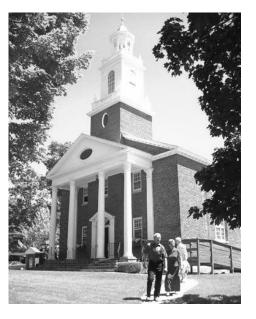
# First Baptist Church of Manlius

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# Sunday, March 18, 2007

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

# 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.

"Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: 'This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!'"

-Mark 9:7

Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius Sunday, March 18, 2007 ~ 8:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Lent

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** 

Mark 9:2-8

# The Transfiguration

<sup>2</sup>After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. <sup>3</sup>His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus.

<sup>5</sup>Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup>(He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.)

<sup>7</sup>Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!"

<sup>8</sup>Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus.

Sermon

"Spiritual Peak Experiences" 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: JoAnn Mostar

# Prayer Needs:PRAYER AND CAREPrayer Needs:Please call Cindy Mapstone at 655-0616 to<br/>contact the prayer chain.In Case of<br/>Emergency:If you or anyone you know is in need of food<br/>in times of sickness or family emergency,<br/>please notify Shirley Mapstone at 682-8169.<br/>This week please keep Ken and Ada Phelps<br/>in your prayers, as well as their Caregivers,<br/>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, March 18, 2007 ~ 11:00 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### **Gathering Time**

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Prelude

Joyce McCartney

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

Great and Wonderful God,

You revealed your glory to disciples in Jesus Christ; Help us, like them, turn to you in worship and praise. Help us listen to your word and see the wonder's of Christ's love.

Help us to reach with Jesus to a sick and wanting world, and minister with compassion for all people. For the sake of Jesus, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*Songs of Praise		See Insert	
Reading	I Peter 2:19-25	Page 1889	
Offering Offertory		John Spradling	
*Doxology and Dedication of Offering			
Children's Time**		Pastor Leon	

*Hymn	In the Cross of Christ I Glory	No. 251
Family Prayers	()	oys and Concerns)
Scripture	Mark 9:2-8	Page 1567
Sermon	"Spiritual Peak Experiences" Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee	
*Hymn of Response	Spirit of God, Descend upon My He	oart No. 147
*Benediction		
Postlude		Joyce McCartney
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\*\*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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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

#### **ROTATIONAL CURRICULUM**

Our children's Sunday School classes currently consist of the Lenten Rotational Curriculum, Jesus - Death Destroyer. The children are discovering these events from Jesus' final days: Jesus' Triumphal Entry, The Passover Meal, Jesus Prays for His Followers, and Jesus is Crucified - and Rises Again!

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 - During Lent**

#### 9:45-10:45 a.m. - in the Chapel

On the six Sundays during Lent our Adult Sunday School will offer the first Foundations Class: "Who Are We at First Baptist Church of Manlius?"

Pastor Leon (and others) will lead us in six classes that will cover:

Februar	y 25	- We are followers of Jesus
March	4	- We have a history
March	11	- We are Baptists
March	18	- We are Baptists part II
March	25	- We have been given this Ministry
April	1	- We are called to this Mission

The Foundations class is being developed as a way to introduce new people to our church. Our goal is that every member of First Baptist Church will have participated. You're encouraged to be part of this first set of classes.

## LENTEN BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

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

#### February 28-March 28 ~ Pastor Leon – Bible Study Leader

6:00 p.m. Fellowship: Sharing a simple meal of soup, salad, bread and dessert (donations accepted). We will complete the meal with time to clean-up and gather for the Bible Study with Pastor Leon.

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

#### "Peter: A Model for Discipleship"

March	21 -	The Heart of the Problem	John 13:6-9
March	28 -	Disappointment and Denial	Mark 14:26-27

**Children's Program:** Activities for the children will follow the evening topics. Kathie Shevchuk will coordinate these, so it will be helpful to let her know what children plan to attend. Call Kathie at 682-8678. 

#### **ABW LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

#### "Women of the Word ~ Women Who Weep"

Join this Lenten Bible Study each Monday 3/12-4/2 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 12 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, March 19 <sup>th</sup>
<u>Leader</u> : Cindy Mapstone	<u>Leader</u> : Myrna Benedict
Monday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monday, April 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Leader: Gail Carlsen	Leader: Myrna Benedict

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

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### **Recent Prayer Requests:**

**The Bex Family** – Ken Bex passed away Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. The service will be at First Baptist Church, Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. with a reception following the service.

<u>**Connor**</u> – JoAnn Mostar requests prayers for Connor, a 1-year old boy who is currently hospitalized to begin stem cell treatment for cancer.

