



## Forest Hills Mennonite Church

June 4, 2017

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.

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Hour

### Gathering

#### Prelude

**Gathering Song:** *My hope is built on nothing less*      Worship Book No. 343  
Willie Hurst, Matt, Cheryl and Daryl Eshleman-Leaders

**Words of Welcome**      Warren Tyson

#### Call to Worship and Invocation

### Praising and Adoring

**Congregational Singing**      Cheryl Eshleman-Piano  
Don Nelson-Guitar, Dan Nagy-Bass, Eli Passage-Drums

*Ancient words*      Grace Notes No. 69

*Taste and see*

*All who hunger, gather gladly*      Grace Notes No. 57

### Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

**Parent/Child Dedication**      Jon Carlson, Janette Lile  
Grace, Vanessa and Ryan Bunting  
Hudson, Porter, Rose and Craig Miller  
Worship Book. No 791

#### Prayer of Blessing for the Children

#### Offering

### Proclaiming

**Song:** *How firm a foundation*      Worship Book No. 567

**Scripture:** 2 Timothy 3:10-17

**Sermon:** *Eat this scroll: Meat and potatoes*      Jon Carlson

**Response Song:** *Lord, you sometimes speak*      Worship Book No. 594

### Sending

#### Congregational Sharing

#### Congregational Prayer

#### Benediction

#### Postlude

**Coffee Fellowship:** Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for light refreshments and conversation following today's worship service.

**Welcome Guests!** We trust that you will encounter God's presence as you worship with us today and will find yourself renewed and challenged in your journey with God. So that we might record your attendance, please complete a guest card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. Feel free to join us for Coffee Fellowship after the service, and please do come back and worship with us again.

A SPECIAL WELCOME to family and friends who are here today to be part of our parent/child dedications. Thanks to our Mennonite Women for providing the beautiful, hand-crafted blankets that will be given to Grace Bunting and Porter Miller at their dedications.

BECKY DEGAN and Herb Hoover are with a group of young adults on a service trip to Aibonito, Puerto Rico. At the conclusion of this service experience on Saturday, June 10, Becky will begin her sabbatical. She will return to the office on August 28.

WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES to Louetta Hurst and her family in the death of her brother-in-law, Emmett Lehman, who passed away on Tuesday, May 23.

DO YOU HAVE STORIES about the history of Forest Hills and Monterey? This summer, Pastor Jon will be working with Adam Harnish to capture video snapshots of people sharing memories and stories from this congregation's past. If you would be willing to spend about 30 minutes having an on-camera conversation, please contact Pastor Jon about scheduling a time.

OUR 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC will be held here at the church next Sunday, June 11. Come any time after 4 p.m.; supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. The evening will include a candy toss for kids, lawn games for teens and adults, and musical entertainment. Bring a large covered dish to share. Hot dogs, drinks, and an ice cream sundae bar will be provided. Further details can be found on a flyer that's in church mailboxes today.

COUNCIL IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS and nominations to fill a Staff Relations Committee opening for the upcoming church year. SRC serves as the Human Resources Department for our congregation. Responsibilities of the Committee include conducting contract reviews and renewals, maintaining staff job descriptions, coordinating and evaluating benefits, and addressing other staff related issues that may arise. Please contact Evanna Hess, SRC Chair, or Rod Lefever, Council Chair, to volunteer or to nominate candidates for this position.

AS THE JOYS AND CARES AND CONCERNS of our congregation come to mind this week, please lift them to the Lord in prayer. Pray specifically for the activities that are happening at our church this week and for the work of the broader church agencies and ministries. Pray also for the following:

- Lag Weaver recovering from injuries sustained in an accident.
- Becky Degan, Matthew Degan, Herb Hoover and the young adults serving in Puerto Rico this week.
- Dwain Engel dealing with health concerns.
- Martha Bartel receiving hospice care at Landis Homes following a recent stroke.
- Jere Steinbaecher undergoing testing for health concerns.

IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE CONGREGATION informed about our current financial position on an on-going basis, Church Council provides monthly updated financial reports in the bulletin. As of May 28, our year-to-date giving totals \$404,391, while our year-to-date budget is \$456,651, a shortfall of 11.4%. Please consider being generous as you contribute to the mission and ministries of our church.

SUMMER WORSHIP ATTENDANCE tends to be lighter than usual. With this in mind and if you are able, please consider filling up the center sections of sanctuary pews before using the outside wings. When we are closer together, we enhance our singing and our sense of community.

