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*Discovering God's call, celebrating the Spirit's presence,
Witnessing to Christ's transformative power!*

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Service of Worship

February 8, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

Large print editions of the Bible, the Hymnal, and today's bulletin as well as hearing devices are available from the ushers on request.

■ ■ ■ *Prayer of Preparation*

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome

The Prelude

"Prelude in B Minor"

C. Franck

■ ■ ■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

The Choral Introit

The Call to Worship

Elder Jenny Himmelman

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,

People: They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*** The Processional Hymn No. 281**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Prayer Concerns this Week

Wendy Anderson	Marian Frederick	Jeff Phillips
Dick Bloomquist	Frances Frey	Jill Roberts
Allen Bloomquist	Rose Gehring	Austin Schwaderer
Ralph and Molly Dise	Charles Gilbert	Debbie Ungemach
Fran and Pat Drake	Jason Himmelsteib	Dennis Wedding
Daniel Eloff	Jane Little	Doug, Marcie and Lucy Harvey
	Rebecca Martin	

We invite you to write prayer requests on a slip of paper from the envelope rack and pass it to an usher during the singing of the middle hymn, to be included in the prayers later in the service.

Please keep these people in your prayers as they travel in Israel and Palestine: John Lentz, Clover Beal, Tim Beal, Chris and Dave Bell, Jennifer Blakeney, Nancy Crawford, Peter and Kathryn Eloff, Jane Frederick, Kaye Gardiner, Nancy Glenz (friend of Kaye’s), Barbara Hansen, Carol Leslie, Karen and Clyde Loughridge, Laurie Muller-Girard, Bob and Jeannette Nemcek, Mary Grace Neville, Dick and Elspeth Peterjohn, Marilyn Schalge (Kathryn Eloff’s sister), Ron Schmidt, Derry and Kathy Stauffer, Liz Wollaeger, Diana and Ted Woodbridge, Vernita Spagnola (cousin of Barb Hansen), Jerry Parker (Fairmount PC member), and Tom Zych.

Nursery care for babies and young children is available on the second floor of the Monticello Wing.

■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

TODAY
Guest Preacher

Today we welcome The Rev. Felix Carrion to our pulpit. Rev. Carrion is the coordinator of the Still Speaking Ministry of the United Church of Christ. Prior to this call Rev. Carrion served as Pastor of the Euclid Avenue Congregational Church in Cleveland. Born in New York City, he earned a B.A. degree (1982) in biblical studies from King’s College in Briarcliffe Manor, N.Y., and a Masters of Divinity degree (1986) from Andover Newton Theological School. He also has studied at Oxford (England) University and in seminaries in Managua, Nicaragua and San Jose, Costa Rica. Rev. Carrion has two sons, Lucas and Aaron, who attend Shaker Heights High School.

We thank Jean Reinhold for her leadership this morning.

Welcome Visitors!

Please stop by the Visitor Information table in the Courtyard Foyer following worship. We’re looking forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Visitor welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex.

THIS WEEK
Emergency Contact Information

If you need pastoral care while John and Clover are away, please call the church office (216-321-2660 between 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Mon-Fri.). In case of an after-hours emergency, you may call Rev. Tricia Dykers-Koenig (216-381-0156).

Bible and Bagels

Bible and Bagels meets Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson for this Wednesday is **Psalm 30**.

Yoga

The yoga class meets Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. All are welcome to join as a drop-in or a regular. The cost is \$10 per session.

NEXT SUNDAY
Adult Education: 9:30 in South Hall

February 15: **“Beyond Our Differences”** The DVD will be shown, followed by a discussion led by Mark Chupp

LOOKING AHEAD
Interfaith Hospitality Network Needs You

Forest Hill Church will again host one or more homeless families during the week of February 22 – March 1. If you would like to volunteer, please stop by the table in Fellowship Hall after worship to sign up for specific tasks (greeter, meal preparer, activities host, overnight host) and dates, or contact Julie Lustic (216-371-2084, jlustic@gmail.com). A training and update session will be held after worship TODAY in Bodwell Hall for volunteers, especially those who have not previously had IHN training. Please help welcome our guests to Forest Hill!

