

Forest Hill Church PRESBYTERIAN



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

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Service of Worship

August 21, 2011 at 10:00 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*

In the beginning O God, you shaped my soul and set its weave. You formed my body and gave it breath. Renew me this day in the image of your love. O great God, grant me your light. O great God, grant me your grace. O great God, grant me your joy this day. And let me be made pure in the well of your peace.

Welcome

Prelude

"Sicilienne"

G. Fauré

Choral Introit

■■■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

Call to Worship

Elder Kate Burleigh

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

People: As the day rises to meet the sun.

Leader: Glory to God, the Creator, and to Jesus Christ, the Savior and to the Holy Spirit.

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

Leader: Let us worship God.

*** Opening Hymn No. 280**

"Amazing Grace"

■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

Prayer of Confession Elder Robin Craig
Loving Savior, speak peace to us. You said to your disciples, “Peace be unto you.” Speak also to us, for we confess that we are locked into our fretfulness and doubts.

A Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy*) Plainsong

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

Assurance of Pardon

*** Song of Praise**

“Shine on Me” (*refrain*)
Shine on me, shine on me; Jesus, shine on me.
Through the darkness of my heart, Jesus, shine on me.

Anthem J. S. Bach
“Jauchzet Gott in allen Landen” (Praise Jehovah all ye people)
from Cantata No. 51
Lara Troyer, soprano

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

Scripture Lessons Galatians 5: 1, 13
2 Corinthians 3: 17

After the reading(s)
Leader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.
People: Thanks be to God.

*** Hymn No. 208**

“Psalm 84”
Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Sermon Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.
“Bringing Vacation Home”

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*

Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory trad. Irish prayer, arr. S. Davey
“The Deer’s Cry”

*** Response** Hymn No. 432

May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that’s new, faithful when we hear Christ’s call.

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

*** Closing Hymn**
“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”
Please see p. 5

*** Commission and Blessing**

*** Choral Benediction**

*** Passing of the Peace**

■ ■ ■ *Postlude* D. Buxtehude
“Prelude in G Minor”



Song here

■ ■ ■ *Parish Notes*

Chancel Flowers

The flowers last Sunday, August 14, were given by Sandy Schultz in memory of her children’s grandparents: Marjorie Mansfield, Earl Edwin Murray, Mignon Haas, and Walter Avery Schultz, Jr; and by the Khoury family in memory of Brian. The flowers today are given by Cliff and Jane Kowall to the glory of God; and by the Sampson family in memory of Pa Tedunjaiye, Madam Shalot Tedunjaiye and Madam Mercy Sam Uke.

Prayer Concerns this Week

Doris Brandt, George Dean, Bill Ferguson, Joy Ferguson, Cindy Fink, Dorothy Hales, Sharon Shumaker, Millie Skeivis, Debbie Ungemach

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Bob Bielek, Pat and Fran Drake, Rose Eaton, Betty Farnfield, Emma Jane Gibbs, Marilyn Gifford, Elizabeth Kosnik, 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

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

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 TOWER in the courtyard 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.

Today's Music

Many thanks to today's music leaders: Lara Troyer, Mary Ann Breisch, Patty Console, Carl Jenks, Melody Obery and Linn Obery.

Summer Pathways

Summer Pathways, for children who will enter grades 1 – 6 in the fall, meets today for the final time this season. Children should meet in the Art Room on the lower CE level.

Summer Movie – "The Help"

Sunday, August 21 at 12:30 p.m. at Severance Cinema (behind Walmart) – join us to watch ***The Help***, an adaptation of the best-selling novel of last summer by Kathryn Stockett. The book explores issues of racism in a Southern town in the 60's and the relationship between white residents and the black housekeepers and nannies who worked for them.

Meet Ron Register and Pastor Lentz at the cinema. After the film all who wish to discuss it will return to the church. If you don't want to go home between the church service and the movie, feel free to bring a bag lunch and eat at church.

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels

Bible and Bagels meets Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:15 am in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson this week is **Matthew 16: 21-28**.

NEXT SUNDAY

Love Wins, by Rob Bell

REMEMBER: next Sunday, August 28, after church there will be a discussion of our One Church, One Book selection. Bring a lunch and share your thoughts.

LOOKING AHEAD

Did You Know?

Breckenridge Village has apartments available in the Shafer Schweitzer House for low-income seniors. If you are 62 or over, and your annual household income (for 2) is \$40,200 or less, you are eligible. Contact Diane Lyden, Housing Manager at Breckenridge, at 440-954-8334.

Fall Festival: September 18

Kommen Sie zu Oktoberfest!

It's time to get out your lederhosen! The Forest Hill Church Fall Festival will celebrate our new church year with an Oktoberfest-themed lunch and afternoon of fun for all. Join us for games, crafts, polka dancing, oompah music and great German food. We are bringing back the always fun Cake Walk, and are looking for bakers to provide a cake, pie, cookies or cupcakes. Mark your calendars for September 18th and come meet friends old and new, kick off the fall season, and indulge in some beer (that's root beer, as in root beer floats that will be available for a small donation).

