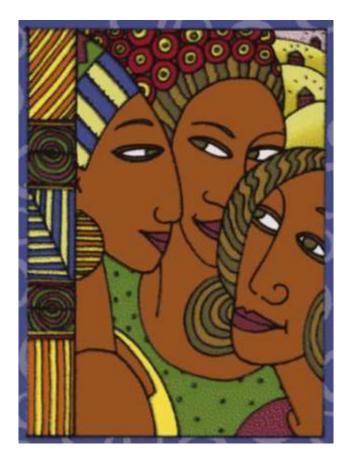
# Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church seeks to be diverse, inclusive and welcoming.

All God's children have a place in this choir!

# Service of Worship February 7, 2016 at 11:00 am

Transfiguration of the Lord

Ordination and Installation of

Officers

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 of Preparation

Holy God, Give us the courage to see your light in the people we see today and throughout the week. Where we would see frustration and division, show us your radiance. Give us hopeful spirits. Shine your light ahead of us, wherever we may go. Amen.

#### Welcome

**Prelude** arr. John J. Peterson

"Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho"
Voices in Bronze

### Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship John Dugard

Leader: God touches the world, **People:** and the world changes.

Leader: God touches us,

People: and we are transformed.

Leader: In the brightest of day,

People: in the deepest of night,

Leader: on mountain,

People: in valley,

Leader: everywhere.

People: In this time, together, we invite God to open our eyes to the

transformation of our lives.

Leader: And through the change – we worship God.

People: Alleluia!

\* Processional Hymn No. 853 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"

\*please stand if able

# Renewing Our Relationship with God

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we confess we are still setting our mind on worldly things even though you give us glimpses of the heavenly kingdom. You show us great love and mercy but we are unwilling to show love and mercy to others. You share with us a vision of eternal life but we are focused on our lives now and worldly gains in this lifetime. Forgive us for being shortsighted. Renew in us the call to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, so we may also live in the kingdom now, with eternal life that begins now. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

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

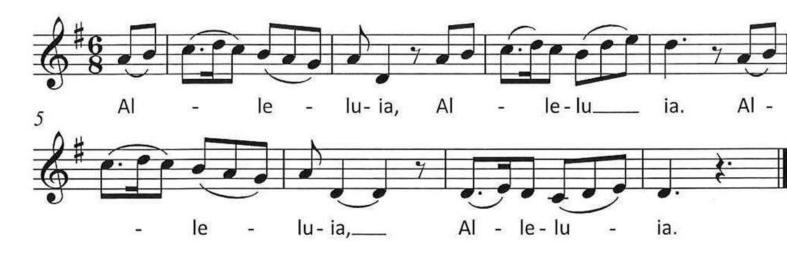
**Kyrie eleison** (Lord, have mercy)

Ghana

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

**Assurance of Pardon** 

\* Alleluia Jeannette Sorrell



Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

**Minute for Mission** 

Jennifer Blakeney

"Greater Cleveland Congregations"

\* Hymn No. 193

"Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"

Prayer requests to be read during the Prayers of the People may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

#### **Scripture Lessons**

#### Exodus 34: 29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites

would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

#### Psalm 99

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

#### Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which

he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

#### 2 Corinthians 3: 12-4: 2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

#### After all the readings conclude:

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rachel McDonald

"Let Your Light Shine"

#### **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.

# Ordination, Installation, and Recognition of Officers and Leaders Ritual of Friendship all are asked to sign

If you plan to attend the Ash Wednesday dinner, please indicate this with the number attending next to your name

Offering see QR code below

**Offertory** Robert Ray

"Hallelujah, Praise the Lord" (from Gospel Mass)

#### \* 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.

# Going Forth to Live as God's People

\* Closing Hymn No. 752

"Dona nobis pacem"

- \* Commission and Blessing
- \* Choral Benediction
- \* Passing of the Peace

Postfude Jean Langlais





http://www.fhcpresb.org/about-us/giving

#### 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.

Did you know...that the wealth gap between blacks and whites has tripled over the past 25 years?

From the Black History Month team

### Congregational Notes

#### **Chancel Flowers**

The flowers are given by Betty Clark in memory of Don Clark, Ray and Irma Clark, and Betty and Herbert Fritz; and by Al Gilbert in memory of Annie Gilbert Tyson, wife of Dr. James Tyson, who died December 25, 2015 in McLean VA; and by Tim and Carol Gifford in loving memory of Robert Sacha.

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

In Memoriam We Remember

Melvin Quay Mervine

Who died February 3, 2016

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

Mel's service will be Monday, February 8 at 10 am

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

Lucy Conde, Grace Glaros, Max Harmon, Carol Himmelsteib, Mary Hosier, Shelly Jesberger, Mary Lewis, Roz Peters, Robert Ruggeri, Jim Seeders, Dorothy Turick, Debbie Ungemach, and Mark Wedell.

