John C. Lentz, Pastor Lois Annich, Rachel McDonald, Interim Associate Pastors

Discovering God's call, celebrating the Spirit's presence Witnessing to Christ's transformative power!



The Tower

September 2016

Friends,

In just about 10 weeks our nation will hold a presidential election. Perhaps you share my angst at the process so far. I think one could argue that over the past 30 years, the election cycle has become increasingly partisan and harsh.

No matter whom you favor in this election, it is important for Forest Hill Church to be a place of sanctuary from harsh personal attacks on each other and on the candidates. We welcome everyone in the name of Jesus Christ.

This doesn't mean that we cannot disagree and state our opinions as clearly as possible. I will not shy away from preaching on controversial issues. But we must witness our opinions with respect and humility. The person with whom you have worshipped for years, shared laughter and tears, supported and been supported by through thick and thin may stun you by supporting "the other" candidate.

Your fellow church member is not stupid for refusing to look at the issues that are obvious to you. Don't assume you know where people are. Ask each other, why do you support your candidate? Answer positively for your candidate, not negatively against the other candidate. Tell each other your story of how you came to believe that these issues are important. Ask each

other: "Tell me how you view the world that we live in? Where are the possibilities and where are the problems?"

As we start another program year on Sunday, September 11 we should not forget the importance of that date. In the aftermath of the attack on the Twin Towers, we came together as a nation for a brief and shining moment: black and white, gay and straight, Muslim, Christian and Jew, young and old, Republican and Democrat. As the 1960's hymn reminds us: "We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored. They will know we are Christians by our love."

This program year will be as exciting as ever! We will continue to live into our values being a Welcoming community, a Learning community, a Worshipping community, a Witnessing community and a Discerning community.

See you on September 11 at 11:00 am – come for education and worship, and stay for the Fall Fellowship.

Bring a friend and let's grow the church!

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr Senior Pastor

Visitors are invited to a Visitor Dinner on FRIDAY, Sept. 16
at the home of Rachel (and Bill) Martinez-Finn 2592 Berkshire Rd., Cleveland Hts.
RSVP to Rachel (cruzmack@gmail.com) or to the church office (216-321-2660 or office@fhcpresb.org).

Believe it or not, a year has flown by since Rachel and I began our time with you as (part-time) Interim Associate Pastors. Now on the threshold of our second and last year, I want to thank you for your hospitality and welcome. It's been a privilege to take part in your lives, to share joys and sorrows, and to worship and work together. We've had a good year of fellowship, activism, learning, collaboration, and sometimes just plain "hanging out!" I frequently marvel at God's goodness in calling me to this wonderful congregation.

I also want to celebrate your wisdom in appointing a Discernment Task Force through which you are thoughtfully reflecting on God's ongoing call to Forest Hill Church. The dedication of the people on that Task Force is truly inspiring and I have every confidence that their work will help shape a staffing pattern that supports Forest Hill's ministry in the world.

I've enjoyed helping various ministries and congregational leaders think about FHC's call during this time of transition, but I've also enjoyed simply getting to know you—over coffee, over meals, in the hospital, in your homes, and in my office. I am deeply touched by the character of your lives and the deep yearnings you express for spiritual growth. One thing you frequently ask for is support through prayer, and I am happy to offer that since I wholeheartedly believe in the healing power of prayer which often makes itself known in surprising ways.

As a provider of pastoral care I could use some back-up for the prayer requests I receive, and am therefore putting out a call for people to whom I can appeal when I have a prayer request. Would you prayerfully consider helping me in this way? The means will be a simple email sent out to the list of people who've volunteered to pray, so no need to call others. All you need to do is lift up the person or persons listed on the email in prayer. We will gather at some point for a very short training regarding confidentiality and boundaries so the people requesting prayer know we are caring for them with integrity and discretion.

Will you please let me know if you feel called to this kind of ministry? It's ideal in many ways because it doesn't require lots of time, travel or bodily strength—just a love for God's people and the desire to lift them up to God's

healing light. And you may be surprised by the fact that your own heart and life are changed by "marinating" in God's presence on behalf of others.

I'm looking forward to another great year of ministry with you all.

