

Welcome TO OFBC!

We are so glad you are here! Thank you for worshiping with us today. Please take a moment to complete the guest card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or give it to a staff member as you leave. More information about the church is available in the foyer. Be sure to visit First Baptist Church online at www.oneontafbc.org. If you have questions about our church, feel free to visit our welcome center. Someone will be there to help you!



First Baptist Church & Mission Churches

In the past, First Baptist Church has been a part of two mission churches. In 1957, **Eastside Baptist Church** was established, with services held in the lower floor of a garage apartment owned by Ollie Weems on Hwy. 75 North where Marvin's now stands. A new building was soon constructed on the hill behind the apartment. In 1964, Eastside Baptist and Calvary Baptist churches merged and became **Park Avenue Baptist Church** with 130 members. The church is now located at 900 Park Avenue, Oneonta.

In cooperation with the Friendship Baptist Association, **Lakeview Baptist Church** was formed by Oneonta First Baptist Church on October 1, 2000, at The Anchor at Highland Lake. Rev. Herman Pair, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated with Rick and Denise Sanders leading music. The formation of this church was the realization of a vision of several First Baptist Church members, under the leadership of Rev. Pair, Rev. Dan Sims, and Rev. Ernie Carroll (Director of Missions for the Friendship Baptist Association).

In the summer of 2001, meetings were moved to the home of Pat and Mary Bellew on the lake due to prior events booked for The Anchor. In 2003, the old Camp Skyview property was purchased by the church. The camp's existing buildings are being used until new construction begins. Bible study, worship and community and global outreach are planned. Lakeview Baptist Church presently has 45-50 members. (Oneonta FBC, Centennial Celebration, 1904-2004, p.42).

At the present, we have another opportunity to be involved in a new church work. The name of the church is **Redeemer Community Church**. Matt Scott, our Minister of Students/Discipleship, is leaving to be the pastor. Upon hearing his plan, he was approached about the possibility of assisting him. He welcomed us to be a supporting church in this endeavor. Therefore, the Deacons approved a committee to determine how we should assist them. The committee is made up of: Jimmy Register, Ken Phillips, Bill Hopewell, Kenny Branch, Polly Gargus, Sara Dean and Belinda Miller. According to the North American Mission Board, to be part of a church plant, we have basically two options. One option is that we can be "a sending church" or the second option is "a supporting church." The definition is as follows: "A supporting church partners with a church plant through praying, participating and/or providing. Often, there will be multiple supporting churches partnering with a particular plant, helping to meet different needs."

As this committee works to determine our "supporting" role, let's all pray. This committee will recommend to the Deacons what they feel we should do. If approved, it will then be brought to the church. The goal is to send Matt out with our blessings on March 8. There will be a commissioning service. On March 15, Redeemer Community Church will begin worship. On April 5, they will have their first public worship.

It's a joy to serve as your pastor. If you ever need me, just call.

— Bro. Larry

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Attendance 1/11/15

Morning

Lifegroups..... 277
Guests 12
Contacts 85
Worship Attendance 281

Evening

Movie "Heaven" 85
Divorce Care..... N/A
DC4K..... N/A
Children's Bible Drills..... N/A

Weekly

Men's Bible Study 11



FIGHT BACK WITH JOY
by
Margaret Feinberg
Celebrate more, regret less,
Stare down your greatest fears
Coming Soon!

Our **LifeGroups** meet at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings and each is a small community of people who meet weekly to share their lives, support each other, and study God's Word. LifeGroups are also effective teams using their spiritual gifts and abilities to reach out to our community in service with a purpose, sharing God's love with others. Being part of a LifeGroup can mean the difference between just attending church and being connected with others in a caring church family. At OFBC, we have LifeGroups for all ages, from kids through senior adults. For more details, contact Matt Scott at 205.625.3191 or matt@oneontafbc.org.

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First Baptist Church
exists to demonstrate
the love of Christ
in our community and
our world through worship,
evangelism, discipleship,
missions, and ministry.



First Baptist Church

OF ONEONTA

Finding God in Life & Community

Sunday January 18, 2015

Celebration OF WORSHIP

10:15 AM

Prelude Charlotte Langner
 Prayer Bob Harvey
 Guest Speaker from Sav-A-Life Alicia Howard
 Welcome/Fellowship Larry Gipson
 Hymn No. 333 *Leaning On The Everlasting Arms*
 Song *Days of Elijah*
 Prayer
 Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
 Instrumental Worship Sara Towns
 Children are Dismissed to First Kids Worship
 Song *How Great Is Our God*
 Song *Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone*
 Solo Wanda Gipson
 Message Larry Gipson
 Hymn No. 329 *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*
 Postlude Charlotte Langner

6:00 PM

Prelude Charlotte Langner
 Prayer
 Business Meeting
 Welcome/Fellowship Larry Gipson
 Song *Lord, I Lift Your Name On High*
 Hymn No. 543 *Since I Have Been Redeemed*
 Prayer
 Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
 Instrumental Offering Sara Towns
 Song *I Love You Lord*
 Hymn No. 182 *What A Friend We Have In Jesus*
 Song *We Fall Down*
 Message Ernie Carroll
 Closing Prayer

ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Please join us for a
 Bridal Tea
 Honoring
 Shana Portwood
 Bride-elect of
 Matthew Alan Towns
 Saturday, January 24, 2015
 First Baptist Church
 Oneonta, Alabama
 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 Hosted by: The Bridesmaids*

THE FLOWERS ARE PLACED in the sanctuary this morning in loving memory of **Will Ed Davis** by Glennis Davis.

