

First Baptist Church of Manlius

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Sunday, May 21, 2006



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.*

*"My command is this: Love each other
as I have loved you."*

-John 15:12

First Baptist Church of Manlius 8:30 a.m.

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.**

Our Scripture focus this morning is:

John 15:9-17

⁹As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. ¹³Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. ¹⁷This is my command: Love each other.

Sermon

"Abiding II"

Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee

First Baptist Church of Manlius
11:00 a.m.

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:** Sally Lyon and Kathie Shevchuk

PRAYER AND CARE

- Prayer Needs:** Please call Cindy Mapstone at 655-0616 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 Ginny Noble in your prayers, as well as her Caregiver, Betty Heller.

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

Gathering Time

Welcome and Announcements

Barbara Brace

Prelude

Joyce McCartney

Call to Worship

from Psalm 98

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.

**People: The LORD has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.**

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;

**People: make music to the LORD with the harp,
shout for joy before the LORD, the King.**

Leader: Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.
Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together for joy;

**People: let them sing before the LORD,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.**

***Opening Hymn**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

No. 337

***Songs of Praise**

See Insert

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE



The weather, the last few days, has been enjoyable with its warm & sunny daylight hours. It makes one want to dream of the summer days ahead. Before we know it, summer will be in full swing. In preparation for the warm days ahead, we will be setting our sights on the 4th of July parade. We here at First Baptist know that means preparing for what has quickly become a tradition - passing out cool bottles of water during the parade. It has been well received by the community as well as making folks aware of the wheelchair ministry we have established. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this Church Wide event. Please fill out and return the form below to Kathie Shevchuk. It takes many, many hands and feet working together to pull off such an event and you'll want to be a part of it. Call Kathie @ 682-8678 with any questions. You can count on me to help:

Name: _____

Phone _____

- _____ contribute toward purchasing bottled water.
- _____ walk the parade route and hand out water.
- _____ hand out water from my parade viewing location.
- _____ help label the bottles of water.
- _____ decorate the float (any ideas?)
- _____ drive a vehicle in the parade.
- _____ I can provide my own tractor or truck!

DONATIONS NEEDED!!

In 2005, we passed out 5,000 bottles of water during the Manlius 4th of July Parade. We almost made it the entire parade route. This year our goal is to pass out 6,000 bottles of water. We have again partnered with P & C in Manlius to purchase the bottled water, store and freeze it prior to the parade. In 2005, we were able to purchase a case of water for \$4.99. This year we are able to pre-purchase the water for \$2.99 a case. What a deal! Trying to be good stewards, we went ahead and purchased 250 cases of water. If you would like to contribute to the purchasing of the water, please give Kathie Shevchuk your donations. Checks may be made out to FBC, please indicate 4th of July water in the memo line. Thanking everyone in advance.

~Kathie Shevchuk (682-8678)



PRAYER REQUESTS

Requests for prayers that came in this week:

Art Mapstone – had his surgery on May 17th.

Steve Poole – has passed away ~ please keep the Poole family in your prayers.

Please Pray for:

Wanda Baker Virginia Noble
Cecile White's Aunt Irene
Al Parker Joni Dominy
Virginia Gile Ken Phelps
Mary Jane and Russell Davis
Walter and Dottie Ammann

Rev. Bill Kerr
Ana Corona
Ron Perkins
Florence Cowles
Ruth Costello

PRAISES

Joe Malloy is doing better – Praise God! ~ Dave Knaebel

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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.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

First Baptist Church in the gym



**Saturday, June 3, 2006
(7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)**



**Cost: 14 y.o. - Adults \$5.00
 Ages 5-13 y.o. \$3.00
 Ages 5 and under FREE!!**

This is an all-you-can eat, made-to-order breakfast and it's for a great cause! Come out and support Christy Brownell and her Xtreme Mission Trip to Brazil this July.

The breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, toast, sausage, orange juice, coffee, hot cocoa, and tea. Christy's family and members of the West Hoosick Falls Fire Department are cooking.

This event is sponsored by the Church Mission Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friday Morning Bible Study - "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World." This new series began March 17th and it will continue for 12 weeks. All are welcome to join. We should finish the study on June 9th. If you would like to join in this discussion, please contact Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678.

