



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

January 8, 2023

G A T H E R I N G

Prelude

Gathering Song: *Just As I Am*

Becky Degan, Jonny Bishop,
Michael Degan, Sheila Snyder-Worship Team

Call to Worship and Invocation

Nina Harnish

Passing the Peace

C O N N E C T I N G

Congregational Singing

Jesus Paid It All/This Is Amazing Grace

What A Beautiful Name

Congregational and Offering Prayer

Offertory: *Graves into Gardens*

Children's Time

Janette Lile

R E F L E C T I N G

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-10

Sermon: *The Rhythm of the Night*

Jon Carlson

The Bread and the Cup – *Amazing Grace*

S E N D I N G

Benediction

Postlude



CARES & CONCERNS >>>

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

- ❖ Tim and Sandy Smoker mourning the loss of Tim's sister.
- ❖ Paul and Karen Eckert adjusting to Paul's new living arrangement.
- ❖ Don Beidler dealing with advanced cancer.
- ❖ College students beginning a new semester of classes.

We extend our condolences to Tim and Sandy Smoker on the recent passing of Tim's sister, Susan Ressler.

Paul Eckert moved to Manheim House at Landis Homes on Monday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS >>>

Welcome Guests! We're glad you are with us today. We hope that you will encounter God's presence as you worship with us and will find yourself renewed and challenged in your journey with God. Hearing assistance devices are available in the ushers' room near the sanctuary entrance. Let us know you're here by scanning the QR code and filling out the online visitor form:



The Bread and the Cup: Communion will be served in the pews this morning. Ushers will pass the bread and cups to those seated at the end of each row; pass the emblems to those seated next to you. Please hold your emblems so that we can all partake together. All bread is gluten free.

The senior lunch that was scheduled to take place at Landis Homes this Monday, January 9, is cancelled.

We are working on creating a Forest Hills picture directory. If you are a regular attendee and were not able to get your picture taken at church in December, you may email a photo to the church office at fmc@foresthillschurch.org before January 15.

We are planning to have a new member Sunday on January 29. Anyone interested in learning more about becoming a member of Forest Hills Mennonite Church through confession of faith or transfer of membership is invited to contact Pastor Jon Carlson by January 23.

Printed copies of the January church calendar and *We Remember*, our year-end publication of those we lost in 2022, are available in front of the church mailboxes.

Nursery volunteers needed! Responsible caregivers of all ages are invited to consider volunteering for this vital church ministry that makes it possible for young families to join our fellowship. Caregivers must have background clearances on file with the church office. Sign-up on the sheet is on the wall outside the nursery or contact Liz Clapper for more information.

Mennonite Church USA sends a weekly e-news digest containing news and blog posts from them and their agencies. To keep up with all the things happening across our denomination subscribe to *PeaceMail* by visiting their website: www.mennoniteusa.org/peacemail.

WINTER BIBLE SCHOOL 2023 - *The Church in Discernment*

Winter Bible School provides food for both body and soul. Supper begins at 6 p.m. followed by adult discussion time, KFC, and Jr Youth at 6:45 p.m. There is no charge for the meal, but donations to cover the costs (\$5-\$10/person) will be gratefully accepted. Nursery for ages 3 and under will be available during the discussion time.

Topics for the adult discussion times will include panels on the following topics:

- > **January 18** - Discerning Dress
- > **January 25** - Discerning Divorce & Remarriage
- > **February 1** - Discerning Sexual Ethics
- > **February 8** - Discerning Political Engagement

As part of our sanctuary update project, we are expanding our audio/visual area. Work began last week and will continue for the next few months. Thank you for your patience as we work to improve our worship space.

We now have a large conference table and chairs in our library. This new furniture will allow us to utilize this room for meetings. This furniture was donated in loving memory of Leenie Charles and Ken Kreider.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- ❖ January 18, 25, February 1, 8: Winter Bible School.
- ❖ January 29: New member Sunday.

UPCOMING MYF EVENTS:

- ❖ January 22: Skyzone.
- ❖ January 29: Game night with ACC youth.

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: Dean Jantzen, Scott Hertzog, Rylan Lapp, Micah Carlson
- ❖ Greeter: Ruth Ann Martin, Veronica Ranck
- ❖ Befrienders: Linda & Warren Tyson
- ❖ Coffee Fellowship: Lisa Spangler, Steve Spangler

T O D A Y

- ❖ 9:30 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages.
- ❖ 10:30 a.m. – Worship in-person or online. The service can be streamed on YouTube: [fhmc.church/youtube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfmcchurch) or Facebook: www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite.

T H I S W E E K

- ❖ Monday, 7 p.m. – Church council meeting.

N E X T S U N D A Y

- ❖ Pastor Jon will preach.

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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

Becky Bathurst - Youth and Young Adult Director ~ Lesley Wenger - Custodian

Kay Hurst, Allon Lefever, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Louetta Hurst, Matthew Degan, Ruth Ann Martin, Clair and Doris Sauder

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team