# First Baptist Church of Manlius

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First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2005

#### WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Sunday School and Adult Education – 9:30 a.m. Worship Service – 10:45 a.m.

"For God alone my soul waits in silence; From him comes my salvation."

-Psalm 62:1

**Gathering Time** 

**Welcome and Announcements** 

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

from Psalm 62

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence;

from him comes my salvation.

**People:** He alone is my rock and my salvation,

my fortress, I shall never be shaken.

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence

for my hope is from him.

People: On God rests my deliverance and my honor;

my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Leader: Trust in him at all times O people;

pour our your heart before him;

God is a refuge for us.

**Choir Anthem** An Advent Prayer —Allen Pote

**Adult Choir** 

**Opening Prayer** 

Lighting the First Advent Candle John and Kim Granata

Worshiping God in Song See Insert

A Reading 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Offering

Offertory Creator of the Stars of Night –Paxton Adult Choir

\*Doxology and Dedication of Offering

Children's Time\*\* Barbara Brace

Family Prayers (Joys and Concerns)

**Scripture** <u>Mark 13:32-37</u> Page 1578

\*Hymn of Preparation Be Still My Soul No. 77

Sermon "Waiting on God" Rev. Oaks-Lee

\*Hymn of Response The Solid Rock No. 92

\*Benediction

Postlude Joyce McCartney

#### **ABOUT THIS MORNING**

- Guests are invited to sign the guest book or fill out a visitor card.
- Hearing devices are available from an usher.

• Worship Leader: Kathie Shevchuk

• **Greeting:** Mark, Cindy, Lauren, Morgan, and Taylor

Mapstone

• Ushers: Ken Bex and Harry Cole

• Child Care: Cindy Mapstone

• Flowers: are in celebration of Mom's Birthday,

today, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Love, Jeff and family

#### 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 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, Ken Bex.

Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee, Pastor
John Spradling, Music Director
Joyce McCartney, Organist
Elaine LaFollette, Betsy Miller, Secretaries
Michael McCartney, Custodian
Cindy Mapstone, Christian Enrichment Coordinator
Kathie Shevchuk, Christian Enrichment Coordinator
Shirley Mapstone, Joyful Sounds Director
Mary Schwarz, Praise Team Director
Wendy Mapstone, Playschool Director
Marge Edwards, King's Kids Director

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Craft Night** – will be **Wednesday**, **December 7**<sup>th</sup>, **5:30-7 pm** in the gym. We need crafters and helpers to make this event a success. Sally and Bill Lyon will be serving a hot dog supper. Cupcakes will be decorated and served as dessert. Please call Shirley Mapstone to help out at 682-8169. Thank you☺

**Joyful Sounds Choir** - will sing for the morning worship service on **Sunday**, **December 11th**, and in the evening at 6:00 they will participate in the Christmas play "One Special Christmas." Joyful Sounds will be singing two numbers with the Adult choir. Soloists for the Friendly Beasts are: Allison Butler, Kelsey Mapstone, Lexi Dominy, Claire Adams, and Samantha Hotchkiss. Lauren Mapstone will be a soloist for "Away in a Manger."

<sup>\*</sup>If you are able, please stand.

<sup>\*\*4 &</sup>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 Shirley Mapstone.

#### **ABW MINISTRIES**

Master's Touch Chorale – The Master's Touch Chorale will present a concert for our ABW Christmas meeting on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This concert is open to the entire congregation and to the public as part of the St. Nicholas Festival. A reception in the Chapel will follow the concert. Hostesses are: Jill Doss, Sally Lyon, and Debbie Oley. For each St. Nicholas event, people attending are asked to bring a food item for the Interreligious Food Consortium.

**ABC/NYS Board of Mission** – A luncheon will take place on Friday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> for the ABC/NYS Board of Mission. Greg Short will be the chef for this event.

**Fruit baskets** – On **Sunday morning, December 11**<sup>th</sup>, we are asking the church congregation to bring a piece or two of fruit for the Christmas baskets for our special people. Ruth Ware is in charge of collecting and packing the fruit baskets after church. There will be a collection bin in the Narthex.