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

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

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**

Today we ordain, install and welcome the new leaders and officers of Forest Hill Church, and offer our thanks to those who have completed their terms.

See p 11 for a complete list of officers and leaders

#### **Today is Hunger Sunday**

Any cash or checks in envelopes marked Hunger will be used 100% for support of hunger programs. Each month we send the money to the Hts Emergency Food Cupboard (Disciples Church, Cleveland Hts.), the New Covenant Lutheran Church Hunger Center (East Cleveland), and the Presbyterian Hunger Program in Haiti.

#### **Black History Month**

Black History Month kicks off today with A Taste of New Orleans and a discussion of Ta-Nehesi Coates' article, "The Case for Reparations." All are welcomed and encouraged to stay!

See the bulletin insert for a schedule of the month's activities

#### **THIS WEEK**

#### **Lent Begins February 10**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 10. We will offer dinner at 6:30 and worship with communion and imposition of ashes at 7:30 pm. During Lent, supper will be served between 6-7 pm each Wednesday (come anytime and serve yourself) and will be followed by a brief worship service.

Are you planning to attend the Ash Wednesday dinner? When you sign the Friendship Pad, please indicate how many of you will come. We need a few people to come at 5:30 to help get the room ready (the tables and chairs will be in place).

Officers: Please note that ministries will meet at 7:30 pm on Feb. 17 and March 9; Session will meet at 7:30 pm on Feb. 24 and March 16.

#### **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 **Deuteronomy 26:** 1-11; Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16; Romans 10: 8b-13; and Luke 4: 1-13.

#### **Brunch or Dinner at Black-owned Restaurants**

**Dinner at** *Frederick's Wine and Dine***?** Friday evening, September 12 – See Anne Smith to get your name on the list. Reservations are needed today!

**Sunday brunch at Zanzibar Soul Fusion?** Sunday, February 14 after church – see Diana Woodbridge for details.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

#### Adult Education in Lent – 9:30 in South Hall

The Lent Adult Ed series will begin with Dr. John Lentz speaking about "Christ and the Historical Jesus."

Did you know...that 40% of black single mothers (and their children) live in poverty?

From the Black History Month team

#### **ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### Thank You, Forest Hill Church!

Thanks to everyone who donated item for the Family Promise MOVE OUT bags. We provided 15 bags filled with cleaning supplies and paper products to be given to Family Promise residents when they move into their own apartments. Thank you for being so generous! Watch for news of our next date in late April.

#### **Care Group**

The Calvary Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during February. 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:

Jenny Himmelman, Deacon leader

Jewrett Bailey & family

Kevin & Brittani Ball & family

Amber & Derrik Balogh

**Nancy Burcham** 

**Bruce & Beverly Cameron** 

Paul Cary, Sue Yelanjian & family

Jordan Dail Kay Dunlap

Bill Finn & Rachel Martinez-Finn

Tim & Carol Gifford

Ajah Hales Robyn Hales Judy Hammer

**Chris Henry** 

Alex Heston & Elizabeth Endicott-Heston

David & Anne Hunter

Paolo Iannarelli & Maria Raijki

**Paul Jennings** 

Bill and Sandy Ladebue Fred & Joann Lafferty

Patricia Ludwig Daryl Musick

Jeremy Ryman & Diane Moyer & family

Sampson Tedunjaiye, Victoria Sampson & family

Lee & Cathi Thomas

Beryl Williams Caleb Wright

**Bob & Ginny Young** 

#### **Pantry Lunch Volunteer Opportunities**

Come help with our once a month Pantry Lunch – have lunch, talk with guests, take time for prayer. The guests receive food from the pantry after lunch is over. We need volunteers to set tables, help in the kitchen, and be table hosts. For more information or to help out, please contact Nancy Burcham (216-233-8864 or burcham@roadrunner.com).

# Social Groups and Circles The Group (60s – 70s)

Join The Group this evening at 6 pm to watch the Super Bowl at the home of Pat and Hal Musick, 369 W. Glen Eagle Dr., Highland Hts. Please bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to accompany soup made by the Ghiandonis and Musicks.

### Youth News

#### **Every Sunday**

• Mid and Sr High classes meet from 9:30 – 10:30 am.

#### Today

• Sine Nomine Choir (gr. 6-12) will rehearse today in the chapel immediately after worship.

#### **Looking Ahead**

Celebrate Valentine's Day after worship on – you guessed it –
 Valentine's Day! Cook, eat and share valentines with your friends.
 See Shannon Headen for more information.

#### The Lessons

**Next Sunday**: **Deuteronomy 26: 1-11; Psalm 91: 1-2, 9-16; Romans 10: 8b-13; Luke 4: 1-13.** 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.

# FHC Staff Emails

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Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has a fund ready for donations to help the people of Flint, MI obtain safe drinking water. For information about donating, go to

https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/flint-michigan-water-crisis/

Did you know...that in Ohio, 3 out of 7 black children live in poverty?

