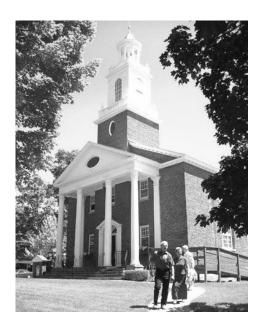
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Sunday, March 25, 2007 Fifth Sunday of Lent WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

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

"...whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ..."

-Mark 10:43

Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius Sunday, March 25, 2007 ~ 8:30 a.m. Fifth 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 John 13:6-9

⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

8"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet."

Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me."

⁹"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

Sermon

"The Heart of the Problem"
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 AND CARE

Prayer Needs: Please call Cindy Mapstone at 655-0616 to

contact the prayer chain.

In Case of If you or anyone you know is in need of food

Emergency: 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.

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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 25, 2007 ~ 11:00 a.m. Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gathering Time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Joyce McCartney

Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)

Almighty God, merciful Father:

we do not deserve to be called your children, for we have left you, and wasted our gifts.

Our desire this morning is to turn from our ways and worship you; to give you all the praise and glory.

Help us to know that when we repent and turn to you, you are forgiving, and are coming with joy to welcome us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Songs of Praise

See Insert

Reading

I Peter 3:8-16

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Offering

Offertory

John Spradling

*Doxology and Dedication of Offering

Children's Time**

Pastor Leon

*Hymn What a Friend We Have in Jesus No. 466

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

Scripture John 13:6-9 Page 1673

Sermon "The Heart of the Problem"

Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

*Hymn of Response Higher Ground No. 469

*Benediction

Postlude Joyce McCartney

^{**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.



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• Guests are invited to sign the guest book or fill out a visitor card.

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• **Greeting:** Myrna Benedict

• Ushers: Melissa Buskey and Kyle Short

• Child Care: Greg Short

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

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 is offering 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:

February 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 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 12th Monday, March 19th
<u>Leader</u>: Cindy Mapstone <u>Leader</u>: Myrna Benedict

Monday, March 26th Monday, April 2nd

<u>Leader</u>: Gail Carlsen <u>Leader</u>: Myrna Benedict

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray for:

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

PRAISES

I would like to thank all who sent cards and remembered my family in prayer after the sudden death of my cousin, Wayne Magisano. Knowing that I have a church family who would support us in that way is such an awesome gift.

Thank you! In HIM, Christy Brownell

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At the end of each month, the names on the Prayer List above will be removed unless previously specified. If you would like a name to remain on the list for another 30 days, please call the church office. If you have any questions, please contact the Diaconate Board. Thank You.

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Please call Elaine at the Church office (682-8941) with any prayer requests or praises by Wednesday morning. Thank you.

A NOTE FROM MINISTRY SUPPORT – As the Ministry Support Committee meets with members of the church staff, your feedback, concerns, kudos and suggestions are most welcome. Please contact Barbara Brace, Jean Lynn Buskey, Al Dominy, Ann Morales or Bill Lyon anytime. Thank you.

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 31st, 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.

MAUNDY THURSDAY ~ April 5th

6:00 p.m. Family Night Supper
7:00 p.m. "The Living Last Supper"
The Manlius Methodist Congregation will join us at
First Baptist Church

Experience a dramatic musical experience featuring a combined choir and actors dramatizing the story. We will celebrate the Last Supper together.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ April 6th

7:00 p.m. - A simple service to reflect on the passion of Christ.

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

April 8th ~ 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 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-5th

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 until 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, March 26th

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

6:00 p.m. Diaconate Board Meeting

TUESDAY, March 27th

6:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School Planning meeting in the Library

WEDNESDAY, March 28th

8:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal in the gym

7:00 p.m. Lenten Bible Study

THURSDAY, March 29th

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

SATURDAY, March 31st

9:00 a.m. Indoor Church Workday until noon

NEXT SUNDAY, April 1st – Palm Sunday

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

9:45 a.m. Sunday School – Rotational Curriculum for grades K-5th

Adult Education – Foundations Class in the Chapel

11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching

12:15 p.m. Ministry Support Committee meeting in the Historical room

12:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Youth Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLANKET SUNDAY – The total collected as of March 18th is: **\$630.00!**

UNITY FELLOWSHIP – The next Unity Fellowship get together will be **Saturday, April 28**th 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. **All are invited!!**

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

GOAL: \$1,500

<u>S-T-R-E-T-C-H</u>: \$1,800

DONATIONS RECEIVED TO DATE: \$1,190





Pastor Leon's Office Hours

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



ABW MINISTRIES



Tuesday, April 17th, 7:00 p.m. – we will meet at the home of Olga Schmidt. Dessert will be served. Myrna Benedict will speak on our

mission focus for this year ~ The Democratic Republic of the Congo. If you've heard Myrna's programs before, you won't want to miss this one!

Saturday, April 21st, 11:00 a.m. – The Cayuga-Onondaga ABW Ministries Association's Spring meeting will be held at the United Church of Fayetteville on this date. Registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon. Election of officers will take place. Our speaker will be Cynthia Hunter, the Director of the Dorothy Day House in Syracuse (a haven for abused women and children). Please bring a dish to share and table service. We are also asked to bring a donation of paper products and/or cleaning products for the house. Transportation will be provided.

Friday, April 27th-**Sunday, April 29**th – The NYS/ABW Ministries convention is scheduled for this date at the Adam Marks Hotel in Buffalo. Christy Brownell is on the convention committee and is also leading one of the workshops. This will be an inspiring weekend. Several of our women will be attending. Won't you join us?

CALLING ALL CAMPERS!!

The Board of Christian Education is granting camp scholarships to those who make a request. Please fill out a form (on the table in the Narthex), place it in an envelope, and drop it in the Christian Education mailbox by May 1st. If you need more information, please contact Barbara Brace, Jeanette Adams, Christy Brownell, Bill Lyon or Wendy Mapstone.

<u>Please note</u>: This form <u>must be</u> submitted by **05/01/2007** to ensure you will receive a camp scholarship. Any entries after that day will be considered, but not guaranteed. All recipients are expected to write a note of thanks to the congregation for their scholarship and explain why camp is important in their Christian life. These notes should be delivered to the mailbox of Christian Education. Thank you & see you at Camp!