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# Service of Worship August 5, 2018 at 10:00 am

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

This morning we celebrate the Eucharist (the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion). We celebrate the Eucharist by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup). We also provide a gluten-free alternative, so that all may freely partake. After receiving the elements you may come to the railing to receive a blessing from the pastors.

# Centering Words

The first holy truth in God 101 is that men and women of true faith have always had to accept the mystery of God's identity and love and ways. I hate that, but it's the truth.

**Anne Lamott** 

Welcome

**Prelude** Joe Utterback

"Streams of Gladness"

Choral Introit Anon.

"Come Into God's Presence"

# Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship Elder Dorothy Herd

Leader: Friends, we know what God desires of us:

All: That we do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

Leader: We gather to give thanks for the gifts we've been given and the

call to use them with joy.

All: We gather to share stories--the story of God's love for us and the

ways we experience that love in the very fabric of our daily lives.

Leader: We gather this morning to encourage one another.

All: We gather for renewal and strength to carry God's love into the world. Let us worship God!

# \* Opening Hymn No. 462

"I Love To Tell the Story"

Renewing Our Relationship with God

# **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, forgive us when we stubbornly cling to our own limited perceptions and beliefs. In our fear we too often try to make you into something we can control and manipulate. Grant us courage to delight in the mystery of who you are. Open our minds and hearts to the movement of your Spirit so we can boldly witness to your life-giving love and power. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### **Time of Silent Confession**

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

Plainsong

# Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

# **Assurance of Pardon**

\* Response Paul Vasile



# Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

### **Children's Moment**

Rev. David Wigger

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

**Minute for Mission** 

**Kylie Evans** 

"Volunteering - My Story"

# **Scripture Lessons**

1 Timothy 2: 11-15

Let a woman learn in silence with full submission. I permit no woman to teach or to have authority over a man; she is to keep silent. For Adam was formed first, then Eve; and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. Yet she will be saved through childbearing, provided they continue in faith and love and holiness, with modesty.

# 2 Corinthians 3: 4-6

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

After the readings

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Lois Annich

"Who Will Tell Your Story?"

**Ritual of Friendship** Children may return to their families

Offering

**Offertory** Aaron Copland

# "At the River"

\* Response South African song



# Eucharist

#### **Invitation**

# **Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sanctus

American folk melody, arr. Richard Proulx

# **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.

# **Communion of the People**

**Music during Communion** 

Carlton Young

"In the Singing"

# **Prayer after Communion**

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

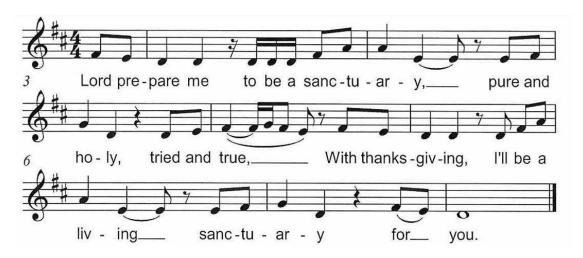
# Going Forth to Live as God's People

\* Closing Hymn No. 526

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

- \* Commission and Blessing
- \* Choral Benediction

"Sanctuary"



# \* Passing of the Peace

Postlude J. S. Bach

"Come, Holy Spirit"

\* 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: Today's flowers are given by Jim Manista and family in loving memory of Jean Manista and Peter Manista; and by Ellen McChesney in memory of Heather Lynn Phillips Jenkins; and by Rob Reynolds in memory of his mother Connie Reynolds.

**Today's Music**: We give thanks to Sally Wile, Beth Garrett and Patty Console, today's music leaders.

**Today is Hunger Sunday:** All offerings specially marked for "Hunger" will go to support FHC's Abundance Pantry, which provides food for over 150 people each week.

Prayers are requested this week for: Jean Bell, Kathleen Corcoran, Dan Fuller, Grace Glaros, Max Harmon, Mary Hosier, Elizabeth Shaw, the family of Chuck Smith (his wife Lora and children Hannah, Harrison, Nathan and Hazel), Jimmy Strong, Garrett Vandall, and Wesley Washington.

In Memoriam We Remember
Charles Stewart Smith (Chuck)
Who died July 24, 2018
I am the resurrection and I am the life, says the Lord

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.

**Please remember** Peggy Yeager and her family in your prayers; Peggy's mother Joan Margaret Yeager died July 23.

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.

**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.

# Care Group

The Jerusalem Care Group is responsible for 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.

# → Members of this month's Care Group are:

Ellen McChesney, Deacon leader Richard Obermanns

Pat Borthwick Karen Parker
Doris Brandt Joyce Pope
Lucy Conde Carol Scott

Monita Franklin Steve Sedam & Virginia Weiss Chris & Daniel Fuller Mike & Becky Stawovy & family

Ed Gemerchak & Sally Wile Rob & Leslie Strachan Brett & Annette Himes & family Marjorie Thomas

Steve & Mary Hosier Chris Vandall & Marcie Denton & family

Patricia Jenkins Josh & Pam Webster

Shelly Jesberger Mark Wedell Sam & Lauren Miller Anne Wilson

Pat & Hal Musick Robert & Julie Ann Yoe

# Coming Up

# **NEXT SUNDAY**

**Adult Education:** Classes for this summer have ended. New classes begin on September 9; registration for the new Kerygma classes begins August 12. See a description of the program on p. 11.

