

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

## Forest Hill Church

### The Tower

March 2011

Dear Friends,

As you all know, the Session had to make some very difficult financial choices in order to balance the 2011 budget. Salaries were frozen, programs were cut, and, perhaps most painful of all, there was a significant reduction in our benevolences. Due to this new reality, the Session called a small group to re-frame and re-claim our mission, and plan for financial responsibility in the future.

In order to keep our excellent staff, support our programs, maintain our building and increase giving to agencies that promote our commitment to social justice we have to increase revenue. Yes, we can add a pledge here and there, and some may be led to increase their annual giving. However, sooner or later, we must come to the reality that this is not sustainable. We have to increase membership.

Since the Congregational Meeting in January, Elders Chuck Smith, Laura Steiner, Barb Hansen, Kurt Haas, Mark Chupp, Laurie Logan, Joanne Shaner, Peg Weissbrod, Clover and I have been meeting. The entire Session will be going on their annual retreat at the end of the February to discern God's direction on our future. By May the Session will have a plan that will faithfully address our renewed commitment to be a thriving and growing church.

In time, you, the members of the congregation, will be asked for your input; this kind of crisis calls for everyone's involvement. At this point in time, the small group is attempting to frame the directing questions which will lead our discernment.

It has been a blessing to me to experience the excitement and faithfulness of this team of leaders. I have no doubt that this present crisis is presenting us with a powerful opportunity to deepen our commitment to praise God, equip the saints for ministry, serve others, show hospitality, and build Christ's beloved community.

Here are some things that you can do to help the process:

1. Pray for the Spirit's guidance.
2. Invite someone to church, or to a special program. The best way to grow the church is by personal invitation.
3. Stay current with your pledge.
4. Let me know what is the most important part of your Forest Hill Church experience.

I can't wait to see what is going to happen. God bless you,

John

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Dear friends,

We begin preparing ourselves for Easter (April 24<sup>th</sup>) by paying attention to our interior lives during the six weeks of Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday, March 9. Lent is a time to take a deep breath and let go of the illusion that we are perfect (or are trying to attain perfection). We can open ourselves to the welcoming hand of God. We can sit still and allow God to be God, and us human.

Many of you have shared with us that you struggle with saying the Confession of Sin in our worship service each week – that it makes you feel unnecessarily guilty. This piece, written by Martin Copenhaver, a UCC minister, addresses this feeling. Copenhaver's view of the rightful place of the Confession of Sin is, in my opinion, right on, theologically astute and humanly honest. Please read it carefully and contemplate what he's written. Rejoice, for we are all sinners. There is great peace that comes when we "come clean," release our need to be perfect, and receive forgiveness. Blessings as you walk the honest and unburdening journey of Lent.

***Christians are Joyful Sinners***, by Martin B. Copenhaver  
Excerpt from Isaiah 6:1-5: **"Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"**

Does worship in your church include a prayer of confession? If so, it is probably near the beginning of the service. One reason for this placement is that God's presence reveals things to us. In God's clarifying presence we see things about our lives that we might not see otherwise. So when Isaiah had a dramatic encounter with God in the temple, his first response was confession. And it can be the same for us in our worship.

Some congregations no longer include a prayer of confession in their worship because the practice is considered too "negative." They contend that people have enough difficulties in their lives without the church adding to the burden. But confession is not about adding a burden. Quite the opposite. It is about being unburdened. Ultimately, there is no joy in denial. But there can be great joy in receiving forgiveness.

As Christians we don't need to traffic in denial. We can afford to be realists. We are free to face the truth about ourselves: good and bad are inextricably intertwined within us. Sometimes we act nobly, but even then our motivations can be mixed. This is not a hopeless admission. We are free to be realists because our hope is in God. In confession, we rely not on our own goodness, but on God's forgiveness. The God in whose presence we see our lives with jarring clarity at the same time shows us that we are loved, nonetheless.

Prayer

*Dear God, when given a chance, I mess up. Sometimes, when not given a chance, I mess up anyway. So I am grateful that I do not have to rely on my own goodness, but rather on your forgiveness. Amen.*

Rev. Clover Beal

## From the Web

Did you know...

- You can read the upcoming Sunday's Scripture lesson online simply by clicking on the link listed on the [Upcoming Sundays](#) page (under Worship & Music)?
- There's a Search feature at the top of every page of our website to help you find what you're looking for?
- If your high-schooler is scheduled up to be a crucifer, there's a [complete schedule](#) of crucifer assignments on the Youth page?

