



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

May 26, 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: *Great Is the Lord* Worship Book No. 87

Warren and Linda Tyson-Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation Ervin Miller

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing Don Nelson-Guitar, Dan Nagy-Bass

Sheila Snyder-Drums

There Is a Redeemer Grace Notes No. 53

He Is Exalted Grace Notes No. 41

We Will Dance Grace Notes No. 56

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time Janette Lile

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

Offering

Proclaiming

Song: *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* Worship Book No. 614

Scripture: Romans 14:5-9

Sermon: *Memento Mori* 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.

THE TOTAL OF THE MY COINS COUNT offering, collected by our children's Sunday School departments and donated to Mennonite Central Committee at the recent Relief Sale, amounted to \$347.94. Thanks to all who supported MCC through My Coins Count.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Vacation Bible School (VBS) the evenings of July 15-18. Please consider helping with this great event that serves over 100 children! Fill out the sign-up sheet (in front of mailboxes) and return it to Janette Lile's mailbox as soon as possible.

THE LIGHTBULBS IN OUR SANCTUARY FIXTURES will be replaced this week. Many of our current bulbs are burned out and have not been replaced due to the height of the fixtures. The new lightbulbs will be LED lamps which will have several advantages over our current bulbs. The energy savings cost is estimated to be about \$1,000 a year and the bulb life is almost double that of our current ones. During replacement the fixtures will be adjusted to minimize current shadow spots. We look forward to a brighter sanctuary for our worship services.

FOREST HILLS has received a letter of thanks from Atlantic Coast Conference for our recent gift of \$12,000 and a letter from Frederick Living Retirement Community for our donation of \$500 from the Flex Fund.

TODAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY for Kids Church (PreK-Grade 2) this church year. Kids Church does not meet during the summer months; instead we welcome the extra energy that our children bring to our worship services during this season. Activity papers and crayons are available on the table outside of the sanctuary.

BECKY DEGAN will be on vacation this week enjoying time with her family in Myrtle Beach, SC.

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:

- Deb Frey celebrating the birth of her grandson.
- Geoff and Stashia Nolt and family saying goodbye to Carol (IVEP participant).
- The family of Theda Gonzàlez mourning the loss of their mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.
- Dan and Eleanor Glick as Dan is receiving hospice care in his home.
- Esther Smoker recovering from a broken leg.
- Michael Degan recovering from surgery.
- Students, teachers, and parents preparing for the school year to end and summer routines to begin.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DEB FREY on the birth of a grandson, Elliott Samuel to Nick and Julie Frey on May 7. Due to early pregnancy complications, the family is especially grateful that he was able to go full-term.

CAROL MIRANDA has been living with Geoff and Stashia Nolt this school year with the IVEP program (International Volunteer Exchange Program). She moves to Michigan on Saturday to work at a church camp and will return to her home in Honduras in July. We have enjoyed having Carol as part of our community this year and wish her the best as she travels home.

ESTHER SMOKER had surgery on Tuesday at Lancaster General Hospital to repair a broken leg. She was expected to return to her room at Landis Homes by the end of the week.

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. These are usually 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.



PLEASE NOTE that other information about community events is posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board. Check out the flyers posted there to see what other ministries in our area are offering.

LEARN ABOUT FAIR TRADE and experience other cultures at the 25th annual Children's Festival at Ten Thousand Villages in Ephrata on June 1. Enjoy crafts, games, food, and live music from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission and parking are free with a suggested donation of a wrapped bar soap or adult toothbrush to benefit Mennonite Central Committee programs.

CONESTOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (CVCCS) food bank is currently in need of pancake mix, canned vegetables, and canned soup. There is a donation box by the front door of the church. They are also in need of volunteers to prepare meals, deliver, and/or serve children at the sites. Lunches are served on Monday, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Ebenezer EC Church Brownstown, Flory Park, and Country Club Apartments. Choose one, two, or all three days, and work the hours that suit your schedule. For more information, contact Deb at 717-208-3711 ext. 103.

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, June 23 - Long's Park Concert.
- ☼ July 2-6 - Mennonite Convention in Kansas City.
- ☼ Sunday, July 13 - Cookout and movie night at Clapper's.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Vernon Kauffman

Audio Visual Technicians: Jim Shannon, Christian Shannon

Befrienders: Ruth & Jake Bare

Greeters: Phyllis Gamber, Dana Shannon

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Arleta & Ken Martin

Nursery: (SS) Janette & Jerry Lile

(W) Rose Miller

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.

THIS WEEK

- Monday - Memorial Day holiday; church office will be closed.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Adult Sunday School - *Care and Share* Sunday; adults meet in regular classrooms.
- Pastor Jon will preach on *Grace. Gift.* based on Romans 12:1-13.
- 6 p.m. - MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Game night with Jess Martin.

REPORT: (05/19) General Fund \$10,423; Playground Fund \$1,045
Sunday School 137; Worship 186; Salt & Light Retreat 15

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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,

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team