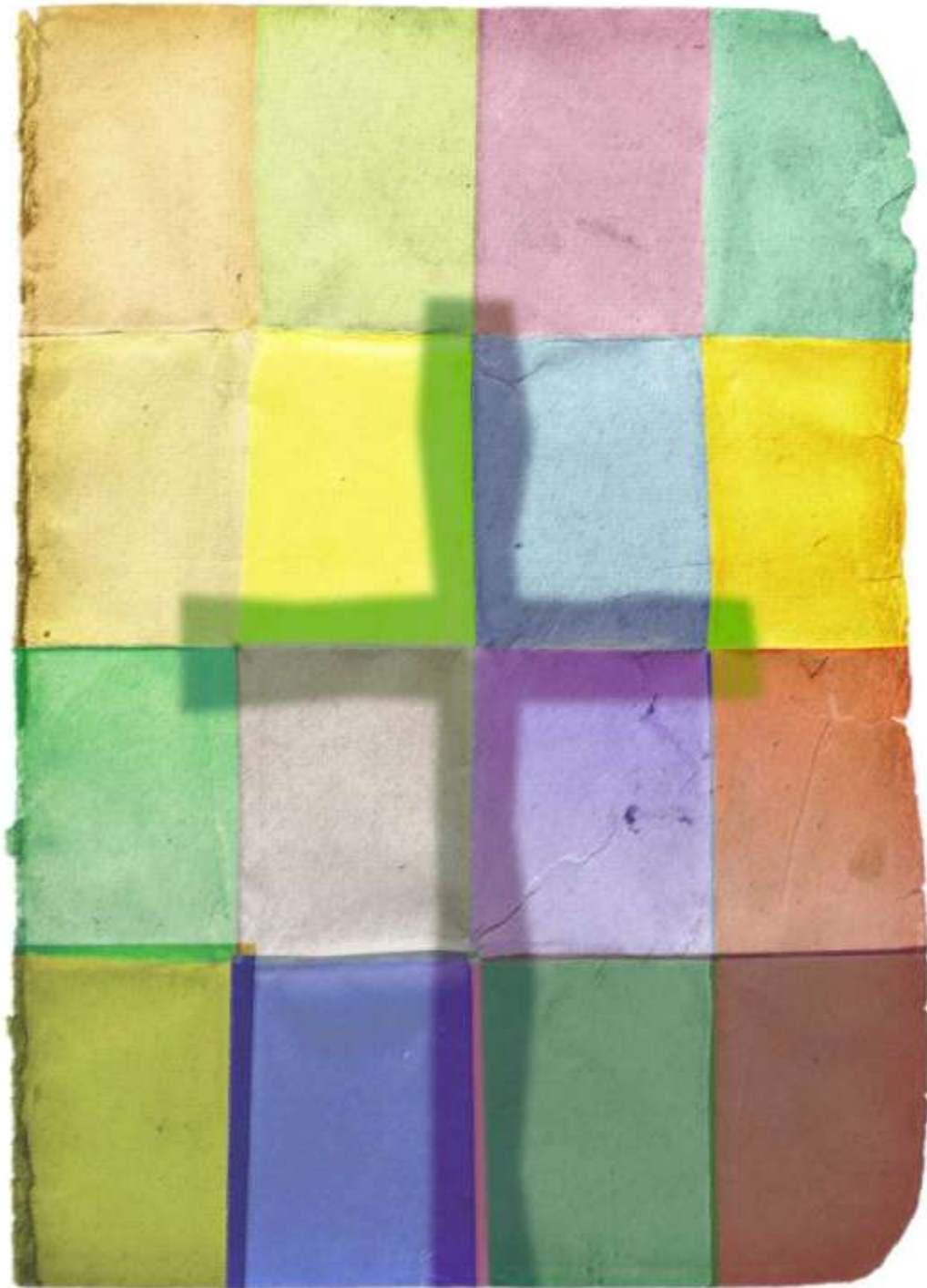


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Easter
Service of Worship
April 20, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.
Celebration of Holy Communion
Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

This morning we celebrate the Eucharist (the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion) by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). We also provide a gluten-free alternative.