**Unity Fellowship** - will hold its annual New Year's Eve party on **Saturday**, **December 31st.** Appetizers will be served in the library from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and dinner will follow at 7:15 p.m. Elwin Richardson's delicious homemade ice cream will be served at the end of the evening following the entertainment. All are invited. The committee is Mapstone, Guynup & Ware.

**Bible Study** – Friday's, 9:15 a.m. at Kathie Shevchuk's house; all are encourage to attend. Please call Kathie with questions at 682-8678.

#### **NEW YEAR - NEW SERVICE - NEW SCHEDULE**

**Six weeks** from now, on **January 8, 2006**, our Contemporary Service will start at **8:30 a.m.** What a great way to begin the New Year. Pick a style or time that is just right for you and join us as we praise and honor God at First Baptist Church. The new schedule is:

8:30 a.m.	<b>NEW!</b> Contemporary Worship
9:45-10:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m.	Worship

#### **CALENDAR**

#### **SUNDAY**, November 27th – First Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education

10:45 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching

#### **TUESDAY**, November 29th

7:00 p.m. Weigh Down Workshop in the Church Library

#### FRIDAY, December 2nd

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

#### SATURDAY, December 3rd

9:00 a.m. The 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Christmas Mart at Christ Episcopal/Manlius

1:00 p.m. Drop & Shop Saturday until 4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. The Master's Touch Chorale at First Baptist/Manlius

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**, December 4th – 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education

10:45 a.m. Worship Service/Rev. Leon Oaks-Lee is preaching

12:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

12:15 p.m. Ministry Support Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. Diaconate Board Meeting

7:00 p.m. Advent Lessons & Carols at Immaculate Conception Church/F'ville

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### Requests which came in this week:

**John** – Joni Dominy's brother who had a mild heart attack last Friday.

<u>From the Worship Committee</u> – Pray for the extra "support people" needed for the new service, including child care workers and greeters.

#### Please Pray for:

Wanda Baker Rosa Cano's mother (dementia)

Rosa's husband and daughter Virginia Noble Steve Poole Rev. Bill Kerr

Laura Dominy, Al's sister

Cecile White's Aunt Irene

Beverly and Joe Curr

Ken Bex and Family

The Kauffman Family Jill Hayward Al Parker Pete The Norris Family Willis Calkins

#### **PRAISES**

"This beautiful, sunny morning about 9:30 (Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>), the Young Peoples' Sunday School class under the leadership of Mark Mapstone and John Granata raked the leaves in our yard during their hour before church. We are so appreciative of their giving of their time and energy to help us. Thank you all for your kindness. Gratefully, Ken and Ada Phelps."

Carole Guynup wishes to thank her Secret Pal for the lovely mum plant for Thanksgiving; it was great.

Thank you to my Secret Pal. Your thoughtfulness is lovely. I am enjoying my Guardian Angel. With Love, Joni Dominy

Thank you Secret Pal for remembering me at Thanksgiving – Colleen Guynup

Do you have a prayer request or praise to share? Please call Elaine in the Church office (682-8941) by Wednesday morning.

<u>PLEASE NOTE PASTOR LEON'S NEW EMAIL ADDRESS</u>: fbcm-pastor@twcny.rr.com



#### **POINSETTIA ORDER**



Name:	
would like to help beautify the sanctuary for the holiday season.	
wish to order a total of Poinsettia plants.	
The cost is \$6.75 per plant.	
Please check which color(s) you would like and how many of each plant:	
REDPINK	
Please indicate the following:	
Γο the Glory of God:	
n Memory of:	
Other:	
I wish to donate my plant to the Church.	
I will pick up my plant after worship on December 24.	
Please fill out this form and place it and the money in an envelope clearly	
marked "Poinsettias" in the offering plate or mail it to the Church. ALL	
ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER	
27th. The plants will be placed in the Church on December 11 <sup>th</sup> and	
December 18th. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Lynn Buskey	
at 682-0252	

### First Baptist Church, Manlius 408 Pleasant St.

DROP & SHOP Saturday
December 3rd 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm



Got errands to run, shopping to be finished or anything else that may be a convenience for parents to be kids free? Let our teens watch your kids. An adult will be present with our reliable teens. The fee for this time out is \$10.00 per child. Games, arts & crafts, and movies will be offered for children to 10 years old. A snack will be provided. Reservations are a must by November 28<sup>th</sup>. Limited reservations. Questions or to register call Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678.



