

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship
January 20th, 2019 at 11:00 am

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship. Please join us in wearing a nametag so that we might greet you. Our ushers have large print editions of the bulletin and directions to our nursery for babies and young children.

Reflection

When we understand the dialectic of life and death we will learn to take the risks implied by faith, to make the choices that deliver us from our routine self and open to us the door of a new being, a new reality.

Welcome

Prelude

Descant Choir: Drum Circle

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Linnea Koops

Leader: We seek you on the mountaintop, O God.

**People: We acknowledge we do not see clearly, nor fully understand:
Open our eyes and our perception.**

Leader: We seek you on the mountaintop, O God.

**People: We acknowledge that too often we have not had confidence
in your power to bring light out of darkness, good out of evil**

Leader: We seek you on the mountaintop, O God.

**People: By faith, we believe through your chosen one, Jesus the
Carpenter, people's leader, chosen one,**

**All: That *good* will indeed overcome evil; love, overcome hate;
and life, overcome death. With this assurance, let us worship
God.**

*** Processional Hymn No. 339**

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

**please stand if able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession (In unison)

Light of the world, shine in upon our darkness and illumine the truth that all may see it. For we are more ignorant than wicked – willfully ignorant it is true and wickedly willful – and yet it is because the world does not know and realize the truth about itself and about its human children that it is continually doing such monstrous and hurtful things. Give us then light, more light, Oh God that we may see, learn, and know and we may no longer be with them who sit in darkness.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie Eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

Craig Phillips

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Kyrie Eleison. The first staff is in 4/4 time, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have" are written below the staff. The second staff continues the melody, with lyrics "mer - cy. Lord, _____ have _____ mer - cy." The notation includes various note values, rests, and a final double bar line.

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Forgiveness (In Unison)

May we go forth into the world with courage and confidence, and be ready to confront evil without retreating, knowing that men and women, young and old, chosen and called by God will receive power to stand fast against evil, and to triumph day by day.

*** Gloria**

Taizé

All sing first time. Second time: low voices, begin; high voices enter two measures later; children and youth enter two measures after that.

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Veronica R. Goines

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

Hymn No. 379

"We Shall Overcome"

St. 1-Descant Choir

St. 2-Sine Nomine Choir

St. 3 Chancel Choir

(All stand to sing St. 4, 5, and then repeat St. 1)

Scripture Lessons

Linnea Koops

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalms 36: 5-10

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, and your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. O continue your steadfast love to those who know you and your salvation to the upright of heart!

Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel

basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

After the readings

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Veronica R. Goines

"Light Seeking Light"

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

Paul Halley

"Sound Over All Waters"

(Patty Console, soloist)

This song was dedicated to Coretta Scott King and first sung in her honor on the occasion of her preaching at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. Mrs. King's steadfast vision and hope embody Whittier's words: "The dark night is ending and dawn has begun."

*** Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Going Forth to Live as God's People

*** Closing Hymn No. 853**

"Siyahamba"

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

Alternate English and Zulu words

*** 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

Joe Utterback

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"



Welcome Visitors!

We look forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex. Take one home with you! Be sure to visit our website, **www.fhcpresb.org**, for a list of upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and past sermon texts and audio.

Notes & Announcements

Today's flowers are given by:

- *Grace Uhle, in loving memory of Tom Uhle.*
- *Joe and Betsy Andrews, in loving memory of Mary and Clifford Andrews, Agnes and Leonard Cooper, and Martin Bradley Andrews.*

Prayers are requested this week for:

Laura Bell, Mark Davidson, Dan Fuller, David Hunter, Dick and Elspeth Peterjohn, Elizabeth Shaw, Jimmy Strong, Wesley Washington, and Ollie.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Marge Drollinger, Iris and Al Gilbert, Carol Himmelsteib, Florence and Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Judy Sieck, 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 one or more of our homebound members. We will address and mail the card for you.

Welcome the newest member of the Forest Hill Church family! Emmett Joseph Stock arrived January 14, 2019 at 5:51 am. Parents Ahren and Charity Stock are delighted. All are doing well!

Care Group: The Mt. Sinai Care Group is responsible for assisting the clergy in meeting members' needs during January. 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.

Thank you to Deborah Erwin and Robyn Hales, head ushers, and today's usher team.

Coming Up

TODAY

An Update from the Worship Ministry: We are no longer using the online application for lay reader sign-up. We are making direct contact with you to schedule Sunday readers. In to maintain a contact list of the Lay Readers, please let me know if you are interested in continuing to be a Lay Reader. If you are interested in doing this for the first time, we welcome you. **Contact Linda Martin by email (martin3386@ameritech.net) or phone (216-280-4049) to let her know of your interest, or with any questions.**

When the Sunday readings are emailed to you, you will also receive tips for a positive reading experience. We can arrange to answer questions and go over the readings with you until you feel comfortable.