■ ■ ■ *Prayer of Preparation*

Easter is not a time for groping through dusty, musty tomes or tombs to disprove spontaneous generation or even to prove life eternal. It is a day to fan the ashes of dead hope, a day to banish doubts and seek the slopes where the sun is rising, to revel in the faith which transports us out of ourselves and the dead past into the vast and inviting unknown.

"On Easter Day the veil between time and eternity thins to gossamer."

Douglas Horton, clergyman

Welcome

The Three Women

Iona Community

Shelly Jesberger, Julie Minder, Laura Minder

Prelude

Anne Wilson

"Easter Fanfare"

Richard King, French horn

■ ■ ■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

Call to Worship

Elder Rosanna Sprague

Leader: Alleluia! Christ has risen.

People: Christ has risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Leader: You have turned our mourning into dancing!

People: You have taken away our funeral clothes and re-clothed us in joy, so that our whole being—body, mind and soul—might sing praise to you and not be silent.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ has risen.

People: Christ has risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Leader: Let us worship the living God!

* Processional Hymn No. 232

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

Family Meditation

Rev. Clover Beal

Prayer

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ’s resurrection, that in the midst of the sinful world, we may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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

Easter Alleluia

Clayton Minder, tenor

Anthem

arr. Dorothy Christopherson

“Followers of the Lamb”

Descant Choir

Troy Prins, Linnea Koops, Michael Duncan, soloists

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

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 28: 1-10

After the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn No. 240

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Sermon

Dr. John Lentz

"Easter: Again for the First Time"

Ritual of Friendship

all are asked to sign as a record of

attendance

Offertory

arr. Daniel Kallman

"In Thee Is Gladness"

* 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.

■ ■ ■ *Eucharist of New Life*

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

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.

Communion of the People

Music during Communion

"Look There, the Christ"

William Albright

"The Trumpet Sounds"

Graham Kendrick

Elizabeth Shaw, steel pan

Prayer after Communion

We thank you for the invitation to new life. We will seek to follow the risen Christ in joy and gladness. By your Spirit lift us from doubt and sadness and set our feet in Christ's holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life, and all we have may show forth his love. Praise, glory, and thanksgiving to you, our God, forever and ever. Amen.

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

* Closing Hymn No. 238

"Thine Is the Glory"

* Commission and Blessing

* Choral Benediction

G. F. Handel

"Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah*

*** Passing of the Peace**

■ ■ ■ *Postlude*

Charles Marie Widor

“Toccata (Symphony V)”

**please stand if able*



Many thanks to today's instrumentalists:

Scott Lafferty, trumpet, and Richard King, French horn

Scott is a church member and sings in the choir.

Richard is principal horn of the Cleveland Orchestra.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Welcome Visitors!

We look forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Visitor welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex. Take one home with you!

■ ■ ■ *Congregational Notes*

Prayer Concerns this Week

Prayers are requested this week for the following: Ruth Brickel, Mary Hopwood Carino, Flora Dannemiller, Bob Nemcek, Mollie Secor, Debbie Ungemach.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

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

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): 339

■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

TODAY

Bake Sale

Fill your Easter baskets with goodies from the Youth Mission Trip bake sale – proceeds help support this summer's trip to Kentucky.

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for Family Promise week and a special thanks to those who provided the dinners for the families staying at the Family Center in Tremont. We hope you will feel moved to volunteer when FHC hosts families again the week of July 6. Watch for signups in June.

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 from **Acts 2: 14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31.**

NEXT SUNDAY

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.” See the foyer bulletin board for more information.

GCC Discussion on Education

In an attempt to discover ***what education issues specifically concern FHC members***, the GCC Core Team will hold small group discussions in South Hall on Sunday, April 27 at 12:15. We hope to discover your view of the issues we face today in public education, to share what GCC and other groups are doing and to see if there is interest for FHC to become more involved in education issues.

