

Forest Hill Church

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Service of Worship
June 7, 2015 at 11:00 am

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 hearing devices, large print editions of the bulletin, activity bags for children staying in worship, and directions to our nursery for babies and young children. Prayer requests may be passed to an usher during the middle hymn for inclusion in the prayers of the people.

Prayer of Preparation

Creator, Redeemer and Friend, we praise you, we worship you, we adore you. You hold the heavens in your hand; all stars rejoice in your glory. You come in the sunshine and the song of morn and bless the splendor of the noonday. Your peace blows over the earth and the breath of your mouth fills all space. Your voice comes in the thunder of the storm and the song of the wind whispers of your majesty. You satisfy all things living with your abundance and our hearts bow at your presence. We ask for your blessing day, O Lord. Amen

Welcome

Prelude

Johannes Walter

Variations on "Jesu Meine Freude"

Betty Meyers, guest organist

Choral Introit

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Elder Diana Woodbridge

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: With what shall we come before the Holy One, and bow ourselves before God on high?

People: God has shown us what is good. What does the Holy One require of us, but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: The Lord's name be praised!

*** Processional Hymn No. 39**

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**please stand if able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession Rev. Clover Beal

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison *(Lord, have mercy)*

Merbecke

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

*** Response**

Paul Vasile

"Glory to God"

3 Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the

6 Son, whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has

8 set me free. As it was in the be-gin-ning, is

now and ev-er shall be. A-men.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 12/8 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Celebration of Graduating High School Seniors

*** Hymn No. 36**

"For the Fruit of All Creation"

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Scripture Lesson (see p. 14)

Matthew 6: 19-21

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"Treasure Hunt"

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

Offertory

Duke Ellington

"Come Sunday"

* Response

South African song

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises!"

Ha - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais-es, all our
3 hearts with glad-ness are filled. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your
6 prais-es, all our hearts with glad-ness are filled. Now he
9 sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong of
13 faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy-ful Good News. *repeat first part*

Going Forth to Live as God's People

*** Closing Hymn No. 37**

"Let All Things Now Living"

Thanksgiving and Blessing to Dacia Prins

and Dustin, Troyton, Mallory and Makyndsie

*** Choral Benediction**

*** Passing of the Peace**

Postlude

arr. Craig Phillips

"Praise Ye the Lord"



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! Be sure to visit our website, **www.fhcpresb.org**, to find a complete list of upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and texts and audio of past sermons.

Congregational Notes

Chancel Flowers

Today's flowers are given by Virginia Mast in loving memory of her parents; by Judy Hammer in loving memory of her husband David; and by Clyde and Karen Loughridge in memory of loved ones.

In Memoriam We Remember

Donald R. Clark

who died May 31, 2015

I am the resurrection and I am the life, says the Lord

Prayer Concerns this Week

Prayers are requested this week for the following:

Lia Clement, Chuck Ishler, Ann Jones, Mary Lewis, Robert Nemcek, George Sentell, Grace Uhle, Debbie Ungemach.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Iris Gilbert, Ron & Florence Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Arlene & Jack Quinn, Margie & Dwight Stauffer, Elaine Tapié.

The Deacons encourage you to stop by the Greeting Card Table in Fellowship Hall before or after worship to sign a card for one or more of our homebound members. We will address and mail the card for you.

Thank you to head usher Roger Heineman and today's ushers. Please contact the church office if you are interested in joining an usher team.

Announcements

TODAY

Music Notes

Today we welcome guest organist Betty Meyers, a retired teacher/librarian who has served as Associate Director of Music at First Baptist Church in Shaker Heights since 2006. Welcome, Betty!

Anne Wilson (FHC organist and director of music) is playing three concerts this weekend around Detroit, Michigan with Tom Trenney's choral ensemble, ***Sounding Light***.

Graduating this spring... Congratulations!

High School Grads

Anna Jean Brock graduated from Cleveland Heights High School and will attend Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA.

Peter Cary graduated from Berea Midpark High School and will attend DePaul University in Chicago.

