# 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 April 13, 2014 at 11:00 am Palm Sunday

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

If you are visiting, please join us in wearing a name tag so that we might greet you. Our ushers have large print editions of the Bible and today's bulletin; hearing devices; activity bags with quiet activities for children staying in worship; and directions to our Monticello Wing nursery for babies and young children.

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

We begin this week with anticipation, O God, for the old story becomes new again with the receiving of palms. Fill us with wonder as we open our hearts to you.

#### Welcome

Prelude Robert Evans

"Shout Hosanna" Cherub Choir; Beth Zych, director

## ■■ Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship Carol Hopkins-Lutz

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey,

All: we greet you, Lord.

Leader: Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

All: we greet you, Lord.

Leader: Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of

power,

All: we salute you, Christ our Lord.

With heart and voice, we shout "Hosanna!"

from the Iona Community Worship

#### **Procession of the Palms**

#### Hymn No. 196

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor" (please remain seated)

### ■■■ Renewing Our Relationship with God

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Dr. John Lentz

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ,

....over the broken glass of our world, the rumors meant to hurt, the prejudice meant to wound, the weapons meant to kill, trampling our attempts at disaster into dust,

#### All: Ride on in majesty!

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ,

...over the distance which separates us from you, a distance measurable in half truths, in un-kept promises, in second-best obedience, until you touch and heal us. Ride on.

#### All: Ride on in majesty!

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ,

...through the back streets of our lives where we fear to go into the darkness to reveal the secrets that lurk there; where human life festers and love runs cold; where faith loses its warmth, ride on... bringing hope and new light.

#### All: Come, Lord Jesus!

#### **Time of Silent Confession**

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

Dinah Reindorf

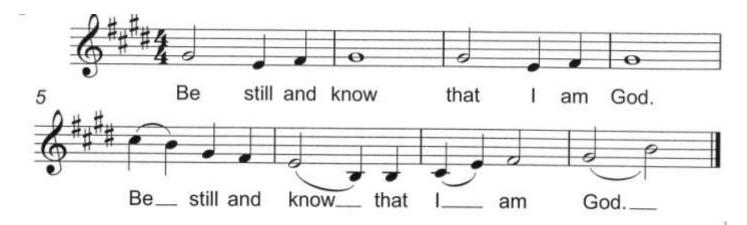
## ■■■ Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

#### **Proclamation of Reconciliation**

#### \* Response

First, all sing in unison.

Second, men start, women and children start one measure later.



**Anthem** 

Gabriel Fauré

"The Palms"
Beth Zych, soprano

# ■ ■ Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

**Min for Mission** 

Jeff Smith

"One Great Hour of Sharing"

#### \* Hymn No. 203

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

Children in Pathways may leave during the hymn

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

#### **Scripture Lesson**

Matthew 21: 1-17

After the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

# Rev. Clover Reuter Beal "Wrongful Assumptions"

#### **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

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

"I Love to Tell the Story"
Voices in Bronze

\* Response

Hymn No. 708

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.

■ ■ Going Forth to Live as God's People

\* Closing Hymn No. 223

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Music during Recessional (please be seated)

"Ubi Caritas"

Taizé chant

<sup>\*</sup>please stand if able

#### Welcome Visitors!

We look forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Welcome bags are available throughout the building. Take one home with you!

### ■ ■ ■ Congregational Notes

#### **Chancel Flowers**

Today's flowers are given in memory of Lois J. Leslie from the Leslie / Richards / Strachan family; and by Sheryl and John Dugard in honor of their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

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

Prayers are requested this week for the following: Flora Dannemiller, Bob Nemcek, Mollie Secor, Debbie Ungemach.

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

Dick Bloomquist, Ruth Brickel, Bill Currie, Pat Drake, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Iris Gilbert, Ron and Florence Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Elaine Tapié.

Please remember the Eloff family in your prayers; Kathryn's sister Dorothea died last week.

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**.

