

Forest Hill Church

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Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Service of Worship
April 28, 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

Out of despair comes hope. Out of fear comes affirmation. Out of threats
come conviction. Out of our hearts comes praise. Take a moment to center
yourself and prepare to worship God.

Welcome

Choral Introit

“Jesus, You Are King of My Heart”

Cherub Choir; Lisa Koops, director

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Doris Bartlett

Even in the midst of our questions

We will praise the Lord.

Even with fears of what might be

**We will praise God for God’s mighty deeds, according to God’s
surpassing greatness.**

We come with faith that is growing,

Praising God with song and dance.

Let us offer worship and praise to the living God, the risen Jesus, and the
Holy Spirit.

Let everything that breathes praise God. PRAISE GOD!

*** Processional Hymn No. 26**

“Earth and All Stars”

Voices in Bronze will play an introduction. Please stand to sing when the organ plays.

**please stand as able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Ever patient and loving God, the excitement and joy of Easter has faded, and our doubts and fears are creeping in again. We somehow need to see to believe. We long for the peace that Jesus gives. Forgive us our doubts, our fears, and our reluctance to witness to you and to the Risen Jesus. We pray for courage and conviction of those first disciples – disciples who overcame their fear and doubt to become mighty witnesses. Lord, we believe; help our unbelief. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

Anne Wilson

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Assurance of Pardon

The one who loves us and frees us will not leave us in despair and doubt, but will fill us with joy and conviction. Let us praise and witness to the Holy One – the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end; the one who is with us always. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria

Taize



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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!

All sing first time; 2nd time lower voices begin; upper voices begin 1 measure later

Anthem

John Bell

“In Christ We Live”

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

Min for Mission

Youth

Children's Moment/Family Meditation

Rev. David Wigger

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

Alleluia

John Bell

Congregation sings on cue

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 2/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia." The first system ends with a triplet of notes. The second system starts with a measure rest and continues with the same melody and accompaniment.

From the Living Word

Doris Bartlett

Proverbs 3:5-6 (page 510) and Philippians 4:10-13 (page 955)

After the readings

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Kemp Jaycox

"Making Peace With What Is"

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

arr. Valerie Stephenson

“The Battle of Jericho”
Voices in Bronze

* Prayer of Dedication

Going Forth to Live as God's People

* Closing Hymn No. 543 “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

* Commission and Blessing

* Choral Benediction

“In Christ We Live”

The musical notation is written on three staves in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/2 time signature. The lyrics are: In Christ we live___ and in Christ we die___ and in Christ we rise___ up a - gain. Let heav'n be glad___ and let earth re - jice___ and sing, "Al - le - lu - ia, a - men!

Sanctuary will return next week

* Passing of the Peace

Postlude

Sarah Glick

“This Joyful Eastertide”



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

Prayers are requested this week for the following: Mary Ball (foot surgery), Clover Beal (death of mother Adele), Barb Cloud, Mark Davidson, Nan Dorer, Dan Fuller, Grace Glaros, Robyn Hales, David Hunter, Darla Character-Johnson, Wanda Nelson, Ron Register, Elizabeth Shaw, Jimmy Strong, Wesley Washington, Chris Wollaeger and Ollie.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Marge Drollinger, Iris and Al Gilbert, 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.

Care Group: The Canaan Care Group will assist our pastors in meeting members' needs during April. 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.

Thank You to all office volunteers (Nancy, Ellen, Cathy, Jane, Chuck and Anne). You are appreciated!

Flower donations are needed! Are you interested in donating a flower arrangement in honor or in memory of someone? The arrangements are \$45 each and you may donate the flowers (the deacons will find a recipient) or you may take them home. **Please email office@fhcpresb.org if you would like to take this opportunity to help beautify the sanctuary.**

Abundance Pantry News: On April 23, the pantry provided an average of 50 pounds of groceries for 165 families. Monetary donations to the pantry ministry may be made to Forest Hill Church; in the memo line, please write Abundance Pantry or Abundance Lunch. Abundance Pantry is open every Tuesday from 12-3 pm. Volunteers are needed. The next pantry lunch is May 7. **Email Paul Jennings (jennings_paul@att.net) for more info.**

Coming Up

TODAY

Are you interested in joining Forest Hill Church? Please reach out to the Church Growth Team (churchgrowth@fhcpresb.org) for more information!

