

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship
July 15, 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

Gracious God, please help us quiet our minds and open our hearts so we can listen
to your voice and serve you with energy, intelligence, imagination and love. Amen.

Welcome

Choral Introit

Umami-Enugu (Nigeria)

“Imela”

Jed Koops, leader

Translation: We thank you God. We thank you, gracious God.

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Elder Ann Williams

One: We gather as God’s beloved children –

All: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

One: We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community –

All: So this becomes a place where all are welcome.

One: We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing, to be with each
other –

All: Let us worship God.

*** Opening Hymn No. 401**

“Here in This Place (Gather Us In)”

** Please stand if you are able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day, and offer the truth of our lives: The fear that stifles us, the prejudice that blinds us, the ignorance that hobbles us, the doubt that plagues us. Help us, we pray, to find courage in unlikely places, see the world with new and gracious eyes, move to those places where love is needed, and have faith that you are with us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

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 a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a time signature of 12/8. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "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 score ends with a double bar line.

Anthem

Caribbean melody

“If You Only Had Faith”

Opening Our Hearts to God’s Word

Family Meditation

Dr. Lentz

Scripture Lesson

Luke 10: 38-42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

After the reading

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

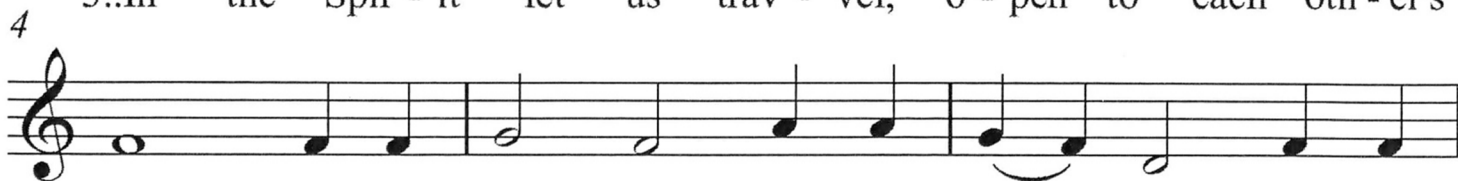
People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn

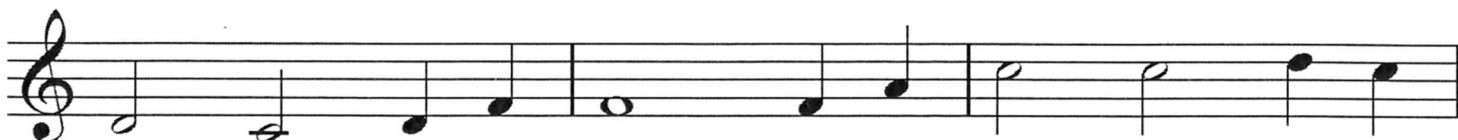
"Come and Find the Quiet Center"



1..Come and find the qui - et cen - ter in the crowd - ed life we
2..Si - lence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the
3..In the Spir - it let us trav - el, o - pen to each oth - er's



lead, find the room for hope to en - ter, find the
pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our
pain, let our loves and fears un - rav - el, cel - e -



frame where we are freed: Clear the cha - os and the
be - ing, touch - es base, mak - ing space with - in our
brate the space we gain: There's a place for deep - est



clut - ter, clear our eyes that we can see all the
think - ing, lift - ing shades to show the sun, rais - ing
dream - ing, there's a time for heart to care, in the



things that real - ly mat - ter, be at peace, and sim - ply be.
cour - age when we're shrink - ing, find - ing scope for faith be - gun.
Spir - it's live - ly schem - ing there is al - ways room to spare.

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

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

Ghana

"Free to Serve"

Laura Minder and Jed Koops, soloists

* 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. 543

"God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

* 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

John Stanley

"Trumpet Voluntary"

Portions of the liturgy are from holdfasttowhatisgood.com



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: The flowers today are given by Tom and Beth Zych in honor of Ian's graduation from high school; and by Carol Leslie in memory of Hugh Leslie.

Prayers are requested this week for: Jean Bell, Dan Fuller, Grace Glaros, Max Harmon, Mary Hosier, Gary Lustic, 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, 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 Corinth Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during July. 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

Book Talk (in South Hall after worship): **Rev. Anita Amstutz speaks about her book, Soul Tending.** Rev. Amstutz offers a road map for Sabbath keeping in the 21st century. Sabbath keeping, a practice rooted in tradition, can also be applied to the modern, hectic, often troubling world. She will share her own experience of recovering Sabbath to enrich her life and her work (see the flier on p. 12).

