

Forest Hill Church

The Tower

September 2013

"In the beginning...." This is how the Bible begins in Genesis. We read about God's creative goodness in calling forth from the primordial "waters" and "darkness" light, and land and life.

*From the
Pastor...*

The Adult Education program will be focused on Genesis this year. Don't miss it! The preaching and worship schedule too will be shaped by the great texts and stories of creation, of the fall, of the promise, of the journey from wandering through wonder into the formation of a people found in the first book of the Bible.

Kick-off Sunday is September 8! Education programs begin at 9:30 and worship begins at 11:00 am.

This will be a momentous year with A.W.E (Alternative Worship Experiences) services planned, book studies and small groups called, mission opportunities formed. All is shaped by the call of God to bring light and life into the land we call home - the Eastside of Cleveland.

We will welcome a new Youth Director, Caitlin Dejardins; she is a gifted young woman who I KNOW our kids will come to adore! She is quick, clever, smart, energetic, experienced and fun!

As we begin our year together, I ask you: **spread the news**. Bring friends to church. I often hear people say: "If only folks knew about how vibrant FHC is." "Did we publicize that event?" Yes, we did publicize! True, if only folks knew. And the best way for folks to know is for **YOU** to tell them and bring them. A recent Pew poll shows that fewer Americans are going to church. Let's turn that trend around.

Join us and bring others as we continue to equip the saints for dynamic Christian living in the 21st century.

See you Sunday, September the 8th at 9:30 for Adult Education and at 11:00 am for worship.

In the Beginning....

Peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John', with a stylized, sweeping underline.

John C. Lentz
Sr Pastor

Dear friends,

In the wonderful story in 1 Kings 19, we read about the soon to be prophet Elisha going about his expected and necessary work of plowing his field--doing what he was supposed to be doing—while out of nowhere, the prophet, Elijah, heard from God that Elisha was the man to take Elijah's place as God's new mouthpiece. Elijah sought out Elisha to give him the news. He threw his mantel over Elisha's shoulders right there in the middle of the field, and told him he'd been *CALLED UP*. Called up by God for important work.

That's often the way being called up for a duty, task, job, or role happens. So often, we discover our call to ministry through the invitation from someone else. We get *INVITED* to a new job, deployed in the name of the living God to a new role.

Not to such a dramatic extent as Elisha's call perhaps, but that's what we at FHC seek to do. We trust and believe that God is a living God, giving God's children gifts and passions and skills that are necessary for the work in the community of faith and in the world. It often takes someone else to initiate the conversation and to extend the invitation. Our Nominating Committee does its work every month, every year. The Nominating Committee seeks to discern the spiritual gifts—present in the church's people-- provided for the church's greater mission.

Identification. Invitation. Celebration. That's what we are seeking to do in order to respond to God's call so that we can be a faith-filled congregation. Be prepared! Just as you are going about your business, you might find someone throwing his or her mantel over your shoulders, announcing that you have been *CALLED UP* and deployed for new work in God's service! Stay open!

Blessings,



Rev. Clover Beal
Associate Pastor

Children's Ministries

Summer Sundays

Summer Pathways – Sharable Parables

Jesus knew that people learned best through stories. Jesus was a storyteller:

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables... Mark 4:33-34

Throughout the summer months children were invited to explore in creative and engaging activities the parables of *Wise and Foolish Builders* (Matthew 7:21-29, Luke 6:46-49), *The Friend in the Night* (Luke 11:5-13), *The Great Banquet* (Luke 14:16-24), *The Workers in the Field* (Matthew 20:1-16), and *The Good Samaritan* (Luke 10:25-37). Just as Jesus spoke in parables, we continue to speak in parables to share his stories and teachings.

Thank you to Alisha Trammell, Laurie Logan, Pat & Jim Seeders and Deanne Lentz for leading these workshops this summer.

Summer Child Care

Thank you to all our child care volunteers this summer who helped out in the crib room/nursery and our 3 & 4 year old room: Katie Russo Jill Roberts, Danielle Cosgrove, Ron Register, and Paul Cary.

Children's Ministry Programs 2013-2014

Crib and Nursery

Tracy Long, our permanent childcare provider, and Jill Roberts, our substitute, will continue to care for our littlest member of our congregation. We also ask volunteers to help staff this room. We hope all families will find this place to be a caring and nurturing place to leave their children while they have an opportunity to worship. Child care begins at 9:15 to 12:30 upstairs in the Monticello wing.

