

# *First Baptist Church of Manlius*

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## WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

*Sunday, March 2, 2008*

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*

*Worship Service ~ 8:30 a.m.*

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

*Worship Service ~ 11:00 a.m.*

*"This, then, is how you should pray:*

*'Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name, . . ."*

*-Matthew 6:9*

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*~ 8:30 a.m. Service ~*

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**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**

Matthew 6:5-15

<sup>5</sup>And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. <sup>6</sup>But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. <sup>7</sup>And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup>Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

<sup>9</sup>This, then, is how you should pray:

" 'Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,

<sup>10</sup>your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup>Give us today our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup>Forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup>And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one."

<sup>14</sup>For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup>But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

**Sermon**

**"The Content of Prayer"**

**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.

**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 Ken and Ada Phelps in your prayers as well as their Caregivers, Harry and Pauline 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

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*~ 11:00 a.m. Service ~*

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**Gathering time**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** Joyce McCartney

**Call to Worship**

**\*Songs of Praise** See Insert

**Prayer (offered together)**

O God, in complete faithfulness you stand outside the door of our hearts, knocking again and again. Give us the will to open our lives to you. Make your home within our hearts, that we may love even as you have loved us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Scripture** Romans 8:26-27 Page 1757

**Offering**  
**Offertory** John Spradling

**\*Doxology and Dedication of Offering** #382

**\*\*Children's Time**

**\*Hymn** *I Need Thee Every Hour* No. 443

**Family Prayers** (Joys and Concerns)

**Scripture** Matthew 6:5-15 Page 1504

**Sermon** "The Content of Prayer" Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

**\*Hymn of Preparation** *The Lord's Prayer* No. 440

**The Lord's Supper**

**The Bread**

**The Cup**

**\*Hymn of Response** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* No. 560

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** Joyce McCartney

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\*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.

*The money received in the Communion Offering envelopes goes into the Fellowship Fund to help members of our Church family who are in need. Thank you.*



**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:** Erika Buchanan
- **Ushers:** Harry Cole and Jeffrey Loope
- **Child Care:** Jill Doss

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## **ABW Ministries Lenten Series**

A three-week Lenten Bible Study series begins **tomorrow, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 am** in the Library. A soup luncheon (Chapel) will follow the study.



**Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Leader: Cindy Mapstone  
**Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** ~ Leader: Myrna Benedict  
**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>** ~ Leader: Gail Carlsen

The committee for the luncheons consists of Annette Andrusyszyn, Shirley Mapstone and Ruby Pfohl.

**ABW MINISTRIES** – We are still collecting UPC codes on the back of Campbell's products and also cancelled stamps (with at least ¼" border) to be sent to Rev. David Vila to benefit his Spanish ministry. There is a box in the Narthex for both items.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** – this year will be on **Friday, March 7, 2:00 p.m.** and be held at The Nottingham, 1301 Nottingham Road, Jamesville, NY.

**NURSERY HELP NEEDED** – There is a need for volunteers to staff the nursery during the 11:00 a.m. Sunday service. If you would be willing to volunteer in the nursery, even if it is one or two times a year, we could use your help. Please see Al Dominy or call him at 637-4964.

**BLANKET SUNDAY DONATIONS** – Thank you for your donations for Blanket Sunday. More donations came in ~ the total amount collected as of 2/24/08 is **\$825.00**. Thank you for your support to this mission project☺

### **AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING**

**Amount Collected to Date:**     **\$1,100**  
**Goal:**                                     **\$1,776**  
**S - T - R - E - T - C - H Goal:**   **\$2,008**



## **LENTEN MID-WEEK SUPPER & BIBLE STUDY**

**Five Wednesday Evenings, 6 – 8 p.m.**  
**February 13 – March 12**  
**Pastor Leon – Bible Study Leader**

### **6:00 p.m. Fellowship:**

Share a meal of soup, bread, and dessert.

Donations accepted.

(March 12<sup>th</sup> will be a Potluck meal sponsored by King's Kids.)

### **7:00 p.m. Bible Study:**

Pastor Leon will lead us in a study of exploring biblical stories about prayer and ways we can pray.

Each study will be a preparation for the Sunday Lenten Sermon Series.

Everyone including families are encouraged to attend.

Child Care is available.

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## **FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER**

**Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 p.m. in the gym**

Come and join the families of our King's Kids program.

Bring a dish to pass.

The King's Kids Board will provide dessert, beverages, and table service.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Recent Prayer Requests:

#### Please Pray for:

|   |                                  |                           |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Wanda Baker                             | Connor                           | Kermit Breed, Jr.         |
| Loretta Beuchert                        | Mike Adams                       | Jon Perry                 |
| Ruth Costello                           | Virginia Noble                   | Courtney H.               |
| Barbara, Carol Davenport's sister       | Virginia, Carol Davenport's aunt | Stacey                    |
| The Short family                        | Mary Jane and Russell Davis      |                           |
| Florence Cowles, Barbara Brace's mother |                                  | Amy Hockey and her family |
| Richard and Fran Fuller                 |                                  |                           |

## PRAISES

*“Dear God’s Soldiers: We had such fun watching the faces of the pediatric patients as we handed them your valentines. I could tell that you put a lot of love and hard work into each valentine. The parents and other visitors of the patients also enjoyed looking at them. Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness and for sharing your Sunday afternoon making the valentines. Thank you, Mary, for delivering them and for making the pretty valentine box. You brought God’s love to many children. Peace, Rev. Louise Shepard,*

*Sr. Pediatric Chaplain, University Hospital.” --letter dated 2/18/08*

*“The family of Joann Bishop would like to thank you for your prayers, which are greatly appreciated. Their mother is doing very well.” --Grace Chege*

*“I would like to thank the congregation and the Lord for praying for my daughter and for my country of Kenya. My daughter is very safe, and I thank the Lord for answering our prayers.” --Grace Chege*

Please call the Church Office at 682-8941 with prayer requests or praises by Wednesday morning. Thank you.



