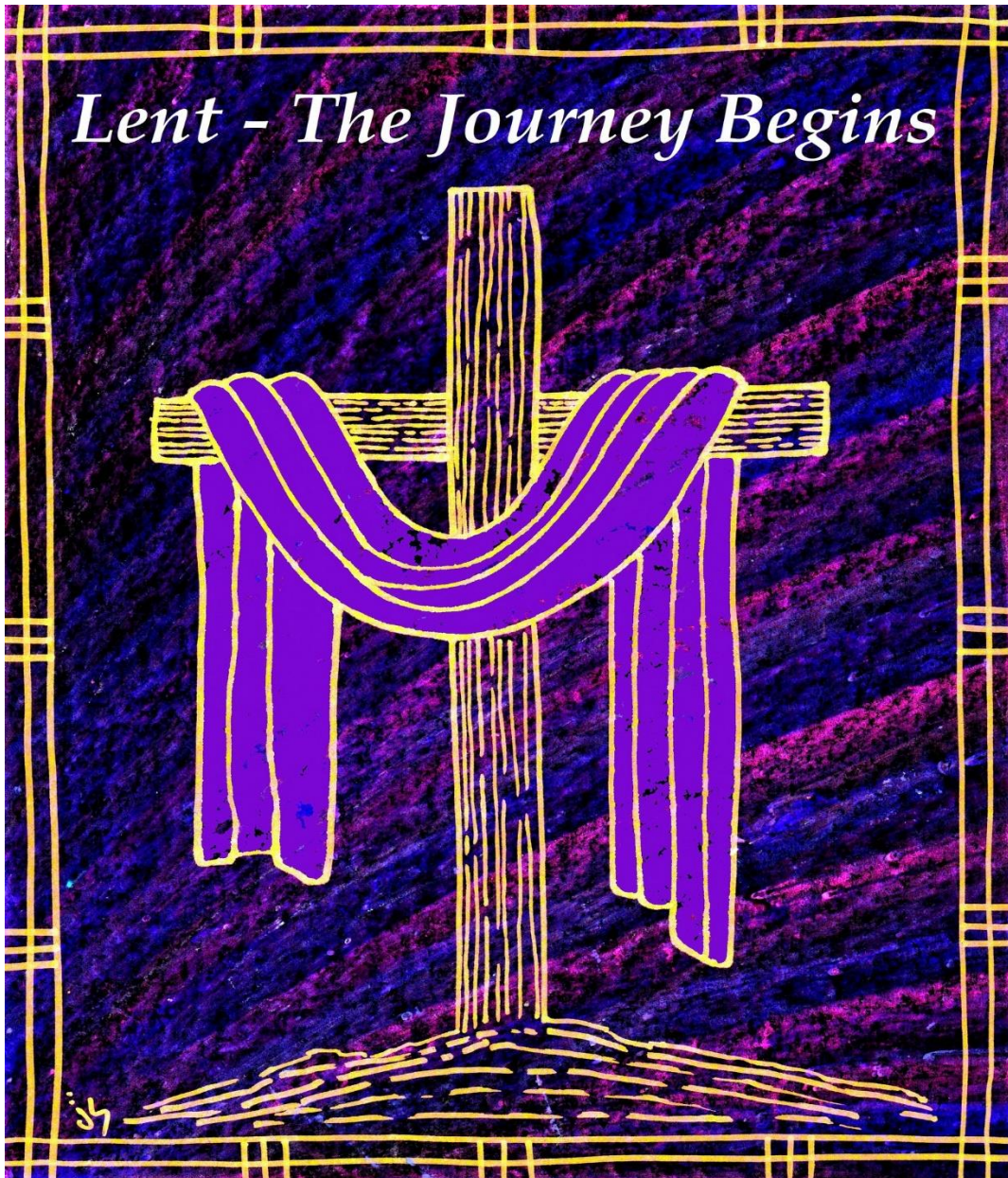


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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship
March 10, 2019 at 11:00 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 large print editions of the bulletin and
directions to our nursery for babies and young children.

Prayer of Preparation

*“The Word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’ (that is the word of
faith that we proclaim.”*

Welcome

Prelude

“With Gladness Ring” —William Moats
Voices in Bronze

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Lily Lenington

Refuge Almighty, Fortress Most High,

Deliverer, Dwelling Place, and Protector,

Be a tent on our wilderness journeys.

