

# Forest Hill Church

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*Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming*

*Service of Worship*  
*June 11, 2017 at 10:00 am*  
*Trinity Sunday*

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

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*

Are you ready to call God our Mother or Father? Are we prepared to hear God say to us, "You are very good"? Can we leave our doubts and insecurities behind and claim our heritage? Will we stand in our truth?

**Welcome**

**Prelude**

Jed Koops

"Toccata in G Major"

*(written for Lisa Huisman on the occasion of her 20<sup>th</sup> birthday, June 14, 1997)*

Lisa Huisman Koops, organist

**Choral Introit**

*Greeting Our God with Joy*

**Call to Worship**

Elder Jeanette Nemcek

Leader: God how majestic is your name in all the earth.

**People: Your glory surrounds and enfolds us.**

Leader: Your image resides within us and completes us.

**People: How majestic is your name in all the earth.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**\* Opening Hymn No. 621**

**"I Will Call upon the Lord"**

*\* Please stand if you are able*

## *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

### **Prayer of Confession**

**God of grace and glory, who are we that you are mindful of us?  
You sustain us through the gift of your indwelling presence, yet we  
turn from you again and again, and succumb to feelings of  
inadequacy and despair. We turn from communion with you and  
with one another, even though it is only in community that we  
have the strength to endure the mystery of your glory and the  
weight of our failings. Claim us anew as your beloved children, and  
we will be healed. Amen.**

### **Time of Silent Confession**

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

**South Africa**

*Congregation sings repeats*

## *Affirming the Good News in Our Lives*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

**\* Response**

**Paul Vasile**

**"Glory to God"**

3 Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the

6 Son, whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has

8 set me free. As it was in the be-gin-ning, is

now and ev-er shall be. A-men.

## *Opening Our Hearts to God's Word*

### **Recognition of Seniors**

Shannon Headen

### **Hymn No. 473**

"Shepherd Me, O God"

*(Congregation: remain seated; sing the refrain)*

*Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn*

### **Scripture Lessons**

#### **Genesis 1: 1-5, 2: 1-4a**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

### **2 Corinthians 13: 11-13**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

### **Matthew 28: 16-20**

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

*After the readings*

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Dr. John Lentz

**“Easy as 1,2,3”**

**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**

Rodolfo Ascenio (Mexico)

**“I Am the World’s True Light”**

**\* Response**

South African song

Ha - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais- es, all our

3 hearts with glad-ness are filled. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your

6 prais- es, all our hearts with glad-ness are filled. Now he

9 sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong of

13 faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy-ful Good News. *repeat first part*

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

*Going Forth to Live as God's People*

**\* Closing Hymn No. 300**

*"We Are One in the Spirit"*

*There will be a solo chorus between st. 3 and 4*

**\* Commission and Blessing**

**\* Choral Benediction**

*Please be seated for the postlude*

## Postlude

Franz Joseph Haydn

“Concerto in C Major: Allegro”

Edie Duncan, violin

## \* Passing of the Peace



*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](http://www.fhcpresb.org)**, lists upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and texts and audio of past sermons.

## *Notes & Announcements*

**Music:** Thanks to Edie Duncan, today’s violinist. Edie is a member of FHC and a recent Shaker Hts High School graduate.

**Chancel Flowers:** Today’s flowers are given by Elizabeth Shaw in honor of her grandchildren, Lucy and Elijah Washington and Violet Shaw; and by Phyllis and Nick Baumgartner in memory of their parents..

**Prayers are requested this week for:** Max Harmon, Kathryn Himmelsteib, Patricia Jenkins, Florence Klein, Wafa Kuri, Tracy Long, Robert Ruggeri, George Sentell, 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 any member who is ill or homebound. We will address and mail the card for you.**

### ***Care Group***

The Deacons Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during June. 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.

**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**

**Graduates:** Today we are honoring those who are graduating from high school this spring. Congratulations to ALL Forest Hill graduates:

**Cameron Andrews** graduated from The Gerson School and will attend Ohio University (Athens OH).

**Caleb Gabriel Correa-Marcy** graduated from Orange High School and will attend Duquesne University (Pittsburgh PA).

**Edie Duncan** graduated from Shaker Hts High School and will attend Vanderbilt University (Nashville TN).

**James Hare** (Doris Bartlett's grandson) graduated from Elon University (Elon NC).

**Tim Henderson** graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a PhD in Computer Science. He, Leigh and Soren will move to the greater San Jose, CA area where he has a job as a software engineer at Google.

**Blake Himes** graduated from Shaker Hts High School and will attend Cornell University (Ithaca NY).

**Claire Jesberger** graduated from Mayfield High School and will attend Lakeland Community College (Kirtland OH).

**Monika Juodisius** graduated from Ithaca College (Ithaca NY) with a Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

**Charles Olson** graduated from University School and will attend Trinity College (Middletown CT).

**Grace Olson** graduated from Laurel School and will attend Emory University (Atlanta GA).

**Laurie Rahauer** (Doris Bartlett's granddaughter) graduated from Drexel University (Philadelphia PA).

**Hal Roosa** graduated from Cleveland Hts High School and will attend Allegheny College (Meadville PA).

**Trent Porter Swain** graduated from Cleveland Hts High School and will attend DePaul University (Chicago IL).

**Molly Rose Webster** graduated from Hawken School and will attend Rhodes College (Memphis TN).

***Exploring Membership:*** Have you been attending Forest Hill Church for a while? Wondering if you should take the leap towards membership? The next Exploring Membership classes will be held after worship today and next Sunday. Even if you haven't registered, you are welcome to join the class.