Children in Worship

Pre Schoolers and Kindergarteners (ages 3-5)

This worship experience allows the children to be in an environment where age appropriate Bible stories are shared. The children are guided through a worship service and are encouraged to respond to the stories through songs, art, questions and retelling of the stories.

Pathways to the Promise Land (grades 1-5)

Our church school for these children is a workshop rotation model. This model focuses on the variety of ways in which the children learn. The children participate in monthly workshops that revolve around the yearly theme. During a three-week rotation the children rotate among workshops to experience the same Bible focus in different learning styles. The lessons are designed as a kid-friendly, teacher-friendly, facility-transforming way to teach Bible stories and truths.

The theme for the upcoming program year is *The Word of God*. The Word of God, as passed on to us through the Bible and the lives of the faithful, is a multifaceted jewel providing us many different ways to enter into the story of faith. The children will be exploring Bible stories as sources of guidance and support. From Genesis to Revelation, God's word continues to be relevant in our lives.

Our first rotation is **How the Bible Came to Be**. It is through the Bible that we come to know the word of God as experienced by people of faith. The children will participate in an art, movement and scavenger hunt workshops as they explore this theme.

The children will be divided this year in the following groups: **Grade 1/2, Grades 3/4, and Grade 5.**

Get Connected!

I invite you to consider becoming involved in any of our Christian education programs. There are many ways to help out: hold a baby for an hour, read a story to 3 and 4 year olds, help choose curriculum, be part of an adult core team for our youth groups, be a youth leader, offer your home for youth Bible studies, work with computers..... The experience is rewarding and satisfying. Please contact Liz Wollaeger (lizw@fhcpresb.org or 216-321-2660) for more information.

Dates to Know

September 8 Beginning of the Program Year

Children will remain in worship to celebrate the Lord's Supper with their families.

September 15 Gathering Time – How the Bible Came to Be

Children in grades 1-5 begin in the Chapel at 11:00

September 22 Confirmation Information Meeting

Eighth graders and their families are invited to meet in the MOB Room to learn more about Confirmation at Forest Hill Church

Faithfully,



Liz Wollaeger
Director of Christian Education

Welcome to New Youth Director

Caitlin Desjardins, our interim Youth Director, will arrive in late August. Caitlin has been attending FHC over the past year as she has worked to finish her Masters of Divinity program at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN. She is interested in Childhood/Youth Spirituality, Death and Grief, Food Justice, and Sexual Ethics. Caitlin loves kids and will focus on youth fellowship and Christian education for 6-12 graders. Caitlin brings great energy and enthusiasm to her work. We are so excited to share ministry with her for the months ahead. We will have a welcome reception for her after worship on August 25! Following that, youth and parents will have a chance to spend some time with her.

Elaine Turley, Ministry of Education and Spiritual Formation

Music Notes

Martin Luther once proclaimed:

Singers are never sorrowful, but are merry, and they smile through their troubles in song. Music makes people kinder, gentler, more staid and reasonable. I am persuaded that after theology, music is the only art capable of affording peace and joy of heart. The devil flees before the sound of music almost as much as before the Word of God.

Certainly, Martin Luther is suggesting that you join a choir!

The 2013-2014 choir season is about to begin and I'm looking forward to seeing all our FHC musical families getting back to work (and play!). Those who participated in choir last year will receive an email or snail mail, but here's the general information for persons who may be interested in finding out about the musical opportunities at Forest Hill Church:

THE CHOIRS

Chancel Choir (adults; high school and college students warmly welcomed): 1st rehearsal will be Thursday, Sept. 5 beginning with a pot-luck supper and general frivolity at 6:40 in Fellowship Hall. Bring whatever dish you enjoy preparing (or purchasing) and we'll have a fine time getting caught up and electing new choir officers. The rehearsal takes place from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Our first choir Sunday is September 8th (rehearsal at 10:30 AM-service at 11:00 am).

Sine Nomine Choir (grades 6-12; college students warmly welcomed): 1st rehearsal will be Sunday, Sept. 8 in the Chapel after worship. Generally we'll meet every other Sunday (with occasional exceptions) for 30-40 minutes. We'll elect officers at the first rehearsal (looks good on college apps ☺).