THE FBC CHILDREN'S HONOR CHOIR is serving Chorale Coffee in the fellowship hall before LifeGroups begin. Stop by and get a cup of Joe and give a donation to these dedicated, talented group of young boys and girls who be traveling and singing their praises to the Lord.

WOMEN ON MISSION (BARRON) will have their meeting at 10:00 a.m. on January 13 at Charlie B's.

ROAD TRIP FOR FOOD! The Spirits of Praise will be traveling to the Chopping Block Restaurant in Springville on Saturday, January 24. The bus will leave FBC at 5:30 p.m.

NEW WOMEN ON MISSION GROUP starting soon. If you are a woman with a heart for missions and your schedule doesn't allow you to make the day WOM meetings, this is the group for you! The first meeting will be Monday, January 26 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Nancy Hopewell, 220 Twin Oaks Dr., Oneonta.

HANDBELLS! If you are interested in joining the First Baptist Handbell Choir, please contact Lynne Sargent, Pam Dean or the church office (if you did not sign up in your LifeGroup).



THE VISION IS CONTINUING!

Total Received: \$26,002.00
 (Since 06/01/2014)

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

National Goal: \$175 Million
 Our Goal: \$22,000.00
 Received to Date: \$20,207.01

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL:

Serving begins at 5:15 p.m. Join us for food and fellowship. **Please call the church office for reservations by Wednesday morning.**

Menu for Jan. 21: Baked Potato Bar, BBQ Pork & Chicken, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Hot Dogs, Chips, Dessert & Drink.

Menu for Jan. 28: Soup & Salad, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Mac & Cheese, Dessert & Drink.



**GREATER VISION
 IN CONCERT
 FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 ONEONTA, AL
 SUNDAY, JANUARY 25 ~ 6:00 PM
 FREE ADMISSION
 (A love offering will be taken)**

DIVORCECARE, DC4K AND THE BIG D (SUPPORT GROUP FOR TEENS) will all begin a new session on January 25. Orientation is scheduled for tonight on the 2nd floor in Room 220 beginning at 5:30. Please contact Dawn King at 205-283-3357 if you are interested in attending or would like to be a part of this ministry.

THE GAs ARE IN NEED of the following items for an upcoming project: new/used wreath forms (all shapes, sizes, styles), ribbon (wired, non-wired, spring/summer colors), any spring/summer wreath embellishments. If you have any of these items to donate, please bring them to the church office by February 1.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

Sunday, January 18

9:00 a.m. LifeGroups
 10:15 a.m. Worship/Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
 5:30 p.m. Divorce Care, DC4K & Big D Orientation~Rm 220
 6:00 p.m. Business Meeting/Worship/Bible Drills

Monday, January 19

6:00 p.m. LifeGroup Visitation ~ Meet in the Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 20

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Barron) ~ Charlie B's

Wednesday, January 21

5:15 p.m. Wednesday Night Meal
 6:00 p.m. Praise Band/Children's Choir
 6:30 p.m. Youth 180
 6:45 p.m. Bible Study/Celebration Choir/RA/GA/Mission Friends

TODAY, JANUARY 18, 2015

Audio Michael Towns

Visual Linc Marcum

Deacon Visitation Team..... Linc Marcum & Mike McMinn

Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... Jean Davis & Rosemary Atkinson

2s & 3s Cindy O'Rear

Evening..... Jo Jo Holt

Security Team..... Gene Blakely

Welcome Center Nancy Hopewell, Sammy Lee & Ellis Reid

Worship Invitation Assistant..... Sammy Lee & Kim Lee

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2015

Audio Wayne Shaddix

Visual Daryl Wheeler

Deacon Visitation Team..... Kenny Branch and Chuck Morrison

Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... Kevin & Janna Faust

2s & 3s Scott & Alicia Howard

Evening..... Linda Henderson

Security Team..... Steven Wilkinson

Welcome Center Karen Clark, Wayne Bynum & Polly Gargus

Worship Invitation Assistant..... Sonya Walker & Brad Hall

ON THE HORIZON

Jan. 25 6:45 a.m. FBA Men's Prayer Breakfast
 4:30 p.m. CDC Committee Meeting
 6:00 p.m. Greater Vision Concert

Jan. 26 6:30 p.m. Women on Mission ~ Home of Nancy Hopewell

Jan. 31 9:00 a.m. Upward Basketball Games Begin

Feb. 5 11:30 a.m. LifeGroup Luncheon
 5:00 p.m. Men's Chili Cook-Off

A "SUGGESTION BOX" has been placed on the table outside the church office. If you should have any thoughts about what you would like to see happen in 2015, share them. All suggestions will be prayerfully considered.