**Send your angels as our guides, that we may find you, find ourselves, and
remember who we are.**

*** Processional Hymn No. 39**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**please stand as able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

**Our confession, O God, is that we believe. We believe in the power and
presence of your goodness made flesh. In the face of big evils and little
falsehoods, may your Word make its way from our hearts to our lips. May
we confess you, as Jesus did in the wilderness. Fill us with your Holy Spirit,
we pray.**

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

Appalachian melody

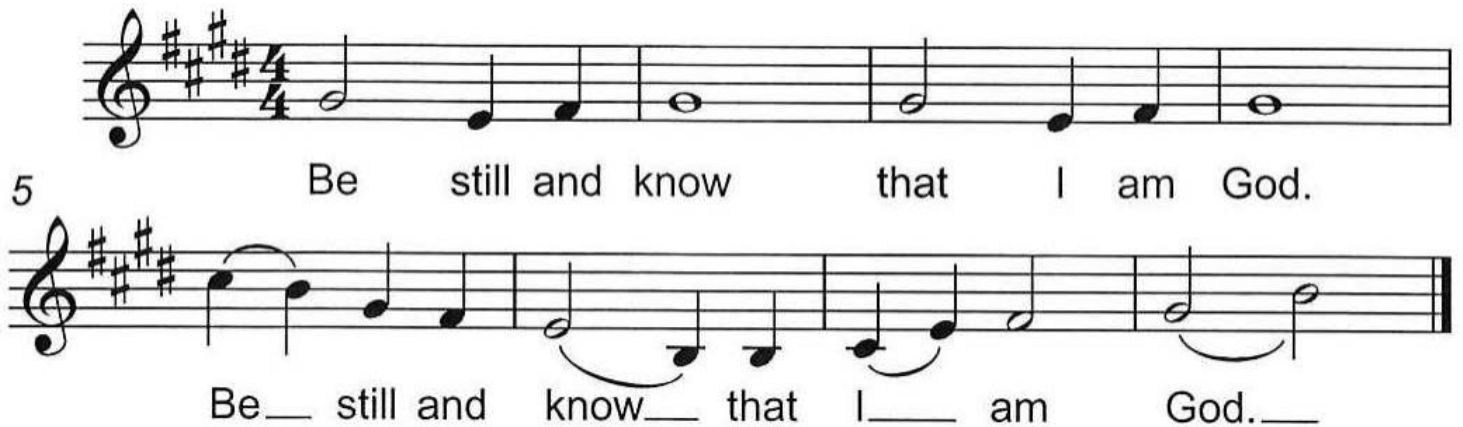
Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

The apostle Paul reminds us that God is generous when people call out in faith.

***Be Still and Know**

John Bell



Anthem

Descant Choir

"It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood"—Fred Rogers

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood, a beautiful day for a neighbor.
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?
It's a neighborly day in this beauty wood, a neighborly day for a beauty,
Would you be mine? Could you be mine?
I have always wanted to have a neighbor just like you!
I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you.
So, let's make the most of this beautiful day; since we're together we might
as well say,
Would you be mine? Could you be mine? Won't you be my neighbor.
Won't you please, won't you please? Please won't you be my neighbor?

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

*** Hymn No. 434**

"Restore in Us, O God"

Scripture Lessons

Lily Lenington

Psalms 91 (Assurance of God's Protection)

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.' Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. For

he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands, they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Romans 10:8b

But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim)

Luke 4:1-13 (The Temptation of Jesus)

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.’ Jesus answered him, ‘It is written, “One does not live by bread alone.”’ Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, ‘To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.’ Jesus answered him, ‘It is written, “Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.”’ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, ‘If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you”, and “On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.”’ Jesus answered him, ‘It is said, “Do not put the Lord your God to the test.”’ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

After the reading’s

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Veronica Goines

“Anatomy of Temptation”

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

“We Are Blessed”—Andrea Ramsey

Sine Nomine Choir

*** Response**

Hymn No. 697

5 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ted, Lord, to thee;

8 take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in

cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Going Forth to Live as God’s People

*** Closing Hymn No. 215**

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

*** 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

L'Organo Primitivo—Pietro Yon



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

Chancel Flower Donations:

- Ellen McChesney in loving memory of Clarence and Marjorie McChesney
- Patricia Jenkins in loving memory of her mother and Kathrine Lee Bowman

Prayers are requested this week for the following: Laura Bell, Mark Davidson, Dan Fuller, Grace Glaros, David Hunter, Darla Character-Johnson, Jim Seeders, Elizabeth Shaw, Jimmy Strong, Wesley Washington, and Ollie.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Marge Drollinger, Iris and Al Gilbert, Carol Himmelsteib (mom of Kathryn 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.