Descant Choir (grades 1-5): 1st rehearsal will be Sunday, Sept. 8 at 9:30 am in the sanctuary. The choir practices every Sunday, and after choir (10:15) there is an activities period in youth hall. At 10:45, the children meet their parents in Fellowship Hall and go from there to the sanctuary.

Voices in Bronze (high school students and adults): 1st rehearsal for our handbell ringers will be Thursday, Sept. 12 from 6:20 - 7:15 pm in the upstairs bell room. An understanding of rhythmic notation is required. There is currently one opening in this group.

Forest Hill Steel Drum Band (all ages): This group plays for worship several times per year. Up to six people at a time can play and the players are always changing. Rehearsals are arranged at the convenience of the players and take place around three weeks before the performance.


I hope to see lots of new faces and fresh voices intermingled with the “regulars” in the choir family this September.

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And now, back to the words of Martin Luther: *“I wish to see **all** arts, particularly music, in the service of Him who gave and created them.”* That quote will be the guiding light in our special arts offerings this program year. Throughout the year, several of our worship services will be enhanced by a particular art form: music, visual art, dance, drama or poetry (we call these **AWE** services, **A**lternate **W**orship **E**xperiences). The first one will be on Sunday, September 29 when a group from *Roots of American Music* (Kevin Richards, director) will lead us in traditional hymn singing accompanied by such instruments as mandolin, fiddle, penny whistle, upright bass and guitar. During October we will celebrate *World Communion Sunday*, October 6, with global songs, prayers, poetry and decorative elements. Also in October, a dedication of our new hymnals will take place, followed by a special **AWE** service celebrating the musical and poetic treasures in this new book. *“Something old, something new, something different”* will be the theme of that morning (date to be arranged, dependant on when the hymnals arrive).

Please call or email me with questions about the choirs or music program.

Let us all sing (or ring) a new song to the Lord---Soli Deo Gloria!

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|  | Anne Wilson<br>Organist/Director of Music<br>annew@fhcpresb.org | 216-321-2660<br>216-870-2729 | (church)<br>(cell) |
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*Save the Date and Join the Fun:*

***September 15, 2013,***

***After Worship***

## ***Annual Family Fall Fiesta!***

The Deacons have planned a fiesta to celebrate the start of the 2013-2014 church year.

The free lunch will include chicken tacos with a selection of toppings, corn chips with salsa and bean dip, salads, and fresh fruit.

Our traditional root beer floats from Sweetie Fry will also be



with delicious ice cream available.

After lunch, there will be crafts including a piñata, the Cake number of beans in the jar for prizes.

and games for everyone, Walk, and guessing the

This year, we will have a photo printer available to make a scrapbook from your photos, which we hope you share. Our technology uses memory cards from digital cameras, but not cell phones. We want to have the help of all you photographers in making this keepsake of the fall festival special.

This is an event of fun, fellowship, good food, and joy of gathering as a faith community after our busy summers. We will see you there!

Carol Hopkins-Lutz  
Deacon

# Adult Education Scripture Study, Fall 2013

## ***Beginnings:*** ***A study of the Call of God in*** **GENESIS**

**September 8 to November 24**

Based on Walter Brueggemann's commentary ***Genesis, Beginnings*** takes a fresh look at some familiar Bible stories. The discussions on creation and creationism, the rebellion of humankind and the Flood bring new perspectives on today's issues. The experiences of Abraham and Sarah, Esau, Jacob and Joseph speak to Christians seeking to live responsibly in our world.

Join in the fun of small group scripture study, meet new friends, and enrich your understand of the Bible. ALL LEVELS of comfort and experience are welcome!

### ***KERYGMA Small Group Scripture Study*** **Sundays 9:30 - 10:30 am; Sept. 8 - November 24**

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| Introduction to Genesis:   | Dr. Tim Beal  | Sept. 8            |
| Introduction II:           | Dr. Tim Beal  | Sept. 16           |
| Small groups begin meeting |               | Sept. 22 - Oct. 13 |
| Large group gathering:     | Guest speaker | Oct. 20            |
| Small groups continue      |               | Oct. 21 - Nov. 17  |
| Large group wrap-up        |               | Nov. 24            |

Please complete the registration slip on page 11, or email your interest to join a study group. ALL are encouraged to participate!

