

# Forest Hill Church

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*Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming*

*Service of Worship*  
*March 26, 2017 at 11:00 am*  
*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent*

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*

**Welcome**

**Prelude**

"Adoro te Devote"  
Voices in Bronze

arr. Donald Allured

**Choral Introit**

"This Is the Day"  
Cherub Choir; Lisa Koops, director

trad.

*Greeting Our God with Joy*

**Call to Worship**

Elder Karen Loughridge

Leader: The Holy One shows us the way, even when we do not know where to go.

**People: We are called to live as children of the light, abiding in all that is good and right and true.**

Leader: The Holy One leads us in pleasant places, filling our hearts with the waters of life.

**People: We are called to follow Jesus, bring Christ's light into the shadows.**

Leader: The Holy One shows us the path of peace, comforting us in times of trouble.

**People: We are called to become the body of Christ, pouring out our lives for the healing of the world.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**\* Processional Hymn No. 215**

"What Wondrous Love is This?"

*\*please stand if able*

*Renewing Our Relationship with God*

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Light of the world, maker of visions, spirit of truth, you have called us to be light for the world.

**People: We hide in the shadows afraid to let anyone see us as we really are.**

Leader: You call us to see the pain of others, to comfort the suffering and to be channels of your love.

**People: Yet we close our eyes to the misery around us, afraid to change the way things have always been done.**

Leader: You call us to show your beauty and truth, in all that we say and in all that we do.

**People: Forgive us, Holy One, when we refuse to see the gifts you spread before us for the healing of your world.**

## Time of Silent Confession

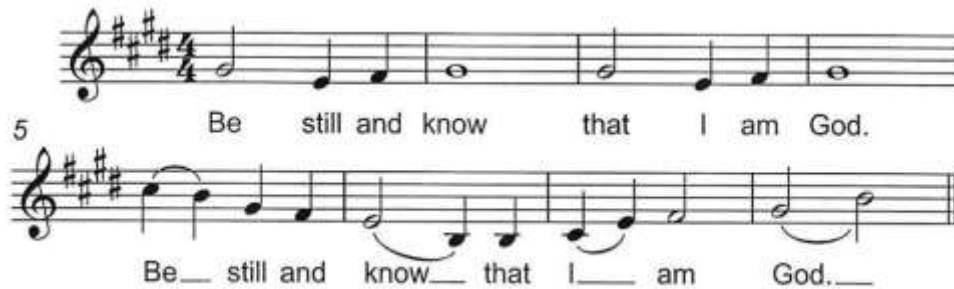
**Kyrie eleison** (*Lord, have mercy*)

John Merbecke

*Affirming the Good News in Our Lives*

## Assurance of Pardon

\* **Response** (John Bell)



First, all sing in unison.  
Second, low voices start, high voices start one measure later.

## Anthem

William Byrd

*“Non Nobis Domine”*

Sung in Latin; trans: *Not unto us, O Lord, but unto thy Name give the praise: for thy loving mercy and for thy truth's sake.*

*Opening Our Hearts to God's Word*

## Family Meditation

\* **Hymn No. 474**

*“As a Child Rests”*

*Children in Pathways may leave during the hymn  
Prayer requests to be read during the Prayers of the People  
may be passed to the ushers during this hymn.*

## From the Living Word

1 Samuel 16: 1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not

chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Leader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"The Rose Ceremony"

## 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

Irving Berlin; words by Emma Lazarus

"Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor"

### \* Response

Hymn No. 697



### \* Prayer of Dedication

*Going Forth to Live as God's People*

### \* Closing Hymn No. 772

"Live into Hope"

### \* Commission and Blessing

### \* Choral Benediction

### \* Passing of the Peace

"Prelude in B  Major"



### *Welcome Visitors!*

We look forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex. Take one home with you! Be sure to visit our website, **[www.fhcpresb.org](http://www.fhcpresb.org)**, for a list of upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and past sermon texts and audio.

### *Notes & Announcements*

**Chancel Flowers:** Today's flowers are given in memory of Roy West and his daughter Robyn Mazanec, by LeAnn West and the Kevin Stauffer family; and by Russ and Jennifer Dise in loving memory of Ann, Molly and Ralph Dise Sr.

