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Patricia Jenkins

You may still register for the Bus Trip to Washington DC to visit the Smithsonian's new National Museum of African American History and Culture July 22-24

There is still room on the bus!

If you would like to join the group, turn in full payment (\$376/person) with a registration form to the church office by JUNE 1

Registrations forms are on the table in the CE foyer or on line:

https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

The Camp Lilac Art Show

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there will be an art show in our chapel to support Camp Lilac, a safe, welcoming space for transgender youth to simply be themselves. We as a church are involved in all kinds of projects. How, you may wonder, did we get involved in this one?



For about a year now, the TransFamily

East Support Group has met in our church, with support from a Forest Hill Church Community Grant. TransFamily East is an outgrowth of the TransFamily Support Group that meets at Cleveland's LGBT Center. Members include transgender people of all ages, and their family members, friends, and allies. Peter and I (Ann Williams) have been involved for about 2 years now, along with our transgender grandson Kitt and our daughter and son-in-law, Kitt's parents.

The group regularly draws many transgender teens, and the numbers of teens are growing rapidly. Recently, several TransFamily adults, including Peter and me, have been working together to form an overnight summer camp for transgender youth, Camp Lilac.

The need is great. Many transgender youth experience misunderstanding, harassment, and prejudice on a daily basis, and there are very few summer programs where they feel welcome. They long for a safe place to enjoy the friendship of other transgender youth and have fun in an environment where they can <u>just be</u> themselves. In the words of one of our Transgender Teens:

Camp is important because it provides a closed environment for individuals who have been alienated throughout their lives, where they can feel safe and welcome among others who understand. It is integral for Trans Youth growing up to simply be teenagers with each other, without the scrutiny of typical society.

Another teen has said:

Camp is a place where I can be a normal teenager. I never realized how free that would make me feel until I felt it.

Both of these teens have been fortunate to already attend a transgender camp. But only 2 such camps exist in the U.S. right now; one is in New Hampshire and the other is in California. For most Cleveland families, both the cost and the distance are too great. It's clear that the need for camp for transgender youth across the U.S. is not filled by 2 camps. Unfortunately, even if our tuition just covers costs for a camp in the Cleveland area, many families cannot afford to send a camper to overnight camp. Therefore, we are holding a fundraiser.

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Youth News

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Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

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LOOKING AHEAD

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From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

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Prayers of the People

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Ritual of Friendship

Offering

Offertory Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

Doxology

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* Prayer of Dedication

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Please be seated for the postlude

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* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

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https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

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Youth News

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Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

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LOOKING AHEAD

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From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

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Prayers of the People

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Ritual of Friendship

Offering

Offertory Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

Doxology

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Please be seated for the postlude

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* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

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https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

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Youth News

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Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

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LOOKING AHEAD

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From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

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Prayers of the People

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Ritual of Friendship

Offering

Offertory Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

Doxology

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Please be seated for the postlude

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* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

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https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

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Youth News

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Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

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LOOKING AHEAD

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From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

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Prayers of the People

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Ritual of Friendship

Offering

Offertory Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

Doxology

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* Prayer of Dedication

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Please be seated for the postlude

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* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

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https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

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Youth News

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Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

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LOOKING AHEAD

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From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

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Prayers of the People

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Ritual of Friendship

Offering

Offertory Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

Doxology

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* Prayer of Dedication

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Please be seated for the postlude

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* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

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Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

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https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775

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Youth News

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Service of Worship May 28, 2017 at 11:00 am Sacrament of Baptism

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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.

A Thought for Preparation

I have committed as much of myself as I could to as much of God as I have discovered along the way. But the thing that has sustained me has been a lesson I learned from the Spanish mystic, Miguel Unamuno. "Most men," he once wrote, "are Don Juans about ideas. What we should do is find a large idea, marry her, and set up housekeeping with her." That is what happened to me. And I have come to the conclusion that, for those of us who love humanity, we must not be satisfied to serve the power of any one race or nation.

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Rev. Herb Meza

Welcome

Prelude François Rabbath

"Ode D'Espagne"
Blake Himes, double bass

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Elder Clyde Loughridge

Leader: Called to be one with Christ, called to be one with each other, called to be one in ministry, we gather in the unity of God's Holy Spirit, who calls us here.

People: Called to be one, we are here.

Called to be strong, we are here.

Called in devotion to God, we are here.

Leader: Holy Spirit, descend upon us this day. Gather us into your presence, that we may be devoted to prayer and strengthened in unity and love.

People: Let us worship God.

* Processional Hymn No. 317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*please stand if able

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Lois Annich

Rouse us with your grace and mercy, O God. Scatter the fears within our hearts. Drive away our doubt and our sin. Melt our insecurities and anxieties. Banish our divisions and disagreements, that we may be one in you through the grace of Jesus Christ, and one with each other through the power of your Holy Spirit, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

Craig Phillips



Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

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Alleluia

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Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Minute for Mission

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Sacrament of Baptism for Nolan James Baldwin

Baptismal Blessing

Rev. Lynn Shetzer

Welcome

Nolan, with joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

"This Is My Song"

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

From the Living Word

Acts 1: 6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"The Big Idea"

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 Maurice Duruflé

"Ubi Caritas"

Sung in Latin

Translation: Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has bound us together. Let us exult and rejoice in this. Let us fear and love the living God and esteem him with a sincere heart.

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.

* Prayer of Dedication

Going Forth to Live as God's People

* Closing Hymn No. 720

"Jesus Calls Us"

- * Commission and Blessing
- * Choral Benediction Xhosa / South Africa

"Amen Siyakudumisa"

* Passing of the Peace

Please be seated for the postlude

Postlude

Domenico Dragonetti

"Concerto No. 1 in G Major" Blake Himes, double bass



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**, 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 by Carol Scott in memory of Leighton Scott and Robin Richards, who died April 20; by Anona Stack in memory of those who gave their lives for their country; and by Robyn Hales in memory of Dorothy Hales and family members who have gone on home.

Baptism: Today we are celebrating the baptism of Nolan James Baldwin, son of Lane and Nathan Baldwin. Charity McDonald is the attending Elder. Nolan's grandmother, Rev. Lynn Shetzer, is giving the baptismal prayer. **Prayers are requested this week for:** Max Harmon, Kathryn Himmelsteib, Patricia Jenkins, Florence Klein, Wafa Kuri, Tracy Long, Robert Ruggeri, George Sentell, Barbara SilverSmith, Tessa Kaiulani Tabler (daughter of Ben and Emily Tabler, nee Manista), Dorothy Turick and Pat Weissbrod.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Marge Drollinger, Emma Jane Gibbs, Iris and Al Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Margie 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.

Care Group: The Jordan Care Group is responsible for assisting the clergy in meeting members' needs during May. 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.

Coming Up

TODAY

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THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: Acts 2: 1-21; Psalm 104: 24-34,

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Pentecost, the birthday of the church: Next Sunday we will celebrate the church's birthday and the arrival of the Holy Spirit. Guest musicians Reed Simon (violin) and Bryan Thomas (bass) will liven up the music. It's traditional to wear RED that day (the flames of the Pentecostal fire!).

Pentecost Offering: Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit as a bringer of new life with an offering intended to nurture the faith of those newest among us. As one of the four Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Pentecost Offering

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LOOKING AHEAD

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