Ein Prosit! (A toast to happiness and good health)

Care Group

The Deacons are responsible for meeting members' needs during August. Please call the church office to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death. Information will then be passed on to the leader.

✦ Members of the FHC Deacons are:

Debbie Adrine

Daryl Musick

Mary Ball

Cindy Newton

Jennifer Blakeney

Joy Stang

Cathie Kernich

Ahren Stock

Janet Kickel

Julie Waring

Robin Mervine

Nancy Wyss

Continental Breakfast, Joy Stang; Coffee Hour, Daryl Musick and Cathie Kernich; Greeters, Nancy Wyss and Julie Waring; Flowers, Mary Ball.

Social Groups and Circles

Hilltoppers (retired singles and couples)

Hilltoppers will kick off the program year on Tuesday, September 6 with a trip to the Cleveland Museum of Art. FHC Director of Music Anne Wilson, an art museum docent, will take us on a tour of her favorite galleries. We will meet in the church parking lot by 10 am and carpool to the museum. The tour will begin by the gift shop near the lobby. Following our walking tour, those who wish may have lunch at the museum café. For more information, please contact Don or Betty Clark (216-531-3575) or Grace Uhle (216-514-0304).

The Group (single and couples, 60s-70s)

The Group will get together on Saturday, September 17 for dinner at a Lee Rd. restaurant and a movie at the Cedar-Lee Theater. Interested? Contact Marcia Grant (mgrant@us.edu).

■ ■ ■ *Youth News*

Today: Sr High Lunch in Koinonia Rm, 11:30 – 1:00

Thursday, August 25: Fun on Coventry – 7 pm

Saturday, August 27: Sr High Canoe trip (leave from FHC, 9 am)

Next Sunday: All-Youth Family Potluck, 5 – 7 pm

Looking Ahead: Check the Youth Activities article in the **TOWER** for September information.

■ ■ ■ *The Lessons*

Next Sunday: Exodus 3: 1-15; Psalm 105: 1-6, 23-26, 45b; Romans 12: 9-21; Matthew 16: 21-28. 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 July/August" page of the **TOWER**.

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Galatians 5: 1, 13

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another.

2 Corinthians 3: 17

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

NURSERY

Where can you eat animal crackers, hold a baby, play with blocks and listen to the worship service? In our nursery, that's where! Our nursery is in need of volunteers for the autumn months. Please sign up in the nursery or contact Liz Wollaeger.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Are you looking for a way to get connected in the life of the church? Consider teaching in one of the Christian Education programs for children and youth. It is a great way to share your faith and get to know our amazing younger members. The curriculum is teacher-friendly and life-relevant. Please contact Liz Wollaeger for more information on how you can enrich your faith as you lead a Church School class.

■■■ *Calendar: August 21 - 28, 2011*

Sunday, August 21 8:00 Nominating Committee mtg 9:30 Continental Breakfast 9:45 Child care begins 10:00 WORSHIP Summer Pathways 11:15 Coffee hour Sr High Lunch (here) 12:40 Movie at Severance Cinemas: <i>The Help</i> Monday, August 22 6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA) 7:00 pm Al Anon 7:30 pm Borton Group (AA) Wednesday, August 24 7:15 am Bible and Bagels 7:00 pm Session	Thursday, August 25 7:00 pm Youth: Fun on Coventry Friday, August 26 9:30 am Al Anon 11:30 am CHTU Luncheon for New Teachers Saturday, August 27 9:00 am Youth: Canoe Trip departs Kerygma facilitators mtg Sunday, August 28 9:30 Continental Breakfast 9:45 Child care begins 10:00 WORSHIP 11:15 Coffee hour 12:00 Summer read: <i>Love Wins</i> CE Shepherd Team mtg 5:00 Youth-Parent Pot Luck
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SAVE THE DATES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2011: REGULAR SCHEDULE RESUMES

SEPTEMBER 11, 3 PM: A PUBLIC INTERFAITH SERVICE
IN THE ATRIUM OF 200 PUBLIC SQUARE

SEPTEMBER 18, 2011: FALL FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 15-16, 2011: EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP CLASS

The Ministry of Justice and Mission will be collecting schools supplies for Boulevard Elementary School through Sunday September 4, 2011. Please place items in the noted boxes on the stage in Fellowship Hall.

Any and all supplies are welcome. The highlighted items are frequently missing due to the expense.

Thank you for your help and support.

- **Colored pencils**
- **Markers (thin and thick)**
- **Scissors**
- **Highlighters**
- **Flashcards (Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division)**
- **Notebooks**
- **Notebook paper**
- **Dry erase markers**
- #2 pencils/pencil sharpener/ballpoint pens
- Pink erasers
- Glue sticks/Elmer's Glue
- Boxes of Tissues
- Crayola Crayons
- Clorox Wipes/Hand Sanitizer
- Ziploc Baggies/Plastic Supply Box
- 2-pocket folders with and without prongs
- Spiral notebooks
- Rulers
- Mead composition books
- Notecards