Antoinette Richardson will be sending you the reading assignment for the following Sunday, just as Lynda Bernays has done for years.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study: The lessons for this week are **Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31 a; Luke 4:14-21**

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education, 9:30 in South Hall:

Adult Education in January: The Revelation to John

Two groups continue their study of the book of Revelation. You may still register if you are interested! Resource books are available for \$24.00. Dr. Timothy Beal, author of **The Book of *Revelation*: A Biography**, will be a special guest speaker (date to be announced later).

Questions of Faith at 9:30 a.m., led by Pastor Lentz

If you are still looking to find an Adult Education "home," come up to the second floor, to the end of the hallway, and there you will find a small group watching an excellent DVD series entitled "Questions of Faith." This series is made for progressive Christians and seekers who want a deeper journey into matters of faith and belief. Each week presents a new topic. Format is simple: watch the DVD and then talk. Hope to see you there this Sunday!

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held next Sunday, January 27 immediately after worship. All are invited for lunch in Fellowship Hall and all are welcome to attend; members may vote in the course of the meeting. Childcare will be provided.

LOOKING AHEAD

Black History Events: Please see page 11 for the calendar of events.

Food Not Lawns The local chapter of Food Not Lawns is holding a seed-starting and seed-swapping workshop at FHC on Saturday, February 2 from 11 am – 2 pm. If you are interested in gardening, food security, community, and saving and starting seeds, this is the place for you! More information about the workshop may be found in flyers as well as in the weekly email; you may also contact Mari Keating, foodnotlawnsclleveland@gmail.com. More information about the organization may be found at www.foodnotlawns.com. The workshop will conclude with a potluck lunch.

Calendar: January 13TH -20TH 2019

<p>Sunday, January 20: 9:15 am Childcare begins 9:30 am Adult Education Descant Choir (gr. 1-5) Youth Education (gr. 6-12) Confirmation Class 10:10 am Pathways (gr. 1-5) 10:30 am Chancel Choir Continental Breakfast 11:00 am Worship 12:00 pm Coffee and Conversation</p> <p>Monday, January 21: MLK Day 6:00 pm AA: Progress not Perfection 7:00 pm Al Anon: Now There's Hope 7:30 pm AA: Borton Group Boy scouts troop #403</p> <p>Tuesday, January 22: 12:00 pm Abundance Pantry Registration 1:00 pm Abundance Pantry opens Annual Meeting 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise 7:00 pm Black History Team Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday, January 23: 7:30 am Bible and Bagels 12:30 pm Staff Meeting AA: Wednesday Women's Group</p>	<p>Thursday, January 24: 4:00 pm ICE vigil Drill Team: Ladies in Training 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise 6:20 pm Voices in Bronze 7:30 pm Chancel Choir</p> <p>Friday, January 25: 10:00 am Al Anon: Hand in Hand 12:00 pm Pantry Volunteer Lunch</p> <p>Saturday, January 26: 9:00 am CEIRS Class: Gospel of Mark</p> <p>Sunday, January 27: 9:15 am Childcare begins 9:30 am Adult Education Descant Choir (gr. 1-5) Youth Education (gr. 6-12) 10:10 am Pathways (gr. 1-5) 10:30 am Chancel Choir Continental Breakfast 11:00 am Worship 12:00 pm Lunch and Annual Meeting Sin Nomine Choir 5:00 pm Youth House Church</p>
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Youth News

Every Sunday: Classes for all youth (gr. 6-12) meet at 9:30 am in the Ruah Room.

Today: We have our first Confirmation class.

Looking Ahead for the Youth: January 27 we will offer a movie for kids/youth in Ruah Room during the Annual Meeting. In addition, there will be House Church at the Koops' (5 pm- 7pm). In mid-February, Seth will lead a Youth Group Event (details are TBD).

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Register Today
HCC Workshop:
Recognizing Privilege and Bias
in Your Community

Saturday, February 2, 2019

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Location: Heights Library ~ University Heights Branch
13866 Cedar Rd, University Heights, OH 44118

The recent Cleveland Heights branding survey confirmed what Heights Residents have long known to be true, "diversity stands out as the most valued characteristic" of this community.

But what does diversity really mean and how do we embrace this vital characteristic every day?

Join Heights Community Congress and the wider community for this 4-hour workshop during which we will wrestle with these questions and much more. During our time together we will define and differentiate between diversity and inclusion, and discuss privilege and its impact in the community. This workshop, facilitated by our partners at **Compass Consulting**, will involve personal reflection and corporate sharing so that we can identify our social responsibility as it relates to the impacts of privilege in our fair city.

