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# Service of Worship March 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. The Fifth Sunday in the Season of Lent

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.

# $\blacksquare \blacksquare \blacksquare$ Prayer of Preparation

Lord Jesus, come to our church this day. If our front door is locked, kick it open. If we are too cold or aloof, set us on fire. If the preachers goes on too long, shut them up. If we talk about everything except what is important, force us to confront the truth. If we become so concerned about the mere survival of our church at the expense of our mission, take it from us and tear it down. If we hunker down behind our sacred walls, push down the walls and drive us out into a world. You are Lord of all, including the church. Help us never to forget that truth. Amen.

Welcome

Prelude

"A Time to Sing Praise" Descant Choir

# ■■ Greeting Our God with Joy

# **Call to Worship**

Leader: Welcome to this sacred place,

People: A house of prayer for all; a home to all who come.

Leader: Wecome to this gathering place.

People: Friend and stranger, saint and sinner, no one is cast away.

Leader: Come with hope or hesitation; come with joy or yearning; all who hunger,

all who thirst for life in all its fullness.

People: Generous God and generous Savior, touch us through your Spirit as we

worship you today.

Leader: Let us worship God.

#### \* Processional Hymn No. 308

"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"

# ■ ■ Renewing Our Relationship with God

#### **Prayer of Confession**

O God, you are always true to us in love and we are left wanting to say sorry. We are sorry for our faithlessness to you and to one another. We are sorry that we forget the poor and the broken. We are sorry that we fail to cherish creation. Give us new life, O God. Enable us to change that we may live more fully. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### Time of Silent Confession

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

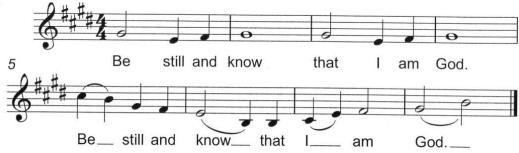
# $\blacksquare \blacksquare \blacksquare$ Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

**Assurance of Pardon** 

\* Response

"Be Still and Know"

All sing first time; second time, men begin and women enter one measure later



# ■ ■ Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism and Welcome of New Members

#### **Congregational Welcome**

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ. Amen.

\* Hymn No. 173

"Psalm 23"

Rev. Clover Beal

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

#### **Scripture Lesson**

After the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Dr. John Lentz

Plainsong "Gethsemane"

#### **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 as a record of attendance

Offertory Caribbean trad., arr. J. Bell

"You Hear the Lambs A'Cryin'"

Soloists: Laura Minder, Julie Wolfram, Caleb Wright

\* The Response

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

- $\blacksquare$   $\blacksquare$  Going Forth to Live as God's People
- \* Closing Hymn No. 311

"We Meet You, O Christ"

\* Commission and Blessing

- \* Choral Benediction
- \* Passing of the Peace
- ■ Postlude

"Fantasia in G Minor"

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#### ■ ■ Parish Notes

#### **Chancel Flowers**

The flowers today are given in memory of Roy West and his daughter Robyn Mazanec by LeAnn West and the Kevin Stauffer family; by Lee and Cathi Thomas and family in memory of the Rev. Clarence "Tommy" Thomas; and by Russ and Jennifer Dise in loving memory of Ann Mercer Dise.

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

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

Ruth Brickel, Bill Currie, Marian Frederick, Ron and Florence Klein, Grace Uhle, Debbie Ungemach

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

Pat and Fran Drake, Betty Farnfield, Marilyn Gifford, Dorothy Hales, Elizabeth Kosnik, Emelia McGuire, 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**.

Welcome to the new members of FHC and especially to Phuong Huynh, who received the Sacrament of Baptism. The list of new members is on p. 12.

#### This Month's Ushers

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

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

#### ■ ■ Announcements

#### **TODAY**

#### J. S. Bach

#### Welcome Visitors!

Visitors are always welcome at Forest Hill Church. 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.

#### Haiti Trip News: Where Do Your Mission Dollars Go?

Pix Mahler, PCUSA Haiti Regional Liaison, will address the congregation on "Better Together" World Mission in the PCUSA in South Hall today after worship. She will also share a visual presentation on Haiti. This will be a unique opportunity to learn about where your dollars go in the world as well as to learn about projects in Haiti that the PCUSA supports. This will be a rich and informative time. Children and adults are encouraged to attend.

