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*Discovering God's call, celebrating the Spirit's presence,
Witnessing to Christ's transformative power!*

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Service of Worship

March 7 at 11:00 a.m.

The Third Sunday in the Season of Lent

Celebration of Communion

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

If you are visiting, please print your name on a name tag and wear it so that we might greet you. Large print editions of the Bible, the Hymnal, and today's bulletin as well as hearing devices are available from the ushers on request.

■ ■ ■ *Prayer of Preparation*

God help us to live slowly, to move simply, to look softly, to allow emptiness, to let the heart create for us. Amen.

Welcome

The Prelude

"Pavane"

G. Fauré

■ ■ ■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

The Call to Worship

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Leader: O praise the Lord with me.

People: Let us exalt God's name together.

*** The Processional Hymn No. 445**

"Great Day!"

Peter Williams

■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

The Prayer of Confession

Rev. Clover Beal

Leader: Glorious God, your thoughts are not our thoughts and your ways are not our ways.

People: You look at the ugliest soul and see the wings of an angel. We scan the finest of our neighbors, anxious to find the flaw.

Leader: You view time in the context of eternity and so find a place for waiting, for yearning, even for suffering, even for dying.

People: We demand instant results and look for tomorrow before savoring today.

Leader: But we are here not to have our worst confirmed but to have our best liberated.

People: Forgive in us what has gone wrong, repair in us what is wasted, and reveal in us what is good. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

Merbecke

■ ■ ■ *Affirming the Good News in Our Lives*

The Assurance of Pardon

* **The Response**

Be still

All sing first time; second time, men begin and women enter one measure later

■ ■ ■ *Opening Our Hearts to God's Word*

The Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-9

After the reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

Dr. John Lentz

"To the Table Spread"

The Ritual of Friendship

all are asked to sign the tablets as a record of attendance

The Offering of Our Gifts

The Offertory

"Holy Spirit, Come Now"

Sine Nomine Choir; soloists: Sarah Lentz, Anna Brock, Jack Lentz

* **The Response**

Hymn No. 428

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

■ ■ ■ *The Eucharist*

The Invitation

The 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 our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

(please use debts, debtors)

The Communion of the People

Music During Communion

"In the Babble of a Baby" Jaired Birks, soloist

A. Wilson

Hymn No. 513: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

choir and congregation

Prayer after Communion

Loving God, we have been to Christ's table and you have fed us with spiritual food. Send us now into the world in peace. Grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart through Christ our Lord. Amen.

■ ■ ■ *Going Forth to Live as God's People*

* **The Closing Hymn No. 507**

“I Come with Joy”

* **The Commission and Blessing**

* **The Choral Benediction**

* **The Passing of the Peace**

■ ■ ■ *The Postlude*

H. Purcell

“Voluntary in C”



■ ■ ■ *Parish Notes*

Chancel Flowers

The flowers today are give by Sue and Scott Lafferty in loving memory of their children Sarah, Douglas and Daniel and in honor of Christine, Juliann and Peter; and by the Cameron family in loving memory of Donald B. Cameron.

Prayer Concerns this Week

Bill Burcham	Hazel Grant	Marilyn Oviatt
Barb Cloud	David Gury	Graham Peters
Polly Cohen	Jason Himmelsteib	Debbie Ungemach
Molly Dise	Elizabeth Kosnik	Dennis Wedding
Marian Frederick	Mary Lewis	Doug, Marcie and Lucy Harvey
Bev Gairing	Connie May	Gerry & Loretta Losorella

This Month's Ushers

Scott Peters, Lead Usher; Tish Van Beers-Klein, assistant lead; Amy Davis, Chris Davis, Scott Duncan, Jean Duncan, Brian Klein, Jim Roosa, Ayodele Solaru. Roger Heineman, Head Usher

Nursery care for babies and young children is available on the second floor of the Monticello Wing.

■ ■ ■ *Announcements*

TODAY

Welcome Visitors!

Please stop by the Visitor Information table in the Courtyard Foyer following worship. We're looking forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have.

Today Is Hunger Sunday

Any cash or checks in envelopes marked “Hunger” will be used 100% for support of local hunger programs. Each month we send the money to the Heights Emergency Food Center.