**Prayers are requested this week for:** Max Harmon, Wafa Kuri, Keith Logan, Robin Richards, Robert Ruggeri, George Sentell, Joy Stang, and Dorothy Turick.

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

**Please pray for Anne Hunter and her family;** Anne's brother George Stephenson died last week.

**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.**

**Care Group:** The Eden Care Group is responsible for assisting the clergy in meeting members' needs during March. 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.

**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.

### *Coming Up*

#### **THIS WEEK**

**Bible Study:** The lessons for this week are: **Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8: 6-11; John 11: 1-45**

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

**Lectio Divina – Praying the Scriptures** meets Sundays at 5 pm.

**Abundance Lunch:** Guests who attend the monthly Abundance Pantry luncheon have offered to pray for FHC members' concerns. They express much gratitude for the members praying for them. If you would like a

guest to prayer for your concern, please write it on the green form in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Adult Education, 9:30 in South Hall:** Dr. Lentz will continue the 8-week series on the Sacraments: "Equipping the Saints for Ministry." The next chapter: Communion: Why? Who may receive it? What's going on? Where did it come from?

**Labyrinth:** From 9 am – 2 pm every Sunday during Lent, the Labyrinth in Bodwell Hall will be available for anyone who would like to experience it. It will also be available following the evening Lectio Divina class, and by appointment (call the church office).

**Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser:** Support the youth's summer trip to Montreat and have lunch after church. No cooking and no dishes!

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**The Group:** Join the April 8 Progressive Dinner – contact Barb Hansen ([bjhansen47@gmail.com](mailto:bjhansen47@gmail.com) or 440-255-5514) or see p. 16 of the April TOWER for details.

#### **Holy Week schedule**

##### **Sunday, April 9: Palm Sunday**

**"Beyond Boundaries" Concert :** 7 pm in the Sanctuary

Featuring Amanda Powell, Dave Morgan and Howie Smith, the *Beyond Boundaries* project draws upon roots in classical, jazz and folk music to weave together a program of rich, connective music. Invite friends!

##### **Thursday, April 13: Maundy Thursday**

6:30 Dinner (use the friendship pad to indicate that you plan to attend)

7:30 Worship

##### **Friday, April 14: Good Friday**

12-3 pm Community Worship at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 2747 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland Hts

##### **Saturday, April 15: Holy Saturday**

7:30 pm Easter Vigil (begin in front of the Sanctuary)

##### **Easter, April 16**

9:00 am Worship in the Chapel

11:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

#### *Youth News*

**Every Sunday:** Mid and Sr High classes meet from 9:30 – 10:30 am.

**Today:** Sine Nomine Choir will rehearse in the chapel after worship.

*Calendar: March 26 – April 2, 2017*

<p><b>Sunday, March 26: 4 Lent</b></p> <p>9:00 Labyrinth open</p> <p>9:30 Adult &amp; Youth Education Descant Choir followed by Descant Choir Activity</p> <p>Childcare for children thru Kdg</p> <p>10:30 Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir; Cherub Choir</p> <p>11:00 WORSHIP Children's Worship Class (preK-K)</p> <p>11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land</p> <p>12:15 Coffee and Fellowship Sine Nomine Choir</p> <p>12:45 Piano program (students of Anne Wilson)</p> <p>5:00 Lectio Divina: praying the scriptures</p> <p><b>Monday, March 27</b></p> <p>5:00 pm PWR meeting (Old Stone Church)</p> <p>6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)</p> <p>7:00 pm Al Anon</p> <p>7:30 pm Borton Group (AA) Boy Scout Troop #403</p> <p><b>Tuesday, March 28</b></p> <p>12:00 pm Abundance Lunch</p> <p>1:00 pm Abundance Pantry</p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, March 29</b></p> <p>7:30 am Bible and Bagels</p> <p>12:30 pm Wed. Women's AA</p> <p><b>Thursday, March 30</b></p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class</p> <p>6:20 pm Voices in Bronze</p> <p>7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p> <p><b>Friday, March 31</b></p> <p>10:00 am Al Anon</p> <p><b>Saturday, April 1</b></p> <p>8:00 am Men's Group</p> <p><b>Sunday, April 2: 5 Lent</b></p> <p>9:00 Labyrinth open</p> <p>9:30 Adult &amp; Youth Education Descant Choir followed by Descant Choir Activity</p> <p>Childcare for children thru Kdg</p> <p>10:30 Continental Breakfast Chancel Choir</p> <p>11:00 WORSHIP Children's Worship Class (preK-K)</p> <p>11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land</p> <p>12:15 Coffee and Fellowship Spaghetti Dinner (Youth fundraiser)</p> <p>4:00 GCC Teach-In: The Q Funding Issue</p> <p>5:00 Lectio Divina: praying the scriptures</p>
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*Staff Emails*

