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Service of Worship

February 19, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Songs of Survival and Lament

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

O God, set your blessing on us as we begin this day together. Confirm us in the truth by which we rightly live; confront us with the truth from which we wrongly turn. We ask not for what we want, but for what you know we need, as we offer this day and ourselves for you and to you, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Welcome

Prelude K. Bestor

"Prayer of the Children"
Mist'a Craig, Jed Koops, Sharif George, Cooper Andrews, Carl Jenks

■■ Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship Elder Elspeth Peterjohn

Leader: The world belongs to God. **People: The earth and all its people.**Leader: How good it is, how wonderful,

People: To live together in unity.

Leader: Love and faith come together,

People: Justice and peace join hands.

Leader: If Christ's disciples keep silent

People: These stones would shout aloud.

Leader: Open our lips, O God,

People: And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: Let us worship God.

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

^{*} Processional Hymn No. 368

■ ■ Renewing Our Relationship with God

Confession and Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy) Congregation sings "Perdón, Señor" Puerto Rico

■■■ Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria, Gloria No. 576

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

2nd time, men begin; women begin 2 measures later; Children and youth begin 2 measures after that.

Anthem

A. Wilson (poem by Pavel Friedman)

"The Butterfly"

Shelly Jesberger, soprano; Sally Sherwin, flute

■ ■ Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Minute for Mission Jordan Dail

* Hymn spiritual

"Steal Away"

Congregation sings refrain: melody, printed or improvised harmony





Children in Pathways may leave during the hymn Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn **Scripture Lessons**

Luke 4: 17-19 Isaiah 61: 1-2

J. S. Bach

After the readings

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

Thanks be to God. People:

Sermon Professor Maghan Keita

"The Difficulty of Being Prophetic"

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

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

arr. André Thomas Offertory

"The Drinking Gourd"

* 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. 445

"Great Day!"

- * Commission and Blessing
- * Choral Benediction
- * Passing of the Peace

■ ■ ■ Postlude

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"Fugue in D Minor"

■ ■ Parish Notes

Chancel Flowers

The flowers today are given by the Cameron family in loving memory of Alan Scott Cameron.

Prayer Concerns this Week

Prayers are requested this week for the following:

Ruth Brickel, Bill Currie, Marian Frederick, Barbara Hansen, Jane Ishler, Ron and Florence Klein, Alice McKinley, Bill Proudfit, Connie Reynolds, Gene Roy, Carol Scott, Fran Thomas, Grace Uhle, Debbie Ungemach, Johanna Wilcott

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Bob Bielek, Pat and Fran Drake, Rose Eaton, Betty Farnfield, Marilyn Gifford, Dorothy Hales, 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

Today's Service

Today's service is one in a series of monthly arts-enhanced liturgies. Today we celebrate the spiritual power of choral music, particularly in songs of survival and lament. Throughout history people have sung their way through hardship — whether from the ravages of slavery or imprisonment in concentration camps or the struggle to survive in war-torn countries. These songs have been a source of solace and courage, and we have much to learn from them.

Preaching Today

Please welcome Maghan Keita as today's preacher. Dr. Keita is Professor of History and the former Director of Africana Studies and the Center for Arab and Islamic Studies at Villanova University. Dr. Keita now directs the University's undergraduate Institute for Global Interdisciplinary Studies. His areas of specialization are African, African-American and World History and Historiography; he also focuses on issues in class, race, and gender. Dr. Keita's book, Race and the Writing of History: Riddling the Sphinx is the recipient of the 13th Annual Cheikh Anta Diop Award for Best Scholarly Book. Professor Keita's work on Huck Finn in Context: A Teaching Guide, developed with the Cherry Hill Public Schools and WGBH of Boston, received the 2000 Distinguished Achievement Award for Excellence in Educational Publishing from the Association of Educational Publishers. He is editor of the volume, Conceptualizing/Re-conceptualizing Africa: the Construction of African Historical Identity (Brill, 2002). Professor Keita's most recent work is A Political Economy of Health Care in Senegal (Brill 2007). Dr. Keita is the former chair of the College Board National Academic Advisory Council, and currently the vicechair of the College Board's Board of Trustees. He is also on the editorial board of several academic journals, and is the author of a number of scholarly publications. Dr. Keita is the former Associate Secretary for Africa for the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA, and the former Associate Director for Africa for the American Friends Service Committee.

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.

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels

Bible and Bagels meets Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson this week is **Mark 9: 2-13**.

FHC Grounds Meeting

Interested in getting involved in caring for the grounds and gardens of FHC? Come to a meeting this Tuesday, February 21, at 7 pm in the Jin Rm to see what's happening.

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education, 9:30 in South Hall

Participants in the Kerygma study of the Gospel of Mark will meet in South Hall from January 29 – February 26. Members of the Zych-Eloff group will meet in Bodwell Hall.

LOOKING AHEAD

Social Groups and Circles

Iris Circle (all women of the church)

Meet at Nancy Grube's (5261 Graham Dr., Lyndhurst) at 1 pm on Tuesday, February 21 for a Bible study led by Pastor Clover Beal. All women are welcome!

Young Adults (20s – 30s)

Join us for a potluck supper and game night at the Tans on Saturday, February 25 at 5 pm. RSVP to JT Tan at **jephos@gmail**.com.

