



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

February 24, 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

Gathering Song: *Brethren, we have met to worship*

Worship Book No. 8

Cheryl and Daryl Eshleman, Cal Roggie-Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation

Willie Hurst

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing Becky Degan-Piano, Don Nelson-Guitar
Dan Nagy-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

Here I am to worship (Grace Notes No. 54)

Mighty to save

My lighthouse

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time Jon Carlson

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

Offering

Sung Offertory: *Holy Spirit, come with power*

Worship Book No. 26

Proclaiming

Scripture: Acts 2:1-13

Willie and Kay Hurst

Sermon: *Energize*

Jon Carlson

Response Song

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.

HAVE A QUESTION related to this morning's message? Text it to 484-706-9566 during the sermon.

"THANK YOU, everyone, for thinking of me, for your prayers, and for the birthday cards and get well cards you sent me. I appreciate them all very much." – Theda González.

MARY SCHROEDER was recently moved to Birch # 32 at Landis Homes.

ESTHER KREIDER was hospitalized last week at Lancaster General Hospital for heart-related issues and was discharged last Sunday to her apartment at Garden Spot Village.

OUR MYF (Youth Group) is on retreat this weekend at Black Rock Retreat. Their guest speaker is Bernt King, and the theme of the weekend is the love of God. The group will be returning to the church after the worship service today.

THE MY COINS COUNT JUG has been placed in the church foyer. This year's project will benefit Mennonite Central Committee's peace initiatives. Join MCC and peacemakers around the world to give people the skills they need to work for peace in places torn by conflict. To contribute, please place coins and dollars in the jug outside the ushers' room. The money will be delivered to the PA Relief Sale on April 5-6.

THE ANNUAL MOMS GROUP FUNDRAISER will be held here on Saturday, April 13th. There will be a pancake breakfast from 7am – 10am, followed by a silent auction and raffle at 10am. Items to be sold include gift cards to local businesses, gift baskets, and peanut butter eggs. Donations of any of these items can be brought to the church.

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:

- Esther Kreider recovering from heart related issues.
- Anita Beidler recovering from gall bladder surgery.
- High school and college seniors making decisions about their future after graduation.
- Those who deal with dementia and for their caretakers.
- Erma Mast scheduled for a pacemaker adjustment procedure on Tuesday.

FOREST HILLS has received a letter of thanks from Mennonite Church USA for our recent gift of \$7,145 to be divided among its various agencies.

FOREST HILLS has also received a letter of thanks from Atlantic Coast Conference for our recent donation of \$12,000 to their ministry.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (CVCCS) is collecting the following items:

- Food Bank – Individually packaged oatmeal, packets of hot chocolate and reusable grocery tote bags.
- Clothing Bank – Gently used or new men's jeans in tall inseams, sizes 32-36.

Donations may be brought to the church and placed in the designated containers at the entrance doors (food) and in the kitchen/fellowship hall area (clothing) or dropped off at the CVCCS building by appointment 717-208-3711.

STEWARDSHIP UNIVERSITY will be held at Calvary Church on Saturday, March 2, 2019. In one of the workshops, *Affordable Housing – What can I do about it?*, Cal Yoder of Chestnut Housing Corporation will focus on ways people can address this important need by encouraging participants to move beyond idealistic solutions and/or despair to concrete actions that provide solutions. For more information or to register, contact our Everence Stewardship Advocate Keith Lehman or Lynette Morales at (717) 653-6662, lynette.morales@everence.com or visit stewardshipuniversity.com.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE, in collaboration with other local agencies, is sponsoring a series of events to promote past and contemporary peacemaking as discipleship. The first event, *Beating Guns*, a book tour stop with Shane Claiborne and Mike Martin, will be held on Saturday, March 9, at Neffsville Mennonite Church at 6:30 p.m. Shane Claiborne, Mike Martin, and friends are stopping in Lancaster on the first day of a twenty-city tour to promote their new book, *Beating Guns: Hope for a people who are weary of violence*. This event will feature a live transformation of a gun into a garden tool. This is a free event but tickets are required – visit www.beatingguns.com Donations will be accepted to help offset costs. Further information is posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

PLEASE NOTE THAT AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDINGS of the sermon can be accessed on our website – www.foresthillchurch.org – under the *Sermons* tab for both the current week and past weeks. As a general rule, these are posted early in the week after the Sunday service. You are encouraged to check out the video or audio when you are not able to be here for worship. Also, feel free to share these links with others as you feel led.

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 - On retreat, no Sunday school.
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TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Larry McJunkin

Audio Visual Technicians: Dean and Dylan Jantzen

Befrienders: Linda and Warren Tyson

Greeters: Dustin Lapp Family

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Arleta and Ken Martin

Nursery: (SS) Louetta Hurst, Lauri Lefever

(W) Dana Shannon, Bonnie Sharp

TODAY

★ 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for adults and children.

★ MYF (Youth Group: Gr 9-12): Returning from Black Rock Retreat.

THIS WEEK

★ Tuesday - 9:30 a.m. MOMS: School Panel-Discussion of home, private, and public school choices.

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

- KfC (Kids for Christ, Age 3-PreK and Gr. K-5): *Jesus Meets Zacchaeus*.

- Junior Youth (Gr. 6-8): *Birthday Party!*

- Adult Choir Rehearsal.

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

NEXT SUNDAY

★ Jon will be preaching on *Equip* based on 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.

★ Monthly Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings after the service in Adelphian Room #17.

REPORT: (02/17) General Fund \$7,586;

Refugee Education Fund \$725

Sunday School 147; Worship 221

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