



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

February 10, 2019

**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 Sandy Smoker-Piano

Gathering Song: *Come, let us all unite to sing*
Worship Book No. 12

Taicha Hertzog, Becky Degan, Tim Smoker-Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation Jon Carlson

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing Don Nelson-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums
Sandy Smoker-Piano, Jimmy Kreider-Guitar

Cornerstone

We stand and lift (Holy is the Lord) (Grace Notes No. 65)

We are one in the Spirit (Grace Notes No. 51)

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time Janette Lile

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

Offering

Proclaiming

Song: *Breathe on me, breath of God* (Worship Book No. 356)

Scripture: Romans 14:1-12

(Adapted from The Message, New Living Translation, The Voice)

Sermon: *Grudges to grace* Joanne Dietzel

Atlantic Coast Conference Minister

Response Song: *Amazing grace (My chains are gone)*

Sending

Congregational Sharing

Mission Spotlight: Puerto Rico Team Cody Hurst, Becky Degan

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.

TODAY WE WELCOME Joanne Dietzel to our service. In her role as Conference Minister for Atlantic Coast Conference, Joanne's responsibilities include supporting and resourcing pastors, resourcing congregational leadership groups, and connecting with pastoral clusters. Joanne and her husband Dan live outside of Strasburg and are the parents of two grown children.

LANCASTER MENNONITE SCHOOL is continuing to offer the Church Partnership scholarship program that provides matching scholarship funds when a partnering church contributes toward student tuition. This church partnership program opportunity is a designated fund that is separate from the congregation's regular budget. Parents of existing or potential LMS students and any others interested in exploring how our congregation can participate in this opportunity are asked to attend a meeting **today** at noon in the church library.

PLEASE NOTE that the zip code for Zach Hummel is listed incorrectly in the church directory. The correct zip is 70118.

GARY KENDIG remained a patient at Lancaster General Rehabilitation Center at bulletin publication time.

ALL SENIORS who do not participate in the shared meals at one of the local retirement communities are invited to the bi-monthly luncheon here at the church on Monday, February 18, at 11:30 a.m. Please notify the church office **today** of your plans to attend or not to attend this luncheon. New participants are always welcome to join the fun. Donations will be accepted to help cover meal costs. When making your reservation, please indicate any personal dietary restrictions.

FOREST HILLS has received a letter of thanks from Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society for our recent \$500 Flex Fund donation, a thank you for LMHS storing our historical documents.

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 Kreider and Dan Glick making decisions on treatment options for their cancer diagnoses.
- Gary Kendig undergoing rehabilitation from extended illnesses.
- Eli Passage and his girlfriend Brandi mourning the loss of her mother.
- Those experiencing on-going health issues and for their caretakers.
- Parents concerned about their children who need extra care and support.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT STUDY: A new series for adults will start this coming Wednesday, February 13, at 7 p.m. Jimmy Kreider and Nina Harnish will facilitate a discussion for both men and women using a DVD series by Bob Goff entitled *Love does*. Goff shares remarkable stories from his life and shows how living and loving to the fullest is the best way to make Jesus known in this world. The group will explore how love is a verb, not just a feeling, and look together at practical applications. These sessions will follow the KfC schedule of the 2nd through 4th Wednesdays of February and March.

ADULT CHOIR, directed by Becky Degan, will begin rehearsals this coming Wednesday, February 13, for the Easter worship service on Sunday, April 21. Rehearsal time is from 7-8:15 p.m. each Wednesday evening. Vocalists of all skill levels are invited to participate. Contact Becky if you have any questions.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE of Mennonite Church USA will be held in Kansas City, Missouri this coming July 2-6. Forest Hills is looking for persons to serve as delegates. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Council Chair, Dan Hess.

STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY, a partnership between Everence and the local faith community, will be held on Saturday, March 2, at Calvary Church, Lancaster. Courses will explore subjects ranging from retirement preparation and financial markets to de-cluttering your home. For registration information, contact Forest Hills Everence Stewardship Advocate, Keith Lehman, or Lynette Morales at 717-653-6662, lynette.morales@everence.com or visit stewardshipuniversity.com.

THE MENNONITE SCHOOLS COUNCIL (MSC) will be holding its annual choral festival this year from Friday, April 12, to Sunday, April 14, at Lancaster Mennonite High School. Schools who are members in MSC will send their choirs from all over the United States to Lancaster for rehearsals and other fun activities before the mass choir concert on Sunday, April 14, at 3 pm. Forest Hills has been asked to host the Eastern Mennonite High School Choir from Harrisonburg, Virginia, for this weekend. In addition to a place to sleep, this would include breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings, and transportation to and from Forest Hills each day. (LMHS will provide transportation from the school to our church and back.) If you would be interested in welcoming some students and/or chaperones into your home for this event, please contact Cheryl Eshleman with your name and the number of people you would be able to host.

FLEX FUNDS are available for special projects and financial assistance requests that arise during the church year. Priority is given to projects that fit the vision, character and theology of our church and those in which Forest Hills people are involved. If you would like to apply for a grant for a ministry that you are involved in, contact the church office for Flex Fund guidelines and an application. Submit completed applications to Tom Verghese, Mission and Service Commission Director.

LOOKING AHEAD

- ★ Sunday, March 17, Noon – Junior Youth Fundraiser Lunch and Pinewood Derby.
- ★ Sunday, April 14 – MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Chili Cook-off and Youth/Theme Basket Silent Auction Fundraiser.
- ★ Sunday, April 21, 9 a.m. – Easter Breakfast; 10 a.m. – Easter Worship Service.
- ★ Sunday, May 12 – Youth Sunday.
- ★ July 15-18 – Vacation Bible School.

MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- ★ Today, 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School.
- ★ Next Sunday, February 17, 6-8 p.m. – Bowling at Dutch Lanes; cost \$11 plus snack money.
- ★ February 22-24 – Winter Retreat.
- ★ Sunday, April 14 – Chili Cook-off and Youth/Theme Basket Silent Auction Fundraiser.
- ★ Sunday, May 12 – Youth Sunday.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Lee Charles

Audio Visual Technicians: Alden Southwick, Dean Jantzen

Befrienders: Ann and Byron Zimmerman

Greeters: Jean and Clair Hunsecker

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Donna and Cal Roggie

Nursery: (SS) Becky Siegrist, Emiley Rodak

(W) Monica Kreider, Becky Siegrist

TODAY

★ 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.

★ Noon – Lancaster Mennonite Church Partnership meeting.

★ 6 p.m. – Salt and Light Class Blues and Bridge Night.

THIS WEEK

★ Monday – 11:30 a.m. Landis Homes Senior Lunch.

★ Tuesday – 9:30 a.m. MOMS: Chocolate and Chat.

★ WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES ~ 7-8:15 p.m.

- KfC (Kids for Christ, Age 3-PreK and Gr. K-5): *Jesus Heals Ten Men of Leprosy.*

- Junior Youth (Gr. 6-8): *Outsiders.*

- Adult Choir Rehearsal.

- Adult Bible Study: *Love does* led by Jimmy Kreider and Nina Harnish.

★ Saturday – 7:30 a.m. Adelphian Breakfast at New Holland Family Restaurant.

NEXT SUNDAY

★ Noon – Agape Class Lunch at Isaac's.

★ 6:00 p.m. – MYF (Youth Group: Gr 9-12): Bowling at Dutch Lanes.

REPORT: (02/03) General Fund \$10,807; LMS Church Partnership \$430;
Refugee Education \$2,602 (Bequest)
Sunday School 167; Worship 240

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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

Lauren Krady, Norma Stauffer - Administrators

Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Kay Hurst, Louetta Hurst, Joyce Martin, Rose Mosemann,

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team