**Genesis**  
**Registration form**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

*Small Group Preferences: check any that apply*

**Study Level:**   \_\_\_Beginner   \_\_\_Intermediate   \_\_\_Ready to Dig Deeper

**Small Group Meeting Time**

\_\_\_Morning   \_\_\_ Sunday Evening (possible option)

Would you be interested in a **Bible 101** class on Sunday mornings?  
If you'd prefer this option, please check here \_\_\_\_\_

*For office use*

text (\$20):   \_\_\_\_\_ has book

paid:   cash / check

processed by \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Education, Four Week Series  
Sunday evenings, 5:00-6:30 p.m.  
September 29 - October 20

***Enough: Discovering Joy through Simplicity and Generosity***  
by Rev. Adam Hamilton

Money has great power in our lives and, when used wisely, helps us meet our goals, provide for our needs, and fulfill our life purpose. But in recent years, many of us ignore this when managing and spending our money. We find ourselves spending tomorrow's money today. The results of all this is not greater happiness and satisfaction but greater stress and anxiety.

Adam Hamilton's book ***ENOUGH*** invites the reader to rediscover biblical wisdom on prudent financial practices. Find the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity.

For a second time, Dr. Lentz will lead this four-week course beginning September 29. In a small-group prayerful setting, led by the book and a brief video, the group will explore the place of money in our lives and how to be better stewards of our resources and move towards simplicity and generosity.

Please contact the church office to save a space and to order the book.

*The Rev. Adam Hamilton is the pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas*

## Faith Leader 8

On September 22, eight new participants plus three leaders will embark on the Faith Leader journey. Faith Leader is a 28-week faith formation, small group program that focuses on discovering one's spiritual gifts, developing one's spiritual disciplines, and creating a plan for ministry that suits one's God-given passions, gifts and skills. The new group will include: Todd Webster and Jeannine Gury, co-facilitators; Lia Clement, Jewrett Bailey, Morag Keefe, John Dugard, Erik Peterson, Robin Mervine, Patricia Jenkins, and Rob Reynolds, and Pastor Clover Beal. This will be our eighth year offering the faith leader program. It has and will continue to change peoples' lives. Pray for these participants as they begin a transformative experience.

Clover Beal



It's almost back to school supporting the students, staff Elementary School by school supplies:

time! Once again, we're and families of Boulevard collecting the following

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| Large primary crayons<br>(No Rose Art) | 2-pocket folders                                                 |
| Box of 24 crayons<br>(No Rose Art)     | Pencil sharpeners with covers                                    |
| #2 pencils                             | Wide ruled notebook paper                                        |
| Elmer's white glue                     | 70 page wide ruled spiral notebooks                              |
| Glue sticks (no glitter)               | Highlighters                                                     |
| Pointed tip children's scissors        | Backpacks                                                        |
| Colored pencils                        | New in package underwear<br>(boys & girls)                       |
| Markers                                | New or gently used sweatpants for boys<br>and girls, sizes XS-XL |

Please bring your items to the hamper in Fellowship Hall through September 15. Questions? Please contact Christina Hidek (216/570-3962 or [christina.hidek@gmail.com](mailto:christina.hidek@gmail.com)).

## Advocating for Earth Care

In September the Earth Care team will launch use of their new display board to post information on matters of Earth Care. Awareness – and advocacy – are important to all of us who wish to stem the tide of rampant despoiling of God's earth which is in our care.

We cannot rely on someone else to voice our concerns to our elected representatives and to their colleagues in the Congress and in the state and federal administrations, who are supposed to protect the public interests.

Do you know who your elected representatives are? Do you know how to contact them to state your concerns about climate change, the pipeline, fracking, agribusiness dangers, water and air pollution, wildlife and wild-lands decimation? Contact information will be available on this Earth Care Blue Board in Fellowship Hall for you to consider.

Do you know how to contact reputable NGO's (non-governmental organizations) to advocate and join in their advocacy efforts? When you know the contact information and receive emails (if you wish), you can add your signature to petitions that, with thousands of other petitions, go to Congress men and women and cabinet members with the click of a mouse. It's as easy as that! There are several that are worth becoming involved with. We'll post these as well as their newsletters from time to time.

Of course any advocacy on your part is strictly personal and voluntary – but is enthusiastically supported by our larger church body, PCUSA. "Separation of church and state" only goes so far!

***If people of faith don't stand up for the Earth, who will?***

Dave Neff and your Earth Care team

PS Save the date – **Mon. Oct. 7, 7pm at FHC.** Climate change and human health consequences – you'll hear more in September!