If you haven't explored our website lately, ***Come and See!***

Elder and Webmaster Peg Weissbrod

## Children's Christian Education and Confirmation

February was a busy month as the children and youth explored Jesus' ministry. Our youngest children participated in activities about Jesus' parables and early teachings. The Pathways to the Promise Land children participated in activities that centered on the parable of the *Prodigal Son* and our Confirmation class focused on the Bible and Sacraments.

- In our nursery, thank you to Ron Register, Lara Troyer, Sharon Shumaker and Beth Feroe.
- In our Little Explorers class, thank you to Joanne & Dan Shaner.
- In our Children in Worship class, thanks to Pat & Jim Seeders.
- In Pathways to the Promise Land, thank you to Jennifer Blakeney, Jenny Himmelman, Wendy and Anna Brock, Amy & Chris Davis, Cathy Ghiandoni, Consuelo Heineman, and Kate Burleigh.

### Children's Christian Education

**Little Explorers** - three/ four year olds

**Children in Worship** - older 4 year olds and kindergarten

During the month of March the children in these classes will be exploring and participating in Bible stories about the parables and Jesus' teachings. Each lesson has an activity response to the story to help the children better understand the meaning. Susanne Peterjohn will be leading the *Little Explorers* class and Christina and Jason Hidek will be leading the *Children in Worship* class.

### Pathways to the Promise Land - grades 1-5

The next theme for this group is a three-week focus of the story of the *Woman with the Alabaster Jar*. The woman with the alabaster jar challenges us to balance our spiritual relationship with the Lord and our call to serve those in need. The children will participate in movement, art and storytelling workshops as they explore this theme.

### Confirmation

Please keep our Confirmands and Covenant Partners in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their focus of Faith Journeys in their classes. The class has begun to discern how scripture impacts our lives, learned what Presbyterian creeds are, explored the sacraments and went on an overnight retreat which included a snow slide and lots of laughter. Thank you to Rev. Tricia Dykers-Koenig and Dr. Tim Beal for facilitating these classes.

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## Dates to Know

### March 6 **Gathering Time** – *Woman with the Alabaster Jar*

Pathways to the Promise Land children (grades 1-5) will meet in the Chapel at 11:00, then be excused to their workshops with their shepherds.

### March 9 **Confirmation Bible Studies** – Attend Ash Wednesday service with your family

### March 13 **Communion**

Pathways children will begin in their workshops, then join their families in the sanctuary to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

### March 23 **Confirmation Bible Studies** – Meet in the Koinonia Room from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

### March 27 **Cherub Choir**

Pre-schoolers and kindergarteners meet for fun, movement and songs. Meet in Room 207 at 10:30.

### March 27 **Gathering Time** – *Crucifixion and Resurrection*

Pathways to the Promise Land children (grades 1-5) will meet in the Chapel at 11:00, then be excused to their workshops with their shepherds.

Faithfully,

Liz Wollaeger

Director of Christian Education

## Bible and Bagels

For the past several years a hardy group of early risers have met in the Jin Room each and every Wednesday morning from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. They call themselves the "Bibles and Bagels" group. The name says it all. They eat bagels and, led by Pastor John Lentz, study the bible passage that John or Clover will use for the sermon the following Sunday. All are welcome. Give it a try. Tell friends about it!

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## Forest Hill Youth Ministry

### Fun & Fellowship Events

#### Ice Skating

Mid and Senior High youth are going ice skating at the Cleveland Heights Recreation Center March 4<sup>th</sup>. Bring friends and meet us there at 7pm! Open Skate is from 7-8:30pm. Bring \$10 for admission and skate rental.

#### Mid High Game Night

On March 18<sup>th</sup>, mid high youth (grades 6-8) will have dinner and game night together from 6-8pm. Bring friends, your favorite games and a snack to share! The location will be announced in the next couple of weeks.

#### Senior High OTL (Out to Lunch)

We will gather after Sine Nomine Choir on Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup> and head to a lunch spot nearby. Bring some money and come with a big appetite!

### Spiritual Development

#### Senior High Kerygma

During the education hour, John Lentz, Tim Beal and others are leading a Kerygma study titled *Your Bible: The Study Begins* for Senior High Youth. The class meets in the library from 9:30 am – 10:30 am with bagels!

#### Senior High Youth Discussion

Sr Highs will meet during worship on March 6<sup>th</sup> in the Koinonia room. We will explore the meaning and purpose of worship.