Pathways and Children in Worship

The children in Pathways to the Promise Land and the Children in Worship class will be exploring the meaning of the Last Supper this morning in Gathering Time. We will share bread and juice as Jesus did when he asked his disciples to remember him. After this time together the children will continue in their workshops; they will not join their families for communion in the sanctuary.

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels

Bible and Bagels meets Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson for this Wednesday is **Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32**.

Exploring Membership

The next Exploring Membership class, for those of you considering membership or just interested in the workings of the church, will be held next Saturday, March 13 from 9 a.m.–1 p.m., and Sunday, March 14 from 9:30–10:30. Please contact the church office (216-321-2660 or office@fhcpresb.org) if you are interested. Those who choose to join the church will do so on March 21.

NEXT SUNDAY

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday!

Turn your clocks AHEAD 1 hour.



Adult Education: 9:30 in South Hall

Lenten Adult Ed Series – Reconciliation, Healing and Salvation

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| Mar. 14 | Spirituality through Addiction and Recovery
Exploring Membership: Part 2 | Tom Zych |
| Mar. 21 | The Spiritual Journey and Art of Forgiveness | Mark Chupp |
| Mar. 28 | Salvation – What Is It? | John Lentz |
| April 4 | EASTER – No Class | |

LOOKING AHEAD
Softball Season Is Here!

Spring Training is almost upon us! We are looking for five or six more players to add to our teams for the upcoming season. Any member, visitor, family or friend wishing to join the Forest Hill softball teams (actual softball skills not needed!), please contact Jason Hidek @ 330-284-5007 or jason.hidek@att.net .

Care Group

The Jericho Care Group is responsible for 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. Many thanks to the members of the Bethlehem CARE Group for their help in February.

★ Members of this month’s Care group are:

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| Jennifer Blakeney, Deacon and Leader | Tom and Paula Harvey |
| Janet Banis | Candice Hoke and George Taylor
and family |
| the Baumgartner family | Carol Hopkins-Lutz |
| Jennifer Blakeney and Marius Juodisius
and family | the Jamieson family |
| the Brock family | the Lindquist family |
| the Burleigh family | Eunice Manu |
| Jim and Carol Conway | Carol Phillips |
| Joseph and Janet Dauer | the Sampson family |
| Marj Drollinger | Jean Seeley |
| Elizabeth Farnfield | Chuck and Lora Smith and family |
| Beverly Gairing | Ann Tutton |
| Al Gilbert | the Wollaeger family |

The week’s volunteers: Continental Breakfast: the Brocks; Coffee Hour: Carol Hopkins-Lutz; Greeting Cards: Rosaneil Schenk; Greeters: the Dauers

Turkey and Ham Orders

Orders for Easter-dinner turkey breasts and hams are due March 21. Please see any member of the Sr High youth group, contact the church office, or pick up an order form in the foyer. Orders may be turned in to the church office and MUST have payment accompanying! See the order forms for more information. Proceeds support the Sr High’s trip to the Triennium in July.

Social Groups and Circles

The Group (singles and couples, 60s-70s)

The Group will gather at the home of Allan and Zivile Khoury (930 Whorton Park Dr., Mayfield Village) at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 13. Bring a beverage and a dessert, salad or appetizer. RSVP to Zivile or Allan (440 461-8235).

Hilltoppers (retired singles and couples)

The Hilltoppers will tour Malley’s Chocolate Factory at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 19. Contact Lou and Paul Richter (216-291-5574) for more information and to RSVP.

Pacesetters (singles and couples, 40s – 50s)

The Pacesetters will gather at the home of Don and Debbie Ungemach (3050 Coleridge, CH) for a chili cook-off on Saturday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m.. Bring your favorite chili or something to accompany chili. RSVP to Don or Debbie (216-371-8334).

Young Adults (Singles and couples 20s-30s)

Please join us in forming a new FHC fellowship group geared toward singles and couples (with children or without). If you are interested in meeting regularly with other FHC folks for food, fellowship, and faith-building, please join us for an organizational potluck at the home of Jason & Christina Hidek on Saturday, March 20th at 4:30 p.m. Come with ideas and a dish to share! Children are welcome! RSVP to Lisa Koops at nyima.daabo@gmail.com or 216-691-3316.

