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Service of Worship

August 19, 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, and directions to our nursery for babies and young children.

Centering Words

As you prepare for worship pause for a few moments and focus your attention on your breathing. Take several deep breaths. Be aware of God's loving presence within you.

Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Welcome

Choral Introit

Scottish melody

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Elder Dorothy Herd

Leader: How are you this morning?

- People: It would be easy for us to say "fine, thank you", but the truth is that there are lots of things going on in our lives, lots of time crunches and pressures.
- Leader: You have come to the right place. Rest for a minute. Take a deep breath and let it out slowly. Just relax and let your heart be open to God's word for you.
- People: That sounds good to us.
- Leader: Feel the healing, soothing power of God's love for you.
- People: Lord, we rest our minds, spirits, and hearts in your compassionate love. AMEN.
- * Opening Hymn No. 465 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Patient Lord, we schedule our lives down to the very second. We crowd in as much activity as we can and then wonder why we are so stressed out and tired. Forgive us when we get so caught up in the details and miss the opportunity to sit at your feet, learning, listening, growing in our faith. Help us to place ourselves in your care. Slow us down, just a bit, so that we can see the wonders you have placed before us and truly enjoy and share the blessings you have given to us. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word A blessing for those returning to school

> Revs. John Lentz and David Wigger Children are welcome to stay up front for a quiet activity during the sermon

Minute for Mission

"Volunteering: My Story"

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives **Assurance of Pardon**

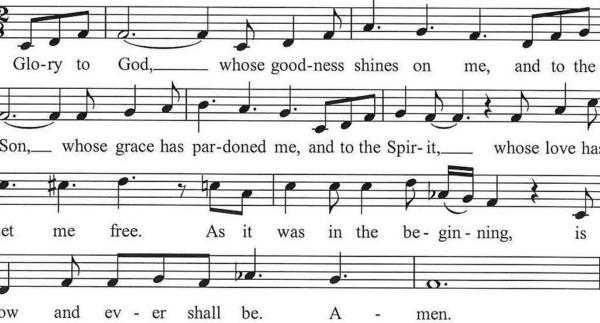
* Response

"Glory to God" Glo-ry to God,_ _____ whose good-ness shines on 3 and to the me, Son, _____ whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, _____ 6 whose love has free. be - gin - ning, 8 set me As it was in the is shall now and be. ev - er A men.

Alice Parker

Paul Vasil

Lisa Koops



From the Living Word Luke 11: 1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!' After the readingLeader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn No. 287 "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading" Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Sermon

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"Radical Prayer"

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

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

"Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)"



* Prayer of Dedication

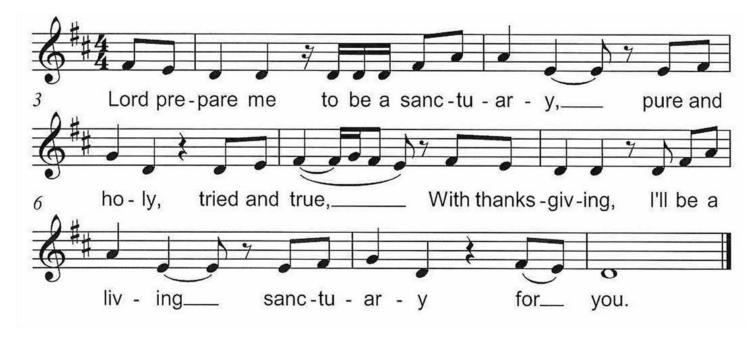
Going Forth to Live as God's People

* Closing Hymn No. 543 "God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

* Commission and Blessing

* Choral Benediction

"Sanctuary"



* Passing of the Peace

Postlude

W. A. Mozart

"Rondo in C"

* Please stand if you are able

Welcome Vísítors!

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 the Sampson family in memory of Pa Tedunjaiye, Pa Agu Okpe, Madam Shalot Tedunjaiye, and Madam Mercy Sam Uke; and by Patricia Jenkins in memory of her mother Katherine Lee Bowman.

Prayers are requested this week for: Kathleen Corcoran, Dan Fuller, Max Harmon, Mary Hosier, Jane Larsen-Wigger, Eleanor Magee, Elizabeth Shaw, the family of Chuck Smith (his wife Lora and children Hannah, Harrison, Nathan and Hazel), Jimmy Strong, 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 Jerusalem Care Group is responsible for assisting the clergy in meeting members' needs during August. 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.

Comíng Up

TODAY

Music: We give thanks to today's music leaders: Jed Koops, Lisa Koops, Beth Zych, and Sally Wile.

Survey reminder: Last week you received an email asking you to complete a survey for the Long-Range Planning Committee. Many of you have done so, both on paper and on line – Thank you! Each person – member, friend, youth – in a household is invited to complete the survey (once!). Paper copies may be picked up in the foyer and returned to the office or to one of the designated baskets. Please refer to last week's email news or to the email about the survey for a link to the online form.

