

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship
July 29, 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

Thank you, loving God, for renewing and restoring us day by day. Tune our hearts to sing your praises for you have blessed us in so many ways. Amen.

Welcome

Prelude

Jay Ungar

"Ashokan Farewell"
Edie Duncan, violin

Choral Introit

South Africa

"God Welcomes All"

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Angela Boland

One: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless God's holy name.

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits.

One: Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

**All: Who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

One: Who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**All: Come, let us recall God's many mercies.
Let us worship God with grateful hearts!**

*** Opening Hymn No. 385**

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Holy and gracious God, at times we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again. Help us, we pray. Help us to see you as our center, and to cling to the good that you create in the world. Help us to set aside all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear his love and truth to the world. We pray in his name. Amen.

from HoldFastToWhatIsGood.com

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

John Bell

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."

Anthem

Dakota melody

"Many and Great, O God, Are Thy Works"

Soloists: Laura Minder and Beth Garrett

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Minute for Mission

Lisa Koops

"Volunteering: My Story"

Children's Moment

Rev. David Wigger

*Children are welcome to stay up front
for a quiet activity during the sermon.*

Scripture Lessons

1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil.

May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

John 6: 5-14

When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" Jesus said this to test Phillip, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

After the readings

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

People: Thanks be to God.

*** Hymn No. 647**

"Give Thanks"

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Sermon

Rev. Lois Annich

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"

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

Children may return to their families

Offering

Offertory

Tomas Ostrom (Sweden)

"Open Your Doors"

*** 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.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Going Forth to Live as God's People

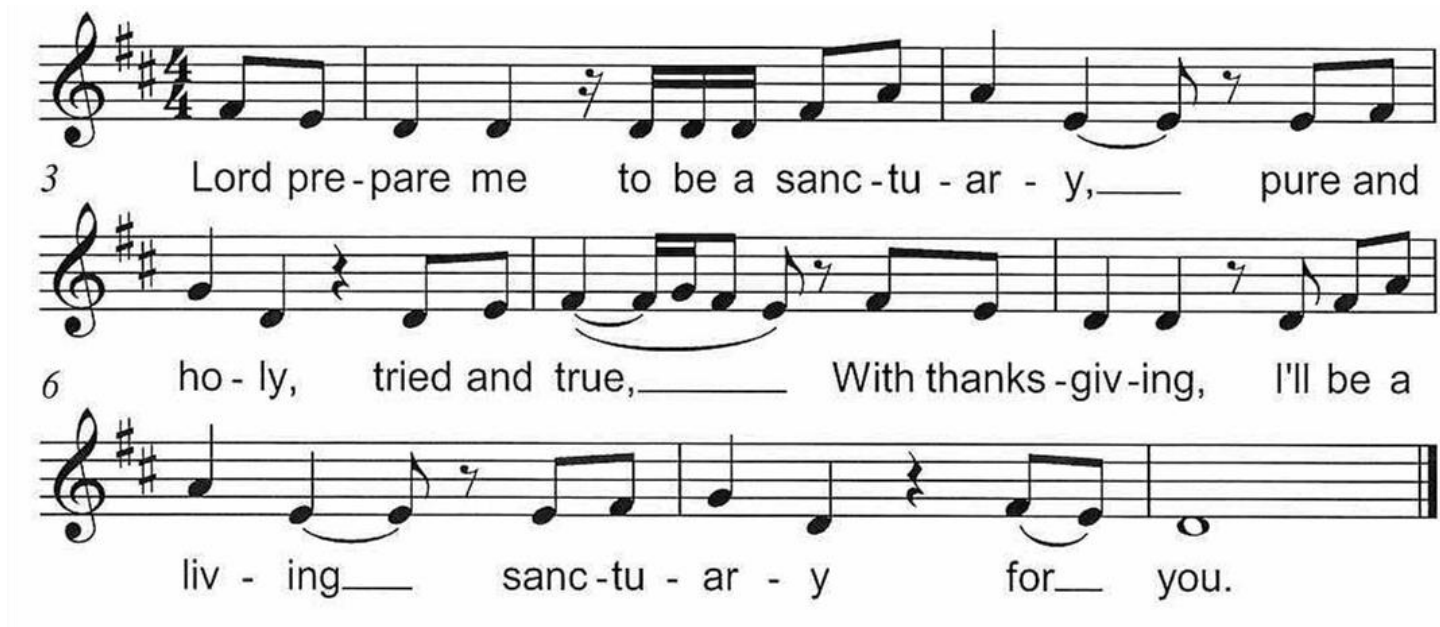
*** Closing Hymn No. 475**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*** 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

"Fiddle Tune"

Edie Duncan, violin

** Please stand if you are able*



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 Lia Clement in loving memory of Judy Hubach, and by Sue McCauley in memory of her parents, Dale and Eloise Wint.

Prayers are requested this week for: Jean Bell, Kathleen Corcoran, Dan Fuller, Grace Glaros, Max Harmon, Mary Hosier, Elizabeth Shaw, 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 assisting the clergy in 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. The Jerusalem CARE Group will help out in August.

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

Choir: Today is the last Summer Choir Sunday. Many thanks to all who offered their voices in song during June and July. The full choir program will resume in September. New members are always welcome! Contact Anne Wilson (annew@fhcpresb.org) for more information.

Softball: Today the season ends with an all-day tournament.

Many thanks to the members of last Sunday's Orcha-Band. We're planning another Fellowship Hall service on September 2 and the Orcha-Band may be pressed into service. Let Anne Wilson know if you'd like to join this instrumental group. (annew@fhcpresb.org).

