LaFollette, Secretary
Michael McCartney, Custodian
Mary Schwarz, Praise Team and Joyful Sounds Director
Wendy Mapstone, Playschool Director
Marge Edwards, King's Kids Director

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Sunday, February 15, 2009 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Gathering Time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Little Fugue in F" Telemann
Joyce McCartney

Call to Worship (Responsive) from Psalm 112

Leader: Praise the LORD.
Blessed is the person who fears the LORD,
who finds great delight in his commands.

People: **Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,
for the gracious and compassionate
and righteous person.**

Leader: Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely,
who conducts his affairs with justice.

People: **Surely he will never be shaken;
a righteous person will be remembered forever.
He will have no fear of bad news;
his heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.**

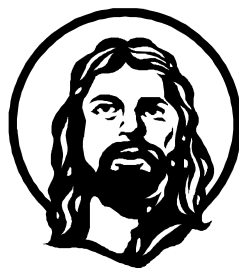
***Songs of Praise** See Insert

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

Offering		
Offertory	"Steal Away to Jesus"	Joyce McCartney
*Doxology and Dedication of Offering		No. 382
**Children's Time		
*Hymn	<i>Cleanse Me</i>	No. 425
Scripture	Isaiah 58:1-9a	Page 1152
Sermon	"The Fast I Desire"	Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee
*Hymn of Response	<i>We Are God's People</i>	No. 546
*Benediction		
Postlude	"Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty"	
	Joyce McCartney	

*If you are able, please stand.

** All 4 and 5 year olds are welcome to go out following the Children's Time. All children in 1st through 6th grade are invited to join the rehearsal of the Joyful Sounds Choir under the direction of Mary Schwarz.



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- **Greeting:** Kathie Shevchuk
- **Ushers:** Tom Shephard and Pete Mapstone
- **Child Care:** Barbara Davison

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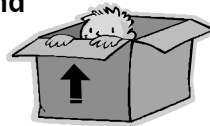
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Youth News

Youth Group meets the 1st & 3rd Sundays 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
For youth in Grades 6th - 12th

Upcoming Events:

TODAY, February 15TH - Our gathering will involve a big box and talking about gifts. Yup...that's the "Readers Digest" version of the night. We're beginning our countdown to the 30 Hour Famine so you won't want to miss it!



FBC Manlius Youth participating in



30 Hour Famine!!!

Mark your calendars: March 20th - 21st

March 1st - Continuing our February 15th discussion, we'll be putting gifts into action as we prepare for the 30 Hour Famine. We need every youth's talents and energy to plan 30 Hours!

Poll Results

If FBC went on a mission trip, where would you like to go?

Downtown Syracuse:	2		Alaska:	2
Central America:	2		Guatemala:	2
Continental USA (outside NY)	1		Africa:	1
Caribbean:	0		Mexico:	1

Youth Team: Christy Brownell, Jillian Everly, Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee, Rosey Oaks-Lee, George Oley, & Tom Shephard

Questions or Comments for the Youth Team? Email us at FBManliusyouth@gmail.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Mark this date on your calendar!! **Saturday, February 21st, 10:00 a.m.** in the Chapel. Donita Whelan will come and teach everyone how to make prayer shawls. All are welcome ~ no previous knowledge or experience is necessary. This is a great chance to learn this craft. All are invited to join in this exciting and powerful ministry. To sign up or to find out more information, please give Shirley B. Mapstone a call at 682-7016. See you there☺

UNITY FELLOWSHIP - Unity Fellowship will have a luncheon meeting starting at **12 noon** at the church in the chapel on **February 28th**. Entertainment will be provided by ventriloquist Larry Brennan following lunch featuring homemade soups. There is no need to bring anything but yourself, and you can expect a nice lunch and great entertainment. This event is for **all** both young and old. Come and have a good time of fellowship on a winter's afternoon. Questions, call Erm Ferris at 682-9054.

Mission News - FM Food Pantry - Here is an updated list of items needed at this time for the FM Food Pantry. Please place in the shopping cart by the elevator. **Cereal, Canned Meat, Pasta Sauce & Jelly needed.**

Samaritan Center - Come and volunteer on Wednesdays!! We begin at 3:00 p.m. and are out by 5:00 p.m. ? - Call Tom Shephard (655-8448).

BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS

Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

The Bell Choir will be rehearsing for Easter Sunday.

Rehearsals will take place in the Choir Room.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Choir rehearsals will be **Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.**

This will be in preparation for the Lenten Season, including a joint choir with Manlius Methodists on Maundy Thursday, April 9th.



Pastor Leon's Office Hours:
Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 - Noon
Email: fbcmanliuspastor@twcny.rr.com



PRAYER REQUESTS

Recent Prayer Requests ~

Please Pray for ~

Wanda Baker	Loretta Beuchert	Lucy Shephard
Mike Adams	Virginia Noble	Ruth Costello
Courtney H.	Ann and Gene Spradling	Connor
Russell and Mary Jane Davis	The Nehemiah Team	Marian Pollock
Florence Cowles, Barbara Brace's mother		Helen Jenks
Virginia, Carol Davenport's aunt	Zulauf	Phyllis Bailey
Marilyn Fowler Mills	Mary Schwarz	Linda & Marty Malloy
Peggy, Marg Kerr's sister and Peggy's son, Greg		Tom Conley
The Barber family	Dana Berg and his wife, Debbie	Jonathan Smart
Judy Ewing, Flo Dixon's daughter	Carole Guynup	The Breed family

PRAISES

Colleen Guynup would like to thank her secret pal for the beautiful roses. I just loved the orange color. Thanks for remembering me on my birthday. Thank you, again, to my secret pal for my Valentine's Day presents. Everything was great. You are the best to me.