Parent's Friday Night Out December 9, 2005 7:00-10:00 pm

What a great opportunity for parents to have a night out - kids free. We will offer games, arts & crafts and movies for children to 10 years old. Snack provided. The fee for this night out is \$10.00 per child. Registrations are a must by December 4<sup>th</sup>. Limited reservations. An adult will be present with our reliable teens. Questions and reservations - call Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678.

## SERVICE IN PROGRESS QUIET PLEASE. PLEASE ENTER SANCTUARY FROM THE NARTHEX THANK YOU!

You may have seen this sign in church a few weeks ago. It was to let you know that our children are having a service in the Sanctuary. They are worshipping and praising God during the Sunday school hour. This special time is called SUPER CHURCH.

We have been having a good time at Super Church. In October and November, Christy Brownell has been our worship leader. She has taught us some really fun songs. The 4th and 5th graders shared with us Philippians 4:13, through a skit they came up with on their own. Jeremy Mapstone and Shirley Mapstone played a duet on the piano. The 2nd and 3rd graders gave a presentation about the story of Noah's ark with beautiful pictures they created. The Pre-K, K and 1st grade shared with us a lovely song about Noah's ark. Our Sunday school teachers are giving the children great guidance.

We have a special time of prayer. This past month we prayed with our friend sitting next to us. What a beautiful time that was! Mr. Shevchuk provided music to help us quiet our hearts and pray.

If you'd like to drop in and see what we are doing, you are always welcome.

\*Please enter the Sanctuary from the Narthex\*

\*so Super Church is not interrupted.

Have your child bring a friend to Super Church. The schedule is:

DECEMBER 18TH .... BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR JESUS
JANUARY 29TH ..... MESSAGE BY PRE-K AND JR. HIGH
FEBRUARY 26TH .... MESSAGE BY 4TH/5TH GRADES & K-1ST
APRIL 9TH ... PALM SUNDAY / FINALE FOR JERUSALEM MARKETPLACE
MAY 14TH ... MESSAGE BY GRADES 2/3 & PRE – K
JUNE 11TH ... SUPER CHURCH OR REHEARSAL FOR CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Super Church is from 9:30 – 10:30. Parents please pick up your children in the gym at 10:30. Thank you. *The Board of Christian Education* 

### Why are the kids playing games during the Sunday School hour?

Last Spring the Board of Christian Education tried a new method of teaching Sunday school. It is called **The Workshop Rotational Model**. This model is the same way that our children learn at Vacation Bible School. We know the kids love VBS and have a great time. And they learn a lot, too. So we thought, why not try it during Sunday school? This school year, we will have 2 (two) Rotational -Style Curriculums. One is presently taking place and the theme is the birth of Jesus. Our second one will take place during Lent. That curriculum deals with the last week of Jesus' life.

We thought you would like to know more about the Rotational –style curriculum. The following article is from **The** Christian Educator, Volume 1, Issue one, Fall 2005. The proper credits are listed at the end of the article.

If you have any further questions about this style of learning, please see Cindy Mapstone, Sunday School Superintendent.

Working to bring our children closer to Jesus, The Board of Christian Education



#### Mitten Tree



During the month of December, you may place gloves, mittens, hats or scarves to be donated to children in the Syracuse City schools on the Christmas tree outside of the chapel. Any questions call Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678



Glove Sale



Before and after the 10:45 worship service on Sunday, December 4th, gloves/mittens will be available to purchase for \$5.00 per pair. Proceeds will benefit Fayetteville-Manlius Young Life programs. Gloves may be donated by placing them on the mitten tree located outside of the chapel. You may purchase a pair for yourself or used as a gift. Call Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678 for more information.