The Sine Nomine Choir will rehearse after worship.

In commemoration of Earth Day 2019, all are invited to a free event at the Cleveland Museum of Art! The enlightening program "Next Silent Spring" will be held today, from 2 - 4 PM. For more information, please contact Laurel Hopwood at lhopwood@roadrunner.com.

The Ministry of Justice and Mission announces the endowment cycle. We hope you will help us reach out to groups connected to FHC as well as community programs and organizations which seek to serve those in need and to work for justice and self-empowerment. **Please contact Jennifer Blakeney** (jablakeney.13@gmail.com) for details on each application.

Softball Spring Training is here!!! Members, visitors, friends, or family 16 and over should **contact Jason Hidek** at jason.hidek@att.net or **440-264-3296** if interested.

New small groups are forming! They will meet weekly at different times but all will provide an opportunity to grow in faith. Requested commitment: 5 meetings. To sign up for a group, please email the group leader listed below. To lead an additional group please email Lisa Koops (lisa.koops@gmail.com).

All Ages / Any and Every one Small Group

Leader: Debbie Wilber, debbiedooski@yahoo.com

Location: Wilbers' House in Shaker Hts.-Every other Thursday 6:30 to 8pm, starting May 2

Lectio Divina / Divine Reading Small Group

Leader: Liz Wollaeger, lizwollaeger@gmail.com

Location: Forest Hill Church-Thursday, 7:00-7:45PM, April 25-May 23

Family and Faith Small Group

Leaders: Lisa & Jed Koops, lisa.koops@gmail.com

Location: Koops's House in Shaker Heights-One Saturday a month, 4:30-6:30 PM, starting Saturday, May 4

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels (Bible Study) discusses next Sunday's texts on Wednesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30. The lessons for this week are **Acts 9:1-6 (7-20), Psalm 30, Revelation 5:11-14, John 10:22-30.**

On May 4th from 9 am-noon: Come Play in the Dirt!!! Spring work day is approaching! We will spread mulch, take down storms, wash windows, and put up screens to let in the breezes of summer!!! Okay, so it doesn't sound like a lot of fun but many hands make light work and.... FHC needs you!! Childcare and bagels are available. **To sign up, please email Ann Donkin (adonkin@fhcpresb.org).**

The Cleveland Nonviolence Network (CNVN) and People's Justice and Peace Convention 2016 are hosting 'Active Nonviolence: Registering Black Voters'. The event will be on Saturday, May 4 from 4pm - 8pm. North Presbyterian Church (in the Lutheran Metro Ministries Building) 4515 Superior Ave. Talk with Michael Bibler about his work doing voter registration in the South and his work promoting voting rights, school integration and open housing. There is plenty of parking in the gated lot across the street. A light soup dinner will be served and a free will offering will be accepted.

NEXT SUNDAY

Installation of Rev. Dr. Veronica Goines, Sunday May 5, 4:00 pm. Celebrate with us! "God is doing a new thing!" Child care is available.

Adult Ed and the Spiritual Formation Ministry 9:30 am in South Hall:

May 5 - "Camp Lilac" a celebration of Transgender kids - Ann Williams

May 12 - "Why Christians should care about Climate Change" - Dave Neff

May 19 - "Becoming a More Light Church" - Rev. David Wigger and FHC Youth

May 26 - "How to Read the Bible" - Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

LOOKING AHEAD

The deadline for the bulletin or weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. **The next TOWER deadline** is 05/16/19 at 8:00 am (for the June TOWER). You may submit your written request to office@fhcpresb.org.

Communion Volunteers Needed! Anyone who is an active member of FHC may serve communion. **If you are willing to add your name to the list of servers please contact Mary Ball (ml.ball47@gmail.com or 216-255-0842).**

Young Adult Brunch! Please join us for a young adult potluck brunch after church on May 19 in Bodwell Hall. Bring your favorite brunch food to share with the group. Children and babies are welcome. **Please RSVP to Charity Stock at CharityRMcDonald@gmail.com.** Hope to see you there!

The GROUP event at the Khourys' (930 Worton Park Drive in Mayfield Village): May 11 at 6:30 PM, Allan and Zivile will be hosting a potluck dinner to plan next year's activities for the Group. Fresh ideas and new friends are always welcome. **Please contact Zivile (zivile@gmail.com or 440-461-8235 or 440-465-1234) or Cathy Ghiandoni (ghiandoni.c@gmail.com or 216-691-1905)** for a food assignment (appetizer, dessert, or green salad). Zivile will provide the main dish.