Rev. Lois Annich Interim Associate Pastor

It has been a year since Lois and I came to FHC and we only have a year left. In Presbyterian terms we serve in temporary, not settled, positions.

Mull

This is bittersweet, but it fills me with great hope for the future of this congregation. I, along with the Discernment Task Force, have been listening for where the Spirit is calling this church. What the Task Force has seen is the church is changing – not just to accommodate a new pastor but to better share God's love in the world. Forest Hill is getting ready to be transformed. I am reminded of God's words found in Habbakuk 1:5:

For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told.

And then the prophet Habbakuk responds with this prayer:

Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord. Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known.

In this time I invite you to make Habbakuk's prayer your own. Let us continue to be open to the transforming power of God's love!

Rachel McDonald, Interim Associate Pastor



Have you heard that your brain is awash with neurochemical rewards when you sing? The "singer's high," is due to a surge of <u>endorphins</u> (which also alleviate pain). Singing in a choir bathes one in <u>dopamine</u>, a neurotransmitter in the brain that is associated with feelings of pleasure and alertness. Singing lowers stress levels and leaves one with feelings of euphoria and contentment. With all this in mind well, consider joining a choir!

The 2016-2017 choir season is about to begin and I'm looking forward to seeing all our FHC musical families getting back to rehearsals. Those who participated in choir last year will receive an email, but here's the general information for persons who may be interested in finding out about the musical opportunities at Forest Hill Church:

Chancel Choir (adults; high school and college students warmly welcomed): 1st rehearsal will be Thursday, September 8, beginning with a potluck supper and general frivolity at 6:40 in Fellowship Hall. Bring whatever dish you enjoy preparing (or purchasing) and we'll have a fine time getting caught up and electing new choir officers. The rehearsal takes place from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Our first choir Sunday is September 11 (rehearsal at 10:30 am – worship is at 11:00 am).

Sine Nomine Choir (grades 6-12 plus college students): 1st rehearsal will be Sunday, September 18 in the Chapel after worship. Generally we'll meet every other Sunday (with occasional exceptions) for 30-40 minutes. We'll elect officers at the first rehearsal (looks good on college apps ;-).

Descant Choir (grades 1-5): 1st rehearsal will be Sunday, September 11 at 9:30 am in the sanctuary. The choir practices every Sunday, and after choir (10:15) there is an activities period in youth hall. At 10:45, the children meet their parents in Fellowship Hall and go from there to the sanctuary.

Voices in Bronze (high school students and adults): 1st rehearsal for our handbell ringers will be Thursday, September 15 from 6:20-7:15 pm in the upstairs bell room. An understanding of rhythmic notation is required. No previous experience in bell-ringing is necessary.

Forest Hill Steel Drum Band (all ages): This group plays for worship several times per year. Up to six people at a time can play and the rotation of players is flexible. Rehearsals are arranged at the convenience of the players and take place around three weeks before the performance.



I'm looking forward to our Kick-off Sunday (9/11), which is also our Fall Fellowship Sunday. Upcoming special music Sundays include our first AWE (Alternate Worship Service), on 9/25 with ROAM (Roots of American Music), World Communion Sunday (October 2) with lots of global music, a Cuban music service featuring excerpts from José María Vitier's *Misa Cubana*, an Oktoberfest *Beer and Hymns* evening, and a reflective Compline service during November.

Please call or email me if you have any questions about the choirs or music program. I hope to see lots of new faces and fresh voices intermingled with the "regulars" in the choir families this September.

Let us all sing (or ring) a new song to the Lord – Soli Deo Gloria! (To God Be the Glory!)

Anne Wilson

Organist/Director of Music annew@fhcpresb.org 216-321-2660 (church); 216-870-2729 (cell)

Adult Education Series "Whole Life Stewardship: Honoring the Gifts God Gave Us" Begins September 18

In the uplifting new book *Embracing Stewardship*, author Grace Duddy Pomroy writes:

Stewardship is the way we use the abundance that God has entrusted to our care to love God and our neighbor. Stewardship is about more than money, offering plates, and pledges. It is the way that we love God and neighbor with our whole lives - not just our wallets. Understood this way, stewardship is life-giving and life-encompassing. Stewardship is discipleship. Living as a follower of Jesus requires not just all of my heart but also all of my assets, all of my talents, all of my time - in short my whole life.

