



<b>Offering</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>		Joyce McCartney
<b>*Doxology and Dedication of Offering</b>		#382
<b>**Children's Time</b>		
<b>Singing</b>	<i>Good Christian Men, Rejoice</i>	No. 177
<b>Family Prayers</b>		(Joys and Concerns)
<b>Scripture</b>	<b>Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23</b>	Page 1498
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>"Blessings on the Journey"</b>	Pastor Leon Oaks-Lee
<b>*Hymn of Response</b>	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountains</i>	No. 205
<b>*Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"</i> Joyce McCartney	arr: Diane Bish

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\*If you are able, please stand.

\*\*All children will stay in worship today.



**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:** Dolores Radell
- **Ushers:** Harry Cole and Jeffrey Loope
- **Child Care:** Ann Morales

**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  
 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

## **“HEAD-TO-TOE TREE”**



Do you have any new or gently-used gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, or socks? If so, please bring them to church and hang them on the “Head-to-Toe” tree located in the hallway by the Chapel entrance. We are collecting them through the end of January for people in need to help stay warm this winter. Please call Barbara Brace at 682-6270 if you have any questions.

**2008 CALENDARS** – are from Schepp Family Funeral Homes and are in the Narthex for you to take home.

**FINANCIAL NOTES** - This is your friendly reminder to submit all donations for 2007 to the church no later than **Monday, Dec. 31, 2007**. All bank deposits will be made on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. –Carole Guynup, Financial Secretary and Barbara Richardson, Treasurer

**SAM’S CLUB MEMBERSHIP** - Now is the time to give Barbara Richardson a call to receive a membership to Sam’s Club through First Baptist Church. The fee is \$35. There are 4 openings ~ don’t delay! Give Barbara a call at 632-4384.

**ABW MINISTRIES** - 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 10<sup>th</sup>**. JoAnn Mostar is in charge. There will be a White Cross meeting in the Chapel on **Monday, February 11th, 10:00 a.m.**

**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.

## **CALENDAR**

### **TODAY, SUNDAY, December 30th ~ Blessings Sunday**

No 8:30 a.m. Worship Service this Sunday

No Adult Education and Sunday School this Sunday

11:00 a.m. Worship Service – “Blessings Sunday”

### **Missions Board meeting is rescheduled for Sunday, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 12:15 p.m.**

6:00 p.m. Youth New Year’s Eve Party at Weedsport Baptist Church  
(meet at First Baptist Church, Manlius at 5:00 p.m.)

### **MONDAY, December 31st ~ New Year’s Eve**

**(Church Office is open)**

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

### **TUESDAY, January 1, 2008 ~ New Year’s Day**

**(Church Office is closed)**

### **THURSDAY, January 3rd**

6:30 p.m. Basketball in the gym

### **FRIDAY, January 4th**

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

### **SUNDAY, January 6th ~ Communion Sunday**

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 in the Historical Room

6:00 p.m. “Mystery” Youth Group

6:00 p.m. Trustees Board meeting

**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.

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

**Email: [fbcn-pastor@twcny.rr.com](mailto:fbcn-pastor@twcny.rr.com)**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Recent Prayer Requests:

**The Bishop Family** – Dick Bishop (Nancy Bishop's husband) passed away Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Martin Short** – As of 12/27/07, Martin is in the hospital with abdominal pain.

### Please Pray for:

Virginia Noble	Wanda Baker	Connor
Kermit Breed, Jr.	Loretta Beuchert	Mike Adams
Mike Handzel	Joe Malloy	Mr. and Mrs. Syracuse
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	Donald Loope	Joann Bishop
The Buskey family	Donna, Joyce McCartney's sister	Jon Perry
Mary Jane and Russell Davis	Ruth Costello	The Pratt Family
Dorcas Ambrosio	The Parker Family	The Holloway Family

### PRAISES

*"Thank you Secret Pal for the lovely ornaments that I received for Christmas. Thank you and Happy New Year." –Carole Guynup*