Orcha-Band: Do you play a band or orchestra instrument well enough to play a hymn melody? If so, let Anne Wilson know (annew@fhcpresb.org) as she is forming an Orcha-Band to lead the music in next Sunday's informal Fellowship Hall worship.

Softball: We play New Life at 4 pm in Forest Hill Park.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: **2 Samuel 7: 1-14a; Psalm 89: 20-37; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56.**

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

Go to a movie! For his senior project, Grant Heineman (FHC member, recent Heights High graduate) wrote, produced, directed and filmed a 42-minute movie that will be premiered at the Cedar Lee Theater. The movie, a romantic musical called "New Heights," is about the CHHS vocal music department and stars Lily Kerr-Jung



and Gerald Shazor. It features many of the kids in the Heights Vocal Music Department and includes a cameo from Anne Wilson (as Lily's mother). Grant also wrote three original jazz songs sung by Lily and Gerald and performed by him and his Tri-C Jazz Academy friends. The list of participants includes Ian Zych, Garrett Vandall and Rowan Trammell (all FHC families).

**The premiere is on July 18th at 11 am at the Cedar Lee
and admission is FREE.**

The movie will be posted to YouTube some time following the premier.

You may watch a brief trailer on YouTube – use this link:

bit.ly/New_Heights_Trailer

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education – 8:45 in South Hall **Living the Question: Call to Covenant (thru August 5)** Revs. Laury Larson and John Lentz lead this series about how our Christian faith is lived out in this world. Each class begins with a 20 minute DVD presentation followed by discussion. The next session is entitled “Compassion: The Heart of Jesus’ Ministry.” There is no prep time required. Just come for the films and fellowship! All are welcome.

Summer Choir: There are only two more Sundays for Summer Choir participation. Won't you give it a try? We rehearse at 9:30 in the choir room.

The Group (*singles and couples 60s – 70s*) Join us next Sunday, July 22 for Shakespeare in the Park at the Grove in Mayfield Hts. Details are on p. 18 of the July-August **TOWER**.

Softball: We play Church of the Saviour at 4 pm in Forest Hill Park.

LOOKING AHEAD

Picks from the Pew: You may have noticed a few off-lectionary, on-topic sermons this summer. There's still time to request a sermon based on a particularly puzzling, troubling or favorite passage of scripture! Be as specific as you can, and put a note in the offering or contact the church office with your request.

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Calendar: July 15-22, 2018

Sunday, July 15

8:30 am Child care begins
8:45 am Adult Education
9:30 am Continental Breakfast
Summer Choir
10:00 am WORSHIP
11:00 am Coffee and Conversation
Book Talk
Blood pressure check
3:00 pm Labre Summer Cookout

Monday, July 16

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)
7:00 pm Al Anon
7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)

Tuesday, July 17

1:00 pm Abundance Pantry
5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class
7:00 pm CPNC meeting

Wednesday, July 18

7:30 am Bible and Bagels
11:00 am Grant Heineman's movie
at the Cedar Lee Theater
12:00 pm Bullshevicks
12:30 pm AA meeting
7:00 pm TransFamily East

