

# Forest Hill Church

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*Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming*

## *Service of Worship*

*July 31, 2016 at 10:00 am*

*Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.*

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If you are visiting, please join us in wearing a name tag so that we might greet you.

Our ushers have hearing devices, large print editions of the bulletin, activity bags for children staying in worship, and directions to our nursery for babies and young children.

### *Prayer of Preparation*

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

### **Welcome**

### **Prelude**

Gabriel Fauré

“Après un rêve”  
Rachel Wilson, cello

### *Greeting Our God with Joy*

### **Call to Worship**

Lia Clement

Leader: Love surrounds us this day;

**People: Love that is the stuff of prayer, and love that is sung in a song.**

Leader: So God’s love permeates our lives;

**People: From birth to death, we belong to this God who loves us.**

Leader: And so, as beloved people, let us worship God.

### **\* Opening Hymn No. 645**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

*\* Please stand if you are able*

# *Renewing Our Relationship with God*

## **Prayer of Confession**

Shannon Headen

**Holy God, You sent Your Son Jesus to be our peace, and yet we know so much strife and war, in the world, in our communities, in our churches, and within ourselves. Untie the knots of envy and disappointment that dwell in our hearts. Loosen our grasp on worldly things, that we might open our hands to holy things. Turn us around to You, and make us whole, we pray. Amen.**

## **Time of Silent Confession**

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

Paraguay

## *Affirming the Good News in Our Lives*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

### **\* Response**

Paul Vasile

### **"Glory to God"**

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, 12/8 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has set me free. As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men." The score consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a 12/8 time signature, and a key signature of one flat. The melody starts on a G4 note. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff continues the melody. The fourth staff concludes the piece with a final note on a G4 and a double bar line.

“Sing Hey for the Carpenter”

*Opening Our Hearts to God's Word*

**Scripture Lessons**

**Psalm 107: 1-9, 43**

**Leader:** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

**People:** **Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble**

**Leader:** and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

**People:** **Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to an inhabited town;**

**Leader:** hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

**People:** **Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress;**

**Leader:** he led them by a straight way, until they reached an inhabited town.

**People:** **Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.**

**Leader:** For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

**People:** **Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.**

## **Luke 12: 13-21**

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

*After the readings*

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\* Hymn No. 137**

"He Came Down"

*Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn*

**Sermon**

Rev. Lois Annich

"Enough Is Enough"

**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

## Offering



## Offertory

Shaker hymn, arr. Leonard Stone  
"Simple Gifts"

## \* Response

South African song



Ha - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais - es, all our  
3 hearts with glad - ness are filled. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your  
6 prais - es, all our hearts with glad - ness are filled. Now he  
9 sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong of  
13 faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful Good News. *repeat first part*

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

*Going Forth to Live as God's People*

**\* Closing Hymn No. 716**

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

**\* Commission and Blessing**

**\* Choral Benediction**

**\* Passing of the Peace**

*Postlude*

Andre Campra

“Rigaudon”



***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](http://www.fhcpresb.org), lists upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and texts and audio of past sermons.

Please welcome guest cellist Rachel Wilson. Rachel is a second-grade teacher in Fort Collins, CO and is the daughter of Anne Wilson.

## *Notes & Announcements*

**Chancel Flowers:** The flowers today are given by Roger and Grant Heineman in honor of Consuelo's birthday; and by Bill and Rachel Finn in memory of Jaime and Diana Martinez.

**THANK YOU** to all those who have lent their voices to the Summer Choir during June and July! Small groups will lead the music in August. All choirs start up again in September. Please contact Anne Wilson if you'd like information about singing (we have choirs for all ages and all voices), ringing (handbells), striking (steel drums) or playing an instrument.

**Prayers are requested this week for:** Gracie Glaros, Max Harmon, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Alex Jamieson, Marge Kaercher, Connie Reynolds, Robin Richards, Robert Ruggeri, Walter Schultz, George Sentell, Carolyn Smith, Joy Stang and Debbie Ungemach.

**Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:** Ruth Brickel, Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Emma Jane Gibbs, Iris Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Jack Quinn, Margie Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, Lorian Thomas.

