



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

May 12, 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 Kate Lefever

Gathering Song: *Days of Elijah* (Grace Notes No. 71)

Generations Video

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer Cyleigh Hurst, Katie Yoder

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing Kyra Hersh, Lauren Eshleman
Cesther Ekpo, Emily Eshleman, Noah Schnabel, Javon Thomas
Isaac Harnish, Rodney Stoltzfus-Leaders

How Great Thou Art (Grace Notes No. 4)

This Is Amazing Grace

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Scripture and Message

Scripture Readers-Declan Hersh, Camden Clapper

Message-Ben Lefever, Ryan Jantzen

Song: *What a Beautiful Name It Is*

Children's Time Kate Lefever, Kyra Hersh

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

Offering Prayer Paul Hurst

Offertory: *As I Went Down to the River to Pray*

Worship Team

Proclaiming

Song: *Build My Life*

Scripture and Message

Scripture Readers-Ben Nolt, Faith McGowan

Message-Jeffrey Lile, Isaac Harnish

Song: *It Is Well (Through It All)*

Senior Recognition

Ryan Jantzen, Ben Lefever, Rodney Stoltzfus

Song: *O Come to the Altar*

Scripture and Message

Scripture Readers-Samantha Whitman

Message-Noah Schnabel, Rodney Stoltzfus

Song: *How Deep the Fathers Love for Us* (Grace Notes No. 10)

Sending

Congregational Prayer

Isaac Harnish

Generations Reading

Sung Benediction: *Peace to You*

Worship Team

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 RECOGNIZE and congratulate our graduating high school seniors - Ben Lefever and Rodney Stoltzfus who will graduate from Lancaster Mennonite School on June 1, and Ryan Jantzen who will graduate from Ephrata Area High School on June 6.

THANKS TO KORI JANTZEN AND LAURI LEFEVER for putting together the informative library showcase display on our high school seniors.

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY, For those of you who have not yet heard, I have accepted a full-time teaching job at Smoketown Elementary, teaching in the ESL Department. Therefore, I am resigning from my position as Director of Children and Youth Programming. My last day will be on August 18. Thank you so much for all of the kind words of support I have received since making the announcement last week.
Janette Lile

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:

- Ryan Jantzen, Ben Lefever, and Rodney Stoltzfus celebrating their upcoming graduations from high school.
- Those serving this week in West Virginia with Mennonite Disaster Service.
- Michael Degan recovering from surgery.
- Theda González receiving care from Hospice.
- Mabel Stoltzfus experiencing back pain.
- Keith and Phyllis Stuckey celebrating the birth of their granddaughter.

MICHAEL DEGAN was released from the University of Pennsylvania Hospital on Monday and is recovering at home.

CONGRATULATIONS TO KEITH AND PHYLLIS STUCKEY on the birth of their granddaughter Amelia Lorraine Stuckey. She was born on Tuesday in Seattle, Washington. Her parents are Doug and Lindsay Stuckey.

JOYCE PEIFER would like to thank everyone for the prayers, phone calls, visits, and cards since her surgery.

A SERVICE TEAM is going to West Virginia this week in partnership with Mennonite Disaster Service to build and repair bridges. The group includes Lee Charles, Dale Hertzler, Sam Clement, Cody Hurst, and Ken Kreider. This will be the 4th bridge in 3 years that Forest Hills has helped to repair.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING to participate in a mission or service project sometime in the upcoming months and wish to share a Mission Spotlight, please contact Becky Degan to schedule a time.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Vacation Bible School (VBS) July 15-18. Please consider helping with this great event that serves over 100 children! Fill out the sign-up sheet (in mailboxes) and return it to Janette Lile's mailbox by May 19. We are so thankful for the many volunteers that help to make this event a success.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE WILL PRESENT: *Peace Witness, the Military, and Selective Service: Exploring the Anabaptist Peace Stance in the 21st Century*. Join us here at Forest Hills on June 9, 6:30-8:00 p.m. for this event. This presentation will equip youth, parents, youth leaders, and educators with information on the current realities of U.S. military enlistment practices and trends, the selective service system, and will help the Anabaptist community articulate what it means to follow Jesus' lead as a Peace Church in today's world.

THE FINAL NUMBERS ARE IN for last Friday's Ted and Company fundraiser with Neffsville Mennonite Church: There were 300+ people in attendance and \$20,679 was raised for the Mennonite Disaster Service/LaPlata Children's Church project! Thank you to all who participated by baking, donating items and money, volunteering time, and attending the show.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE IS SEEKING submissions for the summer edition of *Currents*. Send in your original stories, articles, reflections, poems, and artwork representing your experience and understanding of Jesus' reconciling love. Submissions may be sent to brookm@atlanticcoastconference.net by June 7. Details and links to the Spring 2019 edition of *Currents* can be found at: www.atlanticcoatconference.net/currents.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES' Weekend Blessings Program needs new, reusable water bottles. They will accept any new, unused water bottles, even if they have corporate logos. To donate, contact Gayle at foodbank@cvccs.org or 717-208-3711 ext. 101.

LOOKING AHEAD

- ☼ Sunday, June 16, 4 p.m. - Church picnic at Forest Hills.
- ☼ July 15-18 - Vacation Bible School.
- ☼ Tuesday, July 9 - Ladies night at Conestoga House and Gardens.
- ☼ Sunday, August 11 - Church Service in the Park.

MYF CORNER -Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- ☼ Sunday, May 19 - Out to eat after church.
- ☼ Sunday, June 2 - Game night.
- ☼ Sunday, June 23 - Long's Park Concert.
- ☼ July 2-6 - Mennonite Convention in Kansas City.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Ron Weaver

Audio Visual Technicians: Scott Hertzog, Jamie Eshleman

Befrienders: Arleta & Ken Martin

Greeters: Erma & Ervin Miller

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Lisa Spangler, Steve Spangler

Nursery: (SS) Liz Clapper

(W) Alice Babikow, Dana Shannon

TODAY

- Mother's Day, a day to honor our mothers and all the influential women in our lives.
- 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.
- Youth Sunday - Our MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) will lead the service.

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday, 12:30 - 5 p.m. - Church council half day retreat, the church office will be closed during this time.
- Thursday, 8 a.m. - Diakonia Women's breakfast at Oregon Dairy.
- Saturday, 7:30 a.m. - Adelpian Class breakfast at New Holland Family Restaurant.
- Saturday evening - Salt & Light Retreat.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Pastor Jon will preach on *Going it Alone Together* based on Ephesians 4:1-16.
- Salt & Light day retreat.
- Noon - MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) out for lunch.

REPORT: (05/05) General Fund \$13,981; Student Financial Aid \$1,100;
Playground \$23; Refugee Education \$200
Sunday School 145; Worship 188

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