Thursday, July 19

9:30 am Pantry Lunch group
5:00 pm Fitness Fusion
7:00 pm GCC Housing meeting

Friday, July 20

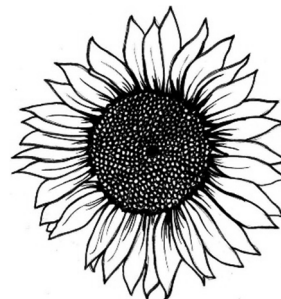
10:00 am Al Anon

Saturday, July 21

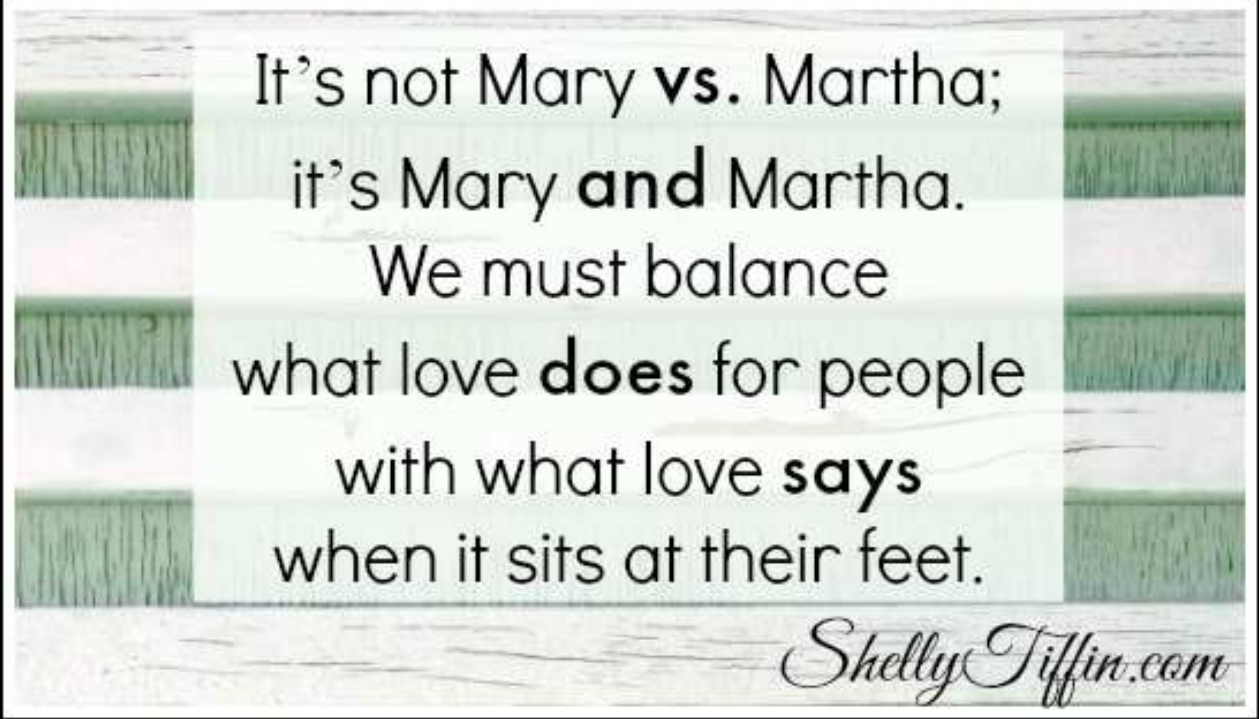
8:30 am CPNC meeting

Sunday, July 22

8:30 am Child care begins
8:45 am Adult Education
9:30 am Continental Breakfast
Summer Choir
10:00 am WORSHIP in Fellowship Hall
11:00 am Coffee and Conversation
Leadership gathering
4:00 pm Reconnecting with God's Creation



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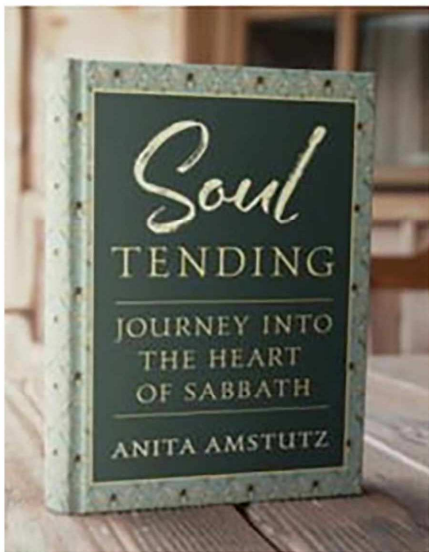


It's not Mary **vs.** Martha;
it's Mary **and** Martha.
We must balance
what love **does** for people
with what love **says**
when it sits at their feet.

ShellyTiffin.com

*Join us for a post-worship discussion of
Anita Amstutz' newly-released book*

Soul Tending **Journey into the Heart of Sabbath** **SUNDAY, JULY 15**



We live in hungry times of economic uncertainty, fear, violence, division and social chaos. What is needed for time such as these is a heart full of courage and wisdom grounded in compassion and resilience and recovering a slower rhythm in today's world.

Join Anita Amstutz (member Sharon Shumaker's cousin) on Sunday, July 15, after worship to discuss this timely, spiritual biography.

Amstutz describes Soul Tending as a story of her own wrestling with balance in my work life...how I found the Sabbath welcome of 'ceasing work' to be a solace in that dry, droughty space between creativity and overwork/soul weariness."

*Books will be available for purchase and signing
Visit afamstutz.com for more information*

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