



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 23, 2018

Called to be followers of Jesus Christ,
Forest Hills Mennonite Church desires to be a
welcoming community of grace, love, joy and
peace, so that through the power of the
Holy Spirit, God's reconciling love will flow
through us in healing and hope to all people.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Hour

Gathering

Prelude

Special Music: *You say* Tim Smoker, Kelly Lapp-Vocalists

Gathering Songs Sandy Smoker-Piano, Dean Jantzen-Guitar
Dan Nagy-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

I will enter his gates (Leona Von Brethorst, 1976)

Give thanks (Henry Smith, 1978)

Cheryl and Daryl Eshleman, Becky Degan, Tim Smoker-Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation Jerry Lile

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

(selections from The Mennonite Hymnal, released in 1969)

Blessed Savior, we adore thee Worship Book No. 107

Immortal, invisible, God only wise Worship Book No. 70

When all thy mercies Worship Book No. 72

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time Christine Sebelist

Dismissal for Kids Church (Grades PreK-Gr. 2, Room #1-2)

Sung Offertory: *God sent his son* (Bill and Gloria Gaither, 1971)
(Worship Book No. 345)

I exalt Thee (Pete Sanchez, Jr., 1977)

Proclaiming

Scripture: John 3:16-21 Jerry Lile, Adam Nolt

Sermon: *From generation to generation: Boomers* Jon Carlson

Response Song: *Praise God from whom* Worship Book No. 118

Sending

Congregational Sharing

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Sung Postlude: *You shall go out with joy* (Stuart Dauerman, 1975)
Worship Book No. 427

Coffee Fellowship: Everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for light refreshments and conversation following today's worship service.

Welcome Guests! We trust that you will encounter God's presence as you worship with us today and will find yourself renewed and challenged in your journey with God. So that we might record your attendance, please complete a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. Feel free to join us for Coffee Fellowship after the service, and please do come back and worship with us again!

CONGRATULATIONS to Ann and Byron Zimmerman on the birth of their great-granddaughter, Gwendlyn Ann Kelly. Her parents are Michael and Kara Zimmerman Kelly. She was born September 15 and lives in Leola.

EMBODIED FAITH: Embracing Discipleship in Every Area of Life is the title of our upcoming Wednesday evening Bible Study for adults. Starting on October 10, explore the opportunities we have to embody our faith in a variety of areas: in our relationships, in our neighborhoods, and even as we face the reality of our own bodies' mortality. Join these rich conversations, led by persons from inside and outside the Forest Hills Church family, as we seek to heed the encouragement of the Apostle Paul: ". . . in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will." (Romans 12:1-2)

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to join a 6-session Bible study on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. this fall based on Priscilla Shirer's series, *Jonah: Navigating a life interrupted*. Shirer helps redefine interruption to see that interruption is actually God's invitation to do something beyond what we can imagine. When Jonah was willing to allow God to interrupt his life, the result was revival in an entire city. Contact Nina Harnish if you are interested in joining this group.

AS THE JOYS AND CARES AND CONCERNS of our congregation come to mind, please lift them to the Lord in prayer. Pray specifically for the activities that are happening at our church this week and for the work of the broader church agencies and ministries. Pray also for the following:

- Carter Hurst beginning his 6-month assignment with YWAM in London.
- Those grieving the loss of beloved family members.
- Keary Larson experiencing personal challenges.
- Join MC USA in global prayer for immigration justice.

ADULT CHOIR will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, October 10, for the Christmas worship service on Sunday, December 16. Choir, directed by Becky Degan, will rehearse from 7-8:15 p.m. each Wednesday. All adults who love to sing are invited to participate. If you have questions, please contact Becky.

MENNONITE WOMEN would like to thank everyone who contributed to their kit project for Mennonite Central Committee. A total of 269 kits were taken to MCC – 183 school kits and 86 health/hygiene kits. If you have kits that have not yet been completed and returned to the church, please return them at your earliest convenience.

FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE to help meet expenses for persons participating in mission and service projects this coming winter or next spring. The Mission and Service Investment Fund will pay up to half of an individual's costs, not to exceed \$2,000. Contact the church office for an application form. Completed forms should be submitted to Tom Verghese, Mission and Service Commission Director, or the church office prior to the deadline of October 1.

CD RECORDINGS OF OUR WORSHIP SERVICES are available upon request. Fill out a request form that you will find inside the small door in the hallway where the sound room is located. Your recording will be produced and forwarded to you as soon as possible. Suggested donation is \$1 per recording.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (CVCCS) is hosting a family volunteer day on Saturday, October 13, from 10 a.m.-noon at their 2420 Gehman Lane, Lancaster location. Adults and kids of all ages are invited to create Christmas ornaments, cards, and assemble Christmas presents that will be given to CVCCS clients in December. To register, please contact Angela Trout at 717-208-3711, ext. 102.