## *Book Review*

***Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth***, by Reza Aslan

Reza Aslan's new book ***Zealot*** has received a lot of recent attention. Aslan has appeared on the Daily Show and most notoriously on Fox News where the interviewer didn't discuss the book as much as wanted to drive home the point that Aslan is a Muslim, so why should he be writing a book about Jesus? It was embarrassing! (You can see it on YouTube)

All the notoriety aside, I decided to read the book. While it doesn't open fresh scholarship, it certainly is readable. The opening 70 pages paint a marvelous portrayal of life in Palestine in the first century. I think his Jesus is as close to a historical portrayal as one can get.

I liked it. I think it constructs, for those who know bits and pieces of the history behind the gospels, a good broad picture. Aslan does a good job of separating the Jesus of history from the Christ of faith.

Aslan, like all critical scholars, understands that the Gospels are faith documents, not strictly historical recounts of the life of Jesus. He reconstructs this biography of Jesus based on the earliest of the gospels Mark, and the shared source of Luke and Matthew which is Q (German for "source"). He shares his knowledge of Josephus (the Jewish chronicler of the first century) and he is familiar with all the Roman sources.

John Lentz

**Presbytery of the Western Reserve  
Presbyterian Women's FALL Gathering**

Save the Date! Saturday, October 19, 2013  
First Presbyterian Church  
4785 Shankland Road, Willoughby, OH 44094

**Featured Speaker Topic: Immigration**

Workshops will include: Prayer, Immigration, and Hunger in Cleveland  
(we will be collecting canned goods)

8:30 am Coffee and Refreshments  
9:00 am Program w/ Workshops  
12:30 pm Luncheon

Cost is just \$8.00 (\$10 at the door)

**Trustee Update**

The church has been busy with many repairs and restorations over the summer, including repairs to the sidewalks to prevent trip hazards; a needed replacement of a section of the hardwood floor in Fellowship Hall; and repair of damage to the Portico over the entrance near the main parking lot. One of the ovens in the kitchen has failed and the kitchen committee is busy choosing a replacement along with other planned updates.

Special thanks this month to the church members who helped plant 24 privet hedges along the Monticello driveway, especially Paul Jennings, Nick Baumgartner, Phylliss Baumgartner and Jeff Smith; to the McChesney and Phillips families for funding landscaping outside of the Fellowship Hall entrance in memory of "Mac" McChesney; and to all of our congregation members for your support in making all of this ongoing work possible.

Eric Rich  
Trustee



To my FHC family –

This week, I depart for Atlanta, GA to begin my yearlong journey with the Young Adult Volunteer program through the Presbyterian Church.

Forest Hill has been my faith community and second family since Clover, Tim, Seth, and I moved to Cleveland in 1999. With you, I learned what it meant to be a person of substance, a person of faith, and an engaged citizen of the world. As I prepare to begin this new stage in my education, I remember that I am soundly rooted in the love Forest Hill has both shared with me and taught me to share with others. I cannot express how grateful I am that Forest Hill has graciously agreed not only to support my participation in the YAV program emotionally, but also financially. I am grateful for the help of Forest Hill Church that allows me begin this new stage in my education.

In Atlanta, I will be living in intentional community called DOOR (a partner program with the Menonnites) with seven young people who will also participate in the YAV program. We will each be working in a different site, specific to our strengths and interests, where we will learn and grow in our understanding of what it means to be a person of faith. For the next year, I will be working for The Gateway Center, which seeks to end chronic homelessness in Atlanta by providing the support and framework people need to achieve self-sufficiency. Their values listed on their website include “the worth and dignity of every person in our community, integrity, spirituality, respect, and achieving measurable, lasting impact.”

I am excited to begin my work. While I am sure that this year will be a challenging and eye-opening experience, I feel prepared with the knowledge that I have the support and strength of the Forest Hill community behind me every step of the way.

Thank you, Forest Hill Church, again, for everything you have done and continue to do for me.

Sincerely,  
Sophie Beal

**Founder of Center for Integrative Medicine to speak  
at Fairmount Presbyterian Church  
September 18**

Dr. Mimi Guarneri, a national pioneer in integrative medicine, will be the guest speaker at a William Birkett Williams public lecture at Fairmount Presbyterian Church in Cleveland Heights Wednesday, September 18, beginning at 7:00 pm.