#### Mid High Youth

Mid Highs are studying stories in the Old Testament and the implications of these stories for our lives and faith. Mid Highs meet during the education hour (9:30 – 10:30 am) every Sunday morning.

### Mission Trip Participants

There will be a mandatory meeting for the students going on the mission trip this summer to Washington DC on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm in the Koinonia Room. All participants are expected to attend!

## Forest Hill Youth Schedule

### Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Ice Skating for all youth @ 7 pm at Heights Rec Center

### Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

Mid High Youth & Sr. High Kerygma @ 9:30 am

Sr. Highs meet during worship

Sine Nomine Choir @ 12:15 pm

### Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

Mid High Youth & Sr. High Kerygma @ 9:30 am

Mission Trip meeting @ 12:30 pm

### Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

Mid High Game Night @ 6 pm

### Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>

Mid High Youth & Sr. High Kerygma @ 9:30 am

### Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

Mid High Youth & Sr. High Kerygma @ 9:30 am

Sine Nomine Choir at 12:15 pm

Sr. High Lunch @ 1:00 pm

Kristen Sloan

Director of Student Ministries

## Buy Stock in our Youth!

This summer the students at Forest Hill Church are travelling to Washington DC to spend a week in mission. 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. See Kristen Sloan with questions. Thanks for your support!

## Ministry of Justice and Mission Benevolence Report: 2010

The Ministry of Justice & Mission allocates or recommends benevolences and various other outreach gifts for specific worthy projects on behalf of the congregation of Forest Hill Church.

In 2010, we provided \$35,000 in grants from budgeted benevolences to 17 projects in the Heights area, Greater Cleveland, the U.S. and Internationally. Also, 4 projects (marked "E") received \$17,000 in funding from FHC's endowment. Projects are listed below.

Another \$35,000 in support was provided to Presbyterian Church (USA) mission through Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly.

Additional funds from freewill offerings overseen by the Ministry went to local hunger centers, Haitian disaster relief, and other needs of poor or vulnerable people. Forest Hill members gave generously in 2010, showing the love and justice of Jesus Christ to the world.

### Heights Area

Family Connections (fka Heights Parent Center) (\$500)  
*parenting skills for families*

Heights Community Congress (\$1,500)  
*promoting interracial dialogue in Cleve.Hts.-Univ.Hts.*

Heights Youth Club (\$2,000)  
*after-school education and recreation programs*

Home Repair Resource Center (\$2,000)  
*housing rehabilitation and foreclosure counseling*

Home Repair Resource Center (\$5,000)(E)  
*Home in the Heights rehab and sale of vacant foreclosed homes*

Reaching Heights (\$500)  
*teachers' discretionary projects in Cleve.Hts.-Univ.Hts. Schools*

Sustainable Heights (\$2,000)(E)  
*conference on environmental and equity planning in the Heights*

**Total - \$13,500**

### Cleveland Area

Community Service Alliance (\$5,000)(E)  
*renovation of transitional housing facility for homeless men*

E-CITY (\$1,250)  
*entrepreneurial and life skills tutoring in Cleveland Schools*

Interfaith Hospitality Network (\$5,000)  
*operation of citywide program for homeless families*

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InterAct Cleveland (\$3,250)

*Homeless Stand Down and other interfaith activities*

New Life Community (\$3,000)

*transitional housing and job readiness for the homeless*

NOAH (Northeast Ohio Alliance for Hope) (\$6,000)

*advocacy and community organizing in East Cleveland*

United Protestant Campus Ministries (\$1,000)

*ministry to college students at CWRU, CSU, and Tri-C Metro*

**Total - \$24,500**

### U.S. National

Covenant Network (\$1,000)

*advocacy for inclusive Presbyterian Church (USA)*

Theological Education Fund (\$500)

*support of Presbyterian theological seminaries*

**Total - \$1,500**

### International

Aduhima, Ghana, Presbyterian Church (\$3,000)

*completion of new church in rural Africa*

Bright Stars of Bethlehem (\$2,000)

*church-based educational and family programs in Palestine*

Dougbe River School, Liberia (\$5,000)(E)

*new school project organized by Noble Road Church*

International Partners in Mission (\$1,500)

*organizes mission trips to developing countries*

South African Mission Partners (\$1,000)

*Presbytery partnership in solidarity with landless farmers*

**Total - \$12,500**

Questions about these 2010 mission projects are welcome – please see any member of the FHC Ministry of Justice & Mission.

