



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

January 22, 2023

G A T H E R I N G

Prelude

Gathering Song: *Everywhere I Go*

Call to Worship and Invocation

Becky Degan

Passing the Peace

C O N N E C T I N G

Congregational Singing

In Christ Alone

Grace Notes No. 60

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Worship Book No. 116

Way Maker

Offering Prayer

Offertory: *When Peace Like a River*

Worship Book No. 336

Children's Time

Becky Degan

R E F L E C T I N G

Scripture: Romans 12:9-21

Sermon: *Head to Hades*

Jon Carlson

Response Song: *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

Worship Book No. 444

S E N D I N G

Congregational Prayer

Benediction

Postlude



CARES & CONCERNS >>>

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

- ❖ Josie Ornelas recovering from an appendectomy.
- ❖ Kevin and Anna Nofziger and their family mourning the loss of Kevin's father.
- ❖ Ann and Tom Overly mourning the loss of their son, Matt.
- ❖ Arleta Martin mourning the loss of her husband, Ken.
- ❖ Students and educators beginning a new semester of classes.
- ❖ The Eshleman family preparing for the wedding of their son Matt and his fiancé, Haley, next weekend.

Josie Ornelas underwent surgery to remove her appendix at Hershey Medical Center last Friday and is recovering at home.

We extend our condolences to Kevin and Anna Nofziger and their family mourning the loss of Kevin's father. Cloyce Nofziger of Archbold, Ohio, passed away last Sunday.

We extend our condolences to Ann and Tom Overly mourning the loss of their son. Matt Overly, of Lancaster, passed away suddenly on Tuesday.

We extend our condolences to Arleta Martin mourning the loss of her husband. Ken, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, passed away in his home following a lengthy illness on Monday. There will be a visitation at Forest Hills on Friday, January 27, from 6-8 p.m. and on Saturday, January 28, from 10-11 a.m. The memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon. The service will be livestreamed as well.

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:



If your class, commission, or committee has meetings or activities planned for the month of February, please submit these dates to the church office by Wednesday of this coming week, January 25, so that they can be included on the next church calendar.

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

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. 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 25 - *Discerning Divorce & Remarriage*; February 1 - *Discerning Sexual Ethics*; February 8 - *Discerning Political Engagement*.

Nina Harnish, our Minister of Care and Visitation, has been serving in her role long enough to qualify for a sabbatical. Sabbaticals are offered by the congregation as a way for ministry staff to deepen their own faith, experience refreshment and renewal, and extend the longevity of their ministry. Nina's sabbatical will begin following the worship service on Sunday, March 5, and we will celebrate her return on Sunday, June 4. Nina has worked with other staff and the Care Team to prepare detailed plans for coverage of her responsibilities during her absence. If you have questions, you can contact Sandy Smoker, chair of the Staff Relations Committee, or Jon Carlson, Lead Pastor.

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. Sign-up on the sheet on the wall outside the nursery or contact Liz Clapper for more information.

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.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- ❖ January 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 29: Game night with ACC youth.
- ❖ February 5: Ski Day.
- ❖ February 19: Youth group night.

Winter Bible School

* Feed Your Body * Feed Your Soul *

January 25TH

6:00-6:30 PM - Supper

- **Amish Turkey Casserole**
- **Green Beans**
- **Salad & Rolls**
- **Brownies & 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 Divorce and Remarriage** - How do we interpret Jesus' teachings about divorce and remarriage in light of modern expectations regarding marriage? What about domestic violence or infidelity?
- * **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 23.**

I/We plan to attend the meal on Wednesday, January 25.

Name(s) _____

Number attending _____

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

- ❖ Head Usher: Larry McJunkin
- ❖ Audio Visual Technicians: Dean Jantzen, Scott Hertzog, Micah Carlson
- ❖ Greeter: Norma & Bruce Stauffer
- ❖ Befrienders: Kathy Unangst, Marty Peifer
- ❖ Coffee Fellowship: Bonnie & Denny Sharp

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/UCfHmC) or Facebook: www.facebook.com/foresthillsmennonite.
- ❖ 5:45 p.m. – MYF (Youth Group, Gr. 9-12) & Jr. Youth – Urban Air.

T H I S W E E K

- ❖ 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

- ❖ New member Sunday.
- ❖ 6 p.m. - MYF – Game night with ACC youth.

WEEKLY REPORT

1/15 Offering: General Fund \$10,683

YTD Income \$252,748; YTD Budget \$245,288 (+3%)

Attendance : 178

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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