

First Baptist Church of Manlius

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Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 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

“Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord’s coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord’s coming is near.” (James 5:7-8)

Welcome and Announcements

Ministry Moment

Joshua Revolution

Prelude

Opening

Joyful Sounds Choir

Scripture Luke 2:8-18, 20 *Arise, Shine, Jesus Has Come!*

Lighting the Third Advent Candle

Opening Prayer *Led By a Brilliant Light*

Drum: Jeremy Mapstone Tambourine: Brodie Shephard

Worshiping God in Song

See Insert

A Reading

Isaiah 61:1-4

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Offering & Offertory

Friendly Beasts

Allison Butler, Kelsey Mapstone Lexi Dominy, Claire Adams, Jessica Oley

***Doxology and Dedication of Offering**

Children’s Time**

Peter Mapstone

Family Prayers

(Joys and Concerns)

Scripture

James 5:7-11

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***Hymn**

We Plow the Fields and Scatter No. 395

Sermon

“Waiting on God”

Rev. Oaks-Lee

*Hymn of Response *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* No. 168

*Benediction

Postlude Joyce McCartney

*If you are able, please stand. **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 Shirley Mapstone.

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:** Eugene White
- **Greeting:** Peter, Wendy, Jeremy and Kelsey Mapstone
- **Ushers:** Mark Mapstone and Bill Lyon
- **Child Care:** Barbara Brace

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 Ken and Ada Phelps in your prayers, as well as their Caregivers, Pauline and Harry Cole

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 Tem Director
 Wendy Mapstone, Playschool Director
 Marge Edwards, King's Kids Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS

    Christmas Greetings   

You 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!!*

Joyful Sounds Choir - will be singing **tonight at 6:00** for "*One Special Christmas.*" All are invited and encouraged to see this great performance!!

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 encouraged to attend. Please call Kathie with questions at 682-8678.

Financial Notes – Because Christmas and New Year's fall on a Sunday this year, this is your friendly reminder to have your donations in the church office **no later than Thursday, December 29, 2005**, so they can be deposited in the bank by Friday, December 30th. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. – *Carole Guynup*, Financial Secretary

2006 Offering Envelopes - are in the Narthex to be picked up.

2006 Calendars – are available in the Narthex to take home thanks to Newell-Fay, Eaton-Tubbs, and Russell Schepp & Son funeral homes.

January Newsletter Items – are due by **Thursday, December 15th**. Items may be emailed to: fbcm@twcny.rr.com or placed in the secretary's mail slot. Thank you.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, December 11th – Third 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. Missions Board Meeting
6:00 p.m. “One Special Christmas” play in the Sanctuary

MONDAY, December 12th

6:30 p.m. Trustees Board Meeting

TUESDAY, December 13th

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

WEDNESDAY, December 14th

8:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
3:30 p.m. Youth Trip to “The Sarah House” until 5:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting in the Library

THURSDAY, December 15th

6:30 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

FRIDAY, December 16th

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

NEXT SUNDAY, December 18th – Fourth 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
6:00 p.m. Snow Date for “One Special Christmas” play on December 11th
7:00 p.m. Brass and Bells Concert at United Church of Fayetteville

Sam’s Club – If anyone is interested in having a membership to Sam’s Club through First Baptist Church (\$30 for the year), please contact Barbara Richardson at 656-3480 as soon as possible. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE PASTOR LEON’S NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: fbc-pastor@twcny.rr.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

Requests which came in this week:

Bob Mapstone – accident on Wednesday, December 7th – hospitalized at Crouse.

Alene King – fell on Monday, Dec. 5th. Alene is 96 years old and a former F.I.S.H. client. She had lived in Fayetteville and presently lives with her daughter, Marsha, in Florida.

From the Worship Committee – Pray that the church family will be unified in support of the new worship service as another opportunity to invite people to begin and grow in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

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
Willis Calkins	Pete
John (Joni Dominy’s brother)	Martha Trivelpiece
Al Parker	

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



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.

**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 -1 ST
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

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.

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

- Dish set ~ Corelle ware with some type of pattern
- Pans set- sauce pan, frying pan
- Cookie sheets

“CHRISTMAS GIVING”

Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. It is also a time to show hurting people what it means to be a Christian. We will be doing just that by giving from our abundance to a family in need. Below is a list of wishes from a family in the inner city. They have never had Christmas gifts wrapped just for them. Please look over their requests and find it in your heart to contribute an item or two. If you cannot shop, cash donations are accepted and we can shop for you. Please leave your unwrapped present with a note designating who it is for in the box marked “Christmas Giving” in the narthex or contact Cindy Mapstone at 655-0616.

Derrick is 10 years old

- Shirts ~ short or long sleeve (Adult size medium) that button down the entire front with themes such as: Spiderman, Chinese Symbols, Dragons
- Pants (size 34 waist/29 length) Blue or Black Jeans
- Belt (size 36” waist) with a Motorcycle belt buckle (Interchangeable)
- Game/Toys
 - Chugs game – wooden if possible
 - Chinese Checkers
 - Pick up Stix
 - Backgammon
 - Car & Truck Models
 - PS II games- NASCAR Racing, hunting, fishing

Wally, the Father

- Pants (size 30 waist/32 length) Black Jeans
- Shirts, long sleeve button down (Adult size medium)
- Car Models ~ glue and paint

Millie, the Mother (size 24, 5’6” tall, approximately 200 lbs.)

- Knee length or longer skirt
- Blue or black, stretch denim jeans (size 24)
- Dress ~ any type with wide shoulders