Elder Richard Obermanns

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## Let Us Celebrate Pilgrimage and Education!

calendar 12-13

### 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!

### Adult Education

We celebrate our Church-wide Bible Study on the Acts of the Apostles!

We celebrate that over 80 people participated in the nine-week study on the book of Acts and 12 adults participated in the Bible 101 course. We had 15 lay people facilitate our group studies! We are so fortunate to have such talented and dedicated lay people leading and participating. We look forward to more study experiences and small group opportunities. FHC'ers have been bitten by the small group bug!

Thank you to Dave and Kate Burleigh, Derry Stauffer, Dave Bell, Eric Muller-Girard, Kathryn and Peter Eloff, Tom Zych, Daryl Musick, Peter and Ann Williams, Peg Weissbrod, Elizabeth Shaw, Kate Monaghan and Jennifer Blakeney for your leadership!

Rev. Clover Beal



**9:00** Child care begins  
**9:30** Adult education (Kerygma ends March 13)  
Youth education: Mid and Sr High classes  
Descant Choir  
Confirmation (Jan. 9 – May 15)  
**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 (gr. 1-5)  
(11 a.m. on Mar. 6 and 27)  
**12:15** Coffee Hour  
**5:00** Faith Leader  
Holy Conversations  
Kerygma (ends March 13)

<b>March 6</b> <b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b> 9:00 Exploring Membership class 11:00 Sr Highs: Meet during worship	<b>Exodus 24: 12-18</b> <b>Psalms 2</b> <b>2 Peter 1: 16-21</b> <b>Matthew 17: 1-9</b>
<b>March 13</b> <b>1 Lent</b> <b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME</b> <b>BEGINS</b> 11:00 WORSHIP: Communion; new members join 12:30 Mission Trip meeting	<b>Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7</b> <b>Psalms 32</b> <b>Romans 5: 12-19</b> <b>Matthew 4: 1-11</b>
<b>March 20</b> <b>2 Lent</b> 12:15 Blood pressure check 5:00 Boy Scout troop #409: Dinner	<b>Genesis 12: 1-4a</b> <b>Psalms 121</b> <b>Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17</b> <b>John 3: 1-17</b>
<b>March 27</b> <b>3 Lent</b> 1:00 Sr High OTL (Out to Lunch)	<b>Exodus 17: 1-7</b> <b>Psalms 95</b> <b>Romans 5: 1-11</b> <b>John 4: 5-42</b>



## Music

Three of the six Lenten Sundays fall in March this year, and the music will reflect the more contemplative atmosphere of this liturgical season.

During March, music by two of our FHC resident composers will be sung. Jed Koops' *My Lord Knows the Way* is well suited for Lenten themes, particularly finding one's way through the wilderness. Jaired Birks is making his compositional debut with a lovely setting of the *Kyrie eleison* text (Greek for Lord, have mercy). Jaired is only 17, but the Chancel Choir is in agreement that he has great potential as a composer.

The Sine Nomine Choir will have a special treat in March. During their rehearsal on March 6<sup>th</sup>, Geoffrey Golden, a specialist in gospel music, will teach the choir a song which they will sing in worship the following Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Geoffrey, though only a sophomore at Cleveland Hts. High School, is a master at choir directing and leads the music at his home church.

On Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, music from Turkey and Greece will be sung—a little musical farewell to the FHC folks travelling to that region later in the week. Lynn Balaze will be the guest organist that day as I will be on tour with the Heights choirs that week. That morning, I will be worshipping at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, a magnificent Gothic cathedral with amazing acoustics.

Mark your calendars for our 4<sup>th</sup> AWE service on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. It's our annual ***Swing to the Lord a New Song*** service, featuring our Chancel and Sine Nomine Choirs accompanied by a jazz combo led by trombonist Paul Ferguson (my brother) and trumpeter Jack Schantz. Also appearing will be the Heights Barbershop Group, (Jack Lentz, Josh Toombs, and Jaired Birks from FHC sing in this group).

Choirs (and everyone else), **please note that Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**, so remember to set your clocks ahead one hour and go to bed early the night before!

Soli Deo Gloria

Anne Wilson  
Director of Music

[annew@fhcpresb.org](mailto:annew@fhcpresb.org)

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## News of Our Church Family

### Baptisms

**Cole Patrick McCarthy**, son of Jeffrey and Joyelle Daedelow McCarthy, grandson of Jim and Terry Daedelow, was baptized on February 13. Jeff Daedelow and Kim Silva are Cole's godparents. Laura Steiner was the attending Elder.