With this insight as a cornerstone, the Stewardship Ministry invites you to attend a fascinating three week Adult Education series titled "Whole Life Stewardship: Honoring the Gifts God Gave Us".

The classes will take place on Sundays September 18 and 25 and October 2, from 12:30 - 1:30 pm, in South Hall immediately after worship. A light lunch will be provided. Three important areas of stewardship will be explored.

September 18 - Stewardship of Time led by Interim Associate Pastor Lois Annich.

How is your life in service to God affected by how you use your time? Are you everywhere at once? Do your phone, TV and computer consume your life? Does a day fly by and you ask yourself, "What happened?!" How do you find balance?

September 25 - Stewardship of Relationships led by Interim Associate Pastor Lois Annich.

Whether it be a spouse, an old friend, a neighbor, or a coworker, our relationships are one of the most precious aspects of our lives. In a busy world with many competing demands, how can we better nurture those relationships that are so important, including our relationship to ourselves?

October 2 - Stewardship of the Earth, led by Wayne Simsic, instructor with the Cleveland Ecumenical Institute for Religious Studies, former Professor of Religion at Ursiline College, and author of many books including

Living the Wisdom of St. Francis

This class will provide spiritual insight on how to better conserve the earth's life-giving but limited resources through an examination of the life and teachings of St. Francis of Assisi.

If you are interested in attending one or all three of the "Whole Life Stewardship" classes, please contact the church office (216- 321-2660 or Office@fhcpresb.org) by September 14.

Elder Steve Sedam

Budget Update

The great news is that the FHC congregation is very successfully fulfilling its pledge payments, which is allowing the church to continue to discover God's call, celebrate the spirit's presence and witness to Christ's transformative power. Thank you for your faithfulness!

The challenging news is that "non-pledged" donations – donations that are not part of a pledge and are received from both members and visitors – are significantly lower than the amount received in a typical year, which is creating an overall shortfall in projected revenue. Please, if possible, consider an additional gift to our congregation this fall to help meet the need in the days and weeks ahead.

Thank you! You are an amazing congregation to work with.

Trustee Elder Mark Wedell

The Endowment Fund

The Endowment Fund transferred \$125,000 from the assets from our fund to establish a Permanent Fund at The Presbyterian Foundation in the name of our church.

So, you may ask, why is this important? Through this relationship, Forest Hill Church will continue to be the beneficiary of this fund for the purposes of our endowment program while gaining from the proven professional investment management services of The Presbyterian Foundation. Our endowment should continue to grow in partnership with the parent church. Furthermore, FHC will gain from expertise and assistance in providing understandable and useable information for FHC members and friends on the many ways to plan for a legacy gift to the church.

If you are interested in knowing more about how your gift to the Endowment Fund can make a difference in the future of Forest Hill Church, please contact Senior Pastor, John Lentz (<u>pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org</u> or 216-321-2660) or David Olson, Chairman, FHC Endowment Committee (216-906-6465).

David Olson

"Serve One Another" Campaign set for late October

"Serve One Another," the 2017 fall stewardship campaign, will begin on Sunday, October 23 and end on Sunday, November 6 with the traditional Cornucopia Feast to be held in Fellowship Hall after worship. Look for your stewardship packet to arrive the weekend before the campaign begins.

Thank you for your support for Forest Hill Church!

The FHC Ministry of Stewardship
Elders Steve Sedam, Ahren Stock and Melanie Alban
Elected Leaders Dave Burleigh, Bill Ladebue, Lance Vernon and
Peter Williams



You will NOT want to miss our Circus Festival on Sunday, September 11 from 12:00-2:00 pm. In addition to games and delicious food, our amazing magician and balloon lady will be here, joined this year by a real stilt walker!

And, once again, our popular pie contest will take place. Bakers, please have your pies in the church kitchen that morning. Remember, too, to bring your sweets and treats in for our fast-moving cookie walk!

