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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship June 12, 2016 at 10:00 am

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

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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

To your name, Lord Jesus, help me to bow the knee and all its worshiping, bow the head and all its thinking, bow the will and all its choosing, bow the heart and all its loving.

Welcome

Prelude trad. English, arr. Hugh S. Livingstone, Jr.

Prelude on "The Turtle Dove" Fern Jennings, guest organist

Choral Introit Pablo Sosa (Argentina)

"Behold, How Pleasant" (Psalm 133) Carol Wedell, cantor

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship Elder Elspeth Peterjohn

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me,

bless his holy name.

People: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget his benefits,

Leader: Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: Who redeems your life from the Pit,

Leader: Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

People: Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: Let us worship God! from Ps. 103

* Opening Hymn No. 15

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

* Please stand if you are able

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we are prone to forget how much you love us. We measure ourselves by the world's standards and waste precious energies pursuing desires that are not life-giving. We are easily caught in the trap of thinking ourselves better or worse than others when we really need to focus on who we are in relationship to you. We truly suffer from a case of mistaken identity. Shake us up and remind us of the abundant life you faithfully offer. Renew and strengthen us by the power of your Holy Spirit to live as people who are deeply loved and deeply loving. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

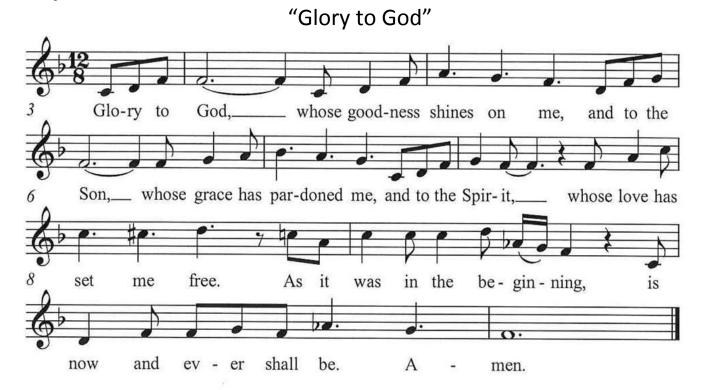
John Bell

Lisa Koops, cantor

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

* Response Paul Vasile



Anthem Chuck Marohnic

"I Will Trust in the Lord" Carol Wedell and Lisa Koops, soloists

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word Scripture Lesson

Luke 7: 36-50

One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him—that she is a

sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "Speak." "A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

After the readings

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

People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn No. 439

"O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer"

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Sermon Rev. Lois Annich

"The Pharisee and the Harlot"

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

Offering



Offertory

Billie Hanks, Jr.

"Lonely Voices Crying in the City" Caleb Wright, bass

* Response

South African song



* Prayer of Dedication

Going Forth to Live as God's People

* Closing Hymn No. 611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

- * Commission and Blessing
- * Choral Benediction Appalachian folk melody, arr. Richard Wetzel "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" Lisa Koops, cantor
- * Passing of the Peace

Postlude Daniel Pinkham

"And all the bells rang out the good news"



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! Our website, **www.fhcpresb.org**, lists upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and texts and audio of past sermons.

Notes & Announcements

Chancel Flowers: Today's flowers are given by Elizabeth Shaw in honor of her grandchildren, Lucy and Elijah Washington and Violet Shaw; and by Jennifer Blakeney, Marius Juodisius, Elena and Monika in loving memory of Jennifer's mother and father and Marius' father.

Prayers are requested this week for: The Dannefer family, Max Harmon, Wilma Heston, Rich Israel, Mary Lewis, Linda Martin, Robin Richards, Robert Ruggeri, Baldwin Sawyer, George Sentell, and Debbie Ungemach.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Emma Jane Gibbs, Iris Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Jack Quinn, Margie Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, Lorian Thomas.

Today's music: We welcome guest organist Fern Jennings to our service today. Fern earned her organ degree at the Cleveland Institute of Music and most recently served as Music Director for the First Unitarian Church of Cleveland. Anne Wilson is on a train in Leida, Spain this morning. She is heading to Burgos to begin walking the middle portion of the *Camino de Santiago*, the ancient pilgrimage path across northern Spain.

Care Group: The Forest Hill Church Deacons are responsible for assisting the pastors in meeting your needs during June. Is anyone in your family ill or hospitalized? Has a family member died? Is there an emergency? Is there any way we can help? Please call the church office; information will then be passed on to the pastors and Care Group leaders.

The Deacons encourage you to stop by the Greeting Card Table in Fellowship Hall before or after worship to sign a card for any member who is ill or homebound. We will address and mail the card for you.

Ushers: Thank you to Roger Heineman, head usher, and today's usher team.

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

Coming Up

TODAY

Summer Pathways: Children entering grades 1-6 are invited to the art room at 10 am for Summer Pathways.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: 1 Kings 19: 1-15a; Psalm 42; Galatians 3: 23-29; Luke 8: 26-39.