## God’s Soldiers Save these Dates!

All k – 5<sup>th</sup> graders and their friends are invited to the following events. More information will follow in upcoming church bulletins.

**Saturday, March 15, 2008** Ride on a float in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade!  
**Sunday, April 13, 2008** Elbow Grease Day  
**Sunday, May 4, 2008** Mother’s Day Project

## New Adult Sunday School Class

**All Sunday School classes meet from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.**

The Ten Commandments - a 10-week video series. You will find each commandment examined in a way to make it relevant to your life. [What they mean. Why they matter. Why you should care.] This is a good time to join a class to help you grow in your understanding of the Bible and its teachings. Other Adult classes include: Bible Journeys – Library; Bible Discussion – Room #206; Bible Discussion – Room # 207



## **FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND ACCOMPLISHMENT!**



Join us on **Saturday, March 15 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon** at our Church to “spruce up” and “clean up.” Some projects we are looking at are cleaning the Kitchen and the Nursery and painting the gym. We are open to suggestions. Please call or see JoAnn Mostar to help. Coffee and bagels will be provided. Thanks.

## UNITY FELLOWSHIP

The next Unity Fellowship get-together will be **Saturday, March 29, 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel. Cindy Page, a bird rehabilitator and artist, will be our guest speaker presenting bird slides. The dinner will be provided by our Youth. This is an intergenerational get-together, and all are invited to join in the fun☺ The committee is made up of Barb Richardson, Christy Brownell, and our Youth!



## **SINGERS INVITED!**

### **Maundy Thursday Choir**

We are planning a joint choir with the Manlius Methodist Church for Maundy Thursday, March 20. Rehearsals at First Baptist are each Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. Worship.

See John Spradling if you have any questions.

**Pastor Leon's Office Hours:**  
**Tuesday-Friday, 9 – Noon**  
**Email: [fbc-pastor@twcny.rr.com](mailto:fbc-pastor@twcny.rr.com)**



**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm**

Doors open @ 6:00pm

**Syracuse Alliance Church**

**Tickets: \$17 in advance /\$20 at the door**  
**\$15 for students and groups of 10+**

# Youth News

**Youth Group meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays**

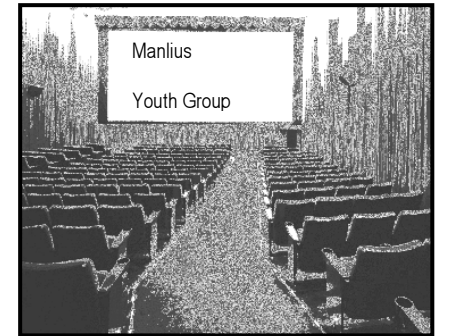
**6:00 pm - 7:30 pm**

**For any youth in Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

### **Upcoming Events:**

**TONIGHT, March 2<sup>nd</sup>: Continuation of Music Video Creations @ FBC 6:00 pm**

*That's right, we are making our very own Music Videos! The songs have been chosen & planning has begun! February 17<sup>th</sup> planning meeting took longer than expected so we're continuing our planning on March 2<sup>nd</sup> & maybe starting to film... We shall see...*



**March 9<sup>th</sup>: What?!?! Meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month?!?! That's craziness! Yup...well we'll be filming our Music Videos. Please let a Youth leader know if you can't make it...We need everyone there! Time 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

**March 16<sup>th</sup>: Kutless Concert @ Syracuse Alliance church. (One of our groups chose a Kutless song for their Music Video) Cost: \$15 More info to come...**



**Senior High Event (Grades 9-12)**

**Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm**

**Bring \$5.00 + \$\$ for food**

Meet at the church @ 7:15 pm OR meet the rest of the crew @ Green Lake Lanes (Route 5, Fayetteville) @ 7:30 pm. Invite your friends!

**Don't know what Super Bowling is?**

**You are in for a treat!**

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

## **CALENDAR**

### **TODAY, March 2nd – Fourth Sunday in Lent - Communion Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Education and Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 12:15 p.m. Ministry Support Committee meeting/Historical room
- 6:00 p.m. Trustees Board meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group

### **MONDAY, March 3rd**

- 10:30 a.m. ABW Lenten Bible Series begins in the Church Library

### **TUESDAY, March 4th**

- 6:30 p.m. Christian Education Board meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, March 5th – Lenten Supper & Bible Study**

- 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Fellowship in the gym
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study for Adults in the Chapel

### **THURSDAY, March 6th**

- 6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

### **FRIDAY, March 7th – World Day of Prayer**

- 9:30 a.m. Stay 'n Play for moms, dads, & tots in the gym 'til 11:30 a.m.

### **SATURDAY, March 8th**

- 9:00 a.m. ABC/NYS Board of Mission Mtg./Lunch 'til 3 (Chapel/Gym)

### **SUNDAY, March 9th – Fifth Sunday in Lent – Daylight Saving Time**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Education and Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 12:15 p.m. Missions Board meeting
- 3:00 p.m. Youth Group until 5:00 p.m.