



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 29, 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: *Blessed Assurance* (Worship Book No. 332)
Willie Hurst, Daryl and Matt Eshleman - Leaders

Call to Worship and Invocation Jerry Lile

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

Michael Degan-Guitar

Jon Carlson-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

Just as I Am (I Come Broken)

In Christ Alone (Grace Notes No. 60)

What a Fellowship (Grace Notes No. 70)

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time

Ann Zimmerman

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

Offering

Proclaiming

Song: *When Peace Like a River* (Worship Book No. 336)

Scripture: Exodus 20:12, John 19:26, James 1:27

Sermon: *Looking Back to Look Ahead: The Church, Aging, and
Missional Calling*

Larry Guengerich

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 Larry Guengerich, Director of Organizational Communications & Church Relations at Landis Communities, for delivering today's message.

PASTOR JON WILL RETURN to the office beginning on September 30. Please join us on Wednesday, October 9, at 7 p.m. as he and Lyn share about their month of service with a church in Quito, Ecuador.

PLAN TO ATTEND our annual business meeting next Sunday, October 6, following a noon Soup & Sandwich fundraiser luncheon provided by our youth group.

CHURCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION UPDATE forms for all Forest Hills attendees have been placed in church mailboxes. A new church directory will be published in the next several weeks. In order to expedite the completion of this project, please complete these forms and return them to Lauren Krady's mailbox or the box in the church office by October 20. Family members or previous Forest Hills attendees who wish to be included in this directory are asked to contact the church office or complete one of the pink forms on the ledge beneath the mailboxes. Family photos for a new picture directory will be taken in May.

GROCERY BOXES ARE HERE! Atlantic Coast Conference's (ACC) Peace and Justice Committee is once again collecting grocery boxes to be distributed by Mennonite Central Committee throughout the region. Please pick up a box in the church foyer; the suggested list of contents is on each box. Return filled boxes by October 25. Boxes will be collected at the ACC Fall Assembly on Saturday, October 26.

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 a recent fall.
- Dave Bontrager recovering from an infection.
- Kathleen Ranck adjusting to a new level of care.
- Marian and Earl Rohrer continuing to adjust to their new living arrangements.
- Warren Tyson recovering from back surgery.

ESTHER KREIDER is receiving rehabilitation after a recent fall; she is at Garden Spot Village in Springwood.

DAVE BONTRAGER was admitted last Saturday to Lancaster General Hospital with infections in both of his knees. He had surgery on Sunday and went home on Wednesday.

WARREN TYSON had back surgery on Friday at Lancaster General Hospital.

KATHLEEN RANCK was transferred on Tuesday to Conestoga House, Room 123.

THE NICKELS FOR NEIGHBORS JUG for the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) annual collection is now in the church foyer. The 2019 ACC Nickels for Neighbors grant will be given to the Training Station Preschool in Ocean City, Maryland for the replacement of their playground and plumbing updates. Please place your bills and loose change in the jug.

THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE (ACC) Fall Assembly will be held here at Forest Hills on Saturday, October 26, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. 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 on the ACC website, www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly, by October 23.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Marlin Miller

Audio Visual Technicians: Scott Hertzog, Jamie Eshleman

Befrienders: Kathy Unangst

Greeters: Becky & Les Siegrist

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Donna & Cal Roggie

Nursery: (SS) Kristy & Mark Snyder

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TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.
- Salt & Light ladies return from the beach.
- 6:45 p.m. at church or 7 p.m. at Oregon Dairy - MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) - Oregon Dairy Corn Maze.

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday - No MOMS (Morning Out for Moms) group.
- Thursday, 9 a.m. - Mennonite Women.

NEXT SUNDAY

- World Communion Sunday - Pastor Jon will preach on *The Communion of the Saints*, based on Galatians 3:7-14.
- After Worship Service - Monthly Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Screenings in Adelpian Room #17.
- Noon - MYF Soup & Sandwich fundraiser lunch followed by our Annual Business Meeting.

REPORT: (09/22) General Fund \$8,494
Sunday School 157: Worship 196

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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

Lauren Krady - Administrator

Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Kay Hurst, Louetta Hurst, Joyce Martin,

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst, Dana Shannon - Care Team

CHURCH STAFF (Becky Degan, Nina Harnish, and Lauren Krady), are at the beach this weekend with the Salt & Light ladies, please contact Jerry Lile, acting chair of church council, in case of a church emergency.

MENNONITE WOMEN would like to thank everyone who contributed to their kit project for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). A total of 191 kits were donated to MCC - 157 school kits and 34 hygiene kits.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to participate in *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?* This church-wide activity will be held on November 9, starting with appetizers at church at 5 p.m. To participate, fill out the form on the back of the bulletin insert (forms will also be in church mailboxes next Sunday) and return it to the tray in front of the mailboxes by October 13. Contact Eileen Wenger, Kathy Unangst, or Phyllis Stuckey if you have any questions.

ALL SINGLES OF THE FOREST HILLS congregation of voting age are invited to a potluck meal October 12, at 6 p.m. at 47 Ridge View Drive, Leola. Come to converse, eat, and enjoy positive interaction and maybe some table games. If interested, please notify Herb Hoover at herblhoover@gmail.com or call or text 717-725-3624.

CHECK OUT THE FUNDRAISER board in the foyer made by our MYF (Youth Group, Grades 9-12), to learn about their yearly activities and upcoming service trip to Puerto Rico. Members of the youth group will be there to talk with you and accept donations after the service.

LOOKING AHEAD

- ☛ Sunday, October 6 - MYF Fundraiser Lunch 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, October 6 - Soup & Sandwich fundraiser lunch.
- ☛ Sunday, October 13 - Harnishes' barn.
- ☛ Sunday, October 20 - Bonfire and pumpkin carving at the Stoesz'.
- ☛ Sunday, October 20 - Puerto Rico deposit due.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

Saturday, November 9, 2019

This is a church-wide activity where a host family will provide a meal in their home to guests who are assigned to them. Hosts will not know who their guests are, and guests will not know who their hosts are until the day of the dinner. If you would like to participate, please complete this form and place it in the box located on the mailbox ledge by Oct. 13.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Would you like to be:

___ A Host

___ A Guest

___ Either Host or Guest is ok

HOST: You will be expected to provide the main dish or soup, beverage and whatever else you would like. Guests will provide a salad or dessert.

How many guests are you willing to host?

___ # Adults

___ # Children (Ages 0 to grade 6)

___ # Children (grades 7 to 12)

GUEST: Please indicate number of participants from your family unit. You will be notified the week before indicating whether you are to bring a salad or dessert.

___ # Adults (including young adults)

___ # Children (Ages 0 to grade 6)

___ # Children (grade 7 to 12)

Please list any dietary restrictions: (Diabetic celiac, heart, etc.)

Appetizers will be served at Forest Hills on Nov 9, starting at 5 p.m. You will then be given the name of, as well as directions to, the host family. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the following: Eileen Wenger, Kathy Unangst, or Phyllis Stuckey.