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Witnessing to Christ's transformative power!*

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## *Service of Worship*

### *Sacrament of Holy Baptism*

*February 13, 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*

On this day in 1909, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was established after a race riot in Springfield, Illinois. As you prepare yourself for worship, give thanks to God for the rich diversity of the people of the world; ask for a spirit of enrichment and openness for today. Pray for peace, in Jesus' name.

### **Welcome**

#### **Prelude**

"King of Kings and Lord of Lords"  
Cherub Choir  
Lisa Koops, director

S. Conty, N. Bataya

### ■■■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

#### **Call to Worship**

Elder Derry Stauffer

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

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: O Lord, let our souls rise up to meet you,

**People: As the day rises to meet the sun.**

Leader: Glory to the Creator, and to the Son and the Holy Spirit,

**People: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**\* Processional Hymn No. 276**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God***

**Prayer of Confession**

Rev. Clover Beal

Leader: We believe: “Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives.”

**People: Forgive us for a world where only some are fed and many are famished.  
Forgive us for a nation in which so many languish in our prisons.**

Leader: We believe: “In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.”

**People: Forgive us for all the “isms” that divide us.**

Leader: We believe: “In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.”

**People: Forgive us for being so timid to live as if we really believed that Jesus is Lord.**

(Adapted from “A Brief Statement of Faith” PCUSA)

**Time of Silent Confession**

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

Paraguay

**■ ■ ■ *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.*

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

**The Sacrament of Baptism for Lola Rose Pinzone and Cole Patrick McCarthy**

**Welcoming Prayer**

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, Lola Rose and Cole Patrick, into Christ’s church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

**\* Hymn No. 304**

“Jesus Loves Me!”

*Children in Pathways may leave during the hymn*

*Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn*

**Scripture Lesson**

Acts 11: 1-18

*After the reading*

Leader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Dr. John Lentz

“What Kind of Church Are We?”

**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**

K. Hampton

“Praise His Holy Name”

**\* 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. 386**

“O for a World”

**\* Commission and Blessing**

\* Choral Benediction

\* Passing of the Peace

■ ■ ■ *Postlude*

J. S. Bach

“Fantasia in G Minor”



■ ■ ■ *Parish Notes*

**Chancel Flowers**

The flowers today are given by the Cameron family in loving memory of Mary Margaret Cameron.

**Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism**

**Cole Patrick McCarthy**, son of Jeffrey and Joyelle Daedelow McCarthy, grandson of Jim and Terry Daedelow. Jeff Daedelow and Kim Silva are Cole’s godparents. Laura Steiner is the attending Elder.

**Lola Rose Pinzone**, the daughter of Joseph and Bethany Daedelow Pinzone, granddaughter of Jim and Terry Daedelow. Jeff McCarthy and Amy Clark are Lola’s godparents. Laura Steiner is the attending Elder.

**Prayer Concerns this Week**

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

George Dean, Joy Ferguson, Arlene Quinn, Debbie Ungemach, Ted Woodbridge

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

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

**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**

Roger Heineman, Lead and Head Usher; Robyn Hales, Paula Harvey, Tom Harvey, Jason Hidek, Diane McFiggen, Tom McFiggen, Dick Peterjohn (assistant lead), Chuck Smith.

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

■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

**TODAY**

**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!

**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 15: 1-35**.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Buy Stock in our Youth!**

This summer the students of Forest Hill Church are travelling to Washington, DC to spend a week serving others while learning about social justice, advocacy and poverty. We need your support to help defray the cost of the trip. Our students will be selling stock to raise money for the mission trip. For a minimum donation of \$10, investors can buy a share in the youth group. The investor will be issued a stock certificate with the name of one of our youth. As an investor, you commit to praying for your student throughout the year and into the summer. During our week in DC, your student will write a letter to report about the trip. When we return, there will be an ice cream social for the students and investors to share our experience on the mission trip. Please make checks out to Forest Hill Church with Youth Stock in the memo line or see Kristen with questions. Thanks for your support!

### ***Nursery Helpers***

Anyone wishing to help in the nursery between now and Easter may sign up in the nursery, or contact Susanne Peterjohn (751-5357 or [peterjohn@wideopenwest.com](mailto:peterjohn@wideopenwest.com)).