LANCASTER MENNONITE SCHOOL has Pre-K Counts slots available at its Locust Grove, New Danville and Kraybill campuses. Pre-Counts is a PA state initiative to provide an opportunity for more students to attend a quality Pre-K five-days-a-week program at no cost to the family. Students must be four years old on or before September 1, 2018, and family income must be at 300% or less of poverty income level to be considered. For example, a family of four may earn up to \$75,000 and still be considered for the program. Please contact Diane Brubaker before September 26 at 717-740-2431 if you are interested or know a family that may be interested in this program.

LANDIS HOMES has multiple employment opportunities in personal care, housekeeping, security, dining, and more. Further details are posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

LOOKING AHEAD

- 🍁 Saturday-Sunday, October 6-7 – Mission Weekend.
- 🍁 Wednesday, October 10, 7 p.m. – Wednesday Evening Activities (KfC, Junior Youth, Choir, Adult Bible Study) begin.
- 🍁 Sunday, October 21, Noon – MYF Fundraiser Luncheon followed by the Annual Business Meeting.

MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- 🍁 Today, 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School.
- 🍁 Today, Noon – Buffalo Wild Wings Lunch and Football-Watching at Lefevers' for guys and dads.
- 🍁 Sunday, September 30, 6-8 p.m. – Mini-Golf at Village Greens.
- 🍁 Sunday, October 7, 6 p.m. – Apple Pie-Making and Bonfire at Stoesz's.
- 🍁 Sunday, October 14, 6 p.m. – Pumpkin-carving at the church. Bring carving utensils; pumpkins will be provided.
- 🍁 Sunday, October 21, Noon – Fundraiser Lunch.
- 🍁 July 1-6, 2019 – Mennonite Youth Convention in Kansas City.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE FALL ASSEMBLY

Here is a listing of the events that will take place
throughout the Assembly weekend.

Leadership Resource Day – Friday, October 26

- *Healthy Boundaries 101* with Joanne Dietzel
- 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Akron Mennonite Church

Mennonite Women's Banquet – Friday, October 26

- *Where I go to find fresh bread?* A collection of poems, songs and thoughts with Marilyn Henderson.
- Registration at 6 p.m.; meal at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$15.00
- Akron Mennonite Church

Mennonite Men's Dinner, Friday – October 26

- With speaker Tim Moyer, a board member of the bi-national MC USA/MC Canada Mennonite Men organization. Other program features include a panel discussion on the value of men's groups and music by Spare Parts, a local a cappella men's quartet.
- Meal at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$20.00
- Neffsville Mennonite Church
- Contact Joe Whitehill for further details.

Annual Assembly Celebration – Saturday, October 27

- 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Akron Mennonite Church
- *Centering, Building, Sharing: Celebrating 40 years of walking with God*

Visit www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly to register for any of these events.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Lee Charles

Sound Room Technicians: Scott Hertzog, Jamie Eshleman

Befrienders: Donna and Cal Roggie

Greeters: Linda and Warren Tyson

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Bonnie and Dennis Sharp

Nursery: (SS) Kori and Dylan Jantzen

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TODAY

- 🌿 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School hour: State of the Church Meeting – an open forum in the fellowship hall for all adults to review and discuss the proposed 2018-19 church budget.
- 🌿 Noon – Rest for the Weary Class Road Rally and Service Project.
- 🌿 Noon – MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Buffalo Wild Wings Lunch and Football-Watching at Lefevers' for guys and dads.

THIS WEEK

- 🌿 Monday, 11:30 a.m. – Garden Spot Village Seniors Lunch.
- 🌿 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. – MOMS (Morning Out for Moms): *Getting to know you.*
- 🌿 Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. – Care Team.
- 🌿 Friday-Sunday – Salt and Light Class Women's Beach Weekend.

NEXT SUNDAY

- 🌿 Pastor Jon will preach on *From generation to generation: The greatest* based on Malachi 4:1-6
- 🌿 Salt and Light women will return home from Beach Weekend.

REPORT: (09/16) General Fund \$8,680
Sunday School 158; Worship 223; MYF Retreat 17

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Staff and Leadership Teams

Jon Carlson - Lead Pastor

Becky Degan - Assoc Pastor of Worship and Christian Education

Nina Harnish - Minister of Care and Visitation

Janette Lile - Director of Children and Youth Programming

Norma Stauffer - Administrator

Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Michael Degan, Kay Hurst, Louetta Hurst, Joyce Martin,

Rose Mosemann, Kathy Unangst - Care Team