

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship

June 17, 2018 at 10:00 am

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

Quiet our minds, open our hearts, and teach us to walk with you in confidence and faith. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Welcome

Prelude

"Freedom Song " (a medley)

Caleb Wright and Mother Willie-Mae Wright

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Elder Jennifer Blakeney

Leader: God calls us in surprising ways!

All: God is creative and compelling beyond anything we can ask or imagine.

Leader: God shakes up our rigid ways of thinking.

All: God breathes new life into our old ways of being.

Leader: God grants us new vision.

All: We will open ourselves to the movement of the Spirit and trust in God's guidance. We will lift our voices in thanks and praise. Come, let us worship God!

** Please stand if you are able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, you call us to live in mystery,
to walk by faith.**

Yet we long for plans with goals and schedules.

It’s hard to live by faith.

**You call us to place our trust in you,
to live according to your direction.**

**Yet we want life to make sense
from a human point of view.**

It’s hard to live by faith.

**You call us to feel the mystery of life,
to marvel at the power of your love.**

**Yet it’s not easy to accept your promise
that everything old has passed away.**

It’s hard to live by faith.

Forgive us, holy maker of reality.

**Forgive us for playing god
instead of accepting our humanity.**

from Ministry Matters.com

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

Ghana

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

*** Response**

Paul Vasil

"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.

The musical score is written on five staves in 12/8 time, key of B-flat major. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God, _____ whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, _____ whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, _____ whose love has set me free. As it was in the be- gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men." The score includes a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 12/8 time signature. The lyrics are aligned with the notes on the staves.

Anthem

Jarrett Roseborough

"Endure"

Lauren Wright, soprano

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Minute for Witness

Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians: 5: 6-9, 16-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil...From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

After the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn No. 817

"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Sermon

Rev. Lois Annich

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

spiritual

“Down to the River to Pray”

* 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

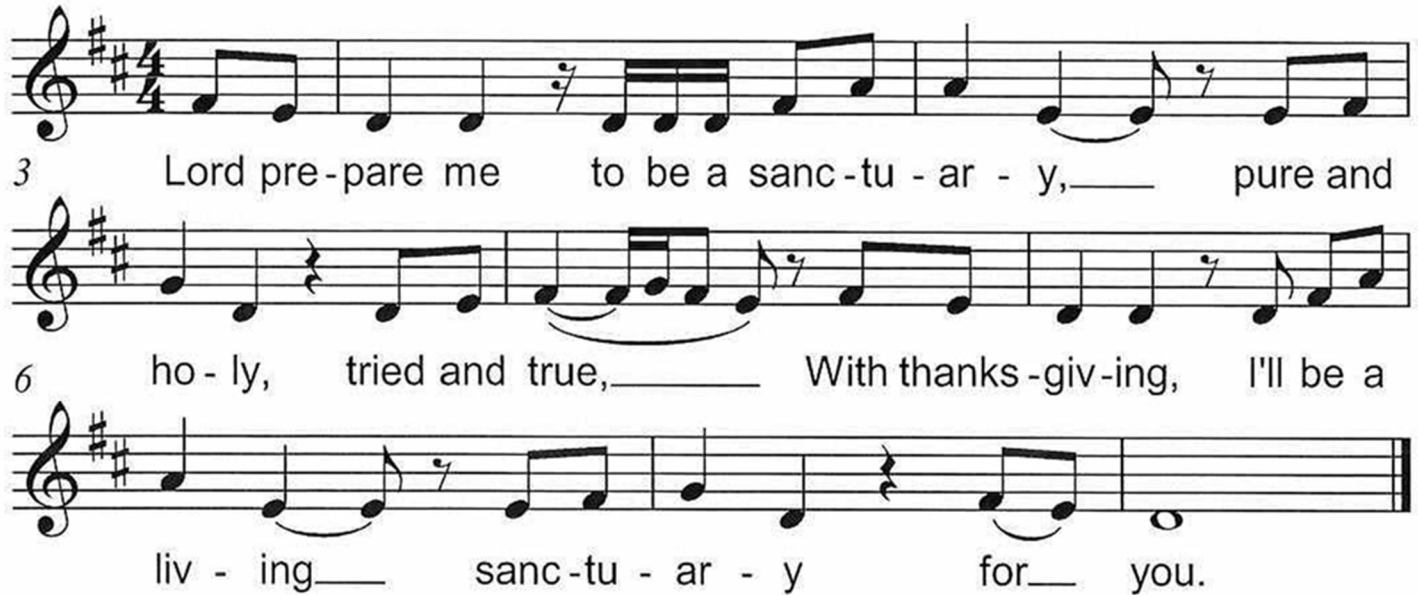
* Closing Hymn No. 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

* Commission and Blessing

* Choral Benediction

"Sanctuary"



3 Lord pre-pare me to be a sanc-tu - ar - y, pure and

6 ho - ly, tried and true, With thanks -giv-ing, I'll be a

liv - ing sanc-tu - ar - y for you.

* Passing of the Peace

Postlude

Henry Purcell

"March in C"



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 Jennifer Blakeney, Marius Juodisius, Elena and Monika in loving memory of Jennifer's mother and father and Marius' father; and by the Manista family in memory of Peter Benjamin Manista.