Another opportunity to make a difference for immigrants: Friends of Immigrants (Friends of HOLA) will hold our monthly meeting at FHC on Tuesday, May 7 at 7 pm. One agenda item will be a presentation from a group providing basic supplies to immigrants being dropped off a bus at the Youngstown Detention Center (prison). These folks are dropped off with nothing but the shirts on their backs. Come to hear more at the meeting and/or make a donation of one of the items listed below. There will be a box in Fellowship Hall labeled for these donations. Backpacks are our #1 need right now. We fill them with: bottles of water, snacks (trail mix, peanuts, granola bars, crackers etc.), socks, underwear & undershirt, soap, wash cloth, toothpaste, deodorant, post it notes & a pen. Thank you. If you have questions **contact Sharon Shumaker 216-659-4114 sms2924@gmail.com.**

Your help is needed for a Nicaraguan asylum seeker: Many of you know about Ansly Damus, an asylum seeker from Haiti who was finally granted release with community support and the housing sponsorship from a local couple. Another urgent need has been presented for a Nicaraguan man who has been held at NEOCC (North East Ohio Correctional Center) for six months. His asylum case is progressing but he was denied bond due to lack of community ties. The social worker who is preparing his psychological evaluation for his attorney wrote "His story is very tragic. His prolonged detention is unjust". As people continue to seek asylum this is a concrete way we can respond and make a difference. **Contact Sharon Shumaker 216-659-4114 sms2924@gmail.com for more information.**

Youth News

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

Sun, April 28: House Church (Wadsworth/Wigger House) 5:00-7:30pm

Sun, May 5: Orthodox Church Field Trip, carpool leaves FHC at 9:15am

Sun, May 12: More Light Teach-In Planning, 9:30am

Sun, May 19: Youth Lead More Light Teach-In, 9:30am

Wed, May 22: Session Votes on More Light Proposal, 7:00pm

Sun, May 26: CE Celebratory Potluck Breakfast, 9:30am

(Sign-up for youth news at: bit.ly/FHCyouth)

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**FOREST HILL CHURCH
YOUTH**

**HOUSE
CHURCH:
APR 28
5-7:30PM**

Please RSVP to:
ce@fhcpresb.org

Calendar: April 28-May 5

Sunday, April 28:

- 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
Cherub Choir
- 11:00 am Worship and Children's
Worship Class
- 12:00 pm Coffee and Conversation
Sine Nomine Rehearsal
Pastors Meeting
- 4:00 pm Reconnecting with
God's Creation class
- 5:00 pm House Church at the
Wiggers'

Monday, April 29:

- 6:00 pm AA: Progress not Perfection
- 7:00 pm Al Anon: Now There's Hope
- 7:30 pm AA: Borton Group
Boy Scout Troop #403

Tuesday, April 30:

- 12:00 pm Abundance Pantry
Registration
- 12:30 pm Chamber Orchestra
Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise
Bulletin and Email Deadline
- 7:30 pm Chamber Orchestra
Concert

Wednesday, May 1:

- 7:30 am Bible and Bagels
- 12:30 pm Wednesday Women's
Group
Staff Meeting
- 6:30 pm Jung Workshop

Thursday, May 2:

- 1:30 pm English Country Dance
- 4:00 pm ICE vigil
- 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise
- 5:30 pm Ladies in Training (Drill
Team Practice)
- 6:20 pm ~~Voices in Bronze~~
- 7:00 pm Lectio-Divina
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 3:

- 10:00 am Al Anon: Hand in Hand

Saturday, May 4:

- 8:00 am Men's Group Meeting
- 9:00 am Boy Scout Conference
Spring Work Day!

Sunday, May 5:

- 9:15 am Childcare begins
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- 4:00 pm Installation Service

MORE

LIGHT

TEACH-IN

YOUTH LED ADULT ED



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5.19.19
9:30AM

"Following the risen Christ, and seeking to make the Church a true community of hospitality, the mission of More Light Presbyterians is to work for the full participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA+) people in the life, ministry and witness of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and in society." - More Light Presbyterians Mission Statement