# 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 11: 27 - 33**.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Adult Education, 9:30 in South Hall

The Kerygma study of Mark's gospel concludes next week..

Swing to the Lord a New Song, 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary
See back page for details

# LOOKING AHEAD Softball Time!

Spring is here and that can only mean one thing — Softball! Forest Hill Church softball returns to defend their 5 consecutive championships in the Heights Church softball league. All current player, please pay the \$50 dues to Scott Lafferty. Any new members or visitors wishing to join, please contact Scott Lafferty (swlaff@sbcglobal.net or 440-449-2361) or Jason Hidek (440-264-3296 or jason.hidek@att.net).

#### **CARE Group**

The Bethlehem CARE Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during March. 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 leader Elizabeth Kosnik

Jon Adams, Pam Conover Karen & Clyde Loughridge Katie & Chris Batcheller Bethany & Joe Pinzone

Dick Bloomquist
Carole Boyd
Clarence & Elsie Boyd
Kay & Bill Currie
Peter & Kathryn Eloff
Ron Register
Jean Reinhold
Baldwin Sawyer
Mollie & Dick Secor
Laura & Kevin Steiner

Sharon Hansen Dorothy Turick

Jenny Himmelman & family Carolyn Vrtunski

Joan Kandare Mark & Julie Waring

Morag & Tom Keefe Beth & Tom Zych & family

# All Church Spring Workday Saturday, April 14, starting at 9:00 am

The primary tasks will be washing windows and screens, and installing screens – supplies will be provided. Garden and grounds work includes spring cleanup and spreading mulch – please bring gloves and favorite garden tools.

Everyone is invited! Lunch will be served at 12:30. RSVP to Dave Hunter (dhunter10@sbcglobal.net or 216-533-5728)

### Social Groups and Circles

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

A Night on the Town, April 14: Check out The Wine Spot, a new store at 2271 Lee Rd (the old Seitz-Agin Hardware) in Cleveland Hts. We will have wine tasting (\$10 each) from 6:00 to 7:00 pm, and then walk across the street to the Tavern Co. for dinner. If you still have room for dessert we can walk back across the street (again) to Sweetie Fry for ice cream. Reservations are needed for the wine tasting and dinner. Please contact Cathy Ghiandoni (216-691-1905 or <a href="mailto:cgghiandoni@aol.com">cgghiandoni@aol.com</a>) by Tuesday, April 10.

#### **Pacesetters** (singles and couples, 40s-60s)

Join us for the almost-annual Chili Cook-Off & March Madness on Saturday, March 31 at the Ungemachs' (3050 Coleridge). Festivities begin at 6:30 pm. Bring your favorite chili in a pot or crockpot. Awards will be given for best chili, hottest chili, and most unusual chili. Soft drinks will be provided; kindly BYOB. RSVP to 216-371-8334 or dungemach@att.net. If you are not bringing chili, please bring an appetizer or dessert.

## ■■■ Youth News

**Today:** Mid and Sr High classes meet from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Saturday:** Hunger Games (movie) at Richmond Mall at 1:30 **Looking Ahead**: Bake Night, April 6 – watch for details

#### ■■■ The Lessons

Next Sunday (Palm Sunday): Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29; Mark 11: 1-11; Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 31: 9-16; Philippians 2: 5-11; Mark 14:1-15:47. 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

(<a href="http://www.fhcpresb.org/worship-music/upcoming-sundays/">http://www.fhcpresb.org/worship-music/upcoming-sundays/</a>), and on the "Sundays in March" page of the **TOWER**.