Prayers are requested this week for: Grace Glaros, Max Harmon, Elizabeth Shaw, Christi Shores, Jimmy Strong, Garrett Vandall, and Wesley Washington.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Marge Drollinger, Iris and Al Gilbert, Florence and Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Connie Sekerak, Margie Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, Lorian Thomas, and Beryl and Henrietta Williams.

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 Forest Hill Deacons are 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

Music: Please welcome today's musical guests from the Wright Family Singers: soprano Lauren Wright, bass Caleb Wright, and the matriarch, Mother Willie-Mae Wright.

Juneteenth: Want to know more about Juneteenth? Stick around – we are celebrating it after worship.

Softball: We play Fairmount PC at 4 pm in Forest Hill Park.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: **1 Samuel 17: 32-49; Psalm 9: 9-20; 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13; Mark 4: 35-41.**

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

Social Groups this week

June 19: Iris Circle has a planning meeting at Kathy Hanna-Stauffer's

June 22: Hilltoppers have a planning meeting at Nancy Burcham's

June 23: Pacesetters will go to see ***Memphis the Musical*** at Cain Park

*See the **TOWER** or contact the office for details*

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education – 8:45 in South Hall: Living the Question: Call to Covenant (June 24 - August 5) Revs. Laury Larson and John Lentz will lead this seven-week series about how our Christian faith is lived out in this world. Each class begins with a 20 minute DVD presentation followed by discussion. A resource guide and topic syllabus are available on a table in front of the Adult Study bulletin board. The first session is entitled “An Invitation to Journey.” There is no prep time required. Just come for the films and fellowship! All are welcome.

Summer Choir: The Summer Choir continues through July with a rehearsal (in the choir room underneath Fellowship Hall) at 9:30 am. The music is easy and dress is casual. All ages are welcome (including babes-in-arms) and families are encouraged to sit together, singing with non-singing. Come enjoy participating in worship from “the other side”!

Labre: There will be an open Labre meeting in the library after worship to discuss future plans for this outreach ministry. All volunteers are welcome (and encouraged) to attend.

Softball: Next Sunday we play New Life at 4 pm in Forest Hill Park.

Movie Outing: “Won’t You Be My Neighbor” on Sunday, June 24 after church, about 1pm (Exact time TBD) at the Cedar Lee Theater

If you are interested in joining a group to see the new documentary about Presbyterian minister Mister Rogers, please contact David Wigger (CE@fhcpresb.org or text/call 216-702-7845).



LOOKING AHEAD

Summer Preaching – Picks from the Pew: Have you ever run across a passage in the Bible and thought "I don't know what to make of this. I sure wish I could hear someone preach on it"? This summer is your chance! Email requests to the church office (office@fhcpresb.org) or leave a note in the offering. Pastors Lentz and Annich will use the suggestions they receive as the base for their summer sermons.

Please be as specific as you can. Include the chapter and verse (ie. John 3:16) or a description of the passage (ie. the story where Jesus talks about an injured guy in a ditch that no one will stop to help). Then – here's the catch – come to church each Sunday to see if the preacher has chosen your passage!

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Calendar: June 17 - 24, 2018

<p>Sunday, June 17</p> <p>8:30 am Child care begins</p> <p>8:45 am Adult Education</p> <p>9:30 am Continental Breakfast</p> <p>Summer Choir</p> <p>10:00 am WORSHIP</p> <p>11:15 am Juneteenth Celebration</p> <p>Blood Pressure check</p> <p>12:00 pm Culture Camp set-up</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 20</p> <p>7:30 am Bible and Bagels</p> <p>10:00 am TOWER assembly</p> <p>12:00 pm Bullshevicks</p> <p>12:30 pm Wed. Women's AA</p> <p>7:00 pm TransFamily East</p>
<div><p>Culture Camp takes place this week: Monday – Friday at 9:30 am</p></div>	<p>Friday, June 22</p> <p>10:00 am Al Anon</p> <p>1:00 pm Hilltoppers to Nancy Burcham's</p> <p>7:00 pm Culture Camp Fiesta</p>
<p>Monday, June 18</p> <p>6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)</p> <p>7:00 pm Al Anon</p> <p>7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)</p>	<p>Saturday, June 23</p> <p>7:00 pm Pacesetters to Cain Park</p>
<p>Tuesday, June 19</p> <p>12:00 pm Iris Circle</p> <p>(at Kathy Hanna-Stauffer's)</p> <p>1:00 pm Abundance Pantry</p>	<p>Sunday, June 24</p> <p>8:30 am Child care begins</p> <p>9:00 am Nominating Committee</p> <p>8:45 am Adult Education</p> <p>9:30 am Continental Breakfast</p> <p>Summer Choir</p> <p>10:00 am WORSHIP</p> <p>11:00 pm Coffee and Conversation</p> <p>Labre volunteers meeting</p> <p>1:00 (or later) Movie at Cedar Lee:</p> <p>"Won't You Be My Neighbor?"</p>

Cover image: Juneteenth Flag

Happy Father's Day 2018



Collage of fathers and sons by various artists

from Professor Mark Joseph's talk on Building a Racial Equity Lens
June 10, 2018

Racial Equity Vigilance



Constant self-education
Listen more to people different from you
Get a racial equity buddy
Interrogate your assumptions
Lean into discomfort and get a tougher skin
Build antiracist muscle
Focus on micro-intentional actions
Use your Racial Equity Lens!