Care Group

The Eden 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:

Mary Ball, Deacon leader Sue & Scott Lafferty
Doris Allen Suzanne Marcy

Clover & Tim Beal & family Steve Marunowski & Peg Weissbrod

Dave & Chris Bell Lissa McKinley

Jane & Derek Duncan & family Clayton & Julie Minder

Jean & Scott Duncan Ron Polderman & Carol Smith

Jeff Dyck & Lara Troyer Elizabeth Shaw
Kris & Bill Fay Jeff & Anne Smith
Tim & Leigh Henderson Elaine Tapié
Mary Hill Elaine Turley

Bob & Pat Jeffreys Paul & Katie Weissbrod

Hospitality Teams Needed

Can you help set up and serve at one or more of the Lenten suppers (February 22, March 7 and 21, April 5)? Helpers are needed at 5 pm. Please contact the church office.

Exploring Membership Class

Interested in joining Forest Hill Church? Curious about what it means to be a member? Consider attending the next Exploring Membership Class, which will meet March 10-11. Contact the church office for more information.

Youth Dinner & Silent Auction

On Sunday March 4 at 6 pm, join us for this special event hosted by our youth. The evening starts with a delicious dinner prepared and served by our youth (with assistance from our expert chef Morag Keefe). Following dinner, there will be a silent auction with special items and services on the auction block, along with several themed baskets that will be raffled off. Tickets for the Dinner are \$15 and include one raffle ticket. They can be purchased after worship in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in donating to the auction, contact Kristen Otte to be connected with a themed basket or to donate a special item.

■■■ Youth News

Today: Mid and Sr High classes meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Sine Nomine Choir will rehearse in the chapel after worship.

2:00 – Mid Hi Girls: Meet at Sweetie Fry

Next Sunday

Looking Ahead: March 2: Cavs Game

March 4: Dinner and Auction -- fundraiser for Sr High Mission Trip

■■ The Lessons

Next Sunday: 2 Kings 2: 1-12; Psalm 50: 1-6; 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6; Mark 9: 2-9. 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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Luke 4: 17-19

The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Isaiah 61: 1-2

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn.

■ Calendar: *February* 19 - 26, 2012

Sunday, February 19

- 9:00 Child care begins
- 9:30 Descant Choir

Adult and Youth Education

Descant Choir

- 10:15 Descant Choir activity
- 10:30 Continental Breakfast
- 11:00 WORSHIP

Children in Worship Little Explorers

- 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land
- 12:15 Coffee hour

Sine Nomine rehearsal

12:30 Black History Month:

Conversation about Haiti with

Prof. Maghan Keita

- 3:30 Mid High Girls meet
- 5:00 Faith Leader

Monday, February 20

Presidents' Day – OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)

7:00 pm Al Anon

Cub Scouts

7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)

Boy Scout Troup #403

Tuesday, February 21

1:00 pm Iris Circle: Bible study

(at Nancy Grube's)

7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack #36

Grounds Care meeting

Wednesday, February 22

Ash Wednesday

7:30 am Bible and Bagels 10:00 am TOWER collators

5:00 pm Hospitality Team

6:30 pm Supper

7:30 pm Worship

8:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 23

6:20 pm Voices in Bronze

Friday, February 24

9:30 am Al Anon

Saturday, February 25

9:00 am CEIRS class: John the Baptist

12:00 pm OSU Extension:

Community Garden Workshop

Sunday, February 26: 1 Lent

- 8:00 Nominating Comm. meeting
- 9:00 Child care begins
- 9:30 Descant Choir

Adult and Youth Education

Descant Choir

10:15 Descant Choir activity

Cherub Choir

10:30 Continental Breakfast

11:00 WORSHIP

Children in Worship

Little Explorers

11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land

12:15 Coffee hour

12:30 Black History Month: Book Discussion

5:00 Faith Leader

5:30 Family Promise host week begins

Black History Month: Sundays in February, 12:30 - 1:30 pm Events will begin with a light lunch

Today

Professor Maghan Keita will preach during worship and be available after worship for conversation about Haiti. More information about Dr. Keita is on p. 6.

February 26th Book discussion on *Kindred,* by Octavia Butler Bodwell Hall The book is available for purchase. Please see Pastor Beal if you would like a copy.

We are looking forward to sharing these events with you!

Black History Month organizers: Doris Allen, Barb Cloud, Jordan Dail, Ajah Hales, Robyn Hales, Annette Himes, Vikki Nowak

Lent 2012 Care of the Earth, Care of Self

"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it." (Psalm 24:1)

Join us this Lenten season in simplifying your life, taking care of the earth and taking care of yourself.

Pick up a copy of the 2012 Lenten Carbon Fast, or access it on the website.

Take part in these Lenten evening programs:

Ash Wednesday, February 22: 6:30 Light supper, 7:30 worship. Child care will be available

Wednesday, March 7: 6:30 Light supper, 7:30 Intergenerational program "Care of Creation," led by Rebecca Barnes-Davies, Associate for Environmental Ministries (PCUSA) General Assembly Mission Council - Compassion, Peace & Justice Ministry

Wednesday, March 21: 6:30 Light supper, 7:30 Worship Children's Program; Child care will be available

Maundy Thursday, April 5: 6:30 Light supper, 7:30 Worship Child care will be available

Good Friday, April 6: 12:00 pm Worship in the Chapel

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