



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

August 13, 2017

SERVICE IN THE PARK

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.

10:00 a.m. Worship Hour

Gathering Music

Dan Nagy-Bass, Don Nelson-Guitar
Sheila Snyder-Drums

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Pastor Jon Carlson

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

Words on Bulletin Insert
Don Nelson, Amanda Nelson Stoltzfus-Leaders

Morning has broken

Love come down

You are holy (Prince of Peace)

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time

Janette Lile

Offertory: *Somebody's praying*

Don Nelson

Proclaiming

Music Presentation

Come thou fount

When was the last time

Lord, I need you

Scripture: Matthew 11:25-30

Meditation: *Vacations with God ~ Staycation*

Pastor Jon Carlson

Music Presentation

Victory chant

To Canaan's land

Sweet by and by

I saw the light

Sending

Benediction

TODAY WE WELCOME everyone, including our guests, to our outdoor worship service. We trust that during this time you will encounter God's presence and will find yourself renewed and challenged in your spiritual journey. Everyone is invited to worship with us regularly at our church location at 100 Quarry Road, Leola.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to the Worship Commission for planning our service. Thanks also to Pastor Jon, the musicians and all others who shared their gifts to lead in worship today.

EVERYONE – INCLUDING ALL GUESTS – is invited to share our picnic lunch following today's worship service. Thanks to Arleta Martin and the Kitchen Committee for providing the picnic foods and to Willie Hurst, Stan King, and Steve Spangler for overseeing the barbecue pit. Donations will be accepted to cover costs of this worship experience in the park and the noon meal. Visitors, please be our guests! Feel free to stay and enjoy the park and fellowship with others for the afternoon.

MERVIN HOOBER was admitted to Lancaster General Hospital this past week and remained a patient there at bulletin publication time.

WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES to Sandy and Tim Smoker and their family in the death of Sandy's mother, Doris Burkhart, who passed away last Sunday, August 6. Condolences also to Duane and Kelly (Smoker) Lapp who lost their grandmother. Prior to her unexpected death, Doris resided on a farm west of Lancaster with her husband Frank.

COME ONE, COME ALL! Join other baseball fans for Forest Hills night at the Lancaster Barnstormers game on Saturday, September 9, at 6:30 p.m. All ages of Forest Hills attendees, family members, and friends are welcome. Discounted tickets cost \$8 per person. Contact Warren Tyson, event coordinator, by August 20, to sign-up or go to *Forest Hills Night at the Barnstormers* on our facebook page. Checks and payments should be made payable to Warren.

IF YOUR CLASS, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE has meetings or activities planned for the month of September, please submit these dates to the church office by Wednesday of this coming week, August 16, so that they can be included on the September church calendar.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS for Preschool, Primary 1-2 and Junior Youth are needed for the upcoming school year. Teachers typically teach one Sunday per month. In Becky Degan's absence, please contact Janette Lile if you are interested in serving the children of our congregation in this way. Janette will pass volunteers' names along to the respective Sunday School Coordinators who are in charge of scheduling teachers.

AS THE JOYS AND CARES AND CONCERNS of our congregation come to mind, 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:

- Carolyn Boussum exploring treatment options for issues related to osteoporosis.
- Sam and Deb Frey as he begins receiving Hospice care while appreciating special moments like their 40th wedding anniversary today.
- Sandy Smoker and her family as they grieve the loss of her mother this past week.
- Mervin Hooper hospitalized for heart issue this past week.

THE DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE is looking for a volunteer to serve the congregation as our Hospitality Advocate – the person who schedules our weekly Greeters and Befrienders. If you would like to know more about this position or are interested in serving in this way, please contact Ryan Nolt, Discernment Committee Chair as soon as possible.

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, August 21, at 11:30 a.m. If you are a regular attendee at these lunches, please notify the church office **today** of your plans to attend or not to attend this lunch. When making your reservation, please indicate any dietary restrictions. Donations will be accepted to help cover meal costs.

LOOKING AHEAD

- ☼ Saturday, September 9, 6:30 p.m. – Forest Hills Night at the Lancaster Barnstormers game.
- ☼ Sunday, October 1 – Worldwide Communion Sunday.
- ☼ Wednesday, October 11, 7 p.m. – Wednesday Evening Activities begin.

MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- ☼ Next Sunday, August 20, 3-6 p.m. – Pool Party with Salt and Light Class at Hursts' pool.
- ☼ September 15-17 – Atlantic Coast Conference Youth Retreat at Refreshing Mountain.



THE SUSQUEHANNA CHORALE will present an evening of musical inspiration at the Mount Gretna Outdoor Tabernacle next Sunday, August 20, at 7 p.m. Enjoy an evening of good music in this historic outdoor setting. A freewill offering will be received.

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: Ken Martin
Sound Technician: Dean Jantzen
Greeters: Worship Commission
Lunch Hosts: Kitchen Committee
No Nursery today

TODAY

- ☼ No MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12) event this evening.

THIS COMING WEEK

- ☼ Monday, 11:30 a.m. – Landis Homes Senior Lunch.
- ☼ Monday, 7 p.m. – Church Council.
- ☼ Wednesday, 8 a.m. – Diakonian Women's Breakfast at Oregon Dairy.
- ☼ Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. – Junior Youth Pool Party at Hursts' pool.
- ☼ Wednesday, 6 p.m. – Worship Commission.
- ☼ Saturday, 7:30 a.m. – Adelphian Class Breakfast at New Holland Family Restaurant.

NEXT SUNDAY

- ☼ 9:30 a.m. – *Ministers of reconciliation* Adult Summer Sunday School Series continues in the fellowship hall with *Reconciliation in the digital age* – youth panel reflecting on relationships, stresses, and opportunities in the social media era.
- ☼ Vote on Discernment Committee ballot for 2017-18 church year.
- ☼ Zac Hummel, one of our Forest Hills young adults, will be delivering the message.
- ☼ 3-6 p.m. – Salt and Light Class and MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): Pool Party at Hursts' pool.

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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