

*First Baptist Church
of Manlius*

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Sunday, December 28, 2008

Worship Service ~ 11:00 a.m.

Intergenerational Sunday School ~ 9:45 a.m.

*“Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ the new-born King.”*

*Welcome to First Baptist Church of Manlius
Sunday, December 28, 2008 ~ 11:00 a.m.*

Gathering Time

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “He Is Born the Divine Christ Child”
Joyce McCartney

Scripture (Responsive) from Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the LORD.
Praise the LORD from the heavens,
Praise him in the heights above.

People: Praise him, all his angels,
praise him, all his heavenly hosts.

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, all you shining stars.

People: Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for he commanded and they were created.

Leader: He set them in place for ever and ever;
he gave a decree that will never pass away.

People: young men and maidens,
old men and children.
Let them praise the name of the LORD,
for his name alone is exalted;
his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

***Singing**

Angels from the Realms of Glory

No. 190

Scripture		Luke 2:15-20
Carol Sing		
Family Prayers		(Joys and Concerns)
Offering		
Offertory	<i>"O Come, All Ye Faithful"</i>	Eugene White
*Doxology and Dedication of Offering		No. 382
**Children's Time		
*Hymn	<i>Away in A Manger</i>	No. 187
Scripture	Luke 2:22-40	Page 1591
Sermon	"Doing That Which Was Required" Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee	
*Hymn of Response	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	No. 205
Postlude	<i>"Angels from the Realms of Glory"</i> Joyce McCartney	–arr. Rogers

*If you are able, please stand.

**All children will be staying in worship this morning.



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:** Pauline and Harry Cole
- **Ushers:** Jeffrey Loope and Harry Cole
- **Child Care:** Barbara Davison

PRAYER AND CARE

Prayer Needs: Please call Dave Knaebel at 569-0581 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
 Joyce McCartney, Music Director/Organist
 Elaine LaFollette, Secretary
 Michael McCartney, Custodian
 Mary Schwarz, Praise Team and Joyful Sounds Director
 Wendy Mapstone, Playschool Director
 Marge Edwards, King's Kids Director

Thank You for Supporting our Sanctuary Projection System



We have made good progress toward the purchase of a digital projector (to be located in the balcony), and a retractable screen (to be located at the front of the sanctuary).

With donations to date we are able to move forward with contracting to order and install the projector and screen.

If you would like to make a donation to the final costs to complete this project, label your gift, "Projection System" and direct it to our Financial Secretary.

As of 12/21/08: \$9,280.46 has been given.

Sam's Club memberships - The church is allowed eight memberships; five are spoken and paid for. Each membership costs \$35 and includes an additional card for a household member. The advantage to joining with the church is access to the store earlier in the day than ordinary members, purchasing for the church tax-free and no tax on the membership. Tell Barbara Richardson immediately if you would like one of the three remaining memberships (632-4384 or 656-3480).

A plea from the treasurer - Please use the reimbursement forms when requesting money from the church account and have the appropriate approvals. I do like to have the receipts but not just circled and scribbled on. And if you are purchasing for the church, please take advantage of our tax exempt status. Elaine and I both have the forms. Thanks Barbara R.

Pastor Leon's Office Hours:
Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 - Noon
Email: fbc-m-pastor@twcnny.rr.com

HIGHLAND FOREST FAMILY OUTING

Sunday, January 18, 2009

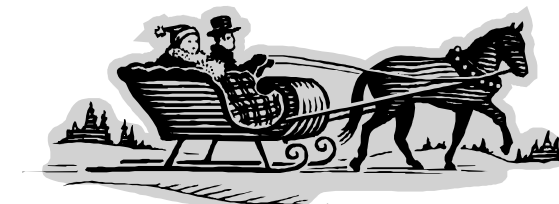
6:00-11:00 p.m.

Come one come all. Bring your family and any friends who would like to share the evening with you and our Church family. Bring any board game or other game you think will add to the fun. Join us for great food, fellowship, sleigh rides, hot cocoa around the fireplace and a night of fun.

Please email or call Deb Oley if you would like to bring anything to share. No ideas? Please check with me.

Also can you guess who I am??

Between now and then please email me at mollyoley@aol.com a little know or obscure fact about you that your church family most likely does not know about you. I will compile these facts on a piece of poster board and you can see how many people you "recognize" by their life tidbits. I may call you to participate if I don't hear from you so start thinking!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Recent Prayer Requests ~

Mary Schwarz – House fire Sunday evening, December 21st.

Please Pray for ~

Wanda Baker	Kermit Breed, Jr.	Loretta Beuchert
Mike Adams	Virginia Noble	Ruth Costello
Courtney H.	Ann and Gene Spradling	Connor
Russell and Mary Jane Davis	The Nehemiah Team	Marian Pollock
Florence Cowles, Barbara Brace's mother	Virginia, Carol Davenport's aunt	
Marilyn Fowler Mills	Zulauf	Levi and Paige
Peggy, Marg Kerr's sister and Peggy's son, Greg	Michael McCartney	
Tom Conley	Helen Jenks	

PRAISES

My mom and I went to the nursing home Sunday afternoon to drop off the beautiful poinsettia to him that was given to him from the church family. He was so surprised that he began to cry. He wanted me to tell you how much it means to him that so many are thinking of him in such a special way. I told him we were all trying to share with him God's love for him and he said thank you.

*So, to all of you thanks from my dad, Russell Davis.
Blessings, Jill Doss and Mary Jane Davis*

Many thanks from the Staff of First Baptist Church for the Christmas gift. Your generosity is very much appreciated. As we begin another year together, we feel very blessed to be in service to First Baptist.