Joyful Sounds Choir - The choir is working on "Journey of Praise," a musical program for Children's Day on June 4th to be performed during the 11:00 a.m. service.

Attention Graduates!! - Soon many graduations will be held. If you or someone in your family will be graduating (High School, College, Master's, Doctorate), please submit a photograph and a paragraph telling us where you are graduating from, the date of graduation, where you will be attending college or where you will be working after graduation and any other pertinent information you would like to include. This must be submitted to the Church office **no later than Friday, June 9th** so we can include this in the July newsletter. Photographs will be returned to you. Thank you!

Scholarships – Anyone interested in applying for college scholarships can find an application in the church office. These applications need to be returned to the Church office **no later than Thursday, June 1st.**

New Adult Class - A new adult elective class began last week and will meet during the month of May. Each week we will discuss the scripture and sermon. For those who attend the 8:30 a.m. service it will be a chance to discuss the sermon in greater depth. If you attend the 11 a.m. service, it will be a chance to prepare yourself for worship. We meet in Room 209 (at the top of the stairs – Kathie Shevchuk's office). Please speak to Bill Lyon or Rosey Oaks-Lee if you need more information.

Volunteers Needed – Help save a life from the comfort of your own home or at the American Red Cross office. Blood supply is at a critical low! Help the American Red Cross to recruit blood donors via the telephone for local blood drives. Calls made to current blood donors only. Flexible hours ~ 1-hour training. Call Jenny (234-2243)

A Note from Edith Laning – *"Dear Friends, My eyesight is getting worse! I've been three weeks at Teri and Ray's watching "Trouble," the dog. Teri's class won its Academic Decathlon for the state of Ohio. They went to San Antonio for a week and then Ray and Teri went to Santa Barbara for a week; Ray resented a paper for his company. I'm home now – picking up and catching up. I'm recovering from broken ribs and a strained leg muscle. God bless every one of you, Edith."*

Secret Place Devotionals – are always available in the Narthex. Help yourself to some great everyday devotional reading (donations accepted).

CALENDAR

To: All Interested Leaders and Volunteers of VBS

From: Kathie Shevchuk, Ministry Coordination

Re: VBS Alternative Summer Program 2006

As we begin our Spring Cleaning at church and at home, it's hard to think about our summer programs. But think we must! In order for any program to be successful, we must begin to make plans.

This past year much discussion had been done by the Board of Christian Education and our pastor concerning our VBS program as we know it. It was decided to try a new approach to VBS. Instead of providing a whole week of programming, we would adapt the VBS curriculum "Jerusalem Market" to fit in a day. By providing the opportunity to host this event on one weekend day, we may attract families vs. children only in attending. Not only would families be able to learn about the life of Jesus together, but those who must work during the week would now be able to attend and/or volunteer their time and talents.

An informational and initial planning meeting will be held at First Baptist Church on **Tuesday, May 23rd at 6:30 pm.** in **Room 208** to review the curriculum, dates and times, brainstorm ideas, and begin our journey together towards a wonderful church event!

I hope you can join me for this planning meeting. Refreshments will be served. Please call ahead at 682-8678 to let me know to expect you. If you are unable to make this planning meeting, but are interested in being a part of this VBS Team, please call or e-mail me at xstitchkath@twcny.rr.com to let me know of your availability.

Let's work together to bring the blessing of this summer's VBS Alternative Program to the youth and families of our church and community.

Moving together in Christ.

SUNDAY, May 21st

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pat Beglin
1:30 p.m. Mother-Daughter Banquet in the gym

TUESDAY, May 23rd

6:30 p.m. VBS Planning Meeting in Room 208
7:00 p.m. Weigh Down Workshop in the Church Library

WEDNESDAY, May 24th

8:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
9:30 a.m. Stay 'n' Play in the gym (last meeting until the fall)

FRIDAY, May 26th

9:15 a.m. Bible Study at Kathie Shevchuk's house

NEXT SUNDAY, May 28th – Memorial Day Weekend

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching

The Church office will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th.

America for Christ Offering – FBC has reached and gone beyond its goal of \$1,500!!!! As of May 14th, the total amount collected = \$1,520.00. Thank you very much for your generosity towards this mission.

