



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

March 3, 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

Caleb Harnish-Piano, Marv Zook-Guitar
Don Nelson-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

Gathering Song: *Days of Elijah* (Grace Notes No. 71)
Becky Degan, Sandy and Tim Smoker - Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation Ervin Miller

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

Amazing Grace (Worship Book No. 143)
Since Jesus Came Into my Heart
I'll Fly Away

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time

Janette Lile

Offering

Sung Offertory: *Lord, Listen to Your Children*
(Worship Book No. 353)

Proclaiming

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Sermon: *Equip* Jon Carlson

Celebration of Norma Stauffer's Retirement

Special Music

Marv Zook

Prayer of Blessing

Sending

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

Coffee Fellowship: Everyone is invited to have coffee and cake in the Fellowship Hall 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.

THE GEMEINSCHAFT CLASS is participating in a series about life transitions from middle age to older adulthood for the third quarter. Some of the topics to be discussed will be: happiness, spirituality and faith, where will you live, long term care, healthcare payment systems, finances, biology of aging, and physical well-being. All who are interested in the topic are welcome to join. There is a schedule posted in the classroom. For further information, talk with Cal Roggie.

A CLASS FOR YOUNG ADULTS will be meeting upstairs in Room 25 for the spring quarter. They will be discussing the Enneagram which is a personality study that impacts personal, relational, and spiritual growth. Anyone in this age group is welcome. For further information, talk with Nina Harnish or Caleb Harnish.

FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE to help meet expenses for persons participating in mission and service projects this coming summer or fall. 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 April 1.

LENTEN RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES are available under the church mailboxes. These resources from MennoMedia share God's good news of life as we walk with our children through the season of Lent, and remind children and adults alike of the good news of God's love for us. Feel free to take one and use it throughout this season of Lent!

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:

- For open hearts and minds during the Lenten Season
- Zac Hummel serving in New Orleans with AmeriCorps
- Those who struggle with anxiety and depression
- Those who are seeking meaningful employment.
- Gene Siegrist dealing with challenges that come from having a debilitating disease.

IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE CONGREGATION informed about our current financial position on an on-going basis, Church Council provides monthly updated financial reports in the bulletin. As of February 28, our year-to-date giving totals \$297,078, while our year-to-date budget is \$321,300, a shortfall of 7.5%. Please consider being generous as you contribute to the mission and ministries of our church.

AS PART OF A RESEARCH PROJECT on the Mennonite church in Lancaster County, Christa Mylin invites participants to share their opinions in small groups related to different topics. Topics include: (1) What is a missional church? (2) What should be the main priorities of the Anabaptist-Mennonite church today? (3) The Call: What does it mean for God to call people today? (4) Should women be pastors? (5) What does it mean to raise a Christian family? April dates will be listed next week. Questions can be directed to christa.d.mylin@gmail.com or 717-437-9431.

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.

GREETERS are needed for April, May, and June. ALL are welcome to sign up on the sheet by the library. Greeting is a great way to begin a worshipful Sunday morning!

THE MENNONITE SCHOOLS COUNCIL (MSC) will be holding its annual choral festival this year from Friday, April 12 to Sunday, April 14, 2019, at Lancaster Mennonite High School. Forest Hills has been asked to host the choir from Eastern Mennonite High School for the weekend. In addition to a place to sleep, this would include breakfast Saturday, Sunday and Monday morning, and transportation to and from Forest Hills (LMH will provide transportation from the school to our church and back each day.) If you would be interested in welcoming some students/chaperones into your home for this event, please contact Cheryl Eshleman with your name and the number of people you are able to host.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins next Sunday, March 10th; remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour.

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, 5:30 - 8:15 p.m. - Making Pizza and Movie Night at church.
- ★ Next Sunday, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. - MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Ice Skating.
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TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Vernon Kauffman

Audio Visual Technicians: Scott Hertzog, Jamie Eshleman

Befrienders: Anita Beidler, Keith Lehman

Greeters: Mike Rheinheimer

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Larry and Cheryl McJunkin

Nursery: (SS) Alice Babikow, Ernestine Lehman

(W) Joanne Martin, Kristen Hertzog

TODAY

- ★ 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.
- ★ A new young adult Sunday School class, led by Caleb Harnish and Nina Harnish, will be meeting upstairs in room #25.
- ★ Monthly Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings after the service in Adelpian Room #17.
- ★ Noon - Grounded lunch at Stuckeys'.
- ★ Today, 5:30 - 8:15 - MYF Pizza Making and Movie Night at church.

THIS WEEK

- ★ Monday, 7 p.m. - Church Council.
- ★ Tuesday - No MOMS this week.
- ★ WEDNESDAY EVENING - No activities except adult choir rehearsal.
- ★ Thursday, 9 a.m. - Mennonite Women.

NEXT SUNDAY

- ★ Pastor Jose Vargas from Iglesia Menonita Betania in Aibonito, Puerto Rico, will be preaching.
- ★ 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. - MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Ice Skating.

REPORT: (02/24) General Fund \$11,494;

Refugee Education Fund \$2,100

Sunday School 141; Worship 191; MYF Retreat 21

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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 - Administrator

Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

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

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team