*Thank you, Secret Pal, for my lovely Christmas gifts. I'm enjoying them.
--Shirley Mapstone*

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

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.

CALENDAR

TODAY, December 28th

There will not be an 8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Intergenerational Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching

TUESDAY, December 30th

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym until 8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, December 31st

6:30 p.m. Unity Fellowship New Year's Eve Party in the Chapel

THURSDAY, January 1st ~ HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FRIDAY, January 2nd – Church Office is Closed

NEXT SUNDAY, January 4th

8:30 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching
9:45 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Education
11:00 a.m. Worship Service/Pastor Leon is preaching
12:15 p.m. Ministry Support Committee meeting
6:00 p.m. Youth Group until 7:30 p.m.

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 Jean Lynn Buskey, Al Dominy, Jo Ann Mostar or Bill Lyon anytime. Thank you.

ATTENTION

On **Sunday, January 11th**, during the **11:00 a.m.** Worship Service, we will be blessed to have the “Belle Air” Bell Trio playing.
You don't want to miss this!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ABW MINISTRIES NEWS

Scholarships Available to High School graduates and continuing College students from American Baptist Women's Ministries through the ABW Ministries Scholarship Fund. Applications can be found on the secretary's desk in the church office. They are due March 1st.

We would like more UPC codes found on the back of a variety of Campbell's products. These labels go to Springbrook to buy materials for the schools, etc. There is a box for UPC codes and cancelled stamps in the Narthex. Rev. Vila's stamp ministry has been discontinued due to his death; however, we will continue to collect cancelled stamps and will find another outlet for them.

ABW Ministries wishes to thank all who have contributed to our budget "request." If you would care to donate, we would appreciate your help.

UNITY FELLOWSHIP

Unity Fellowship for December will be on **Wednesday, New Year's Eve, December 31st, 6:30 p.m.** We will meet in the Chapel for appetizers, and there will be a Progressive Dinner and Game Night (Bingo/Bunko). The committee is Art and Shirley Mapstone, Guynups, Wares, and Richardsons. **All are invited.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Sunday, January 18, 6-11:00 p.m. – Highland Forest Trip!!
Saturday, January 24, 9-Noon – Church Leader Gathering in the chapel
Saturday, January 24, 6:30 p.m. – Unity Fellowship in the chapel

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY – There is a flower chart in the Narthex for a sign-up if you would like to purchase and have delivered flowers in memory or honor of a loved one. Please sign up and call the church office with information to put in the bulletin. Thank you ☺

MISSION NEWS

A huge thank you from the Mission Board for everyone's generosity in giving to the two refugee families. Thank you for the money, the donated items, the food items, and for the wrappers, shoppers, sorters and deliverers! This is such an awesome church family, and I know the two Burmese Karen families will feel the love when these items are shared with them. Stay tuned for other ways that we can continue to support these families throughout the upcoming year. Perhaps the gift of time, driving, english lessons, or something else will be ways in which we as a family can continue to welcome these families to our great country. May

God bless each and everyone of you. Your Mission Board

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Thank you to Darlene Endy and Leon and Rosey Oaks-Lee who delivered the gifts this past Monday.

FM FOOD PANTRY

Here is the list of items needed at this time for the FM Food Pantry. Please place in the shopping cart by the elevator ~ thank you ☺

Canned Soup (not tomato), Canned Fruit, Baked Beans, Pasta Sauce, Toilet Paper & Cookie Mix

SAMARITAN CENTER

Come and volunteer on Wednesdays!! We begin at 3:00 p.m. and are out by 5:00 p.m. Call Tom Shephard for details (655-8448).

RMMO (Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering)

The Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO) is being taken during the entire month of December.

A goal of **\$1,200** has been set.

As of 12/21/08, we have received **\$1,153.00.**

RMMO envelopes are located in the pews for your convenience.

Youth News

Youth Group meets the 1st & 3rd Sundays 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
For youth in Grades 6th - 12th

Upcoming Events:

Because of scheduling, the 30 Hour Famine has been postponed until February. Details to come...



January 4th – We don't want to let go of Christmas yet! It's too important of a day to limit it! So...we'll be playing some festive fun games & a famous Elf might help us with our discussion!

January 18th – Church-wide family event at Highland Forest.

Youth Team: Christy Brownell, Jillian Everly, Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee, Rosey Oaks-Lee, George Oley, & Tom Shephard

Questions or Comments for the Youth Team? Email us at FBManliusyouth@gmail.com

Hey Youth (& church family, we'll add you in too)! We're taking a poll! Rip off your answer to the following question & put it in the envelope on the Youth Bulletin Board. We'll reveal the votes next week!

(Disclaimer: This is a non-subtle way to see if people even read the "Youth News" ☺)

Question: What is your favorite Christmas carol?

What Child Is This?	Silent Night	O Come Emmanuel	12 Days of Christmas	Away in a Manger	O Holy Night	
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FINANCIAL NOTES

This is your friendly reminder to submit all donations for 2008 to the church no later than **Wednesday, December 31, 2008**. All bank deposits will be made on December 31st. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. – Carole Guynup, Financial Secretary and Barbara Richardson, Treasurer

2009 CALENDARS – are available in the Narthex ~ a gift from Schepp Family Funeral Homes.

CHURCH LEADER GATHERING

Saturday, January 24th

9:00 a.m. – Noon (Chapel)

You are invited to join other leaders as we ask,

“How can I really make a difference at First Baptist Church?”

“How can we better serve God’s Kingdom with our time and talents?”

Our Leader Gathering will aim at helping all of us to be more responsive to God’s leading and more effective in carrying out his ministries.