From the Black History Month team

# Calendar: February 7 - 14, 2016

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Sunday, February 7	Wednesday, February 10: Ash Wednesday
9:15 Child care begins	7:30 am Bible and Bagels
9:30 Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)	12:30 pm Wednesday Women's AA
Youth Education (gr. 6-12)	5:30 pm Tablesetters
Adult Education	6:30 pm Dinner
10:15 Descant Choir activity	7:30 pm Worship
New elders, deacons to library	
10:30 Chancel Choir	Thursday, February 11
Continental Breakfast	5:00 pm Fitness Fusion
All new officers to sanctuary	6:20 pm Voices in Bronze
11:00 Worship: Ordination and	7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Installation of Officers	
Children's Worship class	Friday, February 12
Pathways to the Promise Land (gr 1-5)	7:00 am TOWER deadline
12:15 Fellowship and Coffee Hour	10:00 am Al Anon
Sine Nomine Choir	5:30 pm Pacesetters and others: Dinner at
12:30 Black History Month program:	Frederick's in Warrensville Hts
"Taste of New Orleans"	
3:00 Living Prayer leaders	Saturday, February 13
5:00 Faith Leader	8:00 am Men's Group
Living Prayer class	9:00 am CEIRS class: Dr. George Smiga
6:00 The Group: Super Bowl party	Deacons' retreat
Monday, February 8	Sunday, February 14: 1 Lent
10:00 pm Funeral service:	9:15 Child care begins
Melvin Quay Mervine	9:30 Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)
6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)	Youth Education (gr. 6-12)
7:00 pm Al Anon	Adult Education
7:30 pm Borton Group	10:15 Descant Choir activity
Boy Scout Troop #403	10:30 Chancel Choir
	Continental Breakfast
Tuesday, February 9	Cherub Choir
1:00 pm Abundance Pantry opens	11:00 Worship: Communion
5:00 pm Fitness Fusion	Children's Worship class
7:00 pm Justice and Mission mtg	12:15 Fellowship and Coffee Hour
Living in the Spirit Prayer Grp	Youth: Valentine Party
	1:00 The Group and others:
	Brunch at Zanzibar
	5:00 Faith Leader; Living Prayer class

#### Forest Hill Church Officers and Elected Leaders: 2016

#### **Session Elders**

Ordained and Installed: Patty Console, Jessica Kelley-Moore

Installed: Melanie Alban, Kurt Haas, Barb Hansen, Allan Khoury, Laurie

Logan, Julie Lustic

**Currently serving**: Jeff Smith, Clerk; Derek Duncan, Robyn Hales, Consuelo Heineman, Rachel Martinez-Finn, Charity McDonald, Eric Muller-Girard, Gary Sampson, Steve Sedam, Sharon Shumaker, Ahren Stock, Mark Wedell

#### **Deacons**

Ordained and Installed: John Dugard, Seth Ungemach, Installed: Sally Davis, Ellen McChesney, Robin Mervine

Currently serving: Kathy Carr, Kathy Hanna-Stauffer, Barb Hansen, Jason Hidek, Jenny Himmelman, Kemp Jaycox, Suzanne Marcy, Gretchen

Reynolds

#### **Ministry of Education & Spiritual Formation**

Elders: Consuelo Heineman, Laurie Logan, Sharon Shumaker

Newly elected leader: Alex Heston

Currently serving as elected leaders: Patricia Jenkins, Alisha Trammell

#### **Ministry of Justice and Mission**

Elders: Robyn Hales, Jessica Kelley-Moore, Charity McDonald

Newly elected leaders: Margie Glaros, Mike Glaros, Ann Williams

#### **Ministry of Stewardship**

Elders: Melanie Alban, Steve Sedam, Ahren Stock

Newly elected leaders: David Burleigh, Bill Ladebue, Lance Vernon

**Currently serving as elected leader**: Peter Williams

#### **Trustees**

Elders: Kurt Haas, Allan Khoury, Mark Wedell

Newly elected non-elder trustees: Kay Dunlap, Carol Gifford

Non-elder Trustees: Dave Bell, Peter Eloff, Bill Finn, Annette Himes

**Vocation & Leadership** 

Elders: Julie Lustic, Rachel Martinez-Finn, Eric Muller-Girard

Nominating Committee: Julie Lustic, Elder; Wendy Brock, Barb Cloud,

LaDon Headen, Karen Loughridge, David Peterjohn

**Church Growth Committee**: Lia Clement, Caleb Wright **Leadership Development**: Leslie Clement, Jeannine Gury

#### **Ministry of Worship**

Elders: Patty Console, Derek Duncan, Gary Sampson

Newly elected leaders: Beth Garrett, Barry Hartz, Joyce Pope, Dele

Solaru, Chris Vandall