■■■ **FHC Youth**

MOB: Friday Nights with Mid High will next meet on March 19 from 6 – 8 p.m.

Mid Hi Mission Trip: The Pittsburgh Project, July 19 – 23. Check it out at www.pittsburghproject.org ! Reserve your place NOW – contact Liz Wollaeger for details. Registration is due March 15.

Senior Highs meet for fellowship every Sunday from 5 – 7 p.m.

■■■ *The Lessons*

Next Sunday: Joshua 5: 9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21; Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32. As part of your daily devotions, read the lessons. What image or word catches your attention? How do they settle or challenge you? Keep notes of your observations in a journal. Set aside part of each day for prayer and study. The lectionary readings for each Sunday are included in the "Sundays in March" page of the **TOWER**.

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Lenten Programs, 2010

Wednesday evening, March 17, 6:30 p.m.

All are welcome to gather in Fellowship Hall for a simple soup and bread fellowship meal before moving into the Sanctuary for a contemplative vesper service. Reservations are required for supper.

Thursday, April 1 – Maundy Thursday, 6:30 dinner, 7:30 worship

We will commemorate Maundy Thursday, Jesus' last supper with his disciples, remembering Christ's new mandate that we are to "love one another." A meal will be served in Fellowship Hall. Those who come will be expected to offer a side dish, salad or dessert to the gathering. Reservations are required. After dinner the very dramatic liturgy of Tenebrae will be observed and Communion will be served.

Friday, April 2 – Good Friday, 12 p.m.

Pastors Lentz and Beal will lead the annual remembrance service in the chapel from 12 noon - 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 4: Easter Sunday, 9 and 11 a.m.

We will arise to celebrate the good news of Christ's resurrection and our liberation. Services will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the chapel and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Calendar: March 7 – 14, 2010

Sunday, March 7

3 Lent

- 9:30 Child care begins
Adult and Youth education
Oversight Committee
Descant Choir
- 10:15 Descant Choir activity
- 10:30 Sine Nomine Choir
Continental Breakfast
- 11:00 WORSHIP: Communion
Pathways to the Promise Land
- 12:15 Coffee Hour
- 1:00 Scouts: Health & Safety training
- 5:00 Evangelism Group
Faith Leader
- 7:00 Film screening

Monday, March 8

TOWER deadline

- 6:00 p.m. Relapse to Recovery
- 7:00 p.m. Al Anon
- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack #36 (dens)
- 7:30 p.m. Borton Group (AA)
Boy Scout Troop #403

Tuesday, March 9

- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack #36 (dens)
- 7:30 p.m. Reaching Hts meeting

Wednesday, March 10

- 7:30 a.m. Bible and Bagels
- 6:00 p.m. Yoga
- 7:00 p.m. Ministries worship
- 7:15 p.m. All ministries meet

Thursday, March 11

- 6:20 p.m. Voices in Bronze
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
Forest Hill Swim Club

Friday, March 12

- 9:30 a.m. Al Anon

Saturday, March 13

- 9:00 a.m. Exploring Membership class
- 6:30 p.m. The Group potluck (at Khourys')

Sunday, March 14

4 Lent

Daylight Saving Time begins

- 8:15 Nominating Committee
- 9:30 Child care begins
Adult and Youth education
Descant Choir
- 10:15 Descant Choir activity
- 10:30 Chancel Choir
Continental Breakfast
- 11:00 WORSHIP
Pathways to the Promise Land
- 12:15 Coffee Hour
- 5:00 Evangelism Group
Faith Leader

Isaiah 55:1-9

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES NURSERY

Where can you eat animal crackers, hold a baby, play with blocks and listen to the worship service? In our nursery, that's where! Our nursery is in need of volunteers through the spring months. Please sign up in the nursery or contact Liz Wollaeger.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Are you looking for a way to get connected in the life of the church? Consider teaching in one of the Christian Education programs for children and youth. It is a great way to share your faith and get to know our amazing younger members. Curriculum is teacher-friendly and life-relevant. Please contact Liz Wollaeger for more information on how you can enrich your faith as you lead a Sunday School class.

Liz may be reached at 216-321-2660 or lizw@fhcpresb.org



Easter Lilies

please order by March 19

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