Finally, if you can juggle, we need you! Please contact Jason Hidek (<u>440-264-3296</u> or <u>jason.hidek@att.net</u>). No tryouts – if Jason hears from you, the job is yours!

Blessings to all as we launch into an exciting fall at Forest Hill Church!

The Deacons

Thank You, FHC!

Our sincere thanks to Forest Hill Church members and friends for your generosity and caring which enabled us to donate 15 Move Out Bags to Family Promise in July. The staff at Family Promise gives "Move Out Bags," filled with basic cleaning products and other household items, to families who are moving out of their apartments at the Family Promise facility and transitioning to their own housing in the community. Watch the bulletin and emails for our next Move Out Bag collection in October!

With gratitude,

Anne Smith, Deanne Lentz and Sue Lafferty



- Get Out The Vote (GOTV) The delegates from many of our Greater Cleveland Congregations congregations voted to support a largescale, precinct-based, nonpartisan, Get Out the Vote Strategy. A training is to be held August 25th, but one does not need to have attended this in order to participate in the effort. Your help will be critical to ensuring a good voter turn out on November 8 in this vital election. GCC needs 250-300 volunteers. Canvassing will be held every weekend from September 17- Election Day (Nov 8), with a special emphasis on Golden Week when residents can register and vote at the same time (October 4-7 and 11). The Noble neighborhood of Cleveland Heights is one of the targeted precincts. On Election Day massive support is needed to facilitate the polls. constituents Contact to get out to the Jennifer (bmlspirit@yahoo.com or 216-526-9844) if you are interested in helping out for any of these important activities.
- <u>Gun Safety/Sanity</u>. Sue and Scott Lafferty of Lyndhurst and Sandy and Bill Ladebue of Brecksville have stepped up to the plate to join other members of GCC to speak with the Mayor and Safety Director of their respective communities. If your community has not yet taken action to demand that gun safety measures be implemented by gun manufacturers, you may have received an email from Jennifer Blakeney. Many cities, including Cleveland Heights, have already made this demand. Please contact Jennifer (see above) if you're able to help out on this effort.
- <u>Jobs</u>. Over 500 interviews have been conducted at this time, half way to the goal. The Jobs Issue Team, including Charity MacDonald, will discern best strategies for action when 1000 interviews are completed.
- November 17th Assembly at Olivet Institutional Church. Save the date! More details to come. The right time to put pressure on the newly elected County Prosecutor to implement criminal justice reform.
- More information at: info@greaterclevelandcongrgations.org

Jennifer Blakeney

Earth Care Advocacy

I hope all of you have had a good summer in spite of the heat, dry lawns and thunderstorms of northeast Ohio. It's been a rough summer in some parts of the country. Heat waves, droughts, floods and forest fires should be an ominous reminder that our planet is in environmental trouble, exacerbated by human activity.

As we move into fall we move into election season as well. It is important to realize that our support of local, state, and national candidates can make a difference. Candidates who recognize the need for environmental protection and support legislation accordingly can make a difference. It's not a matter of partisan politics, for members of both parties are guilty of sacrificing the common good in favor of special interests. Trade-offs are made for quid pro quo consideration on other legislative issues. Pay close attention to what the candidates say about environmental issues, and be aware of media bias as well.

We can also work for earth justice by advocating responsible governmental administrative action when called for. Recently, the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), one of the strongest environmental advocacy groups in the United States, has called for support for President Obama to declare certain wild areas to be national monuments and therefore off-limits from development. You can participate in support of this initiative by following these steps:

Go to www.NRDC.org
Click on OUR STORIES at the top
Click on "Read more"
Scroll down the page, reading as you go. How
many of these places have you visited? How
many are on your "to do" list?
Click on TAKE ACTION in the blue box.
If you so choose, click DONATE as well.

It is easy to join thousands of folks nationwide and make your voice heard in support of many responsible environmental action groups. Other organizations worthy of our participation and support include Defenders of Wildlife, Earth Justice, Center for Biological Diversity, the Wilderness Society, and National Parks and Conservation Society.

Dave Neff, Earth Care Green Team

The Unexpected Guest – FHC's Fall Fellowship Feast!