Bible and Bagels discusses next week's text on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30. All are welcome!

Softball: Today we play St. John at Forest Hill Park Field #5 at 3:15 pm.

NEXT SUNDAY

Summer Choir: The Summer Choir continues through June and July. There's a 25-minute rehearsal in the choir room (underneath Fellowship Hall) at 9:30 am. The music is easy and dress is casual. All ages are welcome – families are encouraged to sit together, singing with non-singing. Come enjoy participating in worship from "the other side"!

LOOKING AHEAD

Adult Education – Summer Bible study, 9:00 in the Jin Room, begins June 26. Tom Zych will lead and facilitate; the topic is "Take Us to Your Leader: What Does the Bible Teach Us about Political Power?"

Co-Missioned! A Bible Study on Becoming a Missional People: Rachel McDonald will lead this summer bible study at 7:30 pm on Thursdays, June 30 – August 4.

Social Groups and Circles

Hilltoppers (retired): Come to Nancy Burcham's (301 Rosebury Ct, Mayfield Hts.) at 1 pm on Friday, June 17 to plan for 2016-17. Bring ideas for programs; beverages and dessert will be served. RSVP to Dene Young (216-291-2915).

Iris Circle (women of FHC): Join us on Tuesday, June 21 at the home of LeAnn West (22171 Harms Rd, Euclid, OH) at noon for a salad potluck lunch. RSVP to LeAnn (216 692-0917 or kleannwest@sbcglobal.net). Bring lots of ideas for planning for Iris Circle for 2016-2017.

All are welcome: Join The Group and Pacesetters for an evening at Cain Park. Buy your own tickets to see **The Toxic Avengers** on June 18, and join us for supper at the park beforehand. Contact Laurie Logan or Bob and Pat Jeffreys for more details.

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Congratulations to these Forest Hill 2016 Graduates

Rachelle Bohanon and Ragine Bohanon graduated from Heights High
(Cleveland Hts).

Patrick Forscher (ne Schnarrenberger, nephew of Ann Williams) and his wife **Emily Forscher** received PhDs in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin (Madison).

Abby Forsythe graduated from Hawken School and will attend Washington University (St Louis).

Jed Koops earned his DMD (Doctor of Dental Medicine) from Case Western Reserve University.

Meg Lentz graduated from Stanford University (Palo Alto, CA) and will live and work in San Diego.

Charity McDonald graduated from Cleveland State University with an MBA.

Mary McPheeters graduated from Brush High School (South Euclid-Lyndhurst) and will attend Case Western Reserve University.

Cameron Peters graduated from Laurel School and will attend Kenyon College (Gambier, OH).

Andrew Schellenberg graduated from Heights High and will study Mechanical Engineering at The Ohio State University.

David Schellenberg graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Civil Engineering. He will work in Columbus for Commonwealth, a civil engineering firm.

Ben Stadler graduated from Shaker Heights High School and will attend Virginia Tech (Blacksburg, VA) on an Air Force ROTC scholarship.

Jacob Stauffer graduated from Villa Angela St Joseph High School and will attend the US Military Academy (West Point, NY).

Calendar: June 12-19, 2016

Sunday, June 12

8:30 am Nominating Committee

9:30 am Child care begins

Continental Breakfast

Summer Choir

10:00 am WORSHIP

Summer Pathways

11:15 pm Coffee and Conversation

3:15 pm Softball vs. St John

Monday, June 13

2:00 pm Directory photos

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)

7:00 pm Al Anon

7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)

Tuesday, June 14

1:00 pm Abundance Pantry

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion

7:00 pm GCC Housing meeting

Wednesday, June 15

7:30 am Bible and Bagels

12:00 pm Bullshevicks

12:30 pm Wed. Women's AA

6:00 pm Education Ministry

Thursday, June 16

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion

Friday, June 17

7:00 am TOWER deadline

9:30 am Al Anon

Saturday, June 18

9:00 am Culture Camp set-up

7:00 pm An Evening at Cain Park

Sunday, June 19

9:30 am Child care begins

Continental Breakfast

Summer Choir

10:00 am WORSHIP

11:15 pm Coffee and Conversation

Blood Pressure check

3:15 pm Softball vs Korean Central PC

Summer Events at Forest Hill Church – Mark your calendars for these summer dates

Deadline for July-August TOWER June 17

Abundance Pantry Lunches June 28, July 26, August 23

Youth Mission Trip to Washington DC July 3-9

You have supported the youth by buying cookies, pancakes and muffins. Now support them with your prayers! They will be commissioned during worship on July 3.

All-Church Picnic Sunday July 10 11:30-1:00

Forest Hill Church Welcoming Team is hosting a "Getting to Know You" picnic. Watch for information! Long-time members, new members, non-members and visitors are all invited. Watch for details!

Annual Outdoor Worship and Cookout Saturday, August 13, 5 pm

Regular Schedule and Fall Festival Sunday, September 11



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