



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

November 15, 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

Reflection Song

Nina Harnish

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Passing the Peace

Song

Children's Time

Becky Degan

Proclaiming

Scripture: Isaiah 25:1-9

Sermon: *COVID Table*

Response Song

Jon Carlson

Sending

Offering/Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude

ALL ARE WELCOME to interact with prayers stations set up throughout church. These prayer stations are interactive experiences with scripture and activities to help us focus on the different promises that Jesus made in scripture. During these stressful and complex times, these simple, creative experiences can help us to slow down and listen for what God reveals to us. The drop-in hours are Monday and Wednesday 12 p.m.-3 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m.-12 p.m., and Sunday after church until 5 p.m. They will be available through November.

WE ARE IN NEED OF more people to help with our Sunday morning sound and audio-visual needs. Training will be provided! Please contact the church office if you would like to volunteer in this area.

DO YOU OR YOUR FAMILY have a cherished Christmas tradition? Would you be willing to let the congregation take a peek inside it as part of our Advent worship services? If so, reach out to Pastor Jon by phone or email.

THIS COMING FRIDAY, November 20, is Lancaster's *Extraordinary Give*, a chance for the entire county to come together to support organizations that serve our community. Many of the organizations participating have strong connections to Forest Hills, so we encourage you to share your generosity! Visit their website at <http://www.extragive.org> to find out more and donate.

IF YOUR CLASS, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE has meetings or activities planned for December, please submit these dates to the church office by Tuesday of this coming week, November 17, so that they can be included on the December church calendar.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA HAS AN ADVENT guide available to download on their [website](#). *We Wait for Jesus* is an at home worship guide for all ages and runs Advent through Epiphany. Written by Talashia Keim Yoder, pastor of Christian Formation at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana. Designed for all ages—children through adults.

NEW UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORIES are in church mailboxes. Extra copies are available on the counter below the mailboxes. If you would like a PDF version emailed to you to save on your computer, email the church office at fhmc@foresthillchurch.org.

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

- Matt Eshleman adjusting to a new job and community.
- Ervin Miller and those in his family recovering from COVID.
- Karen Hertzler anticipating ear surgery on November 20.
- Peace and calmness during times of stress and anxiety.
- Leaders and health care providers making decisions on behalf of the health and wellbeing of our community.

ERVIN MILLER was hospitalized on Friday due to COVID symptoms and was discharged to home on Sunday where he is continuing to recover.

KAREN HERTZLER is scheduled for a cochlear implant surgery on November 20, at Holy Spirit Hospital in Camp Hill, with the hopes of improving her hearing.

MATT ESHLEMAN is relocating and starting a new job at New Columbia Solar in Washington D.C. as an Operations & Management Field Technician. His new address will be 2620 4th St NE, Washington D.C. 20002.

DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE NONPROFIT organization that fits the vision, character, and theology of our church? Grants up to \$2,500 per organization are available this church year through our Flex Fund. Priority is given to projects that align with our vision and those in which Forest Hills people are involved. Contact the church office for guidelines and an application. Submit completed applications to Erin Hershey, Mission and Service Commission Director.

STAFF RELATIONS COMMITTEE recently conducted a 1-year review for Zac Hummel. SRC acknowledges this has been a challenging year due to COVID for all our church staff, but appreciation for Zac's work with the youth and young adults was expressed. Zac will continue in his role as Youth and Young Adult Pastor.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE is looking for an individual or family that would be willing to shovel the entrances and walks around our church building when it snows this winter. Anyone willing to serve in this capacity is asked to contact the church office or Bruce Stauffer, Property Committee Chairperson.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Chad Martin

Audio Visual Technicians: Dan Baker, Micah Carlson, Dean Jantzen, Davin Esbenshade, Scott Hertzog

Greeters: Joyce & Cliff Martin

TODAY

- No Sunday School classes.
- 10:30 a.m. - Worship service in-person and open to everyone. It will also be online on YouTube: <https://fhmc.church/youtube> and Facebook: www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite.
- MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) Road Rally.

THIS WEEK

- Monday, 7 p.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry.
- Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. - KfC (Kids for Christ)
- Wednesday, 7 - 8:15 p.m. - Jr. Youth

NEXT SUNDAY

- Zac Hummel will preach.
- 13-year-old Milestone.
- MYF Bake-off.

REPORT: (11/8) Worship 94

General Fund \$6,690

YTD Giving \$79,378; YTD Budget \$130,673 (- 40%)

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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

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