**Lola Rose Pinzone**, the daughter of Joseph and Bethany Daedelow Pinzone, granddaughter of Jim and Terry Daedelow, was also baptized on February 13 (she and Cole are cousins). Jeff McCarthy and Amy Clark are Lola's godparents. Laura Steiner was the attending Elder.

### In Memoriam We Remember

**Ralph Allen Dise**, who died January 26, 2011

**W. Leighton Scott, Jr.**, who died January 30, 2011

### New Contact Information

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### Care Group

The Jericho CARE Group will be responsible for meeting members' needs during March. Please contact the church office in case of illness, hospitalizations, births or deaths (or other family emergencies) in any FHC family.

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Members of the Jericho CARE Group are:

Janet Banis	Al Gilbert
the Baumgartner family	Tom and Paula Harvey
Jennifer Blakeney, Marius	Candice Hoke, George Taylor and family
Juodisius and family	Carol Hopkins-Lutz
Jack and Mary Ann Breisch	Alex and Nancy Jamieson
the Brock family	the Lindquist family
the Burleigh family	Eunice Manu
Jim and Carol Conway	Carol Phillips
Joseph and Janet Dauer	the Sampson family
Marge Drollinger	Jean Seeley
Elizabeth Farnfield	Chuck and Lora Smith and family
Beverly Gairing	Ann Tutton
	the Wollaeger family

**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

**Please pray for those with ongoing prayer concerns:**

Chuck Broadhead (Jennifer Blakeney's uncle), Robin Dadusc (requested by Kathryn Himmelsteib), Judy (Jennifer Blakeney's friend), Marion Frederick (Jane Frederick's mother), Doug, Marcie and Lucy Harvey (Tom and Paula Harvey's family), Matthew Peterson (former FHC clergy), Dennis Wedding (Jeannine Gury's brother),

**Ushers**

Scott Peters, Lead Usher; Tish Van Beers-Klein, assistant lead; Amy Davis, Chris Davis, Scott Duncan, Jean Duncan, Brian Klein, Jim Roosa, Ayodele Solaru. Roger Heineman, Head Usher

## *Social Groups and Circles*

**The Group** (singles and couples 60s – 70s)

**Potluck Planning Dinner**

The Group will be meeting for a potluck dinner on March 12 at the home of Allan and Zivile Khoury, 930 Worton Park Dr., Mayfield. We will do our planning for the coming months, so please bring your ideas, brochures of events, and whatever other information you can gather to help us plan terrific evenings together.

Did you attend the Super Bowl party? Did you hear the magnificent concert at CIM? Did you cheer for the Captains baseball? How about the wine tour? Did you help out a family at Boulevard School at Christmas time? Did you tap your feet at "Backwards in High Heels"? What did you enjoy, and what interests you for next year?

RSVP to Allan and Zivile Khoury for food assignment ([zivile@gmail.com](mailto:zivile@gmail.com) or 440-461-8235).

**Saturday March 12, Khourys', 6:30 p.m.**

**Hilltoppers** (retired singles and couples) **K-9 Police Program**

The Hilltoppers will meet in Fellowship Hall at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 18, for a K-9 program presented by the South Euclid Police Department. All are welcome to come – bring a friend!

**Friday, March 18, FHC Fellowship Hall, 1 p.m.**

**The Back Row** (singles and couples 20s – 40s) **Mardi Gras Party**

The Back Row will gather for a Mardi Gras party on Saturday, March 5th, 2011 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.

**Saturday, March 5, Duncans', 6 p.m.**

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

**I Spy: An Artistic Scavenger Hunt at the Cleveland Museum of Art, with Anne Wilson**

Iris Circle invites women of Forest Hill Church to a tour of the Cleveland Museum of Art on Tuesday, March 15, 2011. We will meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. to carpool, and will meet Anne Wilson at the art museum by 10:30 a.m. Anne, a museum docent, will give us a private interactive tour which combines fun with artistic observation. Afterwards, if interested, you may join us for lunch at the Cafe in the Art Museum. If you are interested please contact Cathy Ghiandoni (216-691-1905 or [cgghiandoni@aol.com](mailto:cgghiandoni@aol.com))

## Lent and Easter at Forst Hill Church

### **Tuesday, March 8: Shrove Tuesday**

Come for supper and a special music program!  
Supper 6:30, program 7:30

### **Wednesday, March 9: Ash Wednesday**

Worship with imposition of ashes and communion, 7:30 p.m.