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*"I wish to thank Frank and Jeanette Adams, John and Jean Lynn Buskey, Barbara Brace, and Joni Dominy for thinking of me with a Christmas gift. The recordings of Johnny Cash reading the New Testament are much appreciated."*

–Fred Goddard

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*Colleen Guynup would like to thank her Secret Pal for remembering her this Christmas.*

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*"Many thanks to the Christian Education Board for the beautiful bouquet and gift. I'm enjoying both." –Shirley Mapstone*

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*"To Pastor Leon—thank you for your visit. To the Congregation ~ My thanks to all of you who sent me holiday wishes. To those who I couldn't acknowledge personally, God bless you. I send you my good wishes for 2008. I wish you all joy in the Lord. –Fred Goddard."*

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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. Please call the Church Office at 682-8941 with prayer requests or praises by Wednesday morning.

Thank you.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(Sunday School classes begin at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday)

### Adult Sunday School Options for January

- 1) "What's So Amazing About Grace?"  
The video series with Phil Yancey will continue in January  
Leader: Ellen Everly (meets in the Chapel)
- 2) Adult Journeys Bible Study led by Erm Ferris (Church Library)
- 3) Bible Discussion Group (focus on the Gospels) Room 206
- 4) Bible Discussion Group (focus on the Psalms) Room 207

These classes will resume on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

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### UNITY FELLOWSHIP

Come join Unity Fellowship's New Year's Eve Party! It will begin

**Tomorrow Night,  
Monday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 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 consists of: Art and Shirley Mapstone, Guynup, Ware, and Richardson.



### **The Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO)**

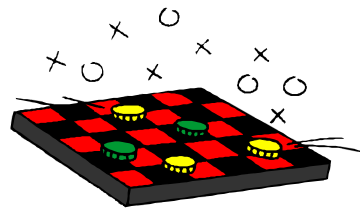
Our Goal: **\$1,000**. As of 12/23/07: **\$1,134.75!**

**THANK YOU!**

**COME ONE - COME ALL**

**HIGHLAND FOREST EVENT!!**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2008**



**7:00 p.m.**

**at the Lodge**



**HIGHLAND FOREST TRIP** - Don't miss the Annual Highland Forest Trip on Sunday, **January 20, 2008** at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge. There is no school on Monday! **All ages** gather in the cozy, fireplace heated lodge for an evening of games, food and fellowship. Horse-drawn sleigh rides cap off an evening of pure delight for those adventurous to go out in the cold. Be sure to dress warmly. Bring a favorite board game or puzzle and be prepared to teach young and old alike the game. We have the lodge until 11:00 p.m.

Bring your favorite chili, soup or stew to share. Desserts and munchies are also welcome. Beverages will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathie Shevchuk at 682-8678.

Invite your friends and neighbors ~ all are encouraged to attend☺



# Youth News

New Years Eve Eve Party



TONIGHT, December 30, 2007

6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

(Meet at FBC Manlius @ 5:00pm / Return @ 10:45pm)

Weedsport Baptist Church

**\*\*Games\*\***

**\*\*Christian Concert\*\***

**\*\*Pizza\*\***

**\*\*New Friends from Area Churches\*\***

**Youth Group meets  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays!**

**Upcoming Events:**

**January 6<sup>th</sup>: “Mystery” Youth Group @ 6:00pm** (Not that we're withholding info – it's really a mystery... Complete with clues, treasure, & all that jazz...)

**January 20<sup>th</sup>: Church-wide Highland Forest Gathering (No Youth Group)**

Youth Newsletter has been sent out.

Didn't receive one? Please let Christy know.

**2008 Calendars**

Only \$7.00

**LAST CALL!!**



The youth have ended their Calendar Sales, but we still have some left! If you have not ordered one yet, please see Christy Brownell or Kathie Shevchuk. **All proceeds go to the Youth Group.**