Pantry Prayer Requests: During the monthly lunch, guests at the Abundance Pantry are offered the opportunity to write prayer requests. If you would like to be a pray-er please pick up a request as you leave the sanctuary after worship.

Care Group: The Eden Care Group is responsible for assisting the clergy in meeting members’ needs during March. 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 Readers to sign-up. We are making direct contact with you to schedule Sunday readers. If you are interested in continuing to be a Lay Reader or if you are interested for the first time, we welcome you. **Please contact Linda Martin (martin3386@ameritech.net or 216-280-4049) to let her know of your interest, or with any questions.**

Abundance Pantry News: On March 5, the pantry provided an average of 50 pounds of groceries and lunch for 156 families. Monetary donations to the pantry ministry may be made to Forest Hill Church; in the memo line, please write Abundance Pantry or to Abundance Lunch. Abundance Pantry is open every Tuesday from 12-3 pm. Volunteers are needed. The next pantry lunch is April 2. **Email Paul Jennings (jennings_paul@att.net) for more info.**

The deadline for the bulletin or weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. The next TOWER deadline is 03/14/19 at 8:00 am. You may submit your written request to office@fhcpresb.com.

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels (Bible Study) discusses next Sunday's text(s) on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30. The lessons for this week are **Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35**

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education classes will continue studying from the book of Revelation through March 24th. Classes start at 9:30am and are located in South Hall and Bodwell Hall.

LOOKING AHEAD

Engaging the Spiritual Practices: Join us on March 17, 24, 31, and April 14 at 9:30 a.m., in the Chapel for a Lenten Study/practicum, Engaging the Spiritual Practices. Pastor Goines will teach basic principles of spiritual disciplines, introduce various weekly practices, and lead participants in communal practices to encourage the development of a rule of life for deepening faith. Please notify the office (office@fhcpresb.org) if you plan to attend.

The (aging) Forest Hill softball team is looking for the next generation of players to join the team. Starting the last week in April through the last weekend of July, the softball team plays other churches on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 across the street at Forest Hill Park. We are looking for a handful or more of new players to join the team. Members, visitors, friends, or family 16 and over should contact Jason Hidek at jason.hidek@att.net or by phone 440-264-3296 if you are interested.

Are you interested in joining Forest Hill Church? We are excited about our Exploring New Membership classes are being held on 3/17, 3/24, and 3/31 from 12:30-2:00 pm. Please reach out to the FHC office if you are interested and we will connect you with the Church Growth Team!

Iris Circle and Women of Forest Hill Church will enjoy a Pot Luck in Bodwell Hall, on March 19 at noon. Our guest speaker will be Humera Khan, from the Cleveland Chapter of the Council on American Islamic Relations, who will speak about being Muslim. She will help us plan a trip to the Islamic Center on Chardon Rd on April 5. Bring your favorite dish and see you there! **If you have any questions please contact Joyce Pope (teach1pope@gmail.com) or Cathy Ghiandoni (ghiandoni.c@gmail.com).**

On March 23rd from 5 pm-8 pm, Camp Lilac will host a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser in Fellowship Hall. There is live music and all you can eat spaghetti for \$25. **Please contact Ann Williams (asw1217@gmail.com) for reservation and more details.**

The Group and Hilltoppers: Sunday March 24th there is a lunch that will follow church service (12:30 pm-1:30pm) at Anatolia Cafe 2207 Lee Road. In addition, starting at 3:00 p.m. the Singers Club along with the Forest Hill Church chancel choir, will present a concert in memory and honor of Don Grube and the many years he sang with these wonderful groups. The concert is held at Forest Hill Church and there is a reception that will the concert in Fellowship Hall. R.S.V.P. For lunch only to Nancy Grube 216-245-6290 or donance@sbcglobal.net by March 22. See you there!

Lenten Privilege Fast: In an attempt to live out our spiritual call as described in Isaiah 43:19, Justice and Mission is ‘doing a new thing’ with Lenten Dinners this year. We have 2 additional dinners left with accompanying experiential learning opportunities designed to draw us closer to God and wrestle with what it means to ‘fast’ in a modern day, social justice context. **Please contact Justice and Mission (jablakeney.13@gmail.com or ajah412@gmail.com) for reservations and more details.**

April 3, 2019 Dinner and Activity: Teach the group about the activity you chose, why you chose it, and how it is going for you (use Jigsaw Method)
Challenge: How can you step it up for the last 18 days of Lent?

