



FOREST HILLS MENNONITE CHURCH

April 4, 2021 | Easter Sunday

G A T H E R I N G

Prelude

Gathering Song: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

Forest Hills Choir

Song: *Love Come Down*

Sandy Smoker-Piano, Michael Degan-Bass, Sheila Snyder-Drums

Cheryl and Daryl Eshleman, Becky Degan, Tim Smoker-Singers

Call to Worship and Invocation

Nina Harnish

Gospel Reading

Ann Zimmerman

Song: *Thine Is the Glory/Once Again*

C O N N E C T I N G

Passing the Peace: *Were You There*

Handbell Ensemble

Cheryl Eshleman, Becky Degan, Kori Jantzen, Sandy Rock

Congregational & Offering Prayer

Offertory: *There Is A Redeemer*

Handbell Ensemble

Children's Time

Becky Degan

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

R E F L E C T I N G

Song: *When I Survey / Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Song: *He Lives*

Forest Hills Choir

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

Sermon: *Death Be Not Proud*

Jon Carlson

Response Song: *O Praise the Name*

S E N D I N G

Benediction

Sung Postlude: *Low in The Grave He Lay*



# CARES & CONCERNS >>>

As the cares and concerns of our congregation come to mind,  
please lift them to the Lord in prayer:

- ❖ Don Nelson recovering from hip surgery.
- ❖ Those struggling with anxiety and depression.
- ❖ Those experiencing challenging and broken relationships.
- ❖ Ryan Eberly and his family mourning the sudden loss of his wife.
- ❖ Countries experiencing civil unrest.

**Ryan Eberly's** plumbing company has been involved in various projects in our church including the newly remodeled bathroom. Ryan's wife, Julie, died after a road rage incident last week while traveling for vacation.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS >>>

**For Sunday worship services during the months of April and May**, we will be inviting Sunday School groups to attend Sunday morning in-person worship services on a rotating basis. If you are not currently connected with a Sunday School class, feel free to pick any Sunday morning and drop in for a worship service.

**April 11 & 25** – Adelpian, Diakonia, Agape, Gemeinschaft

**April 18 & May 2** – Salt 'n' Light, Rest for the Weary, Grounded

**Forest Hills received letters of thanks from:** Camp Hebron for our recent Flex Fund donation of \$2,500, Mennonite World Conference for our recent donation of \$4,000, Mennonite Disaster Service for our donation of \$4,000, and Bald Eagle Boys Camp for our Flex Fund donation of \$2,500.

**We have enjoyed seeing pictures** of our Forest Hills family during the pre-service slide shows on Sunday mornings. Please feel free to send in pictures of you or your family in their daily activities over the last year by emailing them to [fhmc@foresthillschurch.org](mailto:fhmc@foresthillschurch.org).

**Thanks to everyone** who participated in the 40 Days of Kindness paper chain project. The colorful paper chains hanging around the sanctuary were made by children and adults in the congregation who wrote down one prayer or act of kindness they did each day during Lent.

**Larry and Eileen Wenger** have moved. Their new address is 2336 Hobson Road, Lancaster PA, 17602.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS >>>

**Children ages 4 - grade 2** will be dismissed for Kids' Church during the 11 a.m. service. Activity sheets and crayons are available on the table outside the middle sanctuary doors for children of all ages.

**The Eby Cemetery Association, our church cemetery committee**, needs two individuals to serve on the board of directors. The President presides over the annual meeting of board of directors, signs all legal documents, and does general supervision of the affairs of the association. We also need a Property Committee Chairman. This person has general responsibility for the appearance of the cemetery, including landscaping, mulching, trimming, raking leaves, and maintenance of the fence around cemetery with the assistance of other committee members. They also, in preparation for a burial, verify the correct plot and stake out the exact location of the burial site and headstone location on the plot. Neither of these positions requires a lot of time but it is important to maintain the cemetery and provide an attractive final resting place for our members. Please contact Ken Martin if you have any questions or interest.

**Nursery volunteers are needed.** Caregivers of all ages are invited to consider volunteering for this small but important class. This ministry makes it possible for young families to join our service. Volunteers should be aware that children of this age cannot wear masks, so it is very important that volunteers be properly masked while in the nursery. This would be a great place for those that are already vaccinated to serve. Please contact Liz Clapper as soon as possible to sign up or if you have any questions.

**The Atlantic Coast Conference Spring Assembly** will take place virtually on the morning of April 17, 2021. Assembly details can be found at [www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly](http://www.atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly).

**The Parish Resource Center** and Landis Communities will host *Loss and Restoration: In Life and Faith* on Thursday April 22, from 8-10 a.m. Conrad Kanagy will talk about his diagnoses with Parkinson's Disease in middle-age bringing a massive disruption in his life, identity, and plans, but also some gifts. He will reflect on his journey with Parkinson's and the parallels to this moment in history for the church, world, and individual self-formation. This free webinar is presented in partnership with Landis Communities, as their virtual 2021 Annual Clergy Breakfast. <https://parishresourcecenter.org/events/loss-and-restoration/>

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## **MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) Upcoming Events:**

- April 16-18 - Retreat at Camp Eder.
- May 16 - Youth Sunday.
- June 13 - Baptism Sunday.

# H O S P I T A L I T Y   H E L P E R S

- ❖ Head Usher: Lee Charles
- ❖ Audio Visual Technicians: Dan Baker, Dean Jantzen, Jim Shannon, Joseph Bodden, Micah Carlson
- ❖ Greeters: Kathy Unangst, The Bodden Family

## T O D A Y

- ❖ 9 & 11 a.m. - Both services will be open for in-person worship. The 9 a.m. service will be streamed on YouTube: <https://fhmc.church/youtube> and Facebook: [www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite](http://www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite). Only the 11 a.m. service will have Nursery and Kids' Church.

## T H I S   W E E K

- ❖ Monday - Church office closed for Easter holiday.
- ❖ Tuesday, 7 p.m. - Church Council meeting.
- ❖ Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. - KfC (Kids for Christ, Pre-K-Gr. 5)
- ❖ Friday - Sunday, April 6-8 - Jr. Youth (Grades 6-8) away on retreat at Paradise Lake.

## N E X T   S U N D A Y

- ❖ Pastor Jon will preach on *Hey, Stranger*, based on Luke 24:13-35.
- ❖ Sunday School for Adelpian, Diakonia, and Agape classes.
- ❖ Adelpian, Diakonia, Agape, and Gemeinschaft classes are invited to in-person worship.
- ❖ MYF - Care and Share.

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### MARCH 28 REPORT:

Weekly Giving: General Fund \$4,796; Student Aid \$100  
YTD Giving \$365,590; YTD Budget \$392,019 (-7%)

ATTENDANCE: 108

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