### **Sunday, March 13: First Sunday in Lent**

Worship: Communion, 11:00 a.m.

### **Wednesday, March 16**

Ministry meetings, 7:00 p.m. (moved from March 9)

### **Wednesday, March 23**

Session meeting, 7:00 p.m. (regularly scheduled meeting)

### **Friday, March 25**

Pilgrimage to Turkey and Greece departs (returns on April 3)

### **Wednesday, March 30**

Lenten dinner, 6:30, and program, 7:30

### **Wednesday, April 6**

Lenten dinner, 6:30, and program, 7:30

### **Sunday, April 17: Palm Sunday**

AWE Service: Swing to the Lord a New Song, 7:30 p.m.

### **Thursday, April 21: Maundy Thursday**

Dinner, 6:30; Worship with communion, 7:30

### **Friday, April 22: Good Friday**

Worship: 12:00

### **Sunday, April 24: Easter**

Worship, 9:00 and 11:00

## Office News and Reminders

The deadline for the weekly bulletin is every Wednesday morning.

The deadline for the **TOWER** is as follows: **7 a.m.** on MARCH 11, APRIL 15, MAY 13. **We will be distributing TOWERS in the Garden Foyer for two weeks following the due date. The TOWER will be posted on the website as soon as it is available.**

Emails and extensions for the staff are as follows:

- ❖ John Lentz, [pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org](mailto:pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org), ext. 200
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- ❖ Youth Director: Kristen Sloan, [kristens@fhcpresb.org](mailto:kristens@fhcpresb.org), ext 207
- ❖ Becky Austin (financial office): [beckya@fhcpresb.org](mailto:beckya@fhcpresb.org), ext. 203
- ❖ Lynda Bernays (office administrator), and all other email: [office@fhcpresb.org](mailto:office@fhcpresb.org), ext. 202

Our website is [www.fhcpresb.org](http://www.fhcpresb.org)

CDs of the worship service are available each week. Often they are available soon after worship. If you miss that, call or email the church office, or leave a note, and the CD will be in the volunteer office the following Sunday. The cost is \$1 per CD.

Would you like a large-print edition of the **TOWER**? Or a bulletin sent to you if you are ill or away? Please contact the church office with your request.

Both the bulletin and the **TOWER** may be found on our website. Please contact the office if you would like to discontinue your printed copy of the **TOWER** and ONLY read it on line.

Sunday flower donations are coordinated by the church office. Please call or email Lynda for information about donating an arrangement. The cost is \$25 per arrangement.

**A few tips for writing checks, since we have so many active funds right now –**

It is perfectly fine to write one check for several purposes, please just be very sure to write in the memo line how much money is for each fund. This same holds true when writing checks on-line; be sure to add a description like Base Pledge, Building Campaign, Flowers, etc.

That way your gifts will get speedily posted to the correct accounts.

**Did you know that your monthly or weekly donation to FHC can be paid on-line with your other regular payments?  
It's free, easy, and convenient!**

**Restoring the Building – Reclaiming the Mission**

All work has been completed with the exception of paving the parking lot which will be done this year.

Payment of pledges has been quite good with 64% of the total amount pledged having been paid to date. As a result the church has saved approximately \$10,000 in interest costs to-date. If the payments continue at the current pace the church will save an additional \$10,000. If you are able please consider accelerating the payment of your pledge so that the church can continue to realize these savings.

Thank you for your continued support in making this a successful project.

David Hunter, Chair



Softball season is here! Are you looking for fellowship, great cookouts, chicanery, exercise, and oh yes, some fun competitions with local churches? The Forest Hill softball teams are looking for members, visitors and guests (16 and over) to join the FHC softball teams.

Games are played Sunday late afternoons and evenings at local parks from April thru the end of July.

Please contact Jason Hidek ([jason.hidek@att.net](mailto:jason.hidek@att.net) or 440-646-9093) if you are interested.



**Presbyterian Women Meet April 2, 2011**

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of the western reserve will have a Spring Gathering Spiritual Retreat on Saturday, April 2, from 8:30 – 2:00 at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Olmsted Falls.

The theme for the day is “And God Created Laughter.” Learn more about why laughter and joy are healing forces in our lives. Learn how to have more laughter, humor, and joy in your life. Join the celebration of being a joyful Christian.

Continental breakfast and lunch will be served.

To register, send \$8 to:  
Nancy Sabo, 2020 Tillotson Rd., Ashtabula OH 44004

St. Andrews is at 23114 West Road, Olmsted Falls; 440-234-0150