Volunteer Training / Child Protection Policy: Please meet at 11:15 in Bodwell Hall for today's Christian Ed training. This is for any adult who will be involved in the children's or youth programming. The training includes the annual child protection policy training, which is mandatory under our Protection Policy. Please make every effort to attend! Lunch and childcare will be available. If you are unable to come, please let David Wigger know so we can get you the training and get you covered under our policy.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are: **1 Kings 8: 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6: 10-20; John 6: 56-69**

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

Jack and Arlene Quinn: Pastor Lentz will officiate at a graveside service when Jack and Arlene's ashes are interred on Wednesday, August 22 at 11 am in Lakeview Cemetery. If you remember the Quinns and would like to attend, you are welcome to (the guards at Lakeview will have the exact

location). If you'd like to share memories of the Quinns, please contact John.

Flash mob to the movies! Would you like to see Spike Lee's **BlacKkKlansman** at the Cedar-Lee Theater next Saturday (August 25)? Contact Barb Cloud (216-321-9112) and she will get tickets for a group. The trailer is available on YouTube.

NEXT SUNDAY

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

Abundance Pantry News: Thanks to all who have donated money, food, and supplies to Abundance Pantry. The pantry continues to need magazines and containers capable of storing liquid; they no longer need egg cartons.

Join the band! Anne Wilson is organizing another Orcha-Band to play for worship on September 2. If you'd like to join, please let her know and she will send you the music to practice. <u>annew@fhcpresb.org</u>

PRISM: PRISM is self-described as "a racial equity learning laboratory." For all of us who just completed the last PRISM cohort at the end of April, that one statement holds a lot to unpack! It was a 40-hr immersion experience over the course of three months. It was challenging on every level. And many of us who completed the last cohort came away asking, what do we do now? PRISM is developing goals, strategies and an action plan in line with the mission statement of Forest Hill Church. Throughout the next month, we will be sharing more about PRISM, and how we can all work together to become a more progressive, open and affirming community at FHC.

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Calendar: August 19 - 26, 2018

Sunday, August 19	Wednesday, August 22
8:00 am PRISM meeting	7:30 am Bible and Bagels
9:30 am Child care begins	10:00 am TOWER assembly
9:30 am Continental Breakfast	11:00 am Graveside service for
10:00 am WORSHIP	Jack and Arlene Quinn
11:00 am Coffee and Conversation	12:30 pm AA meeting
CE Volunteer Training	7:00 pm Session meeting
Blood Pressure check	
2:00 pm Scout meeting	Thursday, August 23
	5:00 pm Fitness Fusion
Monday, August 20	
6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)	Friday, August 24
7:00 pm Al Anon	10:00 am Al Anon
7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)	
	Saturday, August 25
Tuesday, August 21	10:00 am Labre cooking team
1:00 pm Abundance Pantry	
5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class	Sunday, August 26: Celebrating Lois!
7:00 pm CPNC	9:30 am Child care begins
	9:30 am Continental Breakfast
	10:00 am WORSHIP
	11:00 am Coffee and Conversation

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Fall 2018 Adult Education Offerings

Kerygma: The fall study of the Gospel of Matthew begins on September 9. There will be three classes (leaders Pat Jenkins and Laury Larson in the Library; Ron Register and Ahren Stock in Bodwell Hall; and Tom Zych and Kathryn Eloff in the Chapel on September 9 and in South Hall thereafter). Pat Seeders will be registering and selling handbooks (\$24.00) in South Hall after worship today.

Christianity 101: Dr. Lentz will lead a Christianity 101 class at 9:30 am, in the Jin Rm, beginning September 9. This class is for anyone who wants to "start at the very beginning" in their understanding of Christianity. You may come to one class, every class, or somewhere in between.

A Study of the Book of Revelation, from Ann and Peter Williams: We are interested learning about the Book of Revelation. Would you like to join us? We plan to co-lead a small group study of Revelation this fall, using the Kerygma study guide. We plan to meet every other week for 7 sessions, beginning Monday, September 10. We will set specific meeting times according to the best time for those ALL plan to attend. Interested? Contact Ann (asw1217@gmail.com)

Small Plates: Small Plates is the shorter version of the year-long Faith Leader program. Through a number of small classes, participants get a taste of Faith Leader, especially its central questions of "Where is God in this?" "What are my gifts?" and "What might God be calling me to?" Keep your eyes and ears open for announcements of several exciting classes that will be offered this fall under the direction of Adult Education and Spiritual Formation. Classes will include an art experience, Christianity 101, learnings from the Prism program on the Four Levels of Racism, and a meditation retreat in Advent.

Rowan Trammell, a sophomore at Cleveland Heights High School, and a member of Boy Scout Troop 403, is earning his Eagle Scout rank by collecting items and fundraising for Trials For Hope. Trials For Hope is a nonprofit organization that serves the homeless in Cleveland. Rowan is collecting the following items:

- bottled water
- baby wipes
- canned meat
- washcloths

Donations may be dropped off in the designated box in South Hall. Monetary donations are also much appreciated.

For more information, please contact Rowan @ rowanseagleproject@gmail.com, or visit "TrialsforHope.org"



Save the date! Mark your calendars! Set your alarms! Kick-off Sunday is September 9 Come for Adult Education at 9:30 Pathways at 10:10 Youth Education at 10:10 Chancel Choir at 10:30 Children's Worship Class at 11:00 Worship with communion at 11:00 and the Fall Festival from noon till 3 pm



F.H.C. DEACONS INVITE YOU TO: THE 2018 FALL FELLOWSHIP CELEBRATION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH FOLLOWING WORSHIP

I'm waiting for the Rocket Car