### ***A.W.E. (Alternative Worship Experience): Feb. 27***

Mark your calendars for our third **A.W.E.** (Alternative Worship Experience) service on **Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 AM. Focused on disability awareness, the service will feature *Dancing Wheels*, a dance company that mixes dancers in wheelchairs with upright dancers. There will also be participation by deaf and blind persons who will celebrate their special gifts and share stories with us. Ann Williams will deliver the homily that morning, and special music is planned. The Descant Choir will be using American Sign Language in their song, and the Sine Nomine Choir will sing a song written from the perspective of a deaf child. The Chancel Choir will sing music of Beethoven who tragically lost his hearing but continued to compose some of the greatest musical works ever written. Please invite friends to this special service.

### ***Social Groups and Circles***

#### ***Iris Circle (all women of the church)***

Iris Circle invites all women of Forest Hill Church to an afternoon Bible Study led by Rev. Clover Beal. The one-session study will be about the women's role in leadership in the early church. How did the early church defy patriarchal cultural-social customs of its day by not only allowing but promoting women in leadership? We will explore some examples in scripture of these women. All women are welcome. Come join us ***Tuesday, February 15th at the home of Nancy Grube (5261 Graham Dr., Lyndhurst) at 1:00 p.m.***

We welcome all women and would love to hear about any programs that are of particular interest to you. We are meeting once a month, the third Tuesday, some daytime and some evening programs. We encourage all women of Forest Hill Church to participate when a program interests you and the time is good. Watch the **TOWER** and the bulletin to see what our program is each month. Any questions? Please call Cathy Ghiandoni (216 691-1905).

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

The Back Row will gather for a Mardi Gras party on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Derek and Jane Duncan (20030 Lomond Blvd., Shaker Hts.). Bring a potluck dish to share. Contact Jane Duncan (216-921-9580 or [duncan5oh@yahoo.com](mailto:duncan5oh@yahoo.com)) to RSVP or for more information. We'll have babysitters and crafts for the kids.

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

Today's CARE Group volunteers: Deb Adrine, Julie Waring (Continental Breakfast); Carolyn Vrtunski (Coffee Hour); Rosaneil Schenk (Greeting Cards); Mark Waring, Ron Register (Greeters); Julie Waring (Flowers)

■ ■ ■ *Youth News*

**Today**

Mid High: Meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
Sr Highs will not meet.

**Next Sunday**

Mid High: Meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
Sr High: Meet from 6:30 – 8 p.m.

■ ■ ■ *The Lessons*

**Next Sunday: Acts 15: 1-35.** 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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*Calendar: February 13-20, 2011*

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**Acts 11: 1-18**

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

**30 Pilgrims Will Travel to Turkey and Greece: March 25 - April 3**

Jon Adams  
Dave and Chris Bell  
Mary Ann Conn-Brody (Fairmount Church)  
Rev. Catherine Borchert  
Barbara Cloud  
Ensign and Lana Cowell (Trinity Episcopal)  
Dale and Elaine Dannefer  
Sally Davis  
Peter and Kathryn Eloff  
Rev. Liza Hendricks  
Barbara Hansen  
Clyde and Karen Loughridge  
Eric and Laurie Muller-Girard  
Lissa McKinley  
Bob and Jeannette Nemcek  
Dick and Elspeth Peterjohn  
Joyce Pope (Fairmount Church)  
Elizabeth Shaw  
Ahren Stock  
Dr. Tim and Rev. Clover Beal  
Dr. John Lentz

Pray for these participants. May the whole church be impacted and deepened in our faith by their transformative experience. May the breadth of knowledge, and the depth of experience they will gain, foster even greater vibrancy in our church family. Pilgrimage enlivens not only the faith of the individual; pilgrimage animates the whole body. May it be so!

There are two remaining classes introducing these pilgrims, and anyone else who is interested, to Greece and Turkey: on Monday, February 21, Dr. Tim Beal, PhD, will present “What Sort of World Are We Talking About?... The Historical and Socio-Cultural Overview of the Greco-Roman World”; and on Monday, March 7, Dr. John Lentz, PhD, will present “Oh, the Cities We Will Go, and the Biblical Texts We Will Read.” Both classes will meet from 7-9 p.m. in Bodwell Hall. All are welcome to join us.