Come and be a part of an Intergenerational Fellowship Event sponsored by the Pacesetters (social group for 50-60somethings) on Saturday October 8.

You will have the opportunity to host a convivial group of folks in your home OR enjoy being a dinner guest in the home of a hospitable Forest Hill host!

An evening of surprise will be in store for all because the HOSTS won't know who is going to arrive for supper AND the guests won't know until the evening arrives where they will be going or with whom they will be dining.

Volunteers are needed to prepare and host a dinner in their homes for 6 to 8 guests. Please email or call Sue Lafferty (salaff@sbcglobal.net or 440-669-4885) if you would like to host and to let us know how many guests you can accommodate. All adult members, guests and visitors of Forest Hill are welcome!

There is no cost for the dinners. However, free will donations will be gratefully accepted and will go to support the work of FHC's Ministry of Justice and Mission.

Watch your email and the weekly bulletin for further details!

Questions?

Please contact Sue Lafferty (<u>salaff@sbcglobal.net</u>), Julie Lustic (<u>ilustic@gmail.com</u>) or Mary McMillan (<u>mcmillan954@gmail.com</u>).

Who will your unexpected guest be?

Just What Is "UPCaM?"

I'm glad you asked©! UPCaM, United Protestant Campus Ministries, is the progressive campus ministry at Case



Western Reserve University, Cleveland State University, and Cuyahoga Community College-Metro Campus. Yes, on three Cleveland college campuses, YOUR voice is represented through UPCaM programs—worship, Bible study, small group conversations, service projects, retreats, and social events. The Presbyterian Church USA is one of the denominations that supports UPCaM (along with the American Baptist Churches USA; the Christian Church, Disciples of Christ; the Episcopal Church; the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; the United Church of Christ; and the United Methodist Church). UPCaM is an ecumenical ministry that honors our Reform tradition and focuses on hospitality, inclusivity, and social justice.

For example, past spring, UPCaM students at Case Western Reserve University organized an "Inter-Religious Week." Under the banner "Inter-Religious Week: Finding Solidarity and Peace in a Divisive World...No Matter How (Or If) We Worship," students from Catholic, Muslim, Jewish, and no tradition shared aspects of their spirituality through worship, conversation and prayer. The culminating event was a celebration on April 16 that included a panel of presenters (Protestant, Catholic, Muslim and atheist) followed by dinner and conversation. Nearly 100 people attended—students, campus staff and faculty, and community supporters—as a step toward greater understanding and support for one another.

The program was so successful that students expressed a desire to make this an annual event. Programs like this are possible <u>only</u> through the generous support of our partners—like the Synod of the Covenant, the Presbytery of the Western Reserve, and Forest Hill Church!

Thank you for your prayers and for your financial support. You are making a difference in the lives of young adults. We will keep you posted on what we are doing. Remember that UPCaM is the place where "head, heart and spirit connect." Thanks be to God!

Rev. Barbara Essex, UPCaM Executive Director

Adult Education: Fall 2016

For those of you eagerly awaiting the start of the Adult Ed school year, rejoice! The time is almost here. Watch for information about the Kerygma series "The Odd Couple: Jonah and Ruth," which will begin on September 11 at 9:30 am in Bodwell Hall.

We will also offer "Bible 101: All you need to know to read the Bible," led by Derry Stauffer, and a series on the lectionary (the scheduled readings for each Sunday) led by Rachel McDonald.

Something for everyone! Come and see.

Youth Ministry kicks off the year with a lock-in/dinner/bowling night on Sept. 11. Be the first to greet the new program year at 12:01 am! Watch for details from Shannon Headen, and watch for the new Youth page of the website.

News of Our Church Family

Marriages

Sarah Chandler Sprague and Christopher Charles Katan were married on July 9 in Renssalaer, NY. Dr. John Lentz officiated. Sarah is the daughter of Chuck and Rosanna Sprague, and was confirmed at FHC in 1999.

In Memoriam We Remember

Dalma Takacs, who died June 24, 2016.

Care Group The Bethlehem CARE Group will be responsible for assisting the pastors in meeting members' needs during September. Please contact the church office in case of illness, hospitalizations, births or deaths (or other family emergencies) in any FHC family.