ALL SENIORS who do not participate in the shared meals at one of the local retirement homes are invited to the bi-monthly luncheon here at the church on Monday, June 19, at 11:30 a.m. If you are a regular attendee at these lunches, please notify the church office by June 11 of your plans to attend or not to attend this lunch. New participants are always welcome to join the fun. Donations will be accepted to help cover meal costs. When making your reservation, please indicate any dietary restrictions.

**Council Highlights** – The following Leadership Team Report was inadvertently omitted from the Council Highlights in last Sunday's bulletin: Janette Lile, Director of Community Life, reported that Kids' Church is finished for the year; she has begun looking for new curriculum for the fall. Similarly, KfC is also finished, and she is planning ahead for October. Recently she helped the MYF plan for Youth Sunday, and now she is assisting them in planning their summer activities. Another major focus for her at this time is VBS planning.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- ☼ Next Sunday, June 11, 4 p.m. – Annual Church Picnic.
- ☼ June 10-August 27 – Becky Degan will be on sabbatical.
- ☼ Sunday-Thursday, July 23-27, 6:15-8:15 p.m. – Vacation Bible School.
- ☼ Sunday, August 13, 10 a.m. – Service in the Park with picnic lunch to follow.

## MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- ☼ Today, 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School.
- ☼ Today – Final \$140 payment for Youth Convention is due.
- ☼ Today – After church, Picnic and Pool Party at Hursts'.
- ☼ Thursday, June 15, 9:30 a.m. – Leave for day at Hershey Park.
- ☼ July 4-8 – Mennonite Church USA Youth Convention in Orlando.



ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE has partnered with Mesereti Kristos College in Ethiopia for many years. ACC is sponsoring an Experience Ethiopia Tour in February 2018 that will include meeting and learning about the Meserete Kristos Church and College, along with historical tours and a one-day safari in Kenya. Address any enquiries to Darrell and Florence Jantzi at [jantzi@golden.net](mailto:jantzi@golden.net) or phone 519-669 4356. Further information is posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

LANCASTER MENNONITE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S summer Music in the Orchard series at the 1719 Hans Herr House begins this coming Saturday, June 10, at 6 p.m., with an opening by Matt Miske followed by the featured Celtic group, Seasons. Tickets cost is \$8 on concert day at the site; kids are free. Visit [www.hansherr.org](http://www.hansherr.org) for more information. Further information is posted on the fellowship hall bulletin board.

## TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Lee Charles

Sound Technicians: Yvonne Kauffman, Dean Jantzen-Assistant

Befrienders: Liz and Mark Clapper

Greeters: Tracy and Randy Esch

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Lisa and Olivia Spangler

Nursery (Ages 0-3): (SS) Ruth H., Joan K.; (W) Ruth H., Isaac H.

Next Week: (SS) Arleta M., Norma S.; (W) Tracy and Randy E.

## TODAY

- ☼ 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages. *Ministers of reconciliation* Adult Summer Sunday School series begins in the fellowship hall. Devin Esch and Adam Harnish will be sharing about *Reconciliation in the Holy Lands*.
- ☼ Blood Pressure Screenings in Adelphian Room #17 after the service.
- ☼ Afternoon – MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Picnic/Pool Party at Hursts'.
- ☼ Young Adult Service Team is in Aibonito, Puerto Rico.

## THIS COMING WEEK

- ☼ Monday-Saturday –Team will be serving in Aibonito, Puerto Rico this week, returning home on Saturday.

## NEXT SUNDAY

- ☼ 9:30 a.m. – *Ministers of reconciliation* Adult Summer Sunday School series continues in the fellowship hall. Pastor Jon will be sharing about *Reconciliation in the Holy Lands, Part 2* and the Mennonite Church USA church-wide statement on Israel/Palestine.
- ☼ Jon Carlson will continue a sermon series on *Eat this scroll*; sermon title will be *Slow foods* based on Psalm 19.
- ☼ 4 p.m. – Church Picnic. (See flyer in church mailboxes for details; no separate youth activity.)

REPORT: (05/28) General Fund \$10,341  
Sunday School 128; Worship 152

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### Staff and Leadership Teams

Jon Carlson - Lead Pastor

Becky Degan - Associate Pastor of Worship and Christian Education

Nina Harnish - Minister of Care and Visitation

Janette Lile - Director of Community Life

Norma Stauffer - Administrator

Keith Lehman, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders

Anita Beidler, Louetta Hurst,

Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team