Pastor Leon's Office Hours are:

Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Email: fbc-m-pastor@twcny.rr.com



Children's Day is Sunday, June 4th

The Children will be performing a musical play during the 11:00 a.m. service entitled, "Journey of Praise."

Note to Children and Parents:

Rehearsals:

- All children need to be present that morning at 9:45 a.m. for a dress rehearsal prior to worship.
- Saturday, June 3rd at 8:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m. (sanctuary)

Attendance is required by all children in Joyful Sounds as well as Mrs. Guynup's class.

Children need to bring in a white t-shirt no later than May 28th (An iron-on will be placed on the front.). We will be wearing them on Children's Day. Please give to Mrs. Guynup, Mrs. Mapstone or Mrs. Shevchuk. Thank you.

Everyone is invited to a celebration luncheon immediately following the 11:00 service on June 4th. Please bring a dish to pass. Grilled hot dogs, drinks and paper goods will be provided. Families whose last names begin with "A-G," please bring a salad. Families "H-N," please bring a side dish other than salad, and families "O-Z," please bring a dessert.

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Celebration Luncheon June 4th @ 12:00

Name _____ # attending _____

**Sunday School ... Sunday School ...
Sunday School**

**The last day of Sunday school is
June 11th,
for 2005-2006.**

Two great things are happening this day.



#1) All Children and Youth are invited to a Super Church Celebration Party. This party takes place during the Sunday school hour, at 9:45. Meet in the Sanctuary to see a play called "Feathers" by the 4th and 5th graders; sing songs of praise, and play some fun games! Adults are always welcome!

#2) June 11th is Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Day. ♥♥ During the 11:00 service, our dedicated Sunday school teachers will be recognized for their talented and tireless dedication to their students. All are invited for this time of celebration!

From your friendly Board of Christian Education

☺☺ Sunday morning education classes will return on
September 10, 2006. ☺☺

If you would like to stay fresh in the word of God, sign up for the website, "Sayings of Jesus".

You will receive one scripture e-mail a day from
the New Testament. sayingsofjesus@sayingsofjesus.com  

Camping News!!

TIME IS RUNNING OUT! CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS ARE DUE BY JUNE 1 ST.
Applications are on the table in the Narthex. Please complete your application and place in the Christian Education mailbox. Questions? Contact Joni Dominy, 637-4964. If you have applied for a scholarship, you will be contacted in mid June. Thank you!

ABCNYS Camping - Camp Nurse Needed: Camp Vick is in need of a nurse for our summer camping program. Are you an RN, LPN or an EMT who can give one or two weeks or more to serve as our nurse for our children's camping program? We need an individual with a current license or certification as well as a current CPR card. Please prayerfully consider joining our summer ministry team and join in our mission to show Christ's love. For any questions or interest in applying please contact: Jillene Narraway Camp Director 716-492-4494 campvick@abc-nys.org

Saturday, June 3rd, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.:

Come one, come all to the open house at **Pathfinder Lodge** (rain or shine). There will be a free lunch, tours, crafts, a campfire, and lots of fun and fellowship☺
Pathfinder Lodge is located on East Lake Road between Cooperstown and Route 20 at East Springfield. Turn south on Route 20, following the signs to Glimmerglass State Park. Continue south to Pathfinder Lodge (607-547-2300). Email is: PathfinderLodge@hotmail.com

Saturday, June 10th, 1 p.m. (Dedication) and 3 p.m. (Festival):

There are two events at **Camp Vick** that you don't want to miss!!
At 1:00 p.m. there will be the dedication of our new director's house and at 3:00 p.m. there will be a worship festival with several worship bands! **Right now we are seeking to find bands or music groups from our churches who desire to be part of the event.** If you or your group is interested in playing/performing/leading worship, let us know! Bands will be playing between 2 and 5 pm. Contact Josh at: jnarraway@abc-nys.org or 716-492-4494. Camp Vick is located in Sandusky, 3 ½ miles south of Arcade on Route 98 at Sandbank Road. Turn right onto Sandbank Road and the entrance to camp is about 2,000 feet on the right (716-492-4494). Email is: camp_vick@hotmail.com.

****Please see John or Kim Granata for details or if you would like to attend the June 10th event. We will be taking the Church Van for those attending.****

Website: www.pathfinder-campvick.org.