Members of the Bethlehem CARE Group are:

Karen & Clyde Loughridge
Ted Mueller
Glenn Pihlak & Eun-Joo Ahn
Bethany & Joe Pinzone
Ron Register
Jean Reinhold
Baldwin Sawyer
Mollie & Dick Secor
Carol Sims
Dorothy Turick
Carolyn Vrtunski
Amy Wadsworth & David Wiggin
Beth, Tom & Ian Zych

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Emma Jane Gibbs, Iris Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Jack Quinn, George Sentell, Margie Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, Lorian Thomas

Volunteer Hours in June and July

The office volunteers - Nancy Grube, Pat Jenkins, Jane and Chuck Ishler, Cathy Ghiandoni, Anne Smith, Elspeth Peterjohn, and Andrew Burleigh, and the TOWER assembly team of Betty Clark, Ellen McChesney and Marilyn Wilk – worked a total of 128.75 hours in June and July. Thank you all!

Special thanks to Peg Weissbrod, who covered Lynda's office duties while she was away, and volunteers Nancy Grube, Jane and Chuck Ishler, Pat Jenkins and Andrew Burleigh, who covered extra hours in the volunteer office.

Social Groups and Circles

Hilltoppers (retired): Lolly the Trolley Tour

Join Hilltoppers for a fun-filled tour of the city on Lolly the Trolley, followed by lunch at Shooters Restaurant on Friday, September 23 from 10 am-12n. Meet at the church at 9 am to carpool. The cost is \$23 plus lunch. Invite a guest, bring a friend!

RSVP by September 1 to Nancy Burcham (440-446-0832) or burcham@roadrunner.com).

September 23, Meet at FHC, 9 am

Pacesetters (40s – 60s): The Unexpected Guest

Pacesetters are organizing a special multigenerational event on October 8: The Unexpected Guest. Join a group of fellow Forest Hillians for dinner, or host them in your home -- but you won't know who you are dining with until you arrive (or they arrive at your house). If you would like to be a host or a guest, please contact Sue Lafferty (salaff@sbcglobal.net or 440-669-4885). Questions? Contact Sue, Julie Lustic (jlustic@gmail.com) or Mary McMillan (mcmillan954@gmail.com).

See p. 13 for more information

Iris Circle (all women of the church): Lunch and Program

Come join women of Forest Hill Church for a Pot Luck luncheon on Tuesday, September 20 at noon in Bodwell Hall. Anne Wilson will share her adventures and travels on the Camino de Santiago from this past summer. Since this is a potluck, you may bring whatever you would like. We will provide drinks. Questions? Please contact Barb Hansen (bjhansen47@gmail.com or 440 255-5514).

September 20, Lunch and program, 12:00 pm

Sundays in Septembe	er (beginning Sept. 11)	
9:00 Child care begins		
9:30 Adult education		
Youth education (gr. 6-12)	Sept 11:	
Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)	Kick-off Sunday	
10:15 Descant Choir activity	Fall Festival	
10:30 Continental Breakfast		
Chancel Choir		
11:00 WORSHIP		
Children's Worship class (preK	, K)	
11:15 Pathways to the Promise Lan	nd (gr. 1-5)	
12:15 Fellowship Hour	-	
5:00 Labre Project		

September 4	Jeremiah 18: 1-11
9:30 Continental Breakfast	Psalm 139: 1-6
10:00 WORSHIP	Philemon 1-21
11:15 Coffee and Fellowship	Luke 14: 25-33
September 11: Regular schedule begins	Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28
11:00 Worship: Communion	Psalm 14
12:00 FALL FESTIVAL	1 Timothy 1: 12-17
with lunch and activities	Luke 16: 1-13
September 18	Jeremiah 8:18 – 9:1
12:15 Blood Pressure check	Psalm 79: 1-9
"Whole Life Stewardship:	1 Timothy 2: 1-7
Honoring the Gifts God Gave Us"	Luke 16: 1-13
Sine Nomine Choir (Gr. 6-12)	
September 25	Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15
12:15 "Whole Life Stewardship:	Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16
Honoring the Gifts God Gave Us"	1 Timothy 6: 6-19
5:30 Youth program: Beyond Labels	Luke 17: 11-19
7:00 Anne Wilson presents "Camino – Part 2"	

The Revised Common Lectionary readings are listed here.

