



# Forest Hills Mennonite Church

January 15, 2023

## G A T H E R I N G

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Prelude

Gathering Song: *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

Grace Notes No. 2

Sandy and Tim Smoker, Dean Jantzen, Sheila Snyder-Worship Team

Call to Worship and Invocation

Craig Harnish

Passing the Peace

## C O N N E C T I N G

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Congregational Singing

*What a Fellowship*

Grace Notes No. 70

*Lord, I Need You*

Offering Prayer

Offertory

Children's Time

Jon Carlson

## R E F L E C T I N G

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Song: *Amazing Love*

Scripture: Romans 13:8-14

Sermon: *Don't Hurt Nobody*

Jon Carlson

Response Song: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Worship Book No. 327

## S E N D I N G

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Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude



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## CARES & CONCERNS >>>

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

- ❖ Jonny and Jess Bishop celebrating their pregnancy.
- ❖ Kay and Willie Hurst celebrating the birth of their granddaughter.
- ❖ Kevin and Anna Nofziger supporting Kevin's dad and his recent terminal diagnosis.
- ❖ Ken and Arleta Martin as Ken is receiving hospice care in their home.
- ❖ Janice Southwick recovering from back surgery.

**Jonny and Jess Bishop** are expecting the arrival of their first child in July. This child will also be a grandchild to Mike Rheinheimer.

**Congratulations** to Kay and Willie Hurst on the birth of their granddaughter, Hannah Lucy Hurst. She is the daughter of Jon and Amy Hurst of Brownstown.

**Janice Southwick** had back surgery on Thursday at Ephrata Community Hospital. She anticipates being a patient for a few days and then being discharged to her home for recovery.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS >>>

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**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:



**Year-end giving statements** have been placed in church mailboxes. Statements not picked up by January 29<sup>th</sup> will be mailed.

**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](mailto:fmc@foresthillschurch.org) by January 16.

**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.

**The quarterly edition** of *Toolkit*, Everence's financial newsletter, has arrived and is available to pick up in front of the church mailboxes.

## **WINTER BIBLE SCHOOL 2023 - *The Church in Discernment***

Winter Bible School provides food for both body and soul. Dinner will be served from 6-6:30 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

**Forest Hills received a letter of thanks** from Bridge of Hope for our recent Flex Fund donation of \$2,000 and for our support teams work in helping the family move into permanent housing.

**Professor Drew Hart**, from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, will be our guest speaker at Winter Bible School on February 8. We are looking for someone to host him in their home overnight. If you would be willing to do so, please contact Pastor Jon.

**Save the date for** Saturday March 11, in the late afternoon and evening for *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?* This is a fun way to meet new people and spend time with those you already know!

**Tuition grants are available** from the Student Financial Aid Fund for the school year beginning Fall 2023. Grants are available to Forest Hills Mennonite Church members or their dependents who are planning to enroll as full-time students at an eligible institution – Bethel College, Bluffton College, Canadian Mennonite University, Eastern Mennonite University, Goshen College, Hesston College, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminaries, or Eastern Mennonite Seminary. The grant amount for the academic year 2023-24 will be \$1,650 per student per semester. Applications can be requested from Craig Harnish and need to be submitted by February 15.

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## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

- ❖ January 18, 25, February 1, 8: Winter Bible School.
- ❖ January 29: New member Sunday.
- ❖ April 23: Jr Youth and MYF fundraiser meal followed by Pinewood Derby.

## **UPCOMING MYF EVENTS:**

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

# Winter Bible School

WEDNESDAYS IN JANUARY

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\* Feed Your Body \* Feed Your Soul \*

**January 18TH**

**6:00-6:30 PM - Supper**

- **Meatball Sandwiches**
- **Potato Salad**
- **Carrots**
- **Cookies**



There is no charge for the meal, but donations to cover the costs (\$5-\$10/person) will be gratefully accepted. RSVP slip below.

**6:45 PM - Activities for Children and Adults**

- \* **Adult Panel Discussion: Discerning Dress** - How do the various expectations of culture, tradition, and Biblical tradition shape how we dress? How do we interpret Biblical texts like 1 Corinthians 11 or 1 Peter 3?
- \* **KfC (Kids for Christ)** - for children aged 4-Grades 5.
- \* **Junior Youth** - for children in Grades 6-8.



\* RSVP \*

**Meal Reservations** – Please place this form in the offering plate today or call/email the church office **before noon on Monday, January 16.**

I/We plan to attend the meal on Wednesday, January 18.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

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

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- ❖ Head Usher: Troy Hurst
- ❖ Audio Visual Technicians: Rod Lefever, Dan Baker, Joseph Bodden, Micah Carlson
- ❖ Greeter: Rose Mosemann
- ❖ Befrienders: Phyllis & Keith Stuckey
- ❖ Coffee Fellowship: Lisa Spangler, Steve Spangler

## T O D A Y

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- ❖ 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/UCfHmC) or Facebook: [www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite](https://www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite).

## T H I S   W E E K

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- ❖ Monday, 7 p.m. – Prayer Shawl ministry.
- ❖ Wednesday – Winter Bible School.
  - 6 p.m. – Supper
  - 6:45 p.m. – Adult discussion, KfC, Jr Youth.

## N E X T   S U N D A Y

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- ❖ Pastor Jon will preach.

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### WEEKLY REPORT

**1/1 Offering:** General Fund \$14,065; Refugee Education Fund \$5,100; Sanctuary Renovation \$2,600.

**1/8 Offering:** General Fund \$8,366; Refugee Ed \$200; Student Aid \$2000  
YTD Income \$242,065; YTD Budget \$233,023 (+4%)

**Attendance : 203**

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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