She will speak on the topic "Treating the Whole Person: Body, Mind and Spirit." Dr. Guarneri, a cardiologist, is the founder and medical director of the Scripps Center for Integrative Medicine in San Diego and the president of the American Board of Integrative Holistic Medicine. Integrative medicine addresses the lifestyle, emotional and spiritual needs of patients as well as the physical.

In her book, ***The Heart Speaks: A Cardiologist Reveals the Secret Language of Healing***, Dr. guarneri says new research shows the heart is a multi-layered, complex organ that "possesses intelligence, memory and decision-making abilities that are separate from the mind." At the Scripps Center she uses state-of-the-art cardiac imaging technology and lifestyle change programs to diagnose, prevent and treat cardiovascular disease. "To treat heart problems," she says, "we have to look at what is going on with someone in their life, their environment, their family, how they're eating, and how they're living their lives."

Dr. Guarneri received her medical degree from SUNY Medical Center in New York and did her internship and residency at Cornell Medical Center. In 2009 she was honored as Scientist of the Year by the San Diego chapter of ARCS (Achievement Rewards for College Scientists).

The lecture, part of Fairmount's ongoing William Birkett Williams Lecture Series, is free and open to the public. Reservations for preferred seating are strongly encouraged. They may be made by email (**[jean@stephenson.tv](mailto:jean@stephenson.tv)**) or by phone (**440-255-7851**). There will be a reception following the talk, and Dr. Guarneri will sign copies of her book.

*Fairmount Presbyterian Church is located at 2757 Fairmount Boulevard  
(at Coventry Road) in Cleveland Heights.*

# News of Our Church Family

## Birth

**Joshua Brayden Koops**, son of Jed and Lisa Koops and brother of Linnea and Julia, was born July 8, 2013.

## Baptism

**Tenley Boyd Chapman**, daughter of Chris and Rhonda Chapman and sister of Piper, was baptized on June 25. Tom McFiggen was the attending Elder. Tenley's grandparents are former members Penny and Jim Chapman.

## In Memoriam We Remember

**Peter Manista**, who died June 16, 2013. A memorial service was held at FHC on July 27.

## New Contact Information

### Kristen Otte

5115 Haverford Dr., LY 44124

### Kevin and Laura Steiner

15 Acton Ct #3

Brookline, MA 02446

### Karen Ishler Parker

440-227-8417 (previous number no longer in use)

### Ahren Stock

216-970-8925 (previous number no longer in use)

## New emails only

**Barb Hansen:** bjhansen47@gmail.com

## Volunteer Hours in June and July

The office volunteers – Nancy Grube, Beth Zych, Jane Ishler, Cathy Ghiandoni, Anne Smith, Elspeth Peterjohn, Barb Hansen and Fran Thomas – worked a total of 92 hours in June and July. Thank you all!

★ Special thanks to Peg Weissbrod who covers office details when Lynda is away

## **Care Group**

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

Members of the Mt. Sinai CARE Group are:

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| Barb Cloud, Deacon leader        | Julie & Gary Lustic         |
| Joanne Bielek                    | Nancy Lyon-Stadler & family |
| Guy Cameron & family             | Brooke Marcy & family       |
| Betty & Don Clark                | Dave & Jane Olson & family  |
| Jane Frederick & family          | Graham & Roz Peters         |
| Donna Frey                       | Joyce Peters                |
| Sue Gifford & family             | Marjorie Ravas              |
| Al Gilbert                       | Matt & Katie Russo & family |
| Don & Nancy Grube                | Gary Sampson                |
| Barb Hansen                      | Sara & Randy Shaner         |
| Jason & Christine Hidek & family | Anona Stack                 |
| Chuck & Jane Ishler              | Lorian, Ralph & Fran Thomas |
| Nina Klein                       | Ann & Peter Williams        |
| Mary Lewis                       | Warren & Lois Young         |

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

Dick Bloomquist, Bill Currie, Ruth and Arthur Brickel, Pat Drake, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Elizabeth Kosnik, Emelia McGuire, Merdine T. Morris, Joyce Peters, Elaine Tapié, Anne Taylor

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

Marion Frederick (Jane Frederick's mother), Doug, Marcie and Lucy Harvey, Barbara Harvey, (Tom and Paula Harvey's family), Dennis Wedding (Jeannine Gury's brother),

## **Ushers in September**

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

From former member Sherry Thomson:  
To you all at Forest Hill Church – I truly thank you for  
your caring, your cards and prayers after I broke my hip.  
It is wonderfully reassuring to know people remember  
and care.

