

*Forest Hill Church:
Worship Service*

October 9, 2022 ~ 11:00 am

You may also join worship online using this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jzzXZAo-lol>

**please stand if able*

Centering Words

*Great God of every blessing, of faithful loving care, you are the font of goodness,
the daily bread we share. How can we hope to thank you?*

Our praise is but a start: sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.

(From Hymn No. 694 "Great God of Every Blessing")

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

John Bell

"Bless the Lord"

Chancel Choir

Greeting Our God with Joy

***CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 66)**

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; **sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.**

Say to God: "How awesome are your deeds!... **All the earth worships you, O God. Sing praises to your name!**"

Come and see what God has done: **God's deeds are awesome!**

Bless the Lord, O People, let the sound of our praise be heard. **You, O Lord, have kept us among the living, you have not let our feet slip. You have tested us, O God, as silver is tried.**

You have led us through fire and through water. **You, O Lord, have brought us out to a spacious place.**

Make a joyful noise to God. **We will sing the glory of God's name and give God glorious praise.**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 1**

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Renewing Our Relationship with God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

We confess that our lives are shaped by scarcity. We hear the refrain: "there is not enough to go around." We are fearful that our choices will be restricted, our plans will have to be redrawn, and our hopes will have to be dimmed. We confess that the mindset of scarcity leads us to be narrow in thought and deed; mistrustful of others, wary that some may get what we think we deserve. But you call us to abundance. You have given us life. You call us to be faithful; taking risks that fool the wise. Your spirit encourages us to give of ourselves generously, sacrificially, joyfully. In Jesus Christ all is possible and there are no limits to your love. In the days ahead let us step into the light of this faith. In Jesus' name. Amen.

TIME OF SILENCE

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Your cup runneth over! God has given you everything necessary for the living of these days. Rejoice! You are forgiven. Go and live like you believe it!

***ALLELUIA**

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

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Stewardship

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Juliette Leone Bissett

CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you, Juliette, into Christ’s church to share with us in his ministry for we are all one in Christ.

Children will leave the sanctuary with their adult leaders to go to Sunday School.

ANTHEM

Orien Johnson, arranged by Paul Ferrin

“Sing Hallelujah, Sing!”
Chancel Choir

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

THE LIVING WORD (NRSV)

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

After the readings

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN NO. 647

"Give Thanks"

SERMON

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

"Thank you!"

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

To participate in our online Friendship Register, please leave a comment in the Live Chat box listing the names of those participating in this morning's Live Worship or email the office.

OFFERING

Giving and Offering is available by texting: 216-400-5300
Or you may give online: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/give/online/>
You may also mail a check to the church office.

OFFERTORY

Gabriel Fauré

"Allegretto"

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 658**

"God Is So Good"

Going Forth to Live as God's People

***BENEDICTION**

***SANCTUARY HYMN NO. 701**

POSTLUDE

Théodore-César Salomé

"Grand Chœur in C major"



Prayer Request:

To request prayers for a personal concern, please email Pastor Lentz (pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org) no later than Thursday afternoon of each week for inclusion in next week's congregational prayer.

Prayers are requested this week for:

Kiva Bohanon, Mark Davidson, Deborah Howard, Joanna Klingenstein, Beverly Thomas, Grace Uhle, and Susan Way.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:

Robert Kellermeyer, Florence and Ron Klein, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Emelia McGuire, Elaine Tapié, Beryl and Henrietta Williams.

Care Group: *The Calvary Group* will assist our pastors with members' needs in **October**. Please call the church office to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death. Information will be passed on to the **Care Group leader, Kemp Jaycox** (deacons@fhcpresb.org).

Thank you, all office volunteers: Joan Bacon, Lynda Bernays, and Cathy Ghiandoni.

The deadline for the bulletin and weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. The next TOWER deadline is **October 13 (for the November TOWER) at 8:00 am**. Please submit your written requests to office@fhcpresb.org.

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