**⊕ ● ♥ ♥** Christmas Greetings **♥ ⊕ ●** 



You have may have noticed our new "Christmas Greetings" box at the front of the Sanctuary? This box is for our church family greeting cards. Drop your greeting cards into the box on any Sunday and we will see to it that your card gets to your special church family friend. Special Note: Love letters to baby Jesus are welcome!!

**CROP WALK** – 7 of our members participated in the CROP Walk on Sun., Oct. 23 in Manlius. They were: Jean Lynn Buskey, Ruby Pfohl, Rev. Leon and Rosey Oaks-Lee, Mary Schwarz, and Ruth Ware. \$825.00 was collected this year. Thank you, walkers, for representing First Baptist in this community event. Shirley Mapstone, Recruiter

#### **MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Blood Drive** - On Sat., Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, FBC hosted the blood drive and 47 pints of blood were collected. We exceeded out goal of 41 pints!! Thank you to all who helped out that day, especially Shirley Mapstone for organizing this worthwhile event.

**During this time of Thanksgiving**, contemplating on the things that we are grateful for I would be remiss if I did not express my thankfulness for this church family. Many hands were willingly lent in preparation, executing and cleaning up for the success of the Turkey Dinner on Nov. 20. Saying thank you is not enough. So many times, ideas are made a reality by the faithfulness of this church membership to pull together and act as one. First Baptist Church of Manlius is a church that exemplifies the Body of Christ working together, each one is a part of the whole Body of Christ. God bless Greg Short for his culinary gift. What a tasty meal Greg prepared! Blessings to Harry Cole for coordinating a great crew of servers. Thank you to all who helped serve. Thank you to Carole Guynup, Ruby Pfohl and Jean Lynn Buskey for **volunteering** to help in the kitchen. These ladies ask if they can help. Thank you, thank you, thank you. A special thanks to Doug Greene for always being ready, willing and able to wash all those dishes. No leftover pie is evidence that the pie bakers of the church are appreciated. Thank you for baking a wonderful dessert. John Granata went above the call of duty in helping with this dinner. John not only assisted Greg with the cooking, but John was there to assist Pete Shevchuk in setting up and breaking down the stage and lighting. Speaking of Pete, thanks to my favorite techie! You make things sound and look good. When I get an idea, he can make it happen. To the many friends who helped set up as well as put away the tables and chairs and the sound and lighting equipment – thank you! ~ Kathie Shevchuk

**Update on Allan Dominy's sister, Laura Dominy, residing in Plattsburgh, New York** - Laura is the Secretary of the Adirondack Women's Association of American Baptists Churches. In August, Laura was diagnosed with Stage IV endometrial cancer. Laura had both of her hips replaced due to cancerous lesions. She has undergone radiation for a brain tumor. For the past five weeks she has been cared for by her parents, Ruth and Gerald Dominy, in their home. Laura has recently been told she now has cancer in her shin bone. Laura is unable to walk and will require daily radiation treatments. Her doctor has admitted her to Champlain Valley Medical Center so she would not have to be transported by ambulance each day. Her treatments were to begin this week, but a body scan has revealed blood clots, and further testing is needed. Laura's eye sight has become very poor since she started chemotherapy and is unable to read or watch television. Laura and the Dominy's are grateful to everyone who has been so faithful with keeping her in prayer. Cards can be sent to: Laura Dominy, 21 Lozier Place,

Plattsburgh, New York, 12901. We are most appreciative of our church family's support. Thank you.

#### HERE WE COME A CAROLING

Everyone is invited!! Join us for Christmas Caroling on Wednesday, December 21st. We will meet at church at 6:15 p.m., carol around the neighborhood, and return to church around 7:30 p.m. for hot chocolate and cookies. Hope to see you there!! Please bring 1 dozen cookies to share ~ thank you.

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First Baptist Church - HOLIDAY BOWLING
Everyone is Invited
NO AGE LIMIT
Friends & Family



December 30, 2005 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Erie Blvd. Bowling Center

Cost: \$7.00 per person /2games \$10.00 per person /3 games

- includes shoe rental
- food available for purchase
   Reserve your spot by calling

Kathie Shevchuk @ 682-8678 by 12/28