

First Baptist Church of Manlius

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Sunday, November 25, 2007

Worship Service ~ 8:30 a.m.

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

Worship Service ~ 11:00 a.m.

*“Then [Jesus] ...said: ‘If anyone would
come after me, he must deny himself and
take up his cross and follow me.’”*

-Mark 8:34

*Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius
Sunday, November 25, 2007 ~ 8:30 a.m.*

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

Colossians 1:9-20

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. ¹⁰And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, ¹¹being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

¹³For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Supremacy of Christ

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Sermon

“The Supremacy of Christ”

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
- **Flowers:** today are from Jeff Loope in celebration of Mom's Birthday, November 28th

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 Beth Greene in your prayers, as well as her Caregiver, Shirley Mapstone.

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, November 25, 2007 ~ 11:00 a.m.

Gathering time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Joyce McCartney

Call to Worship

from Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,
an ever-present help in trouble.

**People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.**

Leader: Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

**People: The LORD Almighty is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.
Come and see the works of the LORD.**

***Songs of Praise**

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A Reading

Jeremiah 23:5-6

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Offering

Offertory

***Doxology and Dedication of Offering**

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Children's Time**

***Hymn** *What a Day That Will Be* No. 314

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

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Sermon "The Supremacy of Christ" Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee

Statement of Faith Melissa Buskey

***Hymn** *All to Jesus I Surrender* No. 408

Service of Baptism for Melissa Buskey

***Hymn** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* No. 402

***Benediction**

Postlude Joyce McCartney

*If you are able, please stand.

**4 & 5 year olds are welcome to go with Carole 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 Shirley Mapstone.



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- **Greeting:** Carole and Charlie Guynup
- **Ushers:** John Granata and Jim Mitscher
- **Flowers:** today are from Jeff Loope in celebration of Mom's Birthday, November 28th.

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THE MASTER'S TOUCH CHORALE CONCERT

is coming to:

**First Baptist Church of Manlius
408 Pleasant Street, Manlius, NY**

**Saturday, December 1st
7:30 p.m.**

in the Sanctuary

*You don't want to miss out on this beautiful concert.
Come and hear the joyful
sounds of Christmas.*

A reception in the Chapel will follow the performance.

~ ~ ~

This is ABW's Christmas gift to all of you.
The Committee consists of:
Jill Doss, Sally Lyon & Janet Norris

You're invited - Please come!
Family Craft Night

**Tuesday, December 6, 2007
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Gym**



Bring the kids to make crafts for Christmas gifts or decorations!

It's easy, it's free, and we'll even feed you a hot dog and dessert supper!

**Where: First Baptist Church - Gym
408 Pleasant Street, Manlius, NY**

Phone: 682-8941



All are welcome - ages 0 - 100!!!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Recent Prayer Requests:

Ruth Costello – fell on Thursday, Nov. 8th and is in Stonehedge Health & Rehab. Ctr., Room A13, 331 Russell St., Chittenango, NY 13037 (687-7255).
Mr. & Mrs. Syracuse – both have cancer – requested by Ana Corona

Please Pray for:

Virginia Noble	Wanda Baker	Connor
Kermit Breed, Jr.	Al Parker	Loretta Beuchert
Mike Handzel	Joe Malloy	Martin Short
Richard Fuller and his wife, Fran	Barbara, Carol Davenport's sister	Licia Swain
Virginia, Carol Davenport's aunt	Florence Cowles, Barbara Brace's mother	
Abigail, Dorcas Ambrosio's sister	Ruth, Dorcas Ambrosio's sister	
The Buskey family	Jon Perry, Dave Knaebel's friend	
Donna, Joyce McCartney's sister	Mary Jane and Russell Davis	

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

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.

Adult Sunday School Options

9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.



Choose between four classes:

- 1) "What's So Amazing About Grace?" ~ Leader: Ellen Everly (Chapel)
- 2) Adult Journeys ~ Leader: Erm Ferris (Library)
- 3) Bible Study ~ Room 207 (next to the choir room)
Contact person: Jill Doss
- 4) Bible Study ~ Room 206 Contact persons: Al Dominy & Mark Mapstone

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.

Youth News



December 2nd: FBC Youth Group Christmas Party! Meet at the church @ 6:00 pm and bring a (preferably clean) sock (yes, you read correctly...) and come celebrate Christmas with us!

Do you know the Christmas story? What town was Jesus born in? Who were his parents? You may want to study up since we'll have a myth buster exam. Do you know the story as well as you think?? Come and find out! As usual, we'll have festive games, crazy antics and some yummy food. What were you supposed to bring???

We want to send 'FBC Manlius Love' to our College Students!



Please help the youth gather goodies to send to our college students. If you are unable to purchase items, we will accept donations to offset the mailing cost. Please place your donations in the box near the Library by December 2nd. (Ramen noodles, post-its, pens, hot cocoa, crackers, microwave popcorn, gum, etc.) If you know of a College Student, please contact the church office with his/her name and school address. Care Packages will be mailed December 3rd.

**Youth Group meets
1st & 3rd Sundays!**

**Next Activities:
December 2nd: Christmas Party
December 16th: Church-wide Play**

The Youth Group would like to extend our love & support to Melissa Buskey on her baptism.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ABW MINISTRIES – Fruit plates for our special Church members will be packed and delivered on **Sunday, December 9th**. Committee: Ruth Ware and Annette Andrusyszyn.

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.

Blanket Sunday will be held February 10th. JoAnn Mostar is in charge.

INTERESTED IN 2008 VBS? - Join us on **Tuesday, November 27** from **7-8:30 p.m.** in the Library to talk about what kind of experience we want for our children and children of the Manlius community next summer. Questions? Speak to Rosey Oaks-Lee 637-0023.

CALENDARS FOR 2008 - are needed for residents in nursing homes and adult care facilities. Calendars may be dropped off through Jan.15th at the Fayetteville or Manlius libraries. Please call Diane at 637-6632 if you have any questions.

JOYFUL SOUNDS CHOIR – will be presenting a short, musical play in 3 scenes called "*When Jesus Was Born.*" Speakers are Allison Butler (Child 1) and Lucy Shephard (Child 2); Prophet from the Old Testament – Kelsey Mapstone; Mary – Joanna Butler; Joseph – Christopher Oley; Three Wise Men – Richard Spradling, Will Shephard, and Ross Goodwin. Other choir members have speaking parts. Special rehearsal is planned for Sunday, December 2nd after church in the Sanctuary. It is important that all choir members be in attendance at all rehearsals from now until the performance, **Sunday, December 16th during the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service.** The choir will also participate in the evening performance on December 16th with the adults.

CALENDAR

TODAY, November 25th

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
~ Baptism Service for Melissa Buskey ~

TUESDAY, November 27th

7:00 p.m. VBS 2008 meeting in the Church Library until 8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, November 28th

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting

THURSDAY, November 29th

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

FRIDAY, November 30th

9:30 a.m. Stay 'n Play 'til 11:30 am (for moms/dads with their tots in the gym)

SATURDAY, December 1st

7:30 p.m. Master's Touch Chorale in the Sanctuary – Reception after ~ Chapel

NEXT SUNDAY, December 2nd ~ First Sunday of Advent

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. Ministry Support committee meeting
6:00 p.m. Youth Group Christmas Party until 7:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Trustees Board meeting
7:00 p.m. Advent Lessons and Carols at Immaculate Conception, Fayetteville



Pastor Leon's Office Hours:
Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-Noon
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