## ■■ FHC Staff Emails and Phone Extensions

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#### Mark 14: 32-42

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

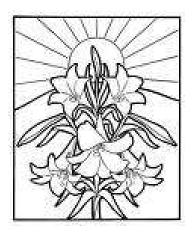
#### Please welcome these people who are joining Forest Hill Church today:

Nathan and Lane Baldwin	Nathan and Lane live in Shaker Heights. Nathan is an
	energy engineer; Lane is a communications coordinator
	and a photographer (see her work at
	www.lanebaldwinphotography.com )
Chris Chapman	Chris, his wife Rhonda, and daughter Piper live in Shaker
	Heights. Chris is an investment banker with Paragon
	Capital Group. He is the son of former members Jim and
	Penny Chapman, and was confirmed here in 1990.
Larry Dorod	Larry and his wife Bonnie live in Cleveland Hts. He is
	retired, and was ordained a Deacon in 1961.
Melinda Dus	Melinda, her husband Curtis Jastremsky, and their
	daughter Eloise live in Shaker Heights. She is an attorney.
Jeff Dyck and Lara Troyer	Jeff and Lara live in Cleveland Hts with their children Henry
	and Margaret. Lara, a musician, teaches at Kent State. Jeff
	teaches physics at John Carroll University.
Dorothy Herd	Dorothy is a retired nurse and lives in South Euclid.
Phuong Huynh	Phuong is being baptized as well as being received into
	membership this morning. She is a physician and lives in
	Beachwood.
Betty Jo Jenkins	Betty Jo is retired and lives at McGregor in East Cleveland.
Charles Kahn	Charlie and his wife Gail Poor live in Lyndhurst.
Rob Reynolds	Rob lives in University Hts with his wife Tina and children
	Taylor (a student at KSU) and Drew (Hts High), and works
	for the Plain Dealer.
Gary Sampson	Gary and his wife Anne Salsich live in Cleveland Hts. He is
	an art historian and teaches at the Cleveland Institute of
	Art.
Sarah and JT Tan	Sarah and JT live in Cleveland with their children Esther and
	Jackson.

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# ■ ■ Calendar: March 25 - Apríl 1, 2012

Sunday, March 25: 5 Lent Wednesday, March 28 9:00 Child care begins 7:30 am Bible and Bagels 9:30 Descant Choir 7:00 pm Session meeting Adult and Youth Education Thursday, March 29 **Descant Choir** 10:15 Descant Choir activity 6:20 pm Voices in Bronze Cherub Choir 7:30 pm Chancel Choir 10:30 Continental Breakfast Friday, March 30 Session and New 9:30 am Al Anon Members meet 7:00 pm Russian community 11:00 WORSHIP Children in Worship program Saturday, March 31 Little Explorers 6:30 pm Pacesetters: 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee hour Chili cook-off (at Ungemachs') 12:30 Forum: "Where Do Our Mission Dollars Go?" Sunday, April 1: Palm Sunday 9:00 Child care begins 5:00 Faith Leader 9:30 Descant Choir Haiti Trip meeting 6:00 Film screening Adult and Youth Education **Descant Choir** Monday, March 26 10:15 Descant Choir activity Cherub Choir 5:00 pm PWR Meeting 11:00 WORSHIP (Glenville New Life Community) 6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA) Children in Worship 7:00 pm Al Anon Little Explorers 7:30 pm Borton Group (AA) 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee hour Boy Scout Troup #403 Sine Nomine Choir Tuesday, March 27 3:00 Youth: Sr High coffee 7:00 pm Cub Scout Pack #36 5:00 Faith Leader 7:30 Swing to the Lord a New Song 8:30 Reception



# FHC Holy Week and Easter Schedule

#### Palm Sunday, April 1

Regular schedule; procession with palms at 11 am

# Maundy Thursday, April 5

6:30 pm Dinner (reservations required)

7:30 pm Service of Tenebrae (childcare available)

#### Good Friday, April 6

12:00 pm Worship (chapel; childcare available)

#### Easter, April 8

Classes and children's choirs will not meet; childcare will be available

9:00 am Worship (chapel): Communion

9:30 am Youth Bake Sale begins

11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary): Communion

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You are cordially invited to

# Swing to the Lord a New Song



Sunday, April 1st, 7:30 PM

Featuring sacred works written in jazz styles, this evening will feature three choirs (Anne Wilson, director) accompanied by a Cleveland Jazz Orchestra combo: Trombonist Paul Ferguson, trumpeter Jack Schantz, pianist Rock Wehrmann, bassist Dave Morgan, drummer Val Kent. Also appearing will be the Heights High girls' Barbershop Group and vocalist Taylor Young singing the premiere of "In Remembrance," by Anne Wilson

(note from Anne: As my father was a big fan of this event, I have written this song in his memory).