Softball Season Begins April 27!

Forest Hill returns to the softball field next Sunday at 6 pm in Forest Hill Park, playing against St John Lutheran.

LOOKING AHEAD

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.

Spring Work Day

The spring work day is scheduled for Saturday, May 3 from 9 – 12. Lunch will be served when the work is done! We will be removing storm windows and washing and installing screens. Equipment and supplies will be provided. We need as many participants as possible to get the job done!

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
Muriel Dean	Margaret & George Sentell
Beth & Bill Forsythe & family	Franklin & Naana Soadwa
Mary Hill	Chuck & Rosanna Sprague
Allan & Zivile Khoury	Joy Stang
Lisa & Jed Koops & family	Debbie & Don Ungemach & family
Laurie & Keith Logan	Todd Webster, Vikki Nowak & family
Ginie Mast	LeAnn West
	Peggy Yeager

Today's volunteers: Laurie Logan, continental breakfast; Vikki Nowak and Todd Webster, greeters; the Ungemach family, coffee hour.

Bus Trip to Detroit – May 24

Join us on a one-day bus trip to Detroit to visit the First Congregational Church and the Charles H. Wright African-American Museum. See the foyer bulletin board for details.

Abundance Acres and Abundance Pantry

Want to get your hands dirty in this summer's Abundance Acres garden? Soon it will be time to start prepping and planting. Volunteers are also needed to help with Abundance Pantry, our twice-weekly food distribution and monthly meal. Contact Paul Jennings if you are interested in either (or both!) of these projects.

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 (216-691-1905 or Ghiandoni.c@gmail.com).

■ ■ ■ *Youth News*

The youth kick off their mission trip fund-raising efforts this morning with an Easter bake sale.

Join them in Fellowship Hall after worship!

■ ■ ■ *The Lessons*

Today's Scripture:

Matthew 28: 1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where

he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

Next Sunday: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31. As part of your daily devotions, read the lessons.

■ ■ ■ *FHC Staff Emails and Phone Extensions*

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Without a Song:

**An Evening of Reflection and Song
with Mother Willie-Mae Wright,
Featuring the Wright Family Singers**

Sunday, April 27, 7 pm

**FHC Sanctuary
Reception following
All are welcome!**

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!

Easter Lilies have been given by

Doris Allen in memory of Wendell Allen

Joe and Betsy Andrews in honor of Cooper, Cameron and Alexa Andrews

Mary Ball in honor of her grandchildren Keara, Caiden, and Mykelti Ball

Chris and Dave Bell in honor of beloved family friends

Nancy Burcham in memory of loved ones

The Cameron family in loving memory of Dr. Donald B. Cameron, Ann Cameron,
Mary Margaret Cameron, and Alan Scott Cameron

Don and Betty Clark in memory of their parents

Bill Finn and Rachel Martinez-Finn in memory of Dianne Martinez

Cathy Ghiandoni in honor of SPRING

Ron and Marcia Grant in memory of Hazel and Art Grant and Louise and Bob Boylan

Don and Nancy Grube in memory of loved ones

Robin Hales, Jordan Dail and Ajah Hales in honor of family members who have passed,
and in honor of all family

Barbara Hansen in memory of Lamont Hansen and Ethel Van Fleet

Jenny Himmelman in memory of Nancy Harper and Edith Himmelman

Anne and David Hunter in memory of loved ones

Chuck and Jane Ishler in memory of their parents

Cliff and Jane Kowall in memory of parents Walter and Elaine Grasson and
Paul and Dorothy Kowall

Carol Leslie in gratitude for family and friends

Robin Mervine in memory of Betty Miller

Jeanette Nemcek in honor of Bob's healing

The Schultz family in memory of Mignon Haas Schultz

Connie Sekerak-Hicks in memory of Ernest Lee Hicks and in honor of her
children and grandchildren