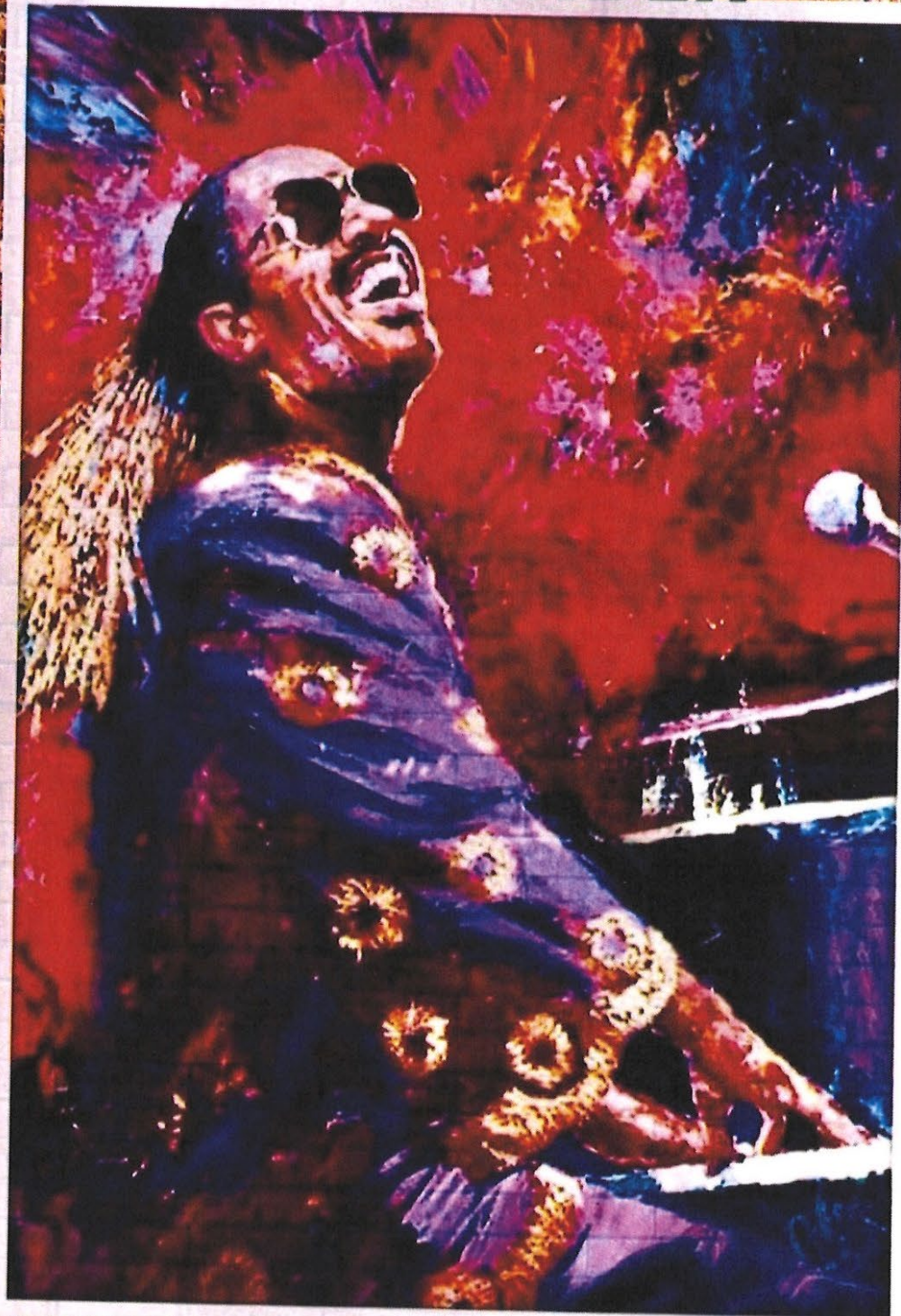
Soup, salad and drinks will be provided for lunch and snacks will be available.

<p align="center">Save the Dates and watch for more information! Black History Month, February 2019 <i>"They'll see how beautiful I am"</i> (-Langston Hughes) A celebration of African American Art</p>	
Fri. 2/1 through Sun. 2/3	<p>Eat at a Black-owned Restaurant Weekend: Our online list will be updated before Black History Month. We encourage all members of our church community to eat or buy takeout from a Black-owned restaurant any time this weekend.</p>
Sunday, February 3	<p>12:30 PM-Tour of African American Art at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Following Sunday service, we will offer a light lunch and carpool as a group to meet a docent at the museum for a tour.</p>
Sunday, February 10	<p>5:30 PM-Soul Food Pot Luck, featuring food as Art: Recipes from Black Chefs 7:00 PM- Concert: An Evening of Wonder, featuring the music of Stevie Wonder</p>
Sunday, February 17	<p>12:30 PM-An overview of African American Art Sandra Noble, Lecturer in Art History at CWRU and quilt artist</p>
Sunday, February 24	<p>12:30 PM to 5:00 PM-Art Show of local contemporary Black artists organized by Gina Washington, local artist, photographer, and educator.</p>

More information about the art museum tour on February 3

We are planning a docent-led trip to see African American art at the Cleveland Museum of Art on Sunday, February 3. We will provide a light lunch right after the service and leave for the museum by 1:00 PM (carpooling encouraged). There is no charge for the museum tour. We will accept donations to cover the cost of lunch. We need to know how many people are planning to come for lunch and the museum tour so we can prepare the right amount of food and provide enough docents. Please sign up by Sunday, January 20, and indicate how many people from your family are going. You may sign up online (see the weekly email) or Fellowship Hall -- Look for Ann Williams and the Black History Team.

AN EVENING OF WONDER



A CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC OF
STEVIE WONDER