

Forest Hill Church
Service of Worship
August 4, 2019 at 10:00 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 hymns and
directions to our nursery for babies and young children.

Centering Words

We are one in Christ, wherever we come from and whatever we look like!

Welcome

Prelude

J. S. Bach

"Prelude in E Major"

Choral Introit

South African song

"We Walk His Way"

Greeting Our God with Joy

Call to Worship

Dean Sieck

God calls to us from the wilderness of our lives.

We cry out to God to save us from all that we fear.

God satisfies all who hunger, and gives water to all who thirst.

We hunger and thirst for God.

Come and give thanks, for God is good.

We come to worship the God who calls us.

*** Opening Hymn No. 515**

"I Come with Joy"

**please stand as able*

Renewing Our Relationship with God

Prayer of Confession

Generous and compassionate God, you call us to live in peace with one another, sharing the good gifts you give us with all of your creation. You call us to remember that we are one in Christ, and to treat one another with love and respect. You call us to rely on you, and to put our trust in your eternal love. Forgive us when we turn away from you.

Time of Silent Confession

Kyrie eleison (*Lord, have mercy*)

Zoltan Kodaly

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

Words of Assurance

God has promised to fill us with good things, to satisfy our hunger and thirst with love and grace. In Christ we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

***Response**

Paul Vasil

3 Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the
6 Son, whose grace has par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, whose love has
8 set me free. As it was in the be-gin-ning, is
now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

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

The Living Word

Dean Sieck

Hosea 11:1-11 (page 737)

After the readings

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz

"God along the Highway"

Ritual of Friendship/ Offering

Children may return to their families

Offertory

Stephen Paulus

"Lord, Here Am I"

***Response**

South Africa

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*

Eucharist

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Sanctus

Deanna Witkowski

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.

Communion of the People

Music during Communion

Angel Napieralski

"My Soul Thirsts for God (Psalm 63)"

Prayer after Communion

Having shared the bread and the cup and clothed ourselves in Christ, let us be Christ to the world that hungers and thirsts for love. In the name of the great giver of life, the one who is life itself and the breath of life; we will go in peace to love and serve the Lord by loving and serving the world. Amen.

Going Forth to Live as God's People

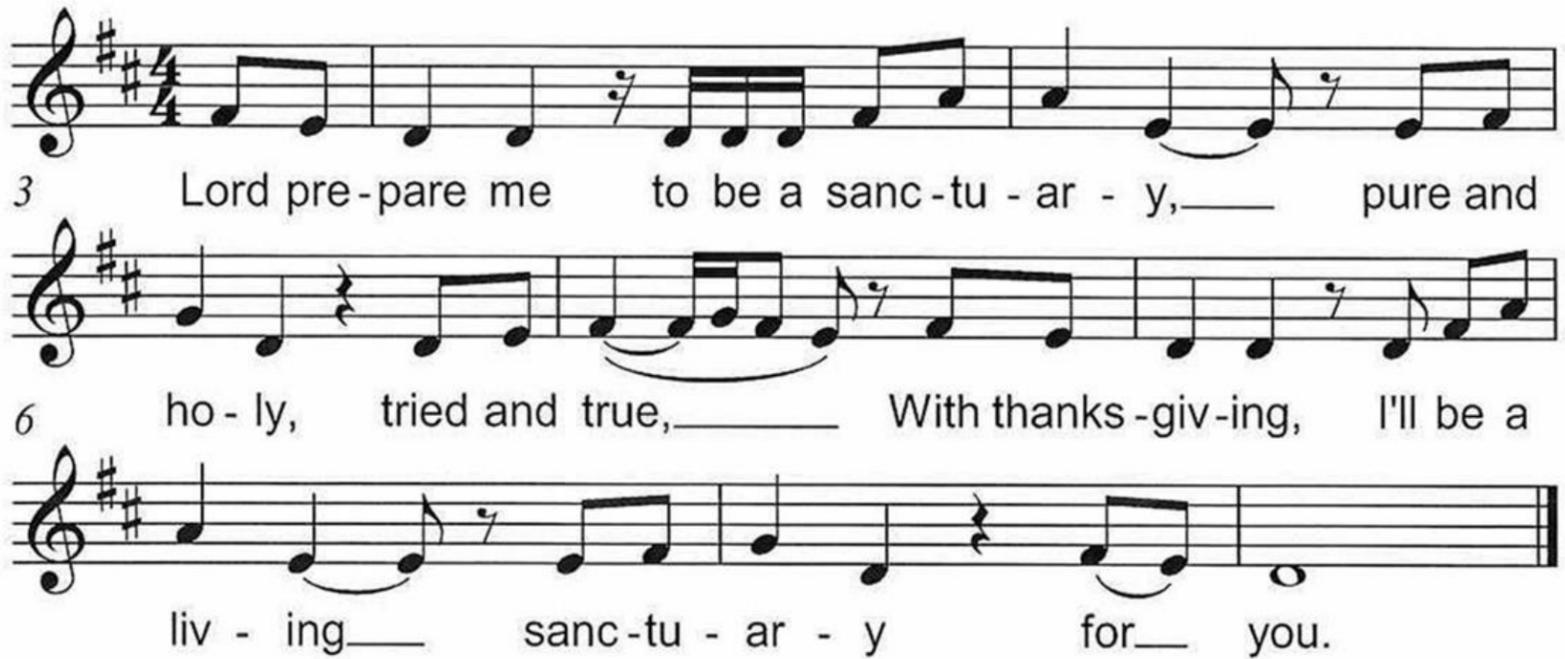
*** Closing Hymn No. 526**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*** Commission and Blessing**

