

# Forest Hill Church



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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*

*January 30, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.*

*Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.*

If you are visiting, please print your name on a name tag and wear it so that we might greet you. 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*

Lord Jesus Christ, pour out your spirit upon your church so that we may worship you with joy, and that we may faithfully and constantly serve you and your children. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Welcome**

### **Prelude**

"Fanfare"  
Voices in Bronze

H. Purcell

### **Choral Introit**

### ■■■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

### **Call to Worship**

Elder Melody Obery

Leader: What does the Lord God want from us?

**People: To do the just thing, love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God.**

Leader: Holy God, who dare enter your meeting place, and who dare stand on your holy mountain?

**People: By grace alone; by the grace of Jesus Christ, we gather for worship, by the grace of Christ Jesus we greet each other in peace.**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### **\* Processional Hymn No. 142**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

**Prayer of Confession** Elder Todd Webster  
Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.

**Time of Silent Confession**

**Kyrie eleison** *(Lord, have mercy)* plainsong

■ ■ ■ *Affirming the Good News in Our Lives*

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Gloria, Gloria No. 576**  
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!  
*2<sup>nd</sup> time, men begin; women begin 2 measures later;  
Children and youth begin 2 measures after that.*

**Anthem** A. Wilson  
“Blessed Are the Clean in Heart” (from *Song of Hope*)  
Lisa Koops, flute

■ ■ ■ *Opening Our Hearts to God’s Word*

**Scripture Lesson** Acts 6: 1-8  
*After the reading*  
Leader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.  
People: Thanks be to God.

**\* Hymn**  
“Over My Head”  
*Please see p. 4*  
*Children in Pathways may leave during the hymn*  
*Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn*

**Sermon** Rev. Clover Reuter Beal  
“Soul Community”

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord’s Prayer** *please use debts, debtors*

**Ritual of Friendship** *all are asked to sign the tablets as a record of attendance*

**Offertory** C. Hampton  
“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

**\* Doxology**  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below,  
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

■ ■ ■ *Going Forth to Live as God’s People*

**\* Closing Hymn No. 391**  
“Take My Life”  
*All sing st. 1; women sing st. 2, 4; men sing st. 3, 5*

**\* Commission and Blessing**

**\* Choral Benediction**

**\* Passing of the Peace**

■ ■ ■ *Postlude* C. Franck  
“Chorale in A Minor”



■ ■ ■ *Parish Notes*

**Chancel Flowers**  
The flowers today are given by Diana and Ted Woodbridge in loving memory of Ted’s parents and in honor of Diana’s mom.

**Prayer Concerns this Week**

**Prayers are requested this week for the following:**

George Dean, Jordan Dail, Joy Ferguson, Hazel Grant, Mel Mervine, Arlene Quinn, Leighton Scott, Debbie Ungemach, Ted Woodbridge

**Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:**

Pat and Fran Drake, Rose Eaton, Betty Farnfield, Marilyn Gifford, Mary Jean Kent, Elizabeth Kosnik, Mary Lewis, Merdine T. Morris, Joyce Peters

**In Memoriam We Remember**

Ralph A. Dise

Who died January 26, 2011

I am the resurrection and I am the life, says the Lord

**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. Lists of ongoing prayer concerns are in each month's **TOWER**.

**This Month's Ushers**

Kevin Stauffer, Lead Usher; Joe Andrews, Nick Baumgartner, Charles Ishler, Jane Ishler, Kate Monaghan, Daryl Musick, Victoria Sampson. Roger Heineman, Head Usher

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

■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

**TODAY**

***Please pick up your copy of the February TOWER in the foyer***

***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.

**Visitors and newer members** – If you have a few minutes after church and would like to meet and get to know other members of Forest Hill Church, come to **Connections Corner** in Fellowship Hall. Look for the table to the left as you enter the room. Come for coffee, a tasty treat, conversation and connection!

***Abundance Cupboard Reminders***

Abundance Cupboard is taking email addresses in Fellowship Hall after the service so that we can send you a friendly reminder during the week to bring some canned goods for the people in our neighborhood. Also, if you are interested in the latest research on the links between poverty, hunger, obesity, and food security – we have copies available at the sign-up table.

***Homeless Stand Down***

The Ministry of Justice and Mission has pledged to provide 50 personal care kits to donate to the Homeless Stand Down. Printed lists of items needed are located on the J&M kiosk and beside the collection box on the fellowship hall stage or at the following website: <http://www.interactcleveland.org/content/view/219/1/> . Can you donate a kit to help meet the basic needs of people in our community? If so, please prepare your donation and place in the collection box by Sunday, February 6. Contact Laura Steiner at 216-870-0119 or [lauramsteiner@yahoo.com](mailto:lauramsteiner@yahoo.com) with any questions

**Would you like more involvement with the Homeless Stand Down? Go to [www.interactcleveland.org](http://www.interactcleveland.org) to find out dates and additional ways to get involved.**

***THIS WEEK***

***Bible and Bagels***

Bible and Bagels will meet Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson this week is **Acts 9: 1-19**.

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Social Groups and Circles

#### **The Group** (*singles and couples, 60s-70s*)

The Group's Super Bowl party will be held Sunday, February 6, beginning at 5:30 (½ hr. before kickoff time, which is 6 p.m.) at Hal & Pat Musick's, 369 W. Glen Eagle Dr., Highland Hts. RSVP to the Musicks (440-442-3592) by February 3 to receive your food assignment.