In Memoriam We Remember
Arthur Brickel
Who died April 9, 2014
I am the resurrection and I am the life, says the Lord

#### This Month's Ushers

Joe Andrews, Nick Baumgartner, Charles Ishler, Jane Ishler, Kate Monaghan, Daryl Musick, Victoria Sampson. Roger Heineman, Head Usher

# Want to join an usher team? Contact Roger Heineman

rheineman@jencen.com or 216-371-6395

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

Attendance last week (including Pathways children): 222

#### ■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

#### **TODAY**

All are invited to join us in Fellowship Hall following worship as we celebrate Rev. Clover Beal's ten years at FHC. Tea, cookies and sandwiches will be served.

# 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 **Matthew 26:14 - 27:66**.

#### Maundy Thursday, April 17

The Maundy Thursday observance will begin at 6:15 with dinner, communion and foot washing in Fellowship Hall, followed by a Tenebrae service in the sanctuary at 7:15. All are welcome; please use the reservation slip on p. 12 for dinner. Child care will be provided.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

#### Easter!

Worship next Sunday will be held at 9 am and 11 am. Classes and children's choir will not meet. The youth will hold a bake sale to raise money for their mission trip this summer.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

#### Adult Education, 9:30 in South Hall

On April 27, David Beach, director of the Green City / Blue Lake Institute at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, will lead a conversation on "Climate Change and Moral Responsibility."

#### **Nursery Volunteers**

The nursery is in need of volunteers through the spring months. Please consider helping out on a Sunday or two. The commitment is small but the rewards are many: hold a baby, read a story, sit in a comfy rocking chair, have some animal crackers, play blocks, join stuffed animals for a romp on the floor... Please contact Liz Wollaeger (lizw@fhcpresb.org) or call the church office for more information.

#### **Softball Season Begins!**

Spring training is here! Although the Forest Hill softball team doesn't get to train in Florida or Arizona, we are getting anxious for the snow to melt and spring to arrive. The team is once again recruiting for the upcoming Heights Church League season. Members, visitors, families and friends interested in joining the FHC softball team can contact Jason Hidek. We are also looking for anyone who wants to coach or keep score.

#### Care Group

The Canaan 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:

Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Deacon leader Laurie & Eric Muller-Girard & family

Shawn Bittner Jeanette Nemcek
Mark Chupp & Sharon Shumaker John Prentice

Lisa Chuppa Gretchen Reynolds
Bob & Joanne Dawson Rob Reynolds

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Muriel Dean Margaret & George

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Beth & Bill Forsythe & family Franklin & Naana Soadwa
Mary Hill Chuck & Rosanna Sprague

Allan & Zivile Khoury Joy Stang

Lisa & Jed Koops & family

Laurie & Keith Logan

Debbie & Don Ungemach & family

Todd Webster, Vikki Nowak & family

Ginie Mast

LeAnn West

Peggy Yeager

Today's volunteers: Jed Koops, continental breakfast; Gretchen Reynolds and Laurie Logan, greeters; Joy Stang, coffee hour; Debbie and Olivia Ungemach, greeting card table.

# Social Groups and Circles Iris Circle (all women of the church)

The date for Iris Circle's visit to the Maltz Museum has been moved to April 29. We will meet at the museum at 11 am for a tour, followed by lunch at Valenti's at 12:30. RSVP to Cathy Ghiandoni.

### ■■■ Youth News

*Every Sunday:* Mid and Sr High classes meet from 9:30 – 10:30 am.

Today: Mission trip meeting (Chupps', 4:30 pm). Contact Caitlin for

details.

**Thursday**: MH Girls' Group cancelled (Maundy Thursday)

**Next Sunday:** Easter bake sale!

#### ■■■ The Lessons

#### Today's Scripture: Matthew 21: 1-17

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Then Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you are making

it a den of robbers." The blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he cured them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the amazing things that he did, and heard the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they became angry and said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouths of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise for yourself'?" He left them, went out of the city to Bethany, and spent the night there.

**Next Sunday**: Acts 10: 34-43; Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-18. 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.