* Choral Benediction No. 701

“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

J. S. Bach

“Come Holy Spirit”



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 Flowers:

- Ron Reynolds in loving memory of his mother, Connie Reynolds.
- Rachel Martinez-Finn in memory of our loved ones.

Prayer Requests:

If you would like to request prayers for a personal concern, please use one of the slips of paper in the pew rack. Ushers will collect the requests during the middle hymn and pastors will include them in the congregational prayer.

Prayers are requested this week for the following: Mark Davidson, Robyn Hales, Steve Hoiser, David Hunter, Allan Khoury, Zelma Sharp, Elizabeth Shaw, and Wesley Washington.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Nan Dorer, 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 Bethlehem Care Group will assist our pastors in 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 leader (Sally Davis)**.

Thank you to Deborah Erwin and Robyn Hales, head ushers, and today's usher team.

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

Abundance Pantry News: Volunteers are needed at this time. For more information, **please email Paul Jennings** (jennings_paul@att.net).

The deadline for the bulletin or weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. **The next TOWER deadline** is 08/15/19 at 8:00 am. You may submit your written request to office@fhcpresb.org.

Coming Up

TODAY

Special thanks to today's music leaders: Beth Zych, Beth Garrett, Seth Ungemach and Carl Jenks.

At the conclusion of the 10:00 am service. A service of prayer, of lament, and of hope for Jose Refugio Bernal, partner of over 20 years with Leonor and father of Margaret, Eric, Mario and Adan. Jose was deported last week leaving the family without a father or partner.

The Adult Ed class will kick off the fall with a Kerygma study of the book of Job. Pat Seeders will start registration for the classes every Sunday after morning service until the beginning of the study on September 8th. There will be two classes. Resource books will be available at registration for \$18.00. Stop by and register with Pat at the entrance of South Hall.

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: **Isa. 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23, Luke 12:32-40 and Hebrew 11:1-3, 8-16.**

The July Friends of Immigrants meeting will be 7pm Tuesday, August 6 at St Paschal Baylon Catholic Church 5384 Wilson Mills Rd, Highland Heights, OH. This is a joint meeting of the Lake Friends of Immigrants and the Heights Friends of Immigrants. Come hear about voter registration projects, a recent press conference that Sherrod Brown had with 40 clergy about immigration and projects to send much needed supplies to the border. If you are interested in carpooling (drivers and passengers) **let Sharon Shumaker know (sms2924@gmail.com)** by Monday afternoon.

Building for our Future: HOLA Ohio's annual fundraiser-Saturday, August 10, 6 - 9 p.m., Family Life Center, Chagrin Falls: Join members of Forest Hill Church in supporting HOLA Ohio's critical work protecting Northeast Ohio immigrant workers and their families by attending their fundraiser. The event will include a delicious South-of-the-Border Mexican buffet, festive décor and acoustic music by **Elena y los Fulanos**. An array of unique baskets and auction items will be available, including an item signed by Pro Football Hall of Famer Anthony Muñoz. Also meet Ohio artist **Alberto "Beto" Marin**, originally of Puebla, Mexico. A signed print of one of Beto's paintings, created especially for HOLA to acknowledge Ohio's Latino farm workers, will be available for auction. **Tickets are \$65.** Purchase your tickets online at holaohio2019.eventbrite.com. Sponsorship packages and volunteer opportunities are also available. **Advise Jeff Smith at jeffsmith2756@gmail.com or 216.932.2932 if you have purchased tickets, as we will endeavor to have tables reserved for FHC.**