#### **The Back Row** (*singles and couples 20s- 40s*)

The Back Row will gather to watch the Super Bowl at the home of Jason and Christina Hidek on Sunday, February 6, 2011 at 6 p.m. Bring your favorite tailgating food, along with a non-perishable donation for the FHC food pantry. Contact Christina Hidek (440-646-9093 or [christina.hidek@gmail.com](mailto:christina.hidek@gmail.com)) for more information.

#### **Pacesetters** (*singles and couples 40s-50s*)

The Pacesetters will gather at the Minders' (809 Lloyd Rd., Wickliffe) at 6 p.m. on February 6 for their annual watching of the Super Bowl. Please bring a dessert or an appetizer as well as a beverage to share. Questions? Contact Clayton or Julie Minder, 440-944-7920. All are welcome!

### Care Group

The Bethlehem 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:

Julie Waring, Deacon	Karen & Clyde Loughridge
Jon Adams & Pam Conover and family	Bethany & Joe Pinzone and family
Katie & Chris Batcheller and family	Ron Register
Dick Bloomquist	Jean Reinhold
Clarence & Elsie Boyd	Baldwin Sawyer
Kay & Bill Currie	Rosaneil Schenk
Carolyn Doggett	Mollie & Dick Secor
Peter & Kathryn Eloff	Millie Skeivis
Sharon Hansen	Kevin & Laura Steiner
Jenny Himmelman and family	Carolyn Vrtunski
Joan Kandare	Mark & Julie Waring and family
Morag & Tom Keefe	Blanche Winston
Elizabeth Kosnik	Beth & Tom Zych and family

Today's CARE Group volunteers: Anona Stack (Continental Breakfast); Fran Thomas (Coffee Hour); Betty Clark and Rosaneil Schenk (Greeting Cards); Julie and Gary Lustic (Greeters)

### **Exploring Membership Class: March 9**

The next Exploring Membership class is scheduled for March 9. Please contact the church office if you are interested in attending.

■ ■ ■ *Youth News*

**Today Today**

**Mid High:** Meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**Sr High:** Sr Highs are invited to lunch at Chipotle after worship today.  
6:30 – 8 p.m.: Faith on the Small Screen

**Next Sunday**

**Mid High:** Meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**Sr High:** Mission trip meeting for all participants and their parents – parents, please come to the Koinonia Room (Kristen’s office) at 12:30. Youth, please come after Sine Nomine Choir. No evening meeting!

**Looking Ahead**

**February 12 – ski trip to Peak ‘n Peek! TODAY is the deadline to sign up. See Kristen Sloan NOW!**

■ ■ ■ *The Lessons*

**Next Sunday: Acts 9: 1-19.** 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. Links to the readings for each Sunday appear on the church’s Facebook page, the **Upcoming Sundays** page of our website (<http://www.fhcpresb.org/worship-music/upcoming-sundays/>), and on the “Sundays in February” page of the **TOWER**.

■ ■ ■ *FHC Staff Emails and Phone Extensions*

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**Acts 6: 1-8**

Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, friends, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.” What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Stephen, full of grace and power, did great wonders and signs among the people.

*Calendar: January 30 – February 6, 2011*

<b>Sunday, January 30</b> 9:15 Child care begins 9:30 Adult and Youth Education Mid High Youth Confirmation class Descant Choir 10:15 Descant Choir activity 10:30 Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir 11:00 WORSHIP Children in Worship; Little Explorers 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee Hour Teacher training Sr. Highs: Lunch at Chipotle 5:00 Faith Leader Kerygma class 6:30 Sr. High Youth <b>Monday, January 31</b> 2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Ralph A. Dise Reception following 6:00 p.m. Progress not Perfection (Al Anon) 7:00 p.m. Al Anon 7:30 p.m. Borton Group (AA) Boy Scouts Troup #403 <b>Tuesday, February 1</b> 5:30 p.m. Session Task Force 6:30 p.m. Kerygma 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack #36 <b>Wednesday, February 2</b> 7:30 a.m. Bible & Bagels	<b>Thursday, February 3</b> 6:20 p.m. Voices in Bronze 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir <b>Friday, February 4</b> 9:30 a.m. Al Anon 6:30 p.m. Holy Conversations dinner <b>Saturday, February 5</b> 9:00 a.m. CEIRS class: The Miracles of Jesus <b>Sunday, February 6</b> 9:15 Child care begins 9:30 Adult and Youth Education Mid High Youth Confirmation class Descant Choir 10:15 Descant Choir activity 10:30 Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir 11:00 WORSHIP Children in Worship; Little Explorers 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee Hour Sine Nomine Choir Mission Trip meeting (parents now; kids after Sine Nomine) 12:30 Pilgrimage participants meet 2:30 Cub Scouts 3:00 Faith Leader 4:00 Holy Conversations 5:00 Kerygma class 5:30 The Group: Super Bowl (Musicks') 6:00 Back Row: Super Bowl (Hideks') Pacesetters: Super Bowl (Minders')
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**Abundance Cupboard Shopping List**

- **Hearty soup**
- **Beef stew**
- **Canned tuna fish**
- **Canned salmon**
- **Canned chicken**
- **Canned peaches, pears or pineapple**
- **Peanut butter**
- **Jelly**
- **Crackers**
- **Toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste**

**If you would like a receipt for your donation, leave your grocery receipt (with your name on it) in Lynda's box.**

**Thank you!**