April 12, 2019 Intergenerational Outing in conjunction w/ David Wigger & Youth

April 28, 2019 Adult Education/ wrap discussion

Staff Emails

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Why do we Fast? “[Lent is]... a period of time in which Christians are meant to give up some comfort or adopt some spiritual practice that leads to self-examination, repentance from sin, and, ultimately, renewal of the soul, all in anticipation of greater dedication to serving others and God in the coming year.” As persons of privilege, how can we use fasting to draw closer to God while living into the call of 1 Cor. 12:22-24, which reminds us that “the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts we consider less honorable, we treat with greater honor”?

Reservations for April 3 and April 12 dinners
Reservations are needed by April 1st
“Lenten Privilege Fast with Justice and Mission”

Name (s) _____

Yes, I/we will attend ____on April 3 ____on April 12

How many individuals attending dinner? _____

You may place this form in the offering plate

Youth News

Every Sunday:

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

Today:

Sine Nomine Choir Rehearsal (after worship in the Chapel)

Looking ahead for the Youth (watch email for details):

Sunday, March 17: Confirmation Class Session 5

Friday, March 22: Field Trip to Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, 5:15pm

Sunday, March 31: House Church with Fairmount Pres and Church of the Covenant

Friday, April 12: Fish Fry - Intergenerational Outing

Calendar: March 10th -17th

<p>Sunday, March 10:</p> <p>9:15 am Childcare begins</p> <p>9:30 am Adult Education</p> <p> Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)</p> <p> Youth Education</p> <p> (gr. 6-12)</p> <p>10:10 am Pathways (gr. 1-5)</p> <p>10:30 am Chancel Choir</p> <p> Continental Breakfast</p> <p>11:00 am Worship and Children’s</p> <p> Worship</p> <p>12:00 pm Coffee and Conversation</p> <p> Sine Nomine Rehearsal</p> <p>12:30 pm Black Caucus Meeting</p> <p>Monday, March 11:</p> <p>6:00 pm AA: Progress not Perfection</p> <p>7:00 pm Al Anon: Now There’s Hope</p> <p>7:30 pm AA: Borton Group</p> <p> Boy Scout Troop #403</p> <p>Tuesday, March 12:</p> <p>12:00 pm Abundance Pantry</p> <p> Registration</p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise</p> <p>Wednesday, March 13:</p> <p>7:30 am Bible and Bagels</p> <p>12:30 pm Staff Meeting</p> <p> AA: Wednesday Women’s</p> <p> Group</p> <p>7:00 pm Ministry Meeting</p>	<p>Thursday, March 14:</p> <p>1:30 pm English Country Dance</p> <p>4:00 pm ICE vigil</p> <p>5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise</p> <p>5:30 pm Ladies in Training (Drill</p> <p> Team Practice)</p> <p>6:00 pm HCC Training</p> <p>6:20 pm Voices in Bronze</p> <p>7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p> Swim Club Meeting</p> <p>Friday, March 15:</p> <p>10:00 am Al Anon: Hand in Hand</p> <p>Saturday, March 16:</p> <p>3:00 pm Wedding Reception</p> <p>Sunday, March 17:</p> <p>9:15 am Childcare begins</p> <p>9:30 am Adult Education</p> <p> Descant Choir (gr. 1-5)</p> <p> Youth Education</p> <p> (gr. 6-12)</p> <p>10:10 am Pathways (gr. 1-5)</p> <p>10:30 am Chancel Choir</p> <p> Continental Breakfast</p> <p>11:00 am Worship and Children’s</p> <p> Worship</p> <p>12:00 pm Coffee and Conversation</p> <p> BP check</p> <p>12:30 pm Exploring Membership</p> <p> Class For new members</p> <p>4:00 pm Reconnecting with</p> <p> God’s Creation Class</p>
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Adult-Ed
Lenten Program on Salvation
“Why Did Jesus Die?”

Our Lenten practices often focus on sacrificing a bit of life’s pleasures and preparing for Easter. We often fail to consider how Jesus’ death was and is a miraculous act of love in and of itself. Our three-week study will explore how and why the how crucifixion and death of Jesus provides a model of selfless love and what it means to triumph over death. We will use art, history, and as always our Biblical text to explore the meaning of Good Friday.

Class will begin March 31st and will include April 7th and April 14th. We will meet in South Hall at 9:30 am. Tom Zych will lead class. All are welcome!

Adult-Ed along with Justice and Mission will also lead a group discussion on April 28th at 9:30 am that will go over the experience of the Lenten Season.