NEXT WEEK

Come join the Pacesetters for a fun evening and enjoy a free concert at Wade Oval Wednesday (WOW), **August 14th**, 6:00-8:00 pm. Bring a blanket, chairs, picnic supper, beverage of choice and/or

purchase dinner and desserts from vendors on site. Playing that night is “The Rad Trads” (Indie Rock, Americana, and Soul). Look for the balloons in the area across from the Art Museum entrance. Check out universitycircle.org for parking and shuttle information. One of the easiest places to park is the top floor of the Art Museum parking garage (\$10 for nonmembers and \$6 for members). All are welcome! **Email Anne and Jeff Smith at anneandjeffsmith@gmail.com if you have any questions.**

LOOKING AHEAD

Christian Education Volunteer Trainings: 9 am - August 18 or August 25: All volunteers thinking about working with the children and youth programming this year are asked to attend **ONE** of the trainings on either Sunday, August 18 or Sunday, August 25 at 9am. If you cannot make one of those trainings, but would still like to volunteer, **please contact David (ce@fhcpresb.org)** to set up an alternative training.

On any given day 109 Americans will die by a gun. It is estimated that the total number of guns may outnumber our population. Nearly half of our population knows someone who has been killed by a gun. On **August 25**, come explore together with leaders from “God Before Guns” how people of faith can work to reduce deaths and injuries from gun violence. We will meet in South Hall after morning service. More details to follow.

Are you interested in becoming part of our Forest Hill Church Community? If so, our next Exploring Membership Classes will be offered: Sunday, September 22nd & Sunday September 29th. Both classes will be in Bodwell Hall from 12:30 to 2:00 pm. A lite lunch will be provided. Childcare can be available, if needed. Those who decide to join will do so on October 6th. **If/when you know you want to attend, email Diana@ninthrung.com.**

Last Chance! Civil Rights Tour and Pilgrimage Birmingham, Selma, Montgomery October 17-20, 2019
The FHC Racial Inclusion Committee is planning a very memorable trip to Alabama to experience together the history of the struggle for civil rights in our Nation.

Highlights of this inspirational trip include:

- The Sixteen Street Baptist Church – where four young girls preparing for Sunday school in the basement were killed.
- The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute – take a walk through history through the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960’s.
- Kelly Ingram Park – the focal point of grassroots resistance to the inhumanities of racism and discrimination by law.
- Selma Edmund Pettus Bridge – where voting rights marchers were confronted violently.
- The Selma to Montgomery National Historic Trail – the march that participated President Johnson to sign the Voting Rights Act
- The National Memorial for Peace and Justice - acknowledging the victims of racial terror lynchings.
- Rosa Parks Library and Museum – located at the site where the actual arrest of Mrs. Parks took place in 1955.
- The Legacy Museum – site of a former warehouse where black people were enslaved in Montgomery.
- Dexter Avenue King Memorial Baptist Church – where the Rev. Martin Luther King first preached his message of hope and brotherhood.
- Brown Chapel A.M.E. – where Martin Luther King Jr launched the Voting Rights March. The cost while in Alabama is approximately \$600, which includes the hotel, all museum admissions and bus transportation with a tour guide. Group travel by air is currently estimated to be \$450. Firm reservations will be made in two weeks. **If you are interested in taking this pilgrimage email vikkinowak@gmail.com or call Jeff Smith at 216-932-2932.**

Calendar: August 4-11

<p>Sunday, August 4: 9:00 am Childcare begins 9:00 am Adult Education Continental Breakfast 10:00 am Worship 11:00 pm Coffee and Conversation 11:15 am Special Prayer Service</p> <p>Monday, August 5: 6:00 pm AA: Progress not Perfection 7:00 pm Al Anon: Now There's Hope OA Big Book Meeting 7:30 pm AA: Borton Group</p> <p>Tuesday August 6: 12:00 pm Abundance Pantry Registration and Lunch 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise Bulletin and Email Deadline</p> <p>Wednesday, August 7: 7:30 am Bible and Bagels 12:00 pm Staff Meeting 12:30 pm Wednesday Women's Group</p>	<p>Thursday, August 8: 1:30 pm English Country Dance 5:00 pm Fitness Fusion Exercise</p> <p>Friday, August 9: 10:00 am Al Anon: Hand in Hand</p> <p>Saturday, August 10: 6:00 pm HOLA Fundraiser</p> <p>Sunday, August 11: 9:00 am Childcare begins 9:00 am Adult Education Continental Breakfast 10:00 am Worship with seminarian Amanda Horan 11:00 pm Coffee and Conversation</p>
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Staff Emails

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AUG 18	NEW COLLEGE STUDENTS SEND OFF
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS	AUG 25
SEPT 8	PROGRAM YEAR KICKOFF SUNDAY

register for the new program year: bit.ly/Registration2019-20

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FAMILY, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THE 2019-20 PROGRAM YEAR

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