#### Please Pray for:

Virginia Noble Cecile White's Aunt Irene Ruth Costello Wanda Baker The Whittaker Family Ken Bex Kermit Breed. Jr. Mary Jane and Russell Davis Wendy Bireline The Brownell and Magisano Families Christopher Olev Connie Dickenson Richard Piefnowicz Shirley Mapstone The Goodwin Family The Babcock Family

# **PRAISES**

"Dear Friends ~ After 10 days of "Trouble" dog watching at Tori and Ray's, it was good to be back with people where I could talk people words. Spring is on the way. The birds are back at the feeder after a few weeks not seeing them. They are a welcome sight. My one big joy is watching them. I can't see well enough to distinguish them, but it could be worse. My love and prayers to all of you, Edith Laning"

"Thank you so much for all of the cards and visits during my recuperation." -Shirley Mapstone

Please call Elaine at the Church office (682-8941) with requests by Wed. a.m.

# WOMEN & GIRL'S STATE GATHERING

American Baptist Women's Ministries of NYS

# "Come to the Edge"

April 27-29, 2007

Adam's Mark Hotel, 120 Church St., Buffalo, NY

See the bulletin board for more information. Contact Christy Brownell if you are interested in going at 518-225-4732.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!

#### "INDOOR" WORK DAY

#### at First Baptist Church Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 9-Noon

The Trustees are sponsoring an "indoor" Work Day!! Please join us as we "spruce up" our Church. For information, call JoAnn Mostar at 682-6802 or during the day at 687-7263, ext. 150.

> Coffee and donuts will be provided!! See you there.

## EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

April 8<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30 a.m. ~ Breakfast (in the gym) Come to the Easter Breakfast and celebrate the season with good food and fellowship after the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service and before the 11:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service.

## **MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET**

## Save this Date: Tuesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.

All Women are welcome. Bring a friend who deserves some special time. (Reservations will be taken in April)

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS COMING TO FIRST BAPTIST!!



# **JULY 30-AUGUST 3, 2007**

The VBS Planning Committee's work is underway. A core of volunteer leaders is emerging, getting ready for the program called **Take the Plunge!** But you know it takes many hands to make lighter work, and we need yours! You can help! Even if you can't commit to the whole week, please consider volunteering in some capacity - much of the work is done well beforehand, and we invite you to be a part of this important Christian Education program. Come on!

Take the Plunge with us!

The next planning meeting is **Tuesday, March 27, 6:30 pm.** 

Join the VBS team now!

# **CALENDAR**

#### TODAY, March 18th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching

9:45 a.m. Sunday School – Rotational Curriculum for grades K-5<sup>th</sup> Adult Education – Foundations Class in the Chapel

- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

## MONDAY, March 19th

10:30 a.m. ABW Lenten Series in the Library w/soup after in the Chapel

# WEDNESDAY, March 21st

6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal in the gym 7:00 p.m. Lenten Bible Study

## THURSDAY, March 22nd

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

# FRIDAY, March 23rd

5:00 p.m. Camp Manlius Camp Out in the Church gym 'til 9:15 a.m. Saturday

# SATURDAY, March 24th

- 9:15 a.m. Camp Manlius Camp Out over
- 11:00 a.m. Funeral service for Ken Bex
- 6:30 p.m. Unity Fellowship in the Chapel

# NEXT SUNDAY, March 25th - Fifth Sunday of Lent

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Rotational Curriculum for grades K-5<sup>th</sup> Adult Education – Foundations Class in the Chapel
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
- 12:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Group



## Pastor Leon's Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-Noon Email: fbcm-pastor@twcny.rr.com



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## "FOUR FOR THE LORD" UPDATE

Great News!! The Sanctuary Upgrade has been paid for. We now just have the Parking Lot Fund to pay off. Please keep your pledges for "Four for the Lord" coming in so the Parking Lot Fund can be paid off, too.

**BLANKET SUNDAY** – The total collected as of March 11<sup>th</sup> is: **\$605.00!** 

**UNITY FELLOWSHIP** – The "Soup 'n' Slipper Party" is this **Saturday**, **March 24, 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel. Music will be provided by Bill Burt. The committee: Art and Shirley Mapstone, Ruby Pfohl, Flo Dixon. <u>All are invited!!</u>

-Save **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** for a noontime visit to the Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum. A power point presentation about boats on the Erie Canal, lunch, and an optional tour of the museum and grounds is planned. <u>All are invited!!</u>

**NURSERY HELP NEEDED** – We have a shortage of people to help provide child care in the nursery during the second service. If you would be willing to help, even one or two times a year, we could use you. Please see Al Dominy or call him at 637-4964.

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING		
"For the love of Christ urges us on" –II Corinthians 5:14-15		- Contraction
GOAL:	\$1,500	
<u>S-T-R-E-T-C-H</u> :	\$1,800	
DONATIONS RECEIVED TO DATE	\$ 920	

Have you ever wanted to go to camp, but didn't know what it was all about? Want to invite friends to camp out in the church?

Wanna come to <u>Camp Manlius</u>?!?!

Even if you are a camp regular or you've never been - we are bringing camp to you!

> March 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:00 pm until March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15 am

For students  $1^{st}$  -  $6^{th}$  grade

<u>Campfire, Devotionals, Craft, Games, Friendship and Funl</u> See Christy Brownell for more information <u>cbrownell@abc-nys.org</u> 518.225.4732

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