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***Four Questions for Our Modern World:  
How Passover Can Help Us All Heal in a Divisive Time  
Thursday, April 6, 7:45-9:15 am***

A conversation with  
Rabbi Rob Nosanchuk (Ansche Chesed Fairmount Temple)  
and Dr. John Lentz

Simon and Rose Mandel Community Rm  
Mandel JCC, 26001 S. Woodland, Beachwood  
*\$5 for FHC members, \$8 general admission*

**Legislative Advocacy sign up and training**

Would you like to have a say in the decisions our legislators make on our behalf? The Ministry of Justice and Mission, with Roz Peters, is creating a sign up and training for FHC members who would like to know how and when to approach their legislators – by email, phone call or visit.

Sign up with Roz Peters at the table in Fellowship Hall after worship, or contact Jennifer Blakeney ([bmlspirit@yahoo.com](mailto:bmlspirit@yahoo.com)) if you'd like to get email alerts on timely issues.

We will offer training to help you feel more comfortable taking action.





Easter lilies may be ordered between now and April 11. Please contact the church office with the following information:

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by (if different – ie the Smith family)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ lilies @ \$12 each

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication: in memory of, in honor of, in thanksgiving for

\_\_\_\_\_

**You may put this information in the offering (with payment); email or call the office; or order by clicking the link in the weekly email. Payment may be mailed, hand delivered, or placed in the offering with “Easter lilies” on the memo line of your check.**



*The April TOWERs are ready to be picked up*

*The TOWER is also available online:*

*Go to [www.fhcpresb.org](http://www.fhcpresb.org), scroll down,  
click on “Monthly newsletter” on the right*



### One Great Hour of Sharing

In Isaiah 58, God issues a call and a challenge—to love one another more deeply by sharing what we have with those in need. One Great Hour of Sharing is our direct response to the ways in which God has called us to share.

- **Loose the bonds of injustice** through the Self-Development of People (SDOP) program
- **Share your bread with the hungry** through the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP)
- **Bring the homeless poor into your house** through the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program

How can you help?

- Donate through the offering collected on Easter Sunday at FHC
- Make an online gift at [presbyterianmission.org/donate](http://presbyterianmission.org/donate)
- Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10

Thank you for your generosity and support!  
*The Ministry of Justice and Mission*

## THE CRIME OF COMPLICITY: THE BYSTANDER IN THE HOLOCAUST

**AMOS N. GUIORA**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 27 • 7 PM**

B'nai Jeshurun Congregation  
27501 Fairmount Blvd., Pepper Pike, OH 44124  
**Free and open to the public**



If you are a bystander and witness a crime, should intervention to prevent that crime be a legal obligation? Or is moral responsibility enough?

Amos N. Guiora addresses these profound questions and the bystander-victim relationship from a deeply personal and legal perspective, focusing on the Holocaust and then exploring cases in contemporary society. He shares the experiences of his parents and grandparents during the Holocaust and examines sexual assault cases at Vanderbilt and Stanford and other crimes where bystanders chose not to intervene. Guiora recommends that we must make the obligation to intervene the law, and thus non-intervention a crime.

## The Crime of **COMPLICITY** THE BYSTANDER IN THE HOLOCAUST

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Amos Guiora, law professor and Kenyon College graduate, is a long-time friend of John Lentz; John has contributed to this project.