

Forest Hill Church PRESBYTERIAN



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

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Service of Worship

November 14, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

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*

Bless us, O Lord, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome

The Prelude

"He Lives"
Lisa Koops, flute

A. Ackley

The Choral Introit

■■■ *Greeting Our God with Joy*

The Call to Worship

Elder Jim Manista

Leader: Creator of the world, eternal God,

People: We have come from many places for a little while.

Leader: Redeemer of humanity, God-with-us,

People: We have come with all our differences, seeking common ground.

Leader: Spirit of unity, go-between God,

People: We have come on journeys of our own, to a place where journeys meet.

Leader: So here, in this house, let us take time together. For when paths cross and pilgrims gather, there is much to share and celebrate.

People: Let us worship God!

*** The Processional Hymn No. 258**

"Praise Ye the Lord" (Psalm 150)

■ ■ ■ *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

The Prayer of Confession

Rev. Clover Beal

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

A Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

M.Obery

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

The Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria, Gloria No. 576**

Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

2nd time, men begin; women begin 2 measures later;

Children and youth begin 2 measures after that.

The Anthem

“The Peace Round”

Descant Choir

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

Minute for Mission

Ministry of Justice and Mission

“Interfaith Hospitality Network”

*** Hymn**

The children will be collecting pennies!

“Scottish Penny Song”

Descant Choir sings st.1; all sing st. 2 & 3

Please see p. 4

Children in Pathways may leave following the hymn

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

The Scripture Lesson

Genesis 11: 1-9

After the reading

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

“Scattered to be Unified”

Dr. John Lentz

The Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

please use debts, debtors

The Ritual of Friendship

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

The Offertory

“Sent By the Lord I Am”

Cuban trad.

*** The 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.

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

*** The Closing Hymn No. 525**

“Here I Am, Lord”

*** The Commission and Blessing**

*** The Choral Benediction**

*** The Passing of the Peace**

■ ■ ■ *The Postlude*

“Toccata in the Phrygian Mode”

J. Langlais



■ ■ ■ *Parish Notes*

Chancel Flowers

The flowers today are given by Richard and Elspeth Peterjohn in loving memory of Richard's parents, Ruth and Carl Peterjohn, and Elspeth's parents, Ina and John Barclay; by Elizabeth Kosnik in loving memory of her husband, Frank, and other loved ones; and by the Koops family in loving memory of Lisa's grandparents, Hazel Grace and Donald Huisman.

Prayer Concerns this Week

Prayers are requested this week for the following:

Bill Burcham, Pam Conover, George Dean, Robert Eaton, Arlene Quinn, Debbie Ungemach, Ted Woodbridge

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Ralph Dise, Pat and Fran Drake, Rose Eaton, Marilyn Gifford, Mary Jean Kent, Elizabeth Kosnik, Mary Lewis, Merdine T. Morris, Joyce Peters

We invite you to write prayer requests on a slip of paper from the envelope rack and pass it to an usher during the singing of the middle hymn, to be included in the prayers later in the service. Lists of ongoing prayer concerns are in each month's **TOWER**.

Welcome to the newest member of the FHC family – Gabriel Lucas Ryman, son of Diane Moyer and Jeremy Ryman and brother of James. Gabriel was born November 2, 2010.

This Month's Ushers

Roger Heineman, Lead and Head Usher; Robyn Hales, Paula Harvey, Tom Harvey, Jason Hidek, Diane McFiggen, Tom McFiggen, Dick Peterjohn (assistant lead), Chuck Smith.

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. Visitor welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex.

Visitors and newer members – If you have a few minutes after church and would like to meet and get to know other members of Forest Hill Church, come to **Connections Corner** in Fellowship Hall. Look for the table to the left as you enter the room. Come for coffee, a tasty treat, conversation and connection!

AWE: Bach (and Jenkins) by Candlelight

Tonight at 7:30 p.m., our second **AWE** (Alternative Worship Experience) service, **Bach (and Jenkins) by Candlelight**, will be held in the sanctuary. Bach needs no introduction, but the composer Karl Jenkins probably does. Born in Wales and educated at the University of Wales and the Royal Academy of Music, London, Karl Jenkins is now the most performed living composer in the world. The Chancel Choir will sing *The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace*, his most performed work, having been performed 900 times since its world premiere at London's Royal Albert Hall in April 2000. It was initially inspired by the Kosovan conflict, but the clear message of hope this work brings to so many resounds even stronger ten years later. Intermixed with the movements of the Jenkins Mass will be violin music by Bach played by Baroque violinist Christine Wilkinson – all this in our beautiful candle-lit sanctuary. A reception follows the service and a dinner (prepared by Morag Keefe and the Sr High Youth) precedes it, by reservation.

Dinner this Evening

Today the youth are hosting a dinner at 6 p.m., before **Bach and Jenkins by Candlelight**. The pork tenderloin dinner (prepared by Morag Keefe) costs \$10 for one person or \$15 for two people. All money raised goes to the 2011 Youth Mission Trip. Stop by Fellowship Hall after worship to make your reservation!

Art Exhibit

The exhibit of works by Daryl Musick is open in the chapel after worship. Please call the office if you'd like to visit during the week.

THIS WEEK
Bible and Bagels

Bible and Bagels will meet Wednesdays from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. in the Jin Room. All are welcome! The lesson this week is **1 Corinthians 11: 17-34**.

NEXT SUNDAY
Adult Education

Kerygma Bible Study, week 8: All groups, plus drop-ins, will meet in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 a.m. There is also a group that meets Sunday evening, and one that meets Tuesday evening. This is the final week of the fall Kerygma series.