Announcements! Announcements!

Reserve your place as an Unexpected Guest On October 8 (see p. 13)	Consider joining GCC's GOTV campaign (see p. 11)
TOWER deadlines: 7 am on Sept. 16, Oct. 14, Nov. 18	The regular fall schedule begins September 11 (see p. 18)

The church phone number is 216-321-2660. Our website is www.fhcpresb.org

Emails for the staff are as follows:

Rev. Lois Annich	Interim Assoc. Pastor	pastorannich@fhcpresb.org
Becky Austin	Finance	beckya@fhcpresb.org
Lynda Bernays	Administration	office@fhcpresb.org
Kate Burleigh	Children	kateb@fhcpresb.org
Stavros Gazis	Custodial	office@fhcpresb.org
Shannon Headen	Youth	shannon@fhcpresb.org
Rev. Dr. John Lentz	Jr. <i>Pastor</i>	pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org
Rachel McDonald	Interim Assoc. Pastor	RachelM@fhcpresb.org
Peg Weissbrod	Outreach	pegweissbrod@gmail.com
Anne Wilson	Music	annew@fhcpresb.org

Custodians' cell phone: 216-217-5257

Table of Contents	
From the Pastor	1
Lois' Page	3
Rachel's Page	4
Music	5
Adult Education: Stewardship Series	7
Budget Update	8
The Endowment Fund	9
Stewardship Campaign	9
Come One! Come All!	10
Thank You, FHC	10
Greater Cleveland Congregations update	11
Earth Care Advocacy	12
The Unexpected Guest	13
Just What Is UPCaM?	14
Adult Education: Fall Term	15
Youth Ministry	15
News of Our Church Family	16
Sundays in September	18
Announcements! Announcements!	19
September Calendar	21



El Camino de Santiago, Part II: Sunday, September 25 at 7:00 pm

Join Anne Wilson as she presents a slide show and informal talk (accompanied by Morag Keefe's sangria and tapas) about completing the ancient pilgrimage path known as *El*

Camino de Santiago (The Way of St. James) in Spain.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Regularly scheduled events: meet every week unless noted	6:00 Progress not Perfection AA 7:00 Al Anon 7:30 Borton Group AA Boy Scout Trp #403	1:00 Abundance Pantry 5:00 Fitness Fusion exercise class	7:30 am Bible & Bagels 12:30 AA meeting	5:00 Fltness Fusion exercise class 6:20 Voices in Bronze 7:30 Chancel Choir	9:30 Al Anon	
The regular sc	The regular schedule begins Sept. 11. The Fall Festival is also Sept. 11. Come and See!	Festival is also Sept. 11	1. Come and See!	9:00 Staff refreat Choirs do not meet	2	б
4 Worship at 10 am See "Sundays in September"	5 Labor Day Office closed	6 7:00 Living in the Spirit mtg	7.00 Deacons mtg	8 6:45 Chancel Choir (pottuck)	Ø)	7:00 pm Youth: Lock-in with dinner and bowling
Worship at 11 am Regular schedule begins Fall Festival	12	7:00 GCC Housing meeting	7:15 Ministries worship 7:15 Ministries meet	15 6:20 Voices in Bronze (1st rehearsal) 7:30 FH Swim Club	16 7:00 am TOWER deadline	7:00 The Group to Indians game
18	19	20 12:00 Iris Circle	10:00 TOWER collators 12:00 Bullshevicks 7:00 Trans Family East	22 5:00 Wedding rehearsal	23 9:00 Hilltoppers – Lolly the Trolley tour	24 3:30 Wedding of Ashley Flowers and Keon Abner
25	26 5:00 PWR meeting: Avon Lake PC	27 12:00 Abundance Pantry Lunch	28 7:00 Session meeting	29	OC	OCTOBER 1

The fall schedule begins Sept. 11: Worship at 11, and Fall Festival after

September 2016