### Service of Worship

### Easter Day

## Celebration of Communion April 24, 2011 at 11:00 am

### 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

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection. May we, who have risen with Christ, signal the beginning of a renewed humanity. May the living Lord breathe peace on us that our eyes might be opened to his presence among us this day. Christ has risen, Alleluia!

Welcome

Prelude W. A. Mozart

"Rondo" (Concerto No. 3) Nathan Harris, French horn

Easter Story Mark 16: 1-8a

**Choral Introit** 

■■■ Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship Monika Juodisius

Leader: This is the Good News – the grave is empty, Christ is risen.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the Good News – the light shines in the darkness and the darkness can

never put it out.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the Good News – once we were no people, now we are God's people.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

\* Processional Hymn No. 123

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

■ ■ Renewing Our Relationship with God

The Easter Prayer Rev. Clover Beal

All: Lord, You bring new life where we are worn and tired; new love where we have turned hard-hearted; forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded; and the joy and freedom of your holy spirit where we are

prisoners of ourselves.

Silence

Leader: To all and to each, to his community and to his friends, Jesus gives us the gift

to begin again. Thanks be to God.

All: Amen.

■■■ Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Anthem H. Rohling

"The Angel Said to the Women"

A Moment with Children Rev. Beal, Liz Wollaeger

■ ■ Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

**Scripture Lesson(s)** 1 Corinthians 15: 1, 3-8, 12-14, 20-22

After the reading(s)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"First Things First"

\* Hymn No. 106

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

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

### Offering of Our Gifts

**Offertory** G. Gastoldi

"In Thee Is Gladness"

#### \* The 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.

#### ■■■ Eucharist

#### Invitation

#### **Great Thanksgiving**

**Leader:** The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus A. Wilson

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (please use debts, debtors)

**Communion of the People** 

Music During Communion Ghana

"Christ the Lord Is Risen"

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Thank you for sharing your life and love with us. Now strengthen us to be your lively and loving people. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit to bring good news to the poor and lift blind eyes to sight, to loose the chains that bind and claim your blessing for all people. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN.

### ■ ■ Going Forth to Live as God's People

\* Closing Hymn

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Congregation, please sing the refrain

- \* Commission and Blessing
- **Choral Benediction** G. F. Handel

"Hallelujah Chorus" (from *Messiah*)

\* Passing of the Peace

■ ■ Postlude C. M. Widor

"Toccata (Symphony No. 5)

### ■■ Parish Notes

#### **Today's French Hornist**

Welcome to our guest French hornist, Nathan Harris. He is an Ohio State University grad and is currently on staff as Assistant Band Director with the South Euclid-Lyndhurst City Schools.

#### **Prayer Concerns this Week**

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

Mary Ball, Bob Bielek, Bill Burcham, Don Clark, George Dean, Joy Ferguson, Janet Kickel, Suzanne Marcy, Joy Stang, Debbie Ungemach

### 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, Anne Taylor

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.

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#### ■ ■ 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.

#### Easter Bake Sale

The youth are holding a bake sale today after the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services. Get your pick of great cookies and cakes (including diabetic-friendly treats)! All money raised will benefit the youth mission trip.

### THIS WEEK

#### **Bible and Bagels**

Bible and Bagels meets Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 am in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson this week is **Luke 24: 13-35.** 

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

#### Adult Education

#### 9:30 am in South Hall

**May 1 and May 8**: Dr. Tim Beal, Professor of Religion at CWRU, will continue his series discussing his new book, *The Rise and Fall of the Bible*.

May 15: Pilgrims from the trip to Turkey and Greece will speak and show slides

**May 22:** Elder Cynthia Bolbach, Moderator of the PC(USA) General Assembly, will speak.

#### May Cabaret!

It's the May Cabaret! Next Sunday, May 1, we will start with a Morag Keefe-prepared dinner (yum!) at 6:15 pm and continue with our family-friendly intergenerational variety show at 7:00 pm. Some highlights this year include: the debut of the Forest Hill Steel Drum Band (playing *Day-O!*), the Descant Choir's singing of "Mama Don't 'Low", a James Bond thriller piece by the Zych family, waltzing couples in tuxedos and gowns accompanied by the bell choir, and the much loved Male Ballet.

### **Social Groups and Circles**

**Pacesetters** (singles and couples 40s – 50s)

Mission project: Friday May 6, 2011 6-7 pm dinner; 7-9 pm toy adaptation

You are invited to spend two hours on Friday evening, May 6, playing with toys! Perhaps not exactly playing - but more preparing the toys for playing. In collaboration with the not-for-profit organization, **RePlay for Kids**, we will adapt toys with assistive devices for children with disabilities.

Robert Brock, FHC member and dedicated member of RePlay for Kids, is the host for the evening and has agreed to help even the least 'handy' of us to help make a difference. All you need is a willingness to help - he will provide the expertise, tools and the toys. RSVP to Melody Obery at <a href="mailto:obery@sbcglobal.net">obery@sbcglobal.net</a> or 216-291-8323 by Wednesday, May 4th. Thank you!

For more information about RePlay for Kids, go to http://www.replayforkids.org/about.htm

#### **Hilltoppers** (retired singles and couples)

The Hilltoppers' Spring Luncheon will be held Friday, May 13 at 12 noon. We will meet at *Alfredo's at the Inn* (Holiday Inn, Mayfield Village) for a family-style meal. The cost is \$28 per person (cash bar available); please make your check out to Nancy Burcham to secure your reservation by May 5. Greg McBride of the Cleveland Indians will be our guest.

