



Forest Hills Mennonite Church

October 15, 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 Erik Schlosser-Guitar
Gathering Song: *O worship the Lord* Worship Book No. 124
Leanne Beidler, Willie Hurst, Holly Schlosser-Leaders
Words of Welcome Warren Tyson
Call to Worship and Invocation

Praising and Adoring

Congregational Singing

Erik Schlosser-Guitar, Craig Miller-Bass, Eli Passage-Drums
Jesus, be the center
Blessed be your name
Knowing you

Offering Our Tithes and Ourselves

Children's Time Jon Carlson
Dismissal for Kids Church (Grades PreK-Gr. 2, Room #1-2)
Offering

Proclaiming

Song: *Blessed assurance* Worship Book No. 332
Scripture: Based on Romans 14
Warren and Linda Tyson, Kay Hurst
Sermon: *The conversation: Part 2* Jon Carlson
Response Song: *Beneath the cross of Jesus* Worship Book No. 250

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.

"I WANT TO THANK all in the congregation who expressed their concern and prayer support during the passing of my brother, Randy. It is good to be part of a caring group of brothers and sisters." – Keith Stuckey

"THANK YOU Forest Hills Care Team and supportive church family for the loving care and support extended to our family during Mervin's illness. Your prayers, visits, cards, food and other expressions of sympathy were greatly appreciated and helped bring healing for our loss. May God bless each of you for your kindