



## Forest Hills Mennonite Church

October 14, 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 know not why God's wondrous grace*

Worship Book No. 338

Leanne Beidler, Norma Stauffer, Willie Hurst-Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation

Warren Tyson

### Praising and Adoring

#### Congregational Singing

Becky Degan-Piano

Janice Southwick-Guitar, Dan Nagy-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

*There is a hope*

*Give us clean hands*

(Grace Notes No. 25)

*You are holy (You are whole)*

(Grace Notes No. 47)

### Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

#### Children's Time

Jon Carlson

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

#### Offering

### Proclaiming

**Song:** *We walk by faith*

Worship Book No. 570

**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 13:8-13

Joan Krause

**Sermon:** *How to be wrong*

Jon Carlson

**Response Song:** *When I survey the wondrous cross*

Worship Book No. 259

### Sending

#### Congregational Sharing

**Sending Prayer:** Alice Babikow (Mercy Ships) Kevin Nofziger

#### 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 is continuing his rehabilitation at Fairmount Homes with hopes of returning to Oak Leaf Manor. His temporary address is Fairmount Homes Retirement Community, 333 Wheatridge Drive, Room 124, Ephrata PA 17522.

HOLLY SCHLOSSER is scheduled for foot surgery on Tuesday of this coming week at Lancaster Surgery Center.

MIKE STAUFFER, Yvonne Kauffman's brother, will be having surgery on his stomach on Tuesday at Hershey Medical Center.

RUTH ANN MARTIN will be having double knee replacement surgery on Wednesday at WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital.

WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES to John and Lucy Rudy in the death of John's brother, Paul, this past Wednesday, October 10. Prior to his death, Paul resided in Davis, West Virginia.

CORINNE AND WINSTON SWARTZENDRUBER have moved back into their home in Ephrata after a 4½ month displacement due to a house fire.

ALICE BABIKOW will be traveling to the country of Guinea, West Africa, on Saturday, October 21, to serve on a Mercy Ship for the next four weeks.

ANDY BABIKOW, LEE CHARLES, SAM CLEMENT, AND KEN KREIDER are on their way to West Virginia for a week of building bridges with Mennonite Disaster Service.

THE KHILOS, a Syrian refugee family that we help to support, will be moving to a new house in the next few weeks. They could use an additional sofa and a single bed to furnish their house. If you would like to donate either of these items or any other household items you think they might be able to use, please contact Norma Stauffer ASAP.

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:

- MDS team serving in West Virginia this coming week.
- Dan Glick making decisions about treatment for his recent leukemia diagnosis.
- Ruth Stoltzfus, our only living charter member, facing declining health at age 103.
- Holly Schlosser, Ruth Ann Martin and Mike Stauffer scheduled for surgery this coming week.
- Mary Schroeder dealing with various health issues.
- Mary Schlabach recovering from pneumonia.
- Sandy Rock recovering from shoulder surgery.
- John Rudy and his family continuing to make decisions about his on-going care.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JULIE FENTON who recently completed her Ph.D. in chemistry at Penn State University. She will begin a new job as a postdoctoral research associate at Northwestern University in Chicago in January.

NORMA STAUFFER has announced her plans to retire at the end of February 2019. If you know of anyone you might be a good candidate to fill this position, please contact Evanna Hess or Jon Carlson.

FILLED GROCERY BOXES that are to be delivered to the Atlantic Coast Conference Fall Assembly on October 27 should be returned to the church by next Sunday, October 21. Please return all outstanding boxes so that they can be taken to the Assembly as requested.

OUR 2017-18 ANNUAL REPORT, which includes the proposed 2018-19 budget, was published and distributed by email this past week to conserve resources. Hard copies are available on the ledge beneath the mailboxes for those who wish to have a printed copy; more will be printed on an as-needed basis. Thanks to all commissions and committees who submitted their reports in a timely manner. Please review this report in preparation for our Annual Business Meeting next Sunday, October 21, following a fundraiser lunch provided by our youth group. Everyone is strongly encouraged to participate in this important congregational meeting.

OUR 18<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31. Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks. Following today's service, please stop by the table in the foyer to sign up to volunteer your time. Also, please bring bags of individually wrapped candies for the children's goodie bags, and place them in the designated container in the foyer. Extra flyers are available on the ledge beneath the mailboxes; take some to pass along to friends and neighbors who may be interested in attending this event.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION UPDATE FORMS for all Forest Hills families and individuals were placed in church mailboxes last Sunday. A new church directory will be published in the next several weeks. In order to expedite the completion of this project, please complete these forms and return them to the church office promptly. Family members or previous Forest Hills attendees who wish to be included in this directory are asked to contact the church office or complete one of the pink forms on the ledge beneath the mailboxes.

IN ORDER TO BETTER FACILITATE our shared worship, the Worship Commission has moved the piano to the platform this week. The Worship Commission continues to appreciate feedback from the congregation as they shape worship services that invite people to encounter God.

THE LOST AND FOUND is well stocked! Check out the table in the foyer to see if any of the items on display belong to you. In the near future, unclaimed items will either be thrown out or donated to ministries that accept used things.

NEXT SUNDAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY for you to contribute to the Nickels for Neighbors children's offering project. This year's grant will go toward the Radical Living Urban Youth Garden in Brooklyn, New York. After the worship service, the Sunday School children will be standing at the doors of the sanctuary with containers for a final collection of your loose change and bills. The money will be delivered to the Atlantic Coast Conference Assembly on October 27.

ALL FOREST HILLS WOMEN are invited to a night of fellowship while learning to crochet or knit or knot comforters on Thursday, November 8, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone who comes is invited to bring a plate of cookies to share. Further details have been placed in church mailboxes today. RSVP to Nina Harnish by Sunday, October 28, if you plan to attend. Also, please contact Nina if you know how to crochet.

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 40<sup>th</sup> 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.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (CVCCS) current food bank needs are taco kits, pancake mix, and hamburger helper. Donations may be brought to the church and placed in the designated containers at the entrance doors or dropped off at the CVCCS building on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., or Thursdays 1-4 p.m.

#### LOOKING AHEAD

- 🌿 Next Sunday, October 21, Noon – MYF Fundraiser Luncheon followed by the Annual Business Meeting.
- 🌿 Sunday, December 16, 10 a.m. – Christmas Music Sunday.

#### MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- 🌿 Today, 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School.
- 🌿 Today, 6-8 p.m. – Pumpkin-carving at the church. Bring carving utensils; pumpkins will be provided.
- 🌿 Next Sunday, October 21, Noon – Fundraiser Lunch.
- 🌿 Sunday, October 28, 6-8 p.m. – Halloween Alternative set-up.
- 🌿 Friday, December 28, 5 p.m.- 12 a.m. – Mini Lock-in at the church.
- 🌿 February 22-24 – Winter Retreat at Black Rock Retreat.

REPORT: (10/07) General Fund \$7,292  
Sunday School 139; Worship 190

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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

#### TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Vernon Kauffman  
Sound Room Technicians: Alden Southwick, Jamie Eshleman  
Befrienders: Arleta and Ken Martin  
Greeters: Pat, Ryan, Tyler, Jordan and Hailey Nolt  
Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Lisa Spangler, Steve Spangler  
Nursery: (SS) Clapper Family  
(W) Clapper Family

#### TODAY

- 🌿 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.
- 🌿 6 p.m. – MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Pumpkin-carving.
- 🌿 7 p.m. – Prospective members meeting.

#### THIS WEEK

- 🌿 Monday, 11:30 a.m. – Forest Hills Senior Lunch.
- 🌿 Monday, 7 p.m. – Church Council.
- 🌿 Monday, 7 p.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry.
- 🌿 Tuesday, 9 a.m. – Women's Bible Study.
- 🌿 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. – MOMS (Morning Out for Moms): Fabric pumpkin-making led by Lori Hash.
- 🌿 Wednesday, 8 a.m. – Diakonian Women's Breakfast at Oregon Dairy.
- 🌿 WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES ~ 7-8:15 p.m.
  - KfC (Kids for Christ, Age 3-PreK and Gr. K-5): *Jesus feeds five-thousand.*
  - Junior Youth (Gr. 6-8): *Who is my neighbor?*
  - Adult Choir Rehearsal.
  - Adult Bible Study: *Human trafficking* led by North Star.
- 🌿 Saturday, 7:30 a.m. – Adelpian Class Breakfast at New Holland Family Restaurant.

#### NEXT SUNDAY

- 🌿 Pastor Jon will be preaching on *How to be wrong: I know you are, but what am I?* based on Matthew 7:1-5.
- 🌿 Noon – MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12) Fundraiser Luncheon.
- 🌿 Following lunch – Annual Congregational Business Meeting.
- 🌿 6:30 p.m. – Shepherds Meeting.

TODAY'S REPORT can be found on the bulletin insert.