Jessica Klein graduated from Cleveland Heights High School and will attend Kent State University in Kent, OH to study ASL (American Sign Language).

Sarah Lentz graduated from Cleveland Heights High School and will attend The University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

College Grads

Monika Juodisius graduated from Ithaca College (Ithaca, NY), and will return in the fall for 2½ years to earn her Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

Evan Tuttle graduated from Sarah Lawrence College (Bronxville, NY).

Seth Ungemach graduated from Bowling Green University (Bowling Green, OH) with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education.

FHC Haiti Trip – Informational Meeting

We are planning a second trip to Haiti this fall, from November 5 – 13, 2015. Come to an information meeting TODAY in South Hall after worship and learn about this very exciting cultural immersion trip. We will visit Port-Au-Prince, stay with our partners at Haiti Outreach in Pignon, visit the community of Gabo where we sponsored the building of a well, tour the Central Plateau, and much more. Please contact Jeff Smith (anneandjeffsmith@gmail.com or 216-932-2932) if you cannot make the meeting but would like more details.

Softball

Today we play Christian Assembly at 3:15 pm on FHP Field #6.

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 from: **1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17; Mark 4: 26-34.**

NEXT SUNDAY

***Worship will begin at 11 am next Sunday
Visiting theologian Dr. Walter Brueggemann
will teach Adult Ed at 9:30 am,
will preach at 11 am
and will give a public lecture at 2 pm.***

The summer schedule (worship at 10 am) begins June 21.

Labre Project

Warm, gently-used clothing and accessories – coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, blankets for men, women and children – are appreciated for the Labre Project in East Cleveland. Please leave donations in the bin in Fellowship Hall.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exploring Membership Class

The next exploring membership class will meet in Thursday evenings, June 16 and 23 at 7 pm. If you are interested in joining the church, or just curious about Forest Hill, consider attending! Please contact the church office (216-321-2660 or office@fhcpresb.org).

Care Group

The Forest Hill Deacons are responsible for meeting members' needs during June. 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.

✦ The Forest Hill Church Deacons are:

Joan Bacon (CARE Group leader)	Kemp Jaycox
Kathy Carr	Carol Leslie
Kathy Hanna-Stauffer	Suzanne Marcy
Barbara Hansen	Mary McMillan
Jason Hidek	Pat Musick
Jenny Himmelman	Gretchen Reynolds

Cleveland Pride Parade: June 27

The annual Cleveland Gay Pride Parade is June 27 at noon. Please register with Lia Clement (216-577-4951 or lia919@sbcglobal.net) if you plan to join the Forest Hill contingent. Those who wish to carpool to the starting point downtown will meet at the church. Volunteers are needed to make signs and posters anytime before to June 27. Music will be provided by Chris Vandall (steel drums and a truck).

Social Groups and Circles

The Group (60s – 70s) and Pacesetters (50s-60s)

On Saturday June 13, The Group and Pacesetters will gather for a BYO picnic at 6:30 in Cain Park and attend a performance of GODSPELL at the Alma Theater. Please contact or Pat or Hal Musick (halmusick@att.net or 440-442-3592) if you are interested in joining. All are welcome!

Hilltoppers (retired)

Our annual Spring Luncheon and planning meeting will be June 19 at the Hilton Garden Inn, 700 Beta Drive, Mayfield Village. The cost for the buffet luncheon is \$20 per person; reserve your place by June 14 by contacting Nancy Burcham ([**burcham@roadrunner.com**](mailto:burcham@roadrunner.com) or 440-446-0832).

