



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

September 20, 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

Gathering Song

Call to Worship and Invocation

Dan Hess

Reflection Song

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time

Becky Degan

Passing the Peace

Song

Offertory

Proclaiming

Scripture: John 18:28-38

Sermon: *The Nature of Your Reality*

Jon Carlson

Response Song

Sending

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

CONGRATULATIONS to the four youth who were baptized last weekend: Camden Clapper, Kate Lefever, Faith McGowan, and Declan Hersh. On October 11, our online-only service will have videos of the baptisms and of the youth giving their testimonies.

THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE FALL ASSEMBLY will take place October 23-25. A 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. The morning of October 24 will feature a webinar with various leaders from around ACC on ways that the conference and its congregations are taking meaningful steps to end racism on an individual as well as on an organizational level. Participants can ask questions or send them ahead by emailing office@atlanticcoastconference.net.

MENNONITE RESOURCE CENTER (MRC) needs individuals, small groups, or families to volunteer at their location in Ephrata. Tasks vary but might include checking relief kits, sorting supplies, stacking boxes, or labelling packages. Evening and Saturday time slots are available. CDC guidelines for businesses are being followed the number of volunteers present at the center at any given time is between 10-25 people. Anyone who is interested can contact MarilynPeters@mcc.org or by calling the MRC at 717-733-2847.

IF YOUR CLASS, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE has meetings or activities planned for the month of October, please submit these dates to the church office by Wednesday of this coming week, September 23, so that they can be included on the next church calendar.

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE will present *Immigration Stories* (Live Stream) - Listen to compelling storytellers Andrew Bodden & Ken Sensenig on Tuesday, October 20, from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. A Zoom link will be posted three weeks before the event at www.bit.ly/MCCStories. Donations are appreciated.

"THANK YOU for your prayers, cards, phone calls, and emails during my recent health issues. Each is important and very much appreciated. It is great to be part of an extended caring family. Love and Blessings to each of you." -Keith Lehman

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

- Byron Zimmerman recovering from a recent minor stroke.
- Camden Clapper, Declan Hersh, Kate Lefever, and Faith McGowan recently baptized.
- The young adults serving at Camp Deerpark next weekend.
- Marcia Stoesz moving and adjusting to living in a new area.
- Wisdom and discernment for the budget process for this new church year.

BYRON ZIMMERMAN experienced a minor stroke and was hospitalized at Ephrata Community Hospital last Saturday. He was discharged on Monday to his home and will be receiving therapy there.

"SO MANY THINGS have been happening and changing in the last months, and I wanted to write a note to share with my church family. We have sold our home in Akron. Closing is on September 30. I am planning to move to Perkiomenville in Montgomery County. My daughter, Becca and her husband Jon Nagy have invited me to live in an apartment in their home. I'm excited about my plans to grandparent and be there when their second baby comes in November! Because I will be living outside of this county, participating regularly in FHMC church activities will be limited. Forest Hills Church has been so important to me for spiritual growth and friendship for a very long time. Thank you all for your supportive consideration, care, and prayers."



-Marcia Stoesz

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUPS and their families are invited to worship together in-person in the sanctuary over the next few weeks. 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 27: Diakonia & Adelpian

October 4: Rest for the Weary

Looking Ahead:

-  Sunday, October 11 - Baptism Sunday - online only.
-  Sunday, November 1 - Communion Sunday.

MYF Upcoming Events:

-  Sunday, September 27 - Corn maze.
-  Saturday, October 4 - Camping.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Audio Visual Technicians: Dean Jantzen, Scott Hertzog, Davin Esbenschade, Micah Carlson

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.
- Gemeinschaft and Agape are invited to worship in the sanctuary.
- Offerings can be mailed to the church office.
- 6 p.m. - MYF - Corn Maze.

THIS WEEK

- Monday, 7 p.m. - Prayer Shawl ministry.
- Tuesday, 6 p.m. - Tuesday book study group meets under the carport.
- Wednesday, 7 p.m. - KFC (Kids for Christ, Age 4-Gr. 5) & Jr. Youth.
- Thursday, 10 a.m. - Thursday book study group meets under the carport.
- Friday - Sunday - Salt & Light ladies' beach weekend.
- Friday - Sunday - Young Adults Camp Deerpark service weekend.

NEXT SUNDAY

- Pastor Jon will preach on *...but verify*.
- Diakonia & Adelpian classes are invited to worship in the sanctuary.
- MYF - Care Packages.

REPORT: (9/13) General Fund \$11,585; Refugee Ed. \$150
Worship 90

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Staff and Leadership Teams

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Randy Esch, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Louetta Hurst, Toby Leaman, Joyce Martin,

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