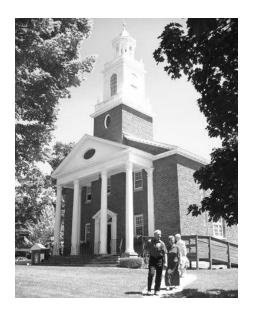
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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Sunday, March 9, 2008

Worship Service ~ 8:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education ~ 9:45 a.m. Worship Service ~ 11:00 a.m.

"... his sheep follow him because they know his voice."

-John 10:4b

Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius Sunday, March 9, 2008 ~ 8:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

John 10:1-6

¹ "I tell you the truth, the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ² The man who enters by the gate is the shepherd of his sheep. ³ The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴ When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵ But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." ⁶ Jesus used this figure of speech, but they did not understand what he was telling them.

Sermon

"Does God Have a Voice?"

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.

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please notify Shirley Mapstone at 682-8169.

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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, March 9, 2008 ~ 11:00 a.m. Fifth Sunday in Lent

Gathering time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Joyce McCartney

Call to Worship

*Songs of Praise See Insert

Prayer (offered together)

O God, your Son, Jesus, set his face toward Jerusalem and did not turn from the cross. Save us from timid minds that shrink from duty, and prepare us to take up our cross and to follow in the way of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Psalm 29 Page 866

Offering

Offertory John Spradling

*Doxology and Dedication of Offering #382

**Children's Time

*Hymn Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus No. 621 (verses 1 & 2)

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

Scripture John 10:1-6 Page 1666

Sermon "Does God Have a Voice?" Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

*Hymn of Response Lord Speak to Me No. 625

*Benediction

Postlude Joyce McCartney



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• Greeting: Marge Edwards

• Ushers: Andy Short, Harry Cole

• Child Care: Sally Lyon

• Flowers: Nancy Bishop and family in memory

of Dorothy Benor

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^{*}If you are able, please stand.

^{**4 &}amp; 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.

ABW Ministries Lenten Series

A three-week Lenten Bible Study series continues **Monday, March 10th at 10:30 am** in the Library. A soup luncheon (Chapel) will follow the study.

Monday, March 10th ~ <u>Leader</u>: Myrna Benedict Monday, March 17th ~ Leader: Gail Carlsen

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

<u>April newsletter items</u> are due this Friday, March 15. Please submit them by email to <u>fbcman@twcny.rr.com</u>, or paper copy in the secretary's mail slot. Thank you!

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.

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: \$1,290 Goal: \$1,776 \$-T-R-E-T-C-H Goal: \$2,008



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER



Wednesday, March 12th

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.

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Pastor Leon will lead us in the final Lenten Bible Study exploring biblical stories about prayer and ways we can pray.

Child Care is available.

Help out at the Samaritan Center.

In April, we are recruiting 3 or 4 people to serve meals at the Samaritan Center on the following Mondays - *April 7, 14 and 21*. As we helped this summer, we arrive at 3:00 p.m. and are done by about 5:00 p.m., having served a meal to more than 120 folks. Contact Tom Shephard (655-8448) or another member of the Missions Board about which days you can help out in this service.

Also, *stay tuned* for more opportunities in the future - The Samaritan Center has begun to serve breakfast from 6:30-8:30 a.m. They will need help in this effort. If you are interested, let Tom or another member of the Mission Board know.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recent Prayer Requests: Pray for Gloria Martin whose husband, Cary, died on Monday, March 3. Also pray for Erika Webb, a neighbor of Marge Edwards.

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 Richard and Fran Fuller Mary Jane and Russell Davis

Florence Cowles, Barbara Brace's mother Amy Hockey and her family

PRAISES

"Dear Church Family, Life goes on here as in all places. A mouse in my house is not normal but does happen anywhere! I am recovering from a fall that broke three ribs. Mine are as sore as everyone else's when they are broken. Then sciatica gave me a nudge to thank God for the many years when all was well. My love and prayers always." -Edith Laning

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 $K - 5^{th}$ 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! Those interested in celebrating "wearin' the green" should meet in the church parking lot at 11:15 a.m. *Dress warmly* as we will be outdoors about 4 hours. Call or email Barbara Brace to RSVP by Thursday, March 13.

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

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Teacher/Contact</u>	<u>Location</u>
Ten Commandments	Pastor Leon	Chapel
Adult Journeys	Erm Ferris	Library
Bible Discussion (Psalms)	Jill Doss	#207
Bible Discussion (Job)	Al Dominy	#206



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, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Cindy Page, a bird rehabilitator and artist, will be our guest speaker. Cindy's presentation includes live birds of prey – owls and raptors, is fascinating and educational. The dinner will be provided by our Youth.

This is an intergenerational get-together, and all are invited to join in the fun@ Planners of this event are Barb Richardson, Christy Brownell, and our Youth!

We have scheduled a work day with Cindy Page in May.



Sunday, March 16th

7:00pm

Doors open @ 6:00pm

Syracuse Alliance Church

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

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.

<u>Pastor Leon's Office Hours:</u> Tuesday-Friday, 9 – Noon

Email: fbcm-pastor@twcny.rr.com

Youth News

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

Upcoming Events:

TONIGHT, March 9th: What?!?! Meeting on the 2nd Sunday of the month?!?! That's craziness! Yup... we're filming our Music Videos. Please let a Youth leader know if you can't make it...We need everyone there! Kutless Video: See Jillian & Rosey about time change. Matthew West Video: 3:00-5:00 p.m.



March 16th: Kutless Concert @ Syracuse Alliance Church. Door open at 6:00pm. We're meeting at the church @ 5:00pm Tickets have been ordered...



Senior High Event (Grades 9-12) Friday, March 14th @ 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!

March 29th: Youth are hosting a dinner for Unity Fellowship. Under the leadership of the Youth Team, the youth will prepare & serve a scrumptious dinner to those attending. The program for the evening is Cindy Page of Page Wildlife Center, which we know the Youth will enjoy! A service project is being planned @ Page Wildlife Center in May.

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

CALENDAR

TODAY, March 9th - Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 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.

MONDAY, March 10th

- 10:30 a.m. ABW Lenten Bible Series in the Church Library
- 6:30 p.m. Diaconate meeting

TUESDAY, March 11th

7:00 p.m. Executive Committee meeting

WEDNESDAY, March 12th - Lenten Supper & Bible Study

- 6:00 p.m. Family Night Supper in the gym
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Chapel

THURSDAY, March 13th

- 6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Team meeting

FRIDAY, March 14th

- 9:30 a.m. Stay 'n Play for moms, dads, & tots in the gym 'til 11:30 a.m.
- 7:30 p.m. Youth Group bowling at Green Lakes Lanes

SATURDAY, March 15th

- 8:00 a.m. Church work day until noon
- 11:15 a.m. God's Soldiers meet to go to St. Patrick's Day parade

SUNDAY, March 16th - Palm 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 at Methodist Church