Jim and Pat Seeders in memory of Pat's brother Boyd Kevin Rice

Anne and Jeff Smith in honor of the beautiful, resilient and proud people of Haiti

Anona Stack in memory of Joseph Wenta

Dorothy Ann Turick in memory of Frank and Ida Turick

Elaine Turley in memory of Todd Burns

The Weissbrod-Maronowski family in honor of the Forest Hill Church congregation

The Winters family in memory of Ray and Barbara Henning, Andrew Celeri,
Max Scarborough, and Charles Winters

The Wollaeger and Olson families in memory of Bill and Nancy Olson

Dene Young in memory of loved ones

Bob and Ginny Young in memory of loved ones

■ ■ ■ **Calendar: April 20 - 27, 2014**

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

Monday, April 21

8:45 am Tai Chi class
 6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)
 7:00 pm Al Anon
 7:30 pm AA: Borton Group
 Boy Scout Troop #403

Tuesday, April 22

8:45 am Tai Chi class
 9:00 am Abundance Pantry
 Breakfast and food distribution
 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class

Wednesday, April 23

7:30 am Bible and Bagels
 8:45 am Tai Chi class
 10:00 am **TOWER** collators
 7:00 pm Session meeting

Thursday, April 24

8:45 am Tai Chi class
 1:00 pm Abundance Pantry open
 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class
 6:20 pm Voices in Bronze
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, April 25

10:00 am Al Anon
Faith Leader retreat this weekend

Saturday, April 26

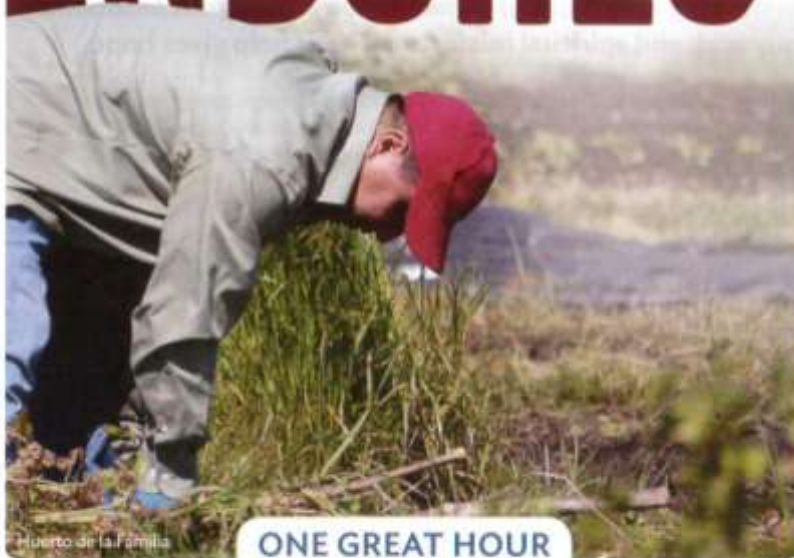
10:00 am Soup Group
 Memorial Service for Anne Taylor
 Reception following

Sunday, April 27

9:15 am Child care begins
 9:30 am Descant Choir rehearsal
 Adult Education: David Beach, speaker:
 Climate Change and Moral
 Responsibility
 Youth Education
 10:15 am Descant Choir activity time
 10:30 am Chancel Choir rehearsal
 Continental Breakfast
 10:45 am Children in Worship
 Cherub Choir
 11:00 am WORSHIP
 11:15 am Pathways to the Promise Land
 12:15 pm Coffee Hour
 12:30 pm GCC: Education forum
 4:40 pm Labre Project
 6:00 pm Softball: FH vs St John
 Lutheran, FH Park
 7:00 pm ***Without a Song: An Evening of
 Reflection and Song with
 Mother Willie-Mae Wright***
 Reception following

FAITH ENDURES

"Hope does not
disappoint us,
because God's love has been
poured into our hearts."
(Romans 5:5)



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