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: **2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a; Psalm 5: 1-12; Ephesians 4: 1-16; John 6: 24-35.**

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education – 8:45 in South Hall **Living the Question: Call to Covenant (thru August 5)** Rev. Laury Larson will conclude this series about how our Christian faith is lived out in this world. The final session is entitled "Embracing Mystery." All are welcome.

LOOKING AHEAD

Iris Circle (*all women of the church*) We are invited to Kathy Hanna-Stauffer's cottage in Madison on August 9 – save the date and watch for information.

The Group (*singles and couples 60s – 70s*) On August 18 we are invited to Betsy and Joe Andrews' house on Atwood Lake – save the date!

Christian Education Leaders' Training Day: August 19

Volunteer Training / Child Protection Policy Day

After worship on Sunday, August 19 we will hold a Christian Ed training day for any adult who will be involved in our children or youth programming. This training will include the annual child protection policy training, which is mandatory under our Protection Policy. Please make every effort to make it to this training. If you are unable, please let me know so we can work out a way to get you the training and get you covered under our policy. Lunch (probably pizza) and childcare will be available.

- If you would like to volunteer, but have not yet filled out the Google Form, please do so now (it should only take a few minutes): [Bit.ly/fhcVolunteer](https://bit.ly/fhcVolunteer)
- RSVP for the training at [Bit.ly/CEtrainingday](https://bit.ly/CEtrainingday) or indicate on the friendship pad that you will attend.

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Calendar: July 29 – August 5, 2018

Sunday, July 29 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	Wednesday, August 1 7:30 am Bible and Bagels 12:30 pm AA meeting
Monday, July 30 6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA) 7:00 pm Al Anon 7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)	Thursday, August 2 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion
Tuesday, July 31 1:00 pm Abundance Pantry 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class	Friday, August 3 10:00 am Al Anon
	Saturday, August 4 1:00 pm Memorial service for Joan Yeager
	Sunday, August 5 8:30 am Child care begins 8:45 am Adult Education 9:30 am Continental Breakfast 10:00 am WORSHIP 11:00 am Coffee and Conversation

Save the date:

August 26

Pastor Lois's last Sunday

**Pastor Lois Annich has spent three wonderful years
sharing her talents, her wisdom and her energy with us
as she served as Interim Associate Pastor.**

**Please join us for her last service
and to wish her farewell.**

THANK YOU!!!

to those that have already completed their Christian Ed Google Forms:

Family Forms Received* <u>bit.ly/fhcFamily</u>	Volunteer Forms Received* <u>bit.ly/fhcVolunteer</u>	
Nathan and Lane Baldwin Beth Garrett Marcie Denton Lara Troyer and Jeff Dyck Kylie Evans and Adam Majot Mike and Becky Stawovy Jed and Lisa Koops Lisa and Doug Vahey Martha Janssen Christina and Jason Hidek Jessica Kelley Diane Moyer Eric and Amy Dillenbeck	Sandy Ladebue Charity Stock Jed Koops Laurie Logan Kylie Evans Lisa Koops Liz Wollaeger Ron Register Christina Hidek Kate Burleigh Seth Ungemach Ahren Stock Diane Moyer	Sue Lafferty Jeremy Ryman Lara Troyer Mark Wedell Jason Hidek Peg Weissbrod Libby Dolan

*As of Wednesday, July 25

I am working on my lists of families and volunteers. With any transition, things get lost in the shuffle. Even if you believe that I have you on my list, I ask that you please take the time (it should not take you long) to complete the appropriate Google Form below:

If you are a parent/guardian of a child/youth from birth through grade 12; I ask that you please complete this form: **bit.ly/fhcFamily**

If you are interested in volunteering with FHC children/youth programming this year, I ask that you please complete this form

(expressing interest does not commit you to anything):

bit.ly/fhcVolunteer

If you have any additional questions, or are having trouble with the form, contact David Wigger at: ce@fhcpresb.org or 216-702-7845 (cell)

Adult Bible Study, Fall 2018

Kerygma: *The Gospel of Matthew: God With Us*

According to Matthew, the Christian community is an earthly manifestation of the rule of God. It is composed of followers of Jesus who have been called to live righteously in the world and to serve in the manner of Jesus, with humility and forgiveness. In Jesus, there is a new community at work for the blessing of the world. What is it that binds us together? Jesus – God With Us.

The Gospel of Matthew: God With Us adult study program will meet for 12 consecutive Sundays, beginning September 9, at 9:30 am. Three groups, led by co-facilitators Kathryn Eloff and Tom Zych, Pat Jenkins and Laury Larson, and Ron Register and Ahren Stock, are planned. Pat Seeders will start registration on August 12 in South Hall after worship. A resource book, recommended for each participant, is available for \$24.

A long-standing resource for Forest Hill Church's adult education ministry, the Kerygma program of Bible study utilizes scholarly by approachable study resources that actively engage participants in learning about the Bible in lively and interactive group sessions. Study group facilitators are not teachers so much as learners among learners.

We are looking forward to a new and exciting fall semester for Adult Ed with new classes and new facilitators. We will use the Gospel to examine how we think of God, of the life and mission of Jesus, and how people of faith respond to God's presence in our lives.

In addition to the Kerygma classes, Pastor John Lentz will begin a "Christianity 101: Living the Question" class on September 9 at 9:30 am – all the questions you have had but never asked! This class is for especially designed for "Seekers" and those who are exploring Christianity. It is a class option for those who cannot commit to weekly attendance; each class will have its own unique subject matter.

Did you know?

The word "kerygma" comes from the Greek word for "preaching."

The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines it as

"the apostolic proclamation of salvation through Jesus Christ."