**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.**

**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. Many thanks to the Corinth Care Group for their work in July.

✦ Members of this month's Care Group are:

John & Pat Borthwick	Dick Obermanns
Doris Brandt	Karen Parker
Lucy Conde	Joyce Pope
Monita Franklin	Carol Scott
Chris & Dan Fuller	Stephen Sedam
Ed Gemerchak & Sally Wile	Damos & Dele Solaru
Brett & Annette Himes	Michael & Becky Stawovy
Steven & Mary Hosier	Leslie & Robert Strachan
Ralph & Michelle Jean-Mary	Marge Thomas
Patricia Jenkins	Chris Vandall & Marcie Denton
Shelly & Jack Jesberger	Josh & Pam Webster
Joel & Kate Kolmodin	Mark Wedell
Jim Manista	Anne Wilson
Sam & Lauren Miller	Julie Wolfram Smith
Hal & Pat Musick	Robert & Julie Yoe

**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.

## *Coming Up*

### **THIS WEEK**

***Bible Study:*** The lessons for this week are: **Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20; Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23; Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16; Luke 12: 32-40.**

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

**Mid-week Bible Study – Thursday, 7 p:** Join Rachel McDonald for the final session of “becoming a Missional People.”

***Concert, August 4:*** A group of Chinese students participating in the Cleveland International Music Festival will present a concert at Forest Hill Church at 7 pm on August 4. For many of the students, this is their first time in the US and this will enrich their experience of our culture. The concert includes vocal, cello and piano pieces from many genres. It is free and open to the public.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

***“More than Equals” Wrap-Up, 11:15 in Bodwell Hall, August 7*** Are you looking for a way to act in response to the racial injustice in our community and nation? Join the Committee for Racial Inclusion and Diversity to plan our faithful response to topics such as white privilege, future Race Core Team events, and police-community relationships. Small table groups will be given tools to set measurable goals and action steps. All are welcome! Refreshments will be provided.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- ***Cleveland Pride:*** Forest Hill Church is again participating in Cleveland's Pride Parade, held this year on August 13. We'll meet at FHC at 9:45 am. The parade steps off at noon. Please contact Krystal LaFontaine ([k.lafontaine@gmail.com](mailto:k.lafontaine@gmail.com) or 216-210-3338) if you are interested in participating.
- ***Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build:*** Forest Hill Church is again helping to rehab houses on Cleveland's east side through Habitat for Humanity's Apostles Build. Remaining volunteer dates are Sept. 24 and Oct. 8. See the bulletin board for more info or contact Nathan Baldwin ([n.baldwin.usaf@gmail.com](mailto:n.baldwin.usaf@gmail.com) or [216-392-1313](tel:216-392-1313)) to volunteer.
- ***The Group:*** All are invited to join The Group for a picnic followed by a play at the Rabbit Run Theater on Aug. 14. Contact Kathy Hanna-Stauffer for details ([khannas@sbcglobal.net](mailto:khannas@sbcglobal.net) or 216 544-0916).  
All are invited to join The Group at an Indians game on Saturday, September 17 at 4:10 pm. Tickets are \$19 each. Contact Marcia Grant ([mgrant@us.edu](mailto:mgrant@us.edu) or 216-536-5710) by **August 10**.
- ***You are Invited to Lunch and a Legacy:*** Are you interested in ensuring that the mission of Forest Hill Church remains vibrant far into the future? If so, you are invited to attend a luncheon and program titled "A Legacy of Love: The FHC Endowment and You" on Sunday, August 28 from 11:30 – 12:30 in Bodwell Hall. Stephen Keizer, an Officer of Ministry Relations for the Presbyterian Foundation, will lead a discussion on the enormous power of the endowment to help ensure the ongoing work of the ministries of the church as well as offer suggestions on how you can get involved. Whether you are retired, starting a family or in mid-career, married or single, this program has something for you.  
RSVP to the church office (216-321-2660 or [office@fhcpresb.org](mailto:office@fhcpresb.org)) by August 24.

## *Staff Emails*

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## *Calendar: July 31 – August 7, 2016*

<p><b>Sunday, July 31</b> 8:30 am Nominating Committee 9:00 am Summer Adult Education 9:30 am Child care begins Continental Breakfast Summer Choir 10:00 am WORSHIP 11:15 am Coffee and Conversation</p> <p><b>Monday, August 1</b> 6:00 pm Progress not Perfection (AA) 7:00 pm Al Anon 7:30 pm Borton Group (AA)</p> <p><b>Tuesday, August 2</b> 1:00 pm Abundance Pantry distribution 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion 6:00 pm Discernment Task Force</p> <p><b>Wednesday, August 3</b> 7:30 am Bible and Bagels 12:30 pm Wed. Women's AA</p>	<p><b>Thursday, August 4</b> 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion 7:00 pm Concert: Chinese cello students 7:30 pm Mid-Week Bible Study</p> <p><b>Friday, August 5</b> 9:30 am Al Anon</p> <p><b>Saturday, August 6</b> 10:00 am "Boys Taking Action" presented by the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 7</b> 9:30 am Child care begins Continental Breakfast 10:00 am WORSHIP 11:15 am Coffee and Conversation "More than Equals" Wrap-Up: From Conversation to Action</p>
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**Outdoor Worship  
on the front steps  
Cookout in the courtyard  
Music by Caleb Wright  
and friends  
Saturday, August 13  
6:30 pm**

