



## Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 8, 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** Alex and Thomas Schlosser-Piano  
**Gathering Song: Praise the Lord** Worship Book No. 50  
Leanne Beidler, Holly Schlosser, Willie Hurst, Cal Roggie-Leaders  
**Call to Worship and Invocation** Jerry Lile

### Praising and Adoring

**Congregational Singing**  
Becky Degan-Piano, Erik Schlosser-Guitar,  
Michael Degan-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

*I Surrender All*  
*Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Beginning to End)*  
*You Are Holy (You Are Whole)* (Grace Notes No. 47)

### Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

**Children's Time** Becky Degan  
**Dismissal for Kids Church** (Grades PreK-Gr. 2, Room #1-2)  
**Offering**

### Proclaiming

**Song: Take My Life and Let It Be** (Worship Book No. 389)  
**Scripture:** Matthew 6:1-4, 19-21, 24-25  
**Sermon** Beryl Jantzi

Director of Stewardship Education, Everence Financial

**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.

DURING PASTOR JON'S SABBATICAL we have the privilege of hearing from many different speakers. Thanks to Beryl Jantzi, Stewardship Educator at Everence Financial Services, for delivering today's message.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Responsible caregivers of all ages are invited to consider volunteering for this vital church ministry that makes it possible for young families to join our fellowship. Sign-up online with the Sign-Up Genius: <https://bit.ly/33NMHsG> or talk to Liz Clapper for more details.

OUR MOMS PROGRAM (Morning Out for Mothers) will begin its new season with a Welcome Brunch this Tuesday, September 10, at 9:30 a.m. All women and children (infants through kindergarten) are encouraged to attend and invite friends to get involved as well. The program schedule is available on the church website and extra brochures are in front of the mailboxes.

PLAN TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING on Sunday, October 6, following a noon Soup & Sandwich fundraiser luncheon provided by our youth group. At this meeting we will be voting on the 2019-20 church budget.

A MOMS IN TOUCH group meets here at the church every Friday morning from 9-10 a.m., during the school year to pray for the students and teachers at Fritz Elementary School. Interested persons are always welcome to join this group of prayer warriors.

PLEASE NOTE THAT 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.

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:

- LeRoy Petersheim's family and friends mourning his passing.
- Those who are dealing with destruction from the recent hurricane.
- Thankfulness for the generous people of this church who allowed us to pay off the playground.
- The Morning Out for Mothers program as it begins a new year of serving mothers in our community.

WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES to the family of LeRoy Petersheim as they grieve his loss. LeRoy passed away this past Monday, September 2. Prior to his death, LeRoy resided at Landis Homes. Visitation will be held at Forest Hills on October 5 at 1 p.m., with a service following at 2:30 p.m.

CALLING ALL GREETERS: It's time to sign up to greet in October, November, and December. Greeting is a great way to welcome everyone to our time of worship, and it's a great way for you to serve our church family! There is a sign-up sheet near the mailboxes.

ADULT CHOIR will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, October 9, in preparation for the Christmas season. Choir, directed by Becky Degan, will rehearse from 7-8:15 p.m. each Wednesday. All adults who love to sing are invited to participate. If you have questions, please contact Becky.

THE FOLLOWING INTERNATIONAL VISITORS will be staying with Forest Hills families during this school year. Please make them feel welcomed.

- Kevin and Anna Nofziger and family are hosting Shutong Duan, from China. She chose the American name of Chloe and is a senior at Lancaster Catholic.
- Chad and Coleen Hurst and family are hosting (C)Esther who is from Nigeria. She is a senior at Lancaster Mennonite High School.

DAN AND LISA NAGY have moved to South Carolina. Their new address is 349 Copperwood Loop, Conway, SC, 29526. Dan's new cell number is 717-693-3447.

THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE Fall Assembly will be held here at Forest Hills on October 26. Join us for a day of learning, singing, and being together as the Church. The morning program will include worship, delegate business, congregational storytelling, and singing and sharing with Bradley Kauffman from the new hymnal, Voices Together. The afternoon will feature workshops on a variety of topics intended to equip individuals for discipleship and ministry. Please register through the website [www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly](http://www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly) by October 23.

AN INFORMATION SESSION will be held by Kristen Hertzog on Sunday, September 15, at 9:30 AM in the church library for those interested in learning about an upcoming Business Development Mission trip to Haiti. The trip will be focusing on empowering and teaching business development to Haitians who lack the skills and expertise to be successful for gainful employment. All business leaders, owners, professionals, and retirees are welcome to attend. Couples are also welcome. Tentative dates are January 9-16, 2020. For more information, please attend or contact Kristen at: 717-201-4893.

REPORT for (08/25-08/31) General Fund \$62,907; Playground \$6,400;  
Student Aid \$100

REPORT for (09/01) General Fund \$5,179; Refugee Education \$100  
Sunday School 142: Worship 174

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#### LOOKING AHEAD

- ❖ Sunday, October 6 - World Communion Sunday.
- ❖ Sunday, October 6 - MYF Soup & Sandwich followed by the Annual Church Business Meeting.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 9, 7 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Activities (KfC, Junior Youth, Adult Bible Study) begin.
- ❖ Wednesday, October 16, 7 p.m. - Adult Choir begins.
- ❖ Saturday, October 26 - ACC Fall Assembly at Forest Hills.

#### MYF CORNER - Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- ❖ Sunday, September 15 - Mini Golf.
- ❖ Sunday, September 22 - Harnishes' Barn.
- ❖ Sunday, October 6 - Soup & Sandwich fundraiser lunch.

## TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Larry McJunkin  
Audio Visual Technicians: Dean Jantzen, Dylan Jantzen  
Befrienders: Donna & Cal Roggie  
Greeters: Phyllis & Keith Stuckey  
Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Arleta & Ken Martin  
Nursery: (SS)  
(W)

## TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages. State of the Church Meeting - an open forum in the fellowship hall for all adults to review and discuss the proposed 2019-20 church budget.
- After Worship Service - Monthly Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings in Adelphian Room #17.
- Noon - MYF (Youth Group) returns home from Youth Retreat.

## THIS WEEK

- Monday, 7 p.m. - Church Council meeting.
- Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. - MOMS (Morning Out for Moms) begins with Welcome Brunch.
- Tuesday, 7 p.m. - Eby Cemetery meeting.
- Saturday, 4 p.m. - Men's Cookout.

## NEXT SUNDAY

- Sunday School hour: MYF youth and parent meeting in fellowship hall.
- Kevin Nofziger will preach on *Stewarding the Capitals: Physical and Intellectual*, based on 1 Corinthians 12:12-31.
- Gemeinschaft to Wenger cabin.
- 6 p.m. - MYF Mini Golf.

TODAY'S REPORT can be found on the bulletin insert.

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