



## Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 6, 2020

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.

### Gathering

**Prelude**

Sandy Smoker

**Call to Worship and Invocation**

Jim Fenton

**Reflection Song**

*What a Fellowship*

### Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

**Children's Time**

Becky Degan

**Passing the Peace**

**Song**

*Move in Our Midst*

### Proclaiming

**Scripture:** Philippians 4:9-23

**Sermon:** *Joy Rides On*

Jon Carlson

**Response Song**

*Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me*

### Sending

**Congregational Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING of outdoor music with Don Nelson, fellowship, and snacks here at church on Saturday, September 12, starting at 6 p.m. (rain date is Sunday, September 13). Remember to bring your lawn chairs and a mask. Jeanette and Vernon's *Rice's Ice* cart will be here with free Italian Ice.

THERE ARE EXTRA copies of the *Rejoice!* quarterly devotional available in the church library, feel free to stop by and pick one up.

BEGINNING NEXT SUNDAY, September 13, Sunday School groups and their families will have opportunity to worship together in-person in the sanctuary. If you are not currently connected with a Sunday School class, feel free to pick a Sunday morning and drop in for a worship service. All worship services will continue to be available via livestream for everyone.

September 13: Salt 'n Light, MYF, & Grounded

September 20: Gemeinschaft & Agape

September 27: Diakonia & Adelpian

October 4: Rest for the Weary

OUR KIDS FOR CHRIST (KFC) program (Preschool - grade 5), as well as our Jr. Youth program (grades 6-8), will begin on Wednesday, September 9, from 7 - 8:15 p.m. Details will be emailed to parents weekly. Parents, if you have not yet done so, please remember to fill out our yearly [online Emergency Form](#) before then.

MENNONITE WOMEN would like to thank everyone who contributed to their kit project for Mennonite Central Committee. A total of 112 kits were taken to MCC - 84 school kits and 28 health/hygiene kits.

EACH YEAR, MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE East Coast partners with Anabaptist churches to distribute nearly 3,000 packed grocery boxes through congregations' local ministries. Empty boxes are available at MCC's Material Resource Center (517 W Trout Run Rd, Ephrata, open 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. M-F), at the Atlantic Coast Conference office (2257 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, pickup upon request), or by delivery upon request. Filled boxes may be dropped off at the Material Resource Center, at the ACC office, or you can contact the conference office to arrange for pickup. Donate towards a box by credit card through the ACC [website](#) or by sending a check made out to the ACC Peace and Justice Committee to 2257 Old Philadelphia Pike, Lancaster, PA, 17602.

AS THE JOYS AND CARES AND CONCERNS of our congregation come to mind, please lift them to the Lord in prayer:

- Don and Anita Beidler mourning the loss of Don's brother.
- Ervin and Erma Miller celebrating the birth of their granddaughter.
- Lucy Rudy mourning the loss of her husband John.
- Those families dealing with broken relationships.

WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES to Don and Anita Beidler on the recent passing of Don's brother Dave.

WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES to Lucy Rudy and her family on the passing of her husband John last week. They celebrated 73 years of marriage last January.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ervin and Erma Miller on the recent birth of their granddaughter, Penelope Jane, to parents Cory and Lindsey.

THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE FALL ASSEMBLY will take place October 23-25. A prerecorded delegate session video will be made available to all delegates along with an electronic form to record votes and other necessary responses. This video will include updates on conference life, an overview of ACC's current financial situation, and a presentation on any action-items needing affirmation from delegates. All action-items will be communicated with delegates by September 21. The morning of October 24 will feature a webinar with various leaders from ACC on ways that the conference and its congregations are taking meaningful steps to end racism on an individual as well as organizational level. Participants can ask questions or send them ahead by emailing [office@atlanticcoastconference.net](mailto:office@atlanticcoastconference.net).

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Looking Ahead:

-  Wednesday, September 9 - KFC and Jr. Youth begin.
-  Saturday, September 12 - Outdoor music evening.
-  Sunday, September 13 - MYF Mini Golf.
-  Sunday, October 11 - Baptism Sunday.
-  Sunday, November 1 - Communion Sunday.

TODAY

- 9 a.m. - Sunday book study group meets under the carport.
- 10:30 a.m. - Online worship streaming on YouTube: <https://fhmc.church/youtube> and Facebook: [www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite](http://www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite).
- Offerings can be mailed to the church office.

THIS WEEK

- Monday - Labor Day holiday; church office closed.
- Tuesday, 6 p.m. - Tuesday book study group meets under the carport.
- Wednesday, 7 p.m. - KFC & Jr. Youth begin.
- Thursday, 10 a.m. - Thursday book study group meets under the carport.
- Saturday, 6 p.m. - Outdoor music and fellowship.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Pastor Jon will preach on *Veritas*, based on Isaiah 8:11-18. Salt & Light, MYF, and Grounded classes are invited to worship in the sanctuary.
- MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) - Mini Golf.

REPORT: (8/31)

General Fund \$32,305

YTD Giving \$641,827\*; YTD Budget \$667,800 (-3%)

\*This number is not final.\*

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**Staff and Leadership Teams**

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Becky Degan - Assoc Pastor of Worship and Christian Education

Nina Harnish - Minister of Care and Visitation

Zac Hummel - Youth and Young Adult Pastor ~ Lauren Krady - Administrator

Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Louetta Hurst, Toby Leaman, Joyce Martin,

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