**Child care**: Because there is no Adult Education in August, child care will begin at 9:30 am.

**Labre Project**: Warm, gently-used clothing and accessories — coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, blankets for men, women and children — are appreciated for the Labre Project in East Cleveland. Please leave donations in the bin in Fellowship Hall.

#### THIS WEEK

**Bible Study:** The lessons for this week are: 2 Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2; John 6: 35, 41-51

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

August 9, Iris Circle (all women of the church): Spend an afternoon by the lake at Kathy Hanna-Stauffer's cottage on Thursday, August 9. Potluck lunch at noon, so bring a favorite dish to share. Kathy will provide beverages. Stay as long as you like. Carpools can be arranged as needed. To RSVP and for directions, contact Kathy (khannas@sbcglobal.net OR 216 544-0916).

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

August 18, The Group (singles and couples 60s – 70s+) You are invited to visit Joe and Betsy Andrews for lake activities and a summer picnic at their lake home on Atwood Lake, just under 2 hours from Cleveland, on Saturday, August 18. Come around 2 pm for boat riding and lawn games. We will plan an early dinner so you will not have to drive home in the dark. Please bring an appetizer or side dish, as Betsy will provide main dish and dessert.

The address is 9645 Lakewood Dr. NE, Mineral City, OH 44656. RSVP to Betsy Andrews, 216-215-8174 or Betsyandrews7@gmail.com.

# **August 19** Volunteer Training / Child Protection Policy Day – see p. 12

# 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.

**September 2:** Anne Wilson is organizing another Orcha-Band to play for the service on September 2. If you would like to join the group, contact her (annew@fhcpresb.org) and she will send you the music to practice.

# Staff Emails

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# **Boulevard Elementary School Supply Drive!**

It's that time of year again, when stores are brimming with pencils, notebooks, and glue to help kids get ready to go back to school! FHC has a partnership with Boulevard Elementary (on Lee Rd. in Cleveland Heights), and one of our efforts is to provide school supplies to help every child be prepared for a great year of learning.

We are collecting spiral one-subject notebooks; two-pocket folders; crayons (8 or 12 count boxes); fat or skinny markers; highlighters; loose-leaf lined paper; glue sticks; pencils; rulers; pencil boxes; sharpeners; large pink erasers; dry erase markers; post-it notes. Please bring donations to church and put them in the marked box on the stage.

**New this year:** Karen Allen, the social worker at Boulevard, notes a special need: some children need items (a pair of shoes, hair supplies, or other personal essentials) in addition to school supplies to start the year. You may donate a gift card to Target or Walmart (\$10 - \$20) for such use. Place these gift cards in the Justice and Mission mailbox or in the offering plate, clearly marked "Boulevard."

All donations should be received no later than Sunday, August 19. Questions? Call Jessica Kelley at 410-562-1797.

# Calendar: August 5-12, 2018

#### 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

4:00 pm Reconnecting with God's Creation

#### Monday, August 6

6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA)

7:00 pm Al Anon

Long-Range Planning meeting

7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)

#### Tuesday, August 7

12:00 pm Abundance Lunch

1:00 pm Abundance Pantry

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion exercise class

7:00 pm Friends of HOLA (St. Dominic's)

#### Wednesday, August 8

7:30 am Bible and Bagels

12:30 pm AA meeting

7:00 pm Ministry meetings

#### Thursday, August 9

**Tba** Iris Circle (to Kathy Hanna-Stauffer's)

5:00 pm Fitness Fusion

#### Friday, August 10

10:00 am Al Anon

#### Saturday, August 11

1:00 pm Baby Shower (Harris family)

#### Sunday, August 12

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

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Adult Bible Study, Fall 2018

Kerygma: The Gospel of Matthew: God With Us

**Registration begins August 12** 

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 but 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 Questions" 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."

# Family, Children, Youth Events

Subscribe to our FHC Christian Ed Calendar: bit.ly/ceCalendar

# 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>
Baldwin, Burleigh, Dillenbeck, Dyck/Troyer,	Blakeney, Burleigh, Dolan, Eberle,
Garrett, Hidek, Janssen, Koops,	Hidek (x2), Koops (x2), Ladebue, Lafferty,
Majot/Evans, Kelley, Peterjohn,	Leslie, Logan, Majot /Evans, Register,
Ryman/Moyer, Stawovy, Vahey,	Ryman/Moyer, Stock (x2), Troyer,
Vandall/Denton, Wadsworth/Wigger	Ungemach, Wedell, Weissbrod,
	Wollaeger

<sup>\*</sup>As of Wednesday, August 1
Received RSVP For CE Training Day

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

If you are interested in volunteering with FHC children/youth programming this year, I ask that you please complete this form: <a href="mailto:bit.ly/fhcVolunteer">bit.ly/fhcVolunteer</a>

If you have any additional questions, or are having trouble with the form, contact David at: <a href="mailto:ce@fhcpresb.org">ce@fhcpresb.org</a> or 216-702-7845 (cell)

# **CE 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's 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.

Please RSVP here: **Bit.ly/CEtrainingday**