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## ■■ Holy Week 2014 Schedule

#### **April 17: Maundy Thursday**

6:15 dinner, communion and foot washing

7:15 worship: Tenebrae

#### **April 18: Good Friday**

12 – 3 pm Community Worship at St. Paul's, 2747 Fairmount

#### **April 20: Easter**

Worship with communion at 9 and 11

Classes and children's choirs will not meet

Youth: Mission trip fund-raiser Bake Sale

Maundy	Thursday Dinner reservation
	6:15 pm, April 17
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Name:	6:15 pm, April 17	
N	adults	children
·	Do you need child care?	
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The service of Tenebrae begins at 7:15 pm All are welcome; reservations are not needed

### ■ ■ Calendar: Apríl 13 - 20, 2014

#### Sunday, April 13: Palm Sunday

8:15 am Nominating committee

9:00 am Exploring Membership class

9:15 am Child care begins

9:30 am Descant Choir rehearsal

Adult Education:

"What Is Christian Hope?"

Youth Education

10:15 am Descant Choir activity time

**Cherub Choir** 

10:30 am Chancel Choir rehearsal

Continental Breakfast

10:45 am Children in Worship

11:00 am WORSHIP

11:15 am Pathways to the Promise Land

12:15 pm Celebration for

Rev. Clover Beal

4:30 pm Youth: Mission trip meeting

at Chupps'

5:00 pm Faith Leader

5:40 pm Labre Project

#### Monday, April 14

8:45 am Tai Chi class

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)

7:00 pm Al Anon

**Sycamore Group** 

7:30 pm AA: Borton Group

Boy Scout Troop #403

#### Tuesday, April 15

8:45 am Tai Chi class

9:00 am Abundance Pantry

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class

7:00 pm Adult Ed team meeting

#### Wednesday, April 16

7:30 am Bible and Bagels

8:45 am Tai Chi class

7:00 pm CE/Youth Director search

committee mtg

#### Thursday, April 17: Maundy Thursday

8:45 am Tai Chi class

1:00 pm Abundance Pantry open

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class

6:15 pm Dinner and Foot washing

7:15 pm Tenebrae Service

9:00 pm Chancel Choir

# Friday, April 18: Good Friday 7:00 am *TOWER* deadline

10:00 am Al Anon

12 – 3 pm Community worship at

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

#### Sunday, April 20: Easter

# Classes and children's choirs will not meet

8:45 am Child care begins

9:00 am Worship (in the Chapel)

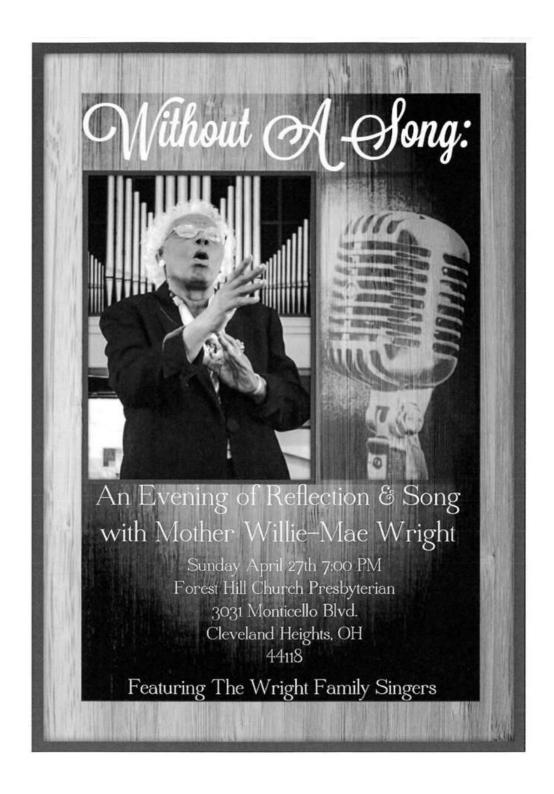
10:30 am Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Continental Breakfast** 

11:00 am WORSHIP

12:15 am Coffee hour

Bake sale: Youth mission trip fund-raiser



We want to have delicious home-baked goodies, such as brownies, bars or other finger desserts, as refreshments after the concert. Please contact Annette Himes if you would be willing to donate a dozen or two of your favorite baked goodies.

It would be much appreciated! Thank you!

# Join us as we celebrate Rev. Clover Beal's 10 years at FHC!

# Come to Fellowship Hall for a festive tea following worship



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