



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 30, 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

Gathering Song: *I'll fly away* (Albert E. Brumley, 1932)

Becky Degan, Holly Schlosser, Willie Hurst, Don Nelson-Leaders
Becky Degan-Piano, Erik Schlosser-Guitar
Michael Degan-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

Call to Worship and Invocation

Jim Fenton

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

I owe the Lord a morning song Worship Book No. 651
How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
(from Church Hymnal #81) Bulletin Insert

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time

Ann Zimmerman

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

Offertory: ACC Grocery Box Video

Song: *Face to face* (from Church Hymnal #143) Bulletin Insert

Proclaiming

Scripture: Malachi 4:1-6

Sermon: *Generation to generation: The greatest* Jon Carlson

Response Song: *How great thou art* Grace Notes No. 4

Sending

Congregational Sharing

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

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!

JOHN RUDY was hospitalized at Lancaster General Hospital this past Tuesday after a fall. At bulletin publication time, discharge plans were pending.

SCOTT HERTZOG has donated a copy of *My First 250 Years, The Story of the Hertzog Homestead*, a book he authored about the history of the farm where he grew up. He traces that history from the early European settlers to the present day bed and breakfast that he and Kristen operate. This book is available in our church library and is also featured in the library showcase display along with some artifacts from the farm.

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to join a 6-session Bible study beginning this coming Tuesday, October 2, at 9 a.m., 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.

MISSIONS WEEKEND, OCTOBER 6-7: Representatives from Mennonite Mission Network will be joining Forest Hills for a celebration and exploration of global and local missions. Next Sunday, October 7, James Kraybill will host a Sunday School elective for adults while Marisa Smucker shares with the senior high youth. James will also preach the Sunday sermon, and we will celebrate communion together as part of World Communion Sunday. Interested persons may also join a smaller gathering and discussion with these MMN representatives at an afternoon tea on Saturday, October 6. For further information about this gathering, contact Pastor Jon or Tom Verghese.

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:

- Gene and Carole Siegrist planning for Gene's move to Landis Homes this coming Tuesday.
- Mike Stauffer, Yvonne Kauffman's brother, making decisions on treatment options for medical issues.
- John Rudy recovering from a fall this past week.
- Our upcoming Mission Weekend.

BEGINNING IN OCTOBER, Christa Mylin, a Ph.D. student at Albany University, will be conducting a year-long cultural anthropology study of Lancaster County Mennonites. During this time, Christa will be regularly attending Forest Hills Mennonite Church and connecting with individuals and groups within the congregation. We look forward to welcoming Christa to our community.

GROCERY BOXES ARE HERE! Atlantic Coast Conference's Peace and Justice Committee is once again collecting grocery boxes to be distributed by Mennonite Central Committee throughout the region. Please pick up a box in the church foyer, along with a suggested list of contents, and return it to the church by Sunday, October 21. Filled grocery boxes will be collected at the ACC Fall Assembly at Conestoga Mennonite Church on October 27. Visit mcc.org/stories/groceries-donation-distribution for more information on this project.

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.

A REMINDER TO ALL that if you unlock the small exit door in the fellowship hall to enter the playground, please make sure it is locked again before you leave the area.

A BROWN WOODEN CRATE – the one the children's offering jug usually sits on in the foyer – has disappeared. If you know the whereabouts of this crate, please let Norma Stauffer know or return it to its home in the ushers' room.

THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE Fall Assembly will be held at Akron Mennonite Church on Saturday, October 27, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join ACC in celebrating its 40th anniversary. Remember the people and projects that helped define ACC in the past, consider where we are today, and think creatively about what the future might hold for our future together. Find more info about the weekend's events and register by October 24 at <http://atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly/>. Further information is also posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

THE NICKELS FOR NEIGHBORS JUG for the Atlantic Coast Conference annual collection is now in the church foyer. This year's grant will be given to the Radical Living Urban Youth Garden. Radical Living is a 501c3 community organization that serves the young people of the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York. Jason and Vonetta Storbakken have created this ministry to educate, equip and inspire young people in Bedford-Stuyvesant to understand urban farming and work toward environmental justice, all through a faith-based, Anabaptist-influenced, lens. Please place your bills and loose change in the jug. This money will be taken to the ACC Fall Assembly in October.

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK has requested prayers for Jason Boone, coordinating minister for its Peace and Justice Support Network. Pray that he would have a robust ministry in congregations as he encourages a collaborative witness in the face of violence, hate crimes, and injustice in the United States. If you would like to know about MMN's current prayer requests, visit <https://www.mennonitemission.net/resources/prayer-resources> or talk with Warren Tyson, Forest Hills' Wider Church Mission and Service Advocate.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (CVCCS) has sent a thank you letter with pictures of kids receiving school supplies that we donated. Check it out on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

CVCCS IS CURRENTLY COLLECTING DONATIONS of gently used Christmas lights, decorations and ornaments to make their client Christmas party extra special. If you have any of these items to donate, contact Angela at 717-208-3711, ext. 102.

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.
- 🌿 Sunday, September 30, 6-8 p.m. – Mini-Golf at Village Greens. Bring \$10. Carpoolers meet at the church at 5:30 p.m.
- 🌿 Sunday, October 7, 6 p.m. – Apple Pie-Making and Bonfire at Stoeszes'.
- 🌿 Sunday, October 14, 6 p.m. – Pumpkin-carving at the church. Bring carving utensils; pumpkins will be provided.
- 🌿 Sunday, October 21, Noon – Fundraiser Lunch.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Ron Weaver
Sound Room Technicians: Jim Shannon, Bruce Stauffer
Befrienders: Anita Beidler, Keith Lehman
Greeters: Ruth Ann and Chet Martin
Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Donna and Cal Roggie
Nursery: (SS) Keith Lehman, _____
(W) Joanne Martin, _____

TODAY

- 🌿 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.
- 🌿 Salt and Light Class women return home from Beach Weekend.

THIS WEEK

- 🌿 Monday, 11:30 a.m. – Elders meeting.
- 🌿 Tuesday, 9 a.m. – Women's Bible Study.
- 🌿 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. – No MOMS (Morning Out for Moms).
- 🌿 Thursday, 9 a.m. – Mennonite Women.
- 🌿 Saturday, 2 p.m. – Mission Tea. (See bulletin announcement for further details.)

NEXT SUNDAY

- 🌿 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School elective with James Kraybill (adults) and Marissa Smucker (youth).
- 🌿 World Communion and Mission Sunday. James Kraybill, Mennonite Mission Network Mission Advocate, will be preaching.
- 🌿 After Worship Service – Monthly Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings in Adelphian Room #17.
- 🌿 Grounded Class Lunch at Stuckeys.

REPORT: (09/23) General Fund \$5,253
Sunday School 158; Worship 228

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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