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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.

ABW Ministries News - Scholarships are available to High School graduates and continuing College students from American Baptist Women's Ministries through the ABW Ministries Scholarship Fund. Applications can be found on the secretary's desk in the church office. They are due March 1st. The ABW Lenten Series will be on three Mondays this year - March 23rd, March 30th, & April 6th at 10:30 a.m. in the Church library followed by a soup luncheon in the chapel.

Mars Hill Network (WMHR) is celebrating 40 years of being on the air broadcasting Christian programming. On **February 27, 7 pm at North Syracuse Baptist Church** there will be a concert by "River." General seating tickets are available. For more information you can contact Mars Hill (469-5051) or go to their website at: marshillnetwork.org. There is also a concert coming up in early April - more information to follow on that.

March Newsletter Items are due no later than **Monday, February 16th**. Please email all articles to fbcm@twcny.rr.com or place in the secretary's mail slot. Thank you 😊

CALENDAR

TODAY, February 15th

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching
6:00 p.m. Youth Group until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, February 16th ~ March Newsletter Items are Due

TUESDAY, February 17th

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir rehearsal in the Choir room until 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, February 18th

7:00 p.m. Prayer for Healing Service in the Sanctuary

THURSDAY, February 19th

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym until 8:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal

FRIDAY, February 20th

No Stay 'n Play - No Playschool/School Break

SATURDAY, February 21st

9:30 a.m. Sunday School Teachers meeting - Library
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Chapel

NEXT SUNDAY, February 22nd - Joyful Sounds Choir

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching
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<p><u>BLANKETS FOR THE WORLD</u></p> <p>\$ Collected as of 2/8/09: \$530.00</p> <p>Thank you for your continued support of this Mission 😊</p>
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This is a *TREATment* "YOU" can't afford to miss.....Frank

I learned that humor is a survival tactic that we must use to stay healthy.

.....Kathleen

Our homework assignment was to laugh in a mirror for no reason – it really did make me feel better.

..... Julie

What a way to celebrate Life, by getting a new lease on Laugh!

..... Dolores

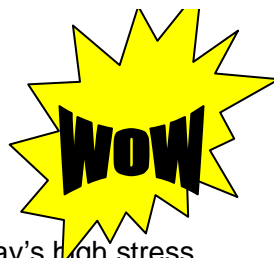
Unity Fellowship Feb. 28th

Noon in the Chapel

(*NOT* for Dummies)



He got everyone singing for the "Health of it", including me. It was GREAT fun!
..... Sal



This **fun-filled** program will "stress" the skills needed to survive today's high stress environment. It will "stress" the importance of humor in helping us to stay well and allowing us to continue to be productive as a senior, while having fun. This duo will spread Health & Humor through Harmony. What you'll learn will be music to your ears and will put you in charge of your own health, well being and your Life!

Our nationally known faculty is

Larry Brennan RN, PhD* a Ventriloquist, Nurse, Barbershopper and retiree from Community-General Hospital of Syracuse after 28 years, where he was a Director of Nursing and an Administrative Supervisor. He is a Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) U.S. Army Reserves, and has been an Adjunct Faculty to several colleges in the Syracuse area. In addition to a Masters Degree from Syracuse University, Larry holds two (2) **PhD*** degree's. As a member of the Barbershop Society for over 27 years and being a nurse for over 30 years, Larry has combined the two roles and claims to be the only NurSINGologistSM in the "whole world". Thus he awarded himself a **PhD*** (quite preposterously)- ***P**rofessor of **h**armony **D**evelopment. Since his first **PhD*** didn't cost him a dime – he awarded himself a second **PhD***, ***P**rofessor of **h**umor **D**evelopment. He is the founder of the "NurSING Notes" (an all "RN" Barbershop Quartet) whose charge is to spread **HEALTH & HUMOR through HARMONY**. He performs internationally. **Charles C. Charles (Charlie)** is the other dummy and assists Larry in his presentation.

For more info Contact: Larry Brennan RN, PhD* (315) 463-8971 E-mail:

LBrennan@twcny.rr.com

SAVE THESE DATES

Prayer for Healing Service

This Wednesday, February 18th at 7:00 pm

The Deacons are sponsoring a special prayer service this Wednesday, February 18th at 7:00 pm in our Sanctuary. This is a time of corporate prayer when we can come and pray together as one body in Christ. The focus of our prayer will be for healing, which might be physical, emotional, relational, spiritual, etc. We encourage you to come to pray for others as well as yourself. We will respond at the Holy Spirit's direction. Please feel free to invite a friend; this is open to anyone in the community. Please speak to any Deacon or Pastor Leon if you have questions.

John 15:7: *"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be given you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."* (ASV)

****Wednesday Night Lenten Suppers and Learning Experience during Lent**

Begin Wednesday, February 25

6:00 p.m. Supper

7:00 p.m. Learning Experience

****A 3-week Bible Study will be offered by ABW in the Church Library on the following Mondays:**

March 23rd, March 30th, & April 6th at 10:30 a.m.

A soup luncheon will follow in the Chapel. Bible study leaders will be: Cindy Mapstone, Myrna Benedict & Gail Carlsen. The committee includes Olga Schmidt, Shirley Mapstone, and Ruby Pfohl.