Exploring Membership

Interested in exploring membership in Forest Hill Church? The next class will be held on Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. If you choose to join, you will do that on March 22. Please contact the church office if you are interested (216-321-2660 or office@fhcpresb.org).

Softball Offseason News!

The temperatures may be falling and the snow accumulating, but it is also time to begin preparations for softball spring training. All persons (16 and over) interested in joining the Forest Hill Softball Team should contact Jason Hidek (jason.hidek@att.net or 330-284-5007). February kicks off the league meeting and preseason practice starts in early April. We will be striving to field two teams this year so there is plenty of playing time for everyone. All returning players please confirm plans for this year as well as thoughts and ideas for a preseason kickoff event!

Care Group

The Eden Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during February. Please call the church office to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death. Information will then be passed on to the Care group leaders.

✦ Members of this month's Care group are:

Doris Allen, Deacon leader	Sue and Scott Lafferty
Deborah Adrine	Jane Little
Clover, Tim, Seth and Sophie Beal	Peg and Steve Marunowski
Dave and Chris Bell	Clayton and Julie Minder
Colleen Bloom and family	Ron Polderman, Carol Smith, and Sarah Smith-Polderman
Jean and Scott Duncan	Bob and Peggy Seher
Jeff Dyck and Lara Troyer	Elizabeth Shaw
Kris and Bill Fay	Jeff and Anne Smith
Shirley Gallagher	Elaine Tapié
Hazel Grant	Thomas Taylor
Mary Hill and Evan Tuttle	Elaine Turley and Jordan Shoger
Heather and Jon House	Paul and Katie Weissbrod
Bob and Pat Jeffreys	

Social Groups and Circles

Hilltoppers (retired singles and couples)

Hilltoppers will gather in Fellowship Hall for a Valentine's Day Party on Friday, February 13 at 2 p.m. Cost is \$2 per person. RSVP by February 8 to Verna Bidelman (216-932-2486) or Carol Scott (216-932-0313)

Iris Circle (all women of the church)

Come to the home of Kay Currie (1172 Berwick Lane, South Euclid) on Tuesday, February 17 at 7:30 p.m. for a book discussion – and bring a favorite book and a 2-minute description of it. We'll share our books and go home wanting to read!

Pacesetters (singles and couples 40 - 60 ish)

Come to the home of Sue and Scott Lafferty (1969 Bromton Dr., Lyndhurst) on Saturday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. and join in the fun of planning the Pacesetters events for 2009. Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to share, and your favorite beer or wine if you wish (non-alcoholic beverages will be provided). Contact the Laffertys for information and directions (440-449-2361 or salaff@sbcglobal.net).

■ ■ ■ *FHC Youth*

Today: Sine Nomine Choir will rehearse in the chapel immediately after worship.

MOB: Mid Highs will meet at 4; Senior Highs will meet at 5 p.m.

This week: Sr High Bible study, 7 p.m. Wednesday at Phoenix Coffee House on Coventry

■ ■ ■ *The Lessons*

Next Sunday: 2 Kings 5: 1-14; Psalm 30; 1 Corinthians 9: 24-27; Mark 1: 40-45.

As part of your daily devotions, read the lessons. What image or word catches your attention? How do they settle or challenge you? Keep notes of your observations in a journal. Set aside part of each day for prayer and study. The lectionary readings for each Sunday are included in the "Sundays in February" page of the **TOWER**.

