

# Welcome!

We are so glad you are here! 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 info is available in the foyer. If you have questions about our church, feel free to visit our welcome center. Someone will be there to help you!



### This Hope

We welcome "This Hope" to our church. They will be leading us in the 10:15 worship hour. This five-member male group has been singing professionally since 1996. They have traveled throughout the United States and overseas. "This Hope" sings a unique blend of acappella and accompanied music. We will all be blessed! A love offering will be taken.

### Wednesday Night Meal

This Wednesday, August 12 at 5:15 p.m. we will begin our regular fall schedule. This is a great time of fellowship for our church family. We are offering two ways to pay for your meal this year, individually or you may purchase a meal ticket for your family. The prices are as follows:

#### Individual

Adults: \$6.00, Children: \$4.00  
Preschoolers: \$2.00, Families: \$20.00

#### Meal Ticket (Aug 12-Oct 28)

Adults: \$66.00  
Children: \$48.00  
Preschoolers: \$24.00  
Family: \$216.00

(There is a savings if you wish to pay this way. Also, this payment is nonrefundable.)

Also, if you know of someone that would like to receive a meal, please contact the church office. There are permanent reservation forms available; so please take advantage and fill one out and place it in the offering plate today. Remember this is one night you do not have to cook. Come and join your church family for a meal.

### Help Us Catch Up

If you have been out of town on a much needed vacation and gotten behind on your tithing, please catch up as soon as

possible. The summer months have been extremely difficult on the budget. The months of June and July left us behind over \$40,000 in the General Fund. May God bless you for your faithfulness.

### Deacon Retreat

Our Annual Deacons Retreat is Saturday, August 15. It will begin at 8 a.m. with breakfast in the fellowship hall. We will spend time praying and planning for the upcoming year. All Deacons are encouraged to attend. The cost is \$10.00. Please call or email La'Neia if you will be attending.

### New Member Orientation

Have you joined First Baptist Church within the last year? If so, you need to attend a new members class on Sunday, September 6. Also, if you are thinking about becoming a member, this class is for you too. Come and find out about the ministries, beliefs, policies, etc. Lunch and child care will be provided. Call La'Neia in the church office to make your reservation.

### Thought for the Week

The Library of Congress owns several priceless Stradivarius violins. They would soon deteriorate if they were not played, so every week musicians come in and play them.

What a parable of the Christian life. The unused skill, the neglected talent, is soon lost. When we are out of service, we lose our usefulness.

*It is a privilege to serve you. Call if you should need me.*

-Bro. Larry

# Connect

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### Attendance 08/02/15

#### Morning

Sunday School .....199  
Guests.....6  
Contacts.....69  
Worship Attendance.....260

#### Evening

Summer Singers Concert ..75

#### Weekly

Men's' Prayer Breakfast ....12  
Ladies' Bible Study.....11

Livestreaming of our services coming soon!

It is our desire for every person to become a disciple of Jesus Christ who loves God and people. We believe this happens best in a biblical community in which people are learning God's Word, sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, ministering to each other, and serving together. At FBC, **Sunday School** allows you to connect with people in a similar season of life as you seek to live a lifestyle that looks more and more like Jesus. Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. to find a class that is right for you. For more info, pick up a Sunday School brochure in the vestibule or outside the church office. Questions? Call 205-625-3191 or email Cindy at [cindy@oneontafbc.org](mailto:cindy@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 August 9, 2015

# Celebration OF WORSHIP

## 10:15 AM

Prelude ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Prayer ..... Ray Dean  
 Welcome/Fellowship.....Larry Gipson  
 Song ..... *Jesus Messiah*  
 Hymn No. 178.....*He Is Lord*  
 Prayer  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Instrumental Praise..... Sara Towns

### In Concert



## 6:00 PM

Prelude ..... Charlotte Langner  
 Welcome/Fellowship.....Larry Gipson  
 Hymn No. 138.....*At Calvary*  
 Hymn No. 514..... *When We All Get to Heaven*  
 Prayer  
 Giving of Tithes and Offerings  
 Instrumental Praise..... Charlotte Langner  
 Hymn No. 410..... *It Is Well With My Soul*  
 Song ..... *No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus*  
 Message .....Larry Gipson  
 Closing Prayer

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE FLOWERS PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY** today are in memory of **Arlington Gordon** by Verlie, Bob, Kay, Christopher, Melissa and Calla Gordon.

**Mark your calendars for FIRST Kids fun!!**

**Wed-Aug 12: Fall Wednesday Night Kick-off** with inflatables, games, prizes, and snacks in the gym from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.



**Fri-Sept 4: Tailgate Party!** We will meet by the tennis courts at 5:30 p.m. to eat. Then go to the stadium gate to hand out footballs, shakers and share scripture.