**Softball:** We play Church of the Saviour today at 3:15 in Forest Hill Park.

**Letter-writing Campaign:** Roz Peters will be in the Fellowship Hall organizing a letter-writing campaign to Senators Rob Portman and Sherrod Brown to protect Medicare in Ohio.

As many of you know, Ohio Senator Rob Portman is one of thirteen senators on the committee that is drafting changes to the AHCA. Right now, drastic cuts to Medicaid are a significant concern.

Medicaid enables close to 2.65 million Ohioans to access quality health care. Nearly 40 percent of all children in Ohio are on Medicaid. Medicaid covers populations our scriptures and faith traditions call on us to prioritize and care for: low-income children, seniors, and people with disabilities. Through the Medicaid expansion, nearly 700,000 low-income individuals in Ohio have gained access to quality, affordable coverage.

## **THIS WEEK**

**Bible Study:** The lessons for this week are: **Genesis 18: 1-15; Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19; Romans 5: 1-8; Matthew 9:35 – 10:8.**

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

**Hilltoppers:** We will meet Friday at 12 noon for a planning meeting and BYO lunch.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Adult Education:** Bible study, 9:00 in the Jin Room (June 18 – July 30)

**Summer Choir:** The Summer Choir began today. Rehearsals are each Sunday at 9:30 in the downstairs choir room (under Fellowship Hall). The music will be easy to learn, and singers of all ages are most welcome to

participate. Families with children are invited to sit as a family. When it's time to sing, the singing members stand and the others remain seated (perhaps coloring or reading stories?) Give it a try!

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

***Iris Circle:*** We will meet on June 20, 2017 at 12 noon for a potluck lunch at the home of Nancy Burcham (301 Rosebury Circle, Mayfield Hts OH) and to plan the 2017-18 calendar. Come with ideas for good programs! RSVP to Nancy Burcham (440-446-0832 or [burcham@roadrunner.com](mailto:burcham@roadrunner.com)).

***Congregational meeting:*** There will be a meeting of the congregation following worship on Sunday, June 25. All are welcome to attend; all active members may vote. More information will be sent this week via email.

***"One Book, One Church":*** On August 20 we will meet to discuss ***October 31, 1517: Martin Luther and the Day that Changed the World*** by Martin Marty and James Martin (available on Amazon). Watch for more information!

## *Youth News*

***Today:*** Senior Recognition followed by brunch in the Ruah Room

***Coming up: See Shannon Headen for details and to RSVP***

**June 28,** Mid High Mission Day

**June 30,** Trip to Cedar Point

## *Staff Emails*

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## *Calendar: June 11-18, 2017*

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| <p><b>Sunday, June 11: Summer schedule begins</b><br/>           9:00 am Child care begins<br/>           9:30 am Continental Breakfast<br/>                   Summer Choir<br/>           10:00 am WORSHIP: Senior Recognition<br/>           11:15 am Coffee and Conversation<br/>                   Senior Brunch<br/>                   Exploring Member Class<br/>                   Program: Students of Anne Wilson<br/>           5:30 pm Small Plates class: Food and Faith</p> <p><b>Monday, June 12</b><br/>           6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)<br/>           7:00 pm Al Anon<br/>           7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)</p> <p><b>Tuesday, June 13</b><br/>           1:00 pm Abundance Pantry<br/>           5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class<br/>           7:00 pm Black History Team mtg</p> <p><b>Wednesday, June 14</b><br/>           7:30 am Bible &amp; Bagels<br/>           12:30 pm Wed. Women's AA<br/>           7:00 pm Ministry meetings</p> | <p><b>Thursday, June 15</b><br/>           5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise<br/>           7:00 pm GCC Housing Team mtg</p> <p><b>Friday, June 16</b><br/> <b>7:00 am TOWER deadline –</b><br/>                   July and August issue<br/>           12:00 pm Hilltoppers</p> <p><b>Saturday, June 17</b><br/>           9:00 am Culture Camp set-up</p> <p><b>Sunday, June 18</b><br/>           9:00 am Child care begins<br/>           9:30 am Continental Breakfast<br/>                   Summer Choir<br/>           10:00 am WORSHIP: Baptism<br/>           11:15 am Coffee and Conversation<br/>                   Exploring Membership class<br/>           12:00 pm Culture Camp set-up<br/>           5:30 pm Small Plates class: Food and Faith<br/>                   (off site)</p> |
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**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**

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

**<https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/db5775>**

*Cover image: Brother Eldridge Pendleton's reproduction of Andrei Rublev's most famous icon, variously titled "The Hospitality of Abraham" and "The Holy Trinity." Rublev was a 15th century Russian monk and is generally considered Russia's greatest iconographer.*



Pathways Pentecost Project  
Outfitting the Little Free Library,  
with Joyce Pope