# LOOKING AHEAD Spring Work Day

One sure sign of spring? The Spring Work Day, of course!

Saturday May 7, 2011 9 am – 1 pm. Lunch will be provided RSVP: Contact Consuelo Heineman (<u>rogedoge@aol.com</u> or 216-371-6395).

Please join us as we get our church ready for spring and beyond. We will be washing windows, installing screens, and mulching around shrubs and flower beds. All are welcome to come and help out any time during these hours.

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#### Care Group

The Nazareth Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during April. 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:

Cindy Newton, Deacon leader Jane & Cliff Kowall

Doris Bartlett Wafa Kuri

Marcia Beck Barb & Kermit Lind JoAnne Black Dave & Allie Neff

Deborah Chapman & Lyn Hale Cindy Newton & family

Jinny Colville Lois Reilly

Ron & Patty Console Eric Rich & family
Jim & Terry Daedelow Jim Roosa & family

Pat Drake Peggy Sasso

Beth Feroe Kevin & Laura Stauffer & family

Jeannine Gury, Scott Peters & family Sarah & JT Tan

Jennifer & Barry Hartz & family Kimble & Sandy True

Kathryn Himmelsteib Megan & Peter Tzefronis & family Callie Janor Matt & Sarah Winters & family

Audrey & Bob Kellermeyer

Today's CARE Group volunteers: Rosaneil Schenk, Betty Clark (Greeting Cards); Dave

Neff, Jinny Colville (Greeters); Cindy Newton (coffee hour)

### Forest Hill Softball Teams Schedule

May 1 FHC-1 vs St Ann's, Forest Hill Park #7, 6 pm FHC-2 vs Fairmount PC, FHP #4, 6 pm

May 8 NO GAMES

May 15 FHC-1 vs Church of the Saviour-A, FHP #4, 6 pm FHC-2 vs Church of the Redeemer, Roxboro MS, 6 pm

May 22 FHC-1 vs Central Bible Baptist, FHP #7, 6 pm FHC-2 vs Fairmount PC, Roxboro MS, 6 pm

May 29 NO GAMES

### IHN Host Week: May 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>

FHC's next IHN host week is coming up. We will be in Fellowship Hall after worship for sign-up on May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup>. You can also contact Anne Smith for food preparation (annejeffsmith@yahoo.com) and Julie Lustic (jlustic@gmail.com) for all other jobs.

#### ABUNDANCE ACRES: April 30, May 21

Dedicated to providing fresh produce to the Abundance Food Cupboard at Forest Hill Church

Come join us as we celebrate the beginning of our garden's new life this year:
Sat 4/30 9:00-12:00 Dig day to prepare the soil and plant the early seeds and plants
Sat 5/21 9:00-12:00 Planting day for the warm weather seeds and plants

(We will postpone one week if it is raining or the ground is not dried out enough). Stay tuned for special harvest events later in the year. We will be working with the Youth Groups and the Boy Scouts to make the garden fun for all ages.

### ■■■ *Youth News*

### Today

No classes today

April 30: Mid High Scavenger Hunt, 3 pm

#### **Next Sunday**

Mid High and Sr High: Meet from 9:30 – 10:30 am

Sine Nomine Choir: Rehearse in the chapel after worship

### **Looking Ahead**

Thursday, May 5: Sr Highs meet at Phoenix Coffee House, 7 pm

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### ■■■ The Lessons

Next Sunday: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31. 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 May" page of the TOWER.

### ■■ FHC Staff Emails and Phone Extensions

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#### Sunday, April 24: Easter

9:00 Worship (chapel)

Child care begins

10:00 Bake sale begins

10:30 Chancel Choir

11:00 WORSHIP

12:15 Coffee Hour

#### Monday, April 25

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)

7:00 pm Al Anon

7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)

Boy Scouts Troup #403

#### Tuesday, April 26

7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack #36

#### Wednesday, April 27

4:00 pm OFT Petition training

7:00 pm Session meeting

#### Thursday, April 28

6:20 pm Voices in Bronze

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

#### Friday, April 29

9:30 am Al Anon

#### Saturday, April 30

9:00 am Abundance Acres: Dig Day

10:00 am Cub Scouts:

District Pinewood Derby

3:00 pm Mid Highs:

Scavenger hunt and supper

#### Sunday, May 1

9:15 Child care begins

9:30 Adult and Youth Education

Mid & Sr High Youth Confirmation class **Descant Choir** 

10:15 Descant Choir activity

10:30 Continental Breakfast

**Chancel Choir** 

11:00 WORSHIP: Baptism of Brendan West Children in Worship; Little Explorers

Pathways to the Promise Land

12:15 Coffee Hour

Sine Nomine Choir

**Nominating Committee** 5:00 Faith Leader

**Holy Conversations** 

6:00 Softball: FH1 vs St Ann @ FH7 FH2 vs Fairmount PC @ FH4

6:15 May Cabaret: Supper

7:00 May Cabaret: Program



## **Earth Care**

By now you know that it's official! We are confirmed as an Earth Care Congregation by the Presbyterian Church USA. The Earth Care Team at FHC has coined the following Mission Statement:

Care of the Earth is central to all discipleship and stewardship in our lives and is achieved through encouragement and education, enabling change within our individual lifestyle, church and greater community.

The Earth Care team is now busy planning activity and programs to encourage and assist our congregation in fulfilling this mission as the months proceed. Stay tuned!

#### Earth Care Team:

Dave Neff, Diana and Martin Johannessen, David Hunter, Christina Hidek, Steve Sedam, Keith Logan, Mark Chupp, Dale Dannefer, Kemp Jaycox

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