■ ■ ■ *FHC Staff Emails and Phone Extensions*

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■ ■ ■ *Calendar: February 8 – 15, 2009*

Sunday, February 8

9:30 Child care begins
Adult and Youth Education
Confirmation class
Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)
10:15 Descant Choir activity
Cherub Choir
10:30 Chancel Choir
Continental Breakfast
11:00 Little Explorers (3 and 4 year olds)
Children in Worship (older 4s, k)
WORSHIP
11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land gr. 1-5
12:15 Coffee hour
IHN Training
Sine Nomine Choir
4:00 MOB: Mid High
5:00 Faith Leader class
MOB: Sr. High

Monday, February 9

7:00 p.m. Sycamore Group
7:30 p.m. Borton Group (AA)
Boy Scout Trp #403
Cub Scout dens (Pack #36)

Tuesday, February 10

6:30 p.m. Cub Scout den (Pack #36)

Wednesday, February 11

7:30 a.m. Bible and Bagels
5:30 p.m. Yoga
6:00 p.m. Trustee committees
7:00 p.m. Sr High Bible study (Phoenix)
Ministry meetings

Thursday, February 12

6:00 p.m. CH Swim Team dinner
6:20 p.m. Voices in Bronze
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
Forest Hill Swim Club

Friday, February 13

1:00 p.m. Hilltoppers: Valentine Party

Saturday, February 14

9:00 a.m. CEIRS: Gospel of John

Sunday, February 15

9:30 Child care begins
Adult and Youth Education
Confirmation class
Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)
10:15 Descant Choir activity
Cherub Choir
10:30 Chancel Choir
Continental Breakfast
11:00 Little Explorers (3 and 4 year olds)
Children in Worship (older 4s, k)
WORSHIP
Pathways to the Promise Land gr. 1-5
12:15 Coffee hour
Blood Pressure check
4:00 MOB: Mid High
5:00 Faith Leader class

Wanted: Sound and Light Board Operator

For Sunday worship and special services and programs

Interested in running our sound and light boards?

Training provided

Previous experience celebrated but not required

Open to those mid-high and older

Commitment: You would be responsible for sitting up in the balcony and making sure that sound and light are set and running well for services (perhaps a dozen or so worship services a year). Manage both live and recorded sound. Arrive 15 - 20 minutes prior to the service to ensure equipment is turned on and properly set; stay 5 minutes after service to copy CD.

Opportunity to make \$\$\$ during weddings and special events

Contact the church office to sign up or for more details.

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Mark 1: 29-39

As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.” And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

ITINERARY
Forest Hill Church Pilgrimage to Israel / Palestine

Friday – Saturday, Feb. 6 - 7 Leave Cleveland 7:02 p.m. to Tel Aviv via Newark – arrive Tel Aviv 4:30 p.m. Feb. 7

Sun. Feb. 8 Morning presentation with leaders at NSWS about history of Israel and the hopes / dreams / challenges of local populations for the future. Leave around mid-day for Caesarea Maritima for a visit to the site. Continue to Galilee.

Mon. Feb. 9 Morning visit to the Ginosar museum (the “Jesus Boat”). If weather is good, take a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee to Capernaum. Visit the archaeological site there and then continue to the Mount of Beatitudes for a visit. Lunch at Tabhka (site of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes). Travel north to Safed to visit the city (historic synagogues associated with the Kabbala and artist colony).

Tue. Feb. 10 Travel to Tel Megiddo (visit the archaeological site there). Continue with a visit to Nazareth and the Basilica of the Annunciation.

Wed. Feb. 11 Travel to Yardenit for a Baptismal
Travel to Beit She’an (visit the large archaeological site there).
Drive south to Jerusalem. Stop for panoramic view of the Old City at the Mount of Olives. Include a visit to the Israel Museum (to see the model of the Old City during the 1st century).

Thu. Feb. 12 Visit Temple Mount (Haram Es-Sharif), Western Wall, the Davidson Archaeological Complex and the City of David Complex.

Fri. Feb. 13 Visit the Upper Room/King David’s Tomb, St. Peter in Gallicantu (Caiphas’ house), Garden of Gethsemane , St. Anne’s and the Pools of Bethesda, Via Dolorosa and the Church of the Holy Sepulcher.

Sat. Feb. 14 Day excursion to Qumran and Masada.

Sun. Feb. 15 Day in Bethlehem. Visit the Basilica of the Nativity.

Mon. Feb. 16 Day at leisure in Jerusalem without the services of a guide or motor coach. Return to Cleveland on 11:40 p.m. flight; arrive 8 a.m. Tuesday.