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Calendar: June 17 - 14, 2015

<p>Sunday, June 7</p> <p>9:30 am Child care begins</p> <p>10:30 am Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir</p> <p>11:00 am WORSHIP</p> <p>12:15 pm Fellowship hour Prayer Support group Haiti Trip meeting</p> <p>3:30 pm Recital (students of Carolyn Smith)</p> <p>5:00 pm Labre ministry</p> <p>Monday, June 8</p> <p>6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)</p> <p>7:00 pm Al Anon</p> <p>7:30 pm AA: Borton Group Boy Scout Toppp #403</p> <p>Tuesday, June 9</p> <p>1:00 pm Abundance Pantry food distribution</p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 10</p> <p>7:30 am Bible and Bagels</p> <p>12:30 pm Wednesday Women's AA</p> <p>7:00 pm Ministry meetings</p> <p>Thursday, June 11</p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class</p> <p>Friday, June 12</p> <p>7:00 am TOWER deadline</p> <p>10:00 am Al Anon meeting</p> <p>Saturday, June 13</p> <p>6:30 pm Pacesetters and Group to Cain Park</p> <p>Sunday, June 14</p> <p>9:30 am Child care begins</p> <p>Adult Education: Dr. Walter Brueggemann</p> <p>10:30 am Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir</p> <p>11:00 am WORSHIP</p> <p>12:15 pm Fellowship hour</p> <p>2:00 pm Public Lecture: Dr. Walter Brueggemann</p> <p>5:00 pm Labre ministry</p>
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Important Summer Dates

June 14: Dr. Walter Brueggemann will be here

9:30 Adult Ed

11:00 Preach

2:00 Public Lecture

June 16, 23: Exploring Membership Class

June 21: Summer schedule begins

Worship at 10 am

June 27: Cleveland Pride Parade

June 28: Worship in Fellowship Hall

Youth Mission Trip to Harlan KY begins

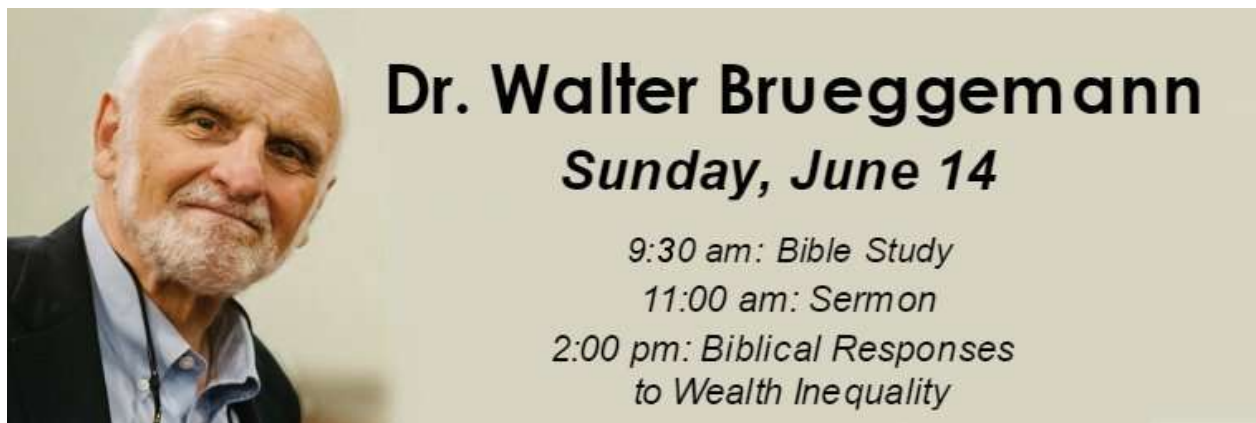
July 19: Rev. Clover Beal's last Sunday

The Lessons

Matthew 6: 19-21

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

***Next Sunday:* 1 Samuel 15:34 – 16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 14-17; Mark 4: 26-34.** Set aside time each day for prayer and study. As you read the lessons for the week, consider how they settle or challenge you? What image or word catches your attention? Keep notes of your observations in a journal.



Theologian, author, and preacher Dr. Walter Brueggemann will speak at Forest Hill Church on Sunday, June 14, 2015.

Dr. Brueggemann will teach a 9:30 am Bible study class, preach at 11:00 worship, and lead a 2:00 pm presentation on the economics of extraction.

Extraction economies use unfair taxation, debt management, high interest rates, and cheap labor to concentrate wealth in a few at the expense of the many. The Bible speaks against such practices and in favor of restoring economic equity through debt cancellation.

All events are free and open to the public.

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