Fondly,  
Sherry Thomson

### *Social Groups and Circles*

#### **The Group (60s – 70s): CMA Tour and Dinner**

The Group will begin the season with a guided “Look and Listen” CMA tour (by Docent Anne Wilson) which will include recorded music appropriate for the art being viewed. Meet at the museum at 3:30 pm on Saturday, September 14; join us for dinner at The Tavern Company afterwards. RSVP to Hal or Pat Musick (440-781-7572).

**September 14, CMA, 3:30 pm**

#### **Hilltoppers (retired): Potluck Lunch and Program**

The Hilltoppers will kick off their year on Friday, September 6 with a potluck lunch at 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall, followed by a presentation by Carol Grubb on the use of quilts by the Underground Railroad during the Civil War era. All are welcome! RSVP to Dene Young (216-291-2915).

**September 6, FHC Fellowship Hall, 11:30 am**

#### **Iris Circle (all women of the church): Potluck Lunch**

Women of Forest Hill Church – come join Iris Circle for a great potluck lunch on Tuesday, September 17th at noon at the home of Karen Loughridge, 34116 Chagrin Blvd. #9101, Moreland Hills, OH 44022.

Bring any dish you like. We will discuss plans for the CARE packages for FHC college freshman. Any questions, please call Karen (216 831-1759) or Barb Hansen (440 255-5514 or [bjhansen47@gmail.com](mailto:bjhansen47@gmail.com)).

**September 17, Karen Loughridge's, 12:00 pm**

## Sundays in September (beginning September 8)

- 9:00** Child care begins
- 9:30** Adult education
- Youth education
- Descant Choir
- 10:00** Cherub Choir (dates to be announced)
- 10:15** Descant Choir activity
- 10:30** Continental Breakfast
- Chancel Choir
- 11:00** WORSHIP
- Children in Worship
- Little Explorers
- 11:00** Pathways to the Promise Land (Sept. 15)
- 11:15** Pathways to the Promise Land (gr. 1-5) (KISS, Sept. 8)
- 12:15** Coffee Hour
- Sine Nomine Choir (Gr. 6-12) Sept. 8, 22
- 5:00** Faith Leader (begins Sept 22)
- 5:40** Labre Project (Sept. 8, 29)

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| <b>September 1</b><br><b>Last day of summer schedule</b><br>10:00 Worship<br>11:15 Coffee Hour | <b>Jeremiah 2: 4-13</b><br><b>Psalm 81: 1, 10-16</b><br><b>Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16</b><br><b>Luke 14: 1, 7-14</b> |
| <b>September 8</b><br><b>Regular Schedule Begins</b><br>11:00 Worship: Communion               | <b>Jeremiah 18: 1-11</b><br><b>Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18</b><br><b>Philemon 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33</b>                 |
| <b>September 15: FALL FESTIVAL</b><br>12:15 Blood Pressure check                               | <b>Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28</b><br><b>Psalm 14</b><br><b>1 Timothy 1: 12-17; Luke 15: 1-10</b>                   |
| <b>September 22</b><br>Confirmation meeting (time tba)                                         | <b>Jeremiah 8:18 – 9:1</b><br><b>Psalm 79: 1-9</b><br><b>1 Timothy 2: 1-7; Luke 16: 1-13</b>                     |
| <b>September 29</b><br>5:00 Class: ENOUGH                                                      | <b>Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15</b><br><b>Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16</b><br><b>1 Timothy 6: 6-19; Luke 16: 19-31</b>        |

*The Revised Common Lectionary readings are listed here*

## ***Announcements! Announcements!***

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| <p>The fall schedule begins Sunday,<br/>September 8<br/>Adult Education begins at 9:30<br/>Worship is at 11:00</p>                                                     |  | <p>The Fall Festival is<br/>September 15 after<br/>worship!</p>                                              |
| <p>Did you know that your monthly<br/>or weekly donation to FHC<br/>can be paid on-line with your other<br/>regular payments?<br/>It's free, easy, and convenient!</p> |  | <p><b><i>TOWER</i></b> deadlines:<br/><b>7 am</b><br/>on<br/>September 13<br/>October 12<br/>November 15</p> |

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