LOOKING AHEAD
Care Group

The Corinth Care Group is responsible for meeting members' needs during November. 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:

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| Robin Mervine, Deacon | Kate Monaghan |
| Joan Bacon | Margery & James Nokes |
| Molly Bergman | Linn & Melody Obery |
| John & Patricia Borthwick | David & Susanne Peterjohn & family |
| Ed Briskey | Bill Proudfit |
| Jeffrey & Kathy Cameron | Susan & Randy Reese & family |
| Barbara Cloud & family | Ron Schmidt |
| Joy Ferguson | Sandy Schultz |
| Kurt Haas & Dee Dee Pim | Dan & Joanne Shaner & family |
| Robert & Lisa Higgs & family | Vincent Taylor & family |
| Brian & Tish Klein & family | Bobbi van Dijk |
| John & Deanne Lentz & family | Kevin & Jill White & family |
| Tom & Diane McFiggen | Dene Young |
| Robin & Mel Mervine & family | |

Today's CARE Group volunteers: Joanne Shaner (Continental Breakfast); Kate Monaghan (Coffee Hour); Betty Clark and Rosaneil Schenk (Greeting Cards); David and Susanne Peterjohn (Greeters); Cindy Newton and Jennifer Blakeney (Flowers)

Social Groups and Circles
Iris Circle (all women of the church)

Iris Circle will gather at FHC on Tuesday, November 16th at 11:30 a.m. and work on the service project for the Christmas Angels program with Boulevard School. We will meet for lunch (bring your own brown bag or order a sandwich – turkey or beef club, made by Don Ghiandoni – for \$4). To order your lunch, contact Cathy Ghiandoni (216 691-1905 or cgghiandoni@aol.com). Beverages will be provided.

Heights Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

The Heights Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held at Communion of Saints Parish (St. Ann Church, corner of Cedar and Coventry Rds) on Wednesday, November 24, 2010 at 7:30 pm. The theme for the service is **Journeying Together as People of Faith in Difficult Times**. We are all aware of the difficulties many are facing: economic difficulties, homelessness, poverty, fractured communities. It is in times like this that we realize the strength and hope we find in our faith in God and our dependency on each other to walk toward the future. This Thanksgiving we gather to be grateful for the God who loves and guides us and the community of many faiths in which we find our strength.

■ ■ ■ *Youth News*

Today

Sr High Youth will meet in the Koinonia Room during worship this morning, and at 5 p.m. to help prepare tonight's dinner.

This Friday: Lock-In

It is time for one of the youth's favorite events –the overnight lock-in at the church!! This Friday, November 19th, Mid and Senior High will meet at the church at 8 p.m. for a night of fun and games. The Lock-In will end on Saturday morning at 8 a.m. Please bring a snack and drink to share for the night, and sign up with Kristen.

Next Sunday: Family Potluck

On Sunday November 21st, the families of our youth are invited to a potluck from 5-7 p.m. at the church. We will spend some time getting to know one another better, eating, having fun, and learning what's in store for the youth ministry at Forest Hill Church for the upcoming year. The general rule for potlucks is to bring a dish to share that can feed your entire family. Hope to see you there!

■■■ *The Lessons*

Next Sunday: 1 Corinthians 11: 17-34. 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. Links to the readings for each Sunday appear on the church's Facebook page, the **Upcoming Sundays** page of our website (<http://www.fhcpresb.org/worship-music/upcoming-sundays/>), and on the "Adult Education in November" page of the **TOWER**.

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Calendar: November 14 - 21, 2010

<p>Sunday, November 14 8:15 Nominating Comm. 9:15 Child care begins 9:30 Adult and Youth Education Descant Choir 10:15 Descant Choir Activity 10:30 Chancel Choir Continental Breakfast 10:45 MOB: Sr High 11:00 WORSHIP Children in Worship Little Explorers 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee Hour Sine Nomine Choir 5:00 Kerygma Faith Leader MOB: Sr High (dinner prep) 6:00 Pre-concert Dinner (reservation only) 7:30 Bach and Jenkins by Candlelight</p> <p>Monday, November 15 6:00 p.m. Progress not Perfection (AI Anon) 7:00 p.m. AI Anon Sycamore Group Cub Scout Pack #36 (dens) 7:30 p.m. Borton Group (AA) Boy Scout Troop #403</p> <p>Tuesday, November 16 11:30 a.m. Iris Circle 6:30 p.m. Kerygma: Art Group 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack #36 (dens)</p>	<p>Wednesday, November 17 7:30 a.m. Bible and Bagels 10:00 a.m. TOWER collators 12:30 p.m. Bullshevicks 1:00 p.m. Hilltop Garden Club 5:45 p.m. Yoga 7:00 p.m. Session meeting</p> <p>Thursday, November 18 6:20 p.m. Voices in Bronze 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir</p> <p>Friday, November 19 9:30 a.m. AI Anon 7:00 p.m. Russian program 8:00 p.m. MOB: Lock-in</p> <p>Saturday, November 20 8:00 a.m. Men's Group</p> <p>Sunday, November 21. 9:15 Child care begins 9:30 Adult and Youth Education Descant Choir 10:15 Descant Choir Activity 10:30 Chancel Choir Continental Breakfast 11:00 WORSHIP Children in Worship Little Explorers 11:15 Pathways to the Promise Land 12:15 Coffee Hour 5:00 Kerygma Faith Leader MOB: Family Potluck</p>
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The Exterior Renovation Project is on budget and is substantially completed. The first phase of the master landscape plan has been completed. The front third of the parking lot will be paved next spring.

Financial summary

Pledge payments received to-date: \$380,000
Funds paid to contractor to-date: \$542,000
Funds to cover balance of project: \$138,000

Funds needed to pay for total project: \$300,000
Any shortage will be borrowed from the bank.

To-date 56% of the pledges has been paid. Thanks to all of you who have helped keep the financing cost low.

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.