**Invite your friends!**

**JESUS BEAR COMMITTEE** will meet Thursday, August 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the conference room.

**DISHES, DISHES AND MORE DISHES!** Last call to stop by the room with the ice machine and see if you have a dish that may have been left after an event.

### WAR ROOM

We will be taking a group to the Regal Theater in Trussville on August 30 to see the movie *War Room*. The movie begins at 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$9. There are 90 tickets available. If interested, visit the table in the vestibule after the service this morning to reserve your ticket or call the church office. Tickets are going fast!



### Coming to First Baptist Oneonta beginning:

September 13 - 6:00 pm (Morrison)  
 September 14 -10:00 am (Camp)  
 A Bible study that will bring to light the war around you and challenge you to suit up, stand firm, and secure victory in our life.

### THE VISION IS CONTINUING!

Total Received: **\$33,398.53**  
 (Since 06/01/2014)

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ITEMS FOR AUGUST:** School Supplies, sewing kit supplies, and hard candy.



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

**Menu for Aug. 12:** Pot Roast, Baby Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Corn Dog, Chips, Dessert & Drink.

**Menu for Aug. 19:** Baked Chicken, Rice & Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Roll, Dessert & Drink.

Children: Pizza, Dessert & Drink.  
**Volunteers are still needed in the kitchen on Wednesday night!**

### CELEBRATING A SERVANT'S HEART & HERITAGE OF FAITHFULNESS.

How long have you been a member of First Baptist Oneonta? For many, the answer to that question is 50 years or more! We would like to honor that loyalty and faithfulness with a 50-Year Member Recognition of Service during the worship hour and a luncheon on **Sunday, September 13**. If you think that you or someone should be included as an honoree, please fill out the form located in the Sunday School tray or pick up one on the table outside the church office. Our Spirits of Praise will be singing that morning. We will have a special bulletin for this Sunday; therefore, we ask that you please get the information to the church office no later than **August 23**.

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

### Sunday, August 9

9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:15 a.m. "This Hope" in Concert  
 6:00 p.m. Bible Study

### Monday, August 10

10:00 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study (Camp)

### Tuesday, August 11

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast  
 6:30 p.m. Girls' Night Out ~ Al & Mick's in Snead

### Wednesday, August 12

5:15 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal  
 6:00 p.m. Praise Band  
 6:00 p.m. Children's Fall Kick-off Celebration  
 6:30 p.m. 180 Youth Room  
 6:45 p.m. Bible Study/Celebration Choir

### Thursday, August 13

1:30 p.m. Jesus Bear Committee Meeting

## TODAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

Audio ..... Richard Walker  
 Visual ..... Trey Dedman

Deacon Visitation Team..... Jim Carr & Bob Harvey

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... Steven & La'Neia Wilkinson  
 2s & 3s ..... Chris & Janna NeSmith  
 Evening..... JoJo Holt

Security Team..... Anthony Nash

Welcome Center ..... Teresa Hall, Sammy Lee & Bob Harvey

Worship Invitation Assistant..... Judy Camp & Bill Hopewell

## NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2015

Audio ..... Michael Towns  
 Visual ..... Linc Marcum

Deacon Visitation Team..... Wayne Bynum & Gene Blakely

### Nursery Workers

Babies & Toddlers..... JoJo Holt & Deana Pesnell  
 2s & 3s ..... Rhonda Melvin & Jessica Fisher  
 Evening..... JoJo Holt

Security Team..... Ken Phillips

Welcome Center ..... Nancy Hopewell, Wanda Gipson & Ellis Reid

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

## ON THE HORIZON

**Aug 14-16** Franklin Graham Crusade ~ Bartow Arena  
**Aug 15** 8:00 a.m. Deacons' Retreat ~ Fellowship Hall  
**Aug 17** 6:30 p.m. Women on Mission (Night Group)  
**Aug 18** 10:00 a.m. Women on Mission (Barron)  
 6:30 p.m. Guys' Night Out  
**Aug 19** Women on Mission (Green)  
**Aug 21** 9:45 a.m. Spirits of Praise ~ Old Cook Stove Restaurant  
**Aug 23** 10:15 a.m. Celebration Choir "Back to the Future" Concert  
**Aug 24** 6:00 p.m. FBA Key Leaders Meeting ~ FBC Oneonta  
**Aug 25** 10:00 a.m. Spirits of Praise Singing  
**Aug 30** 3:00 p.m. Travel to Trussville to see *War Room*  
**Sep 3** 6:00 p.m. CDC Open House  
**Sep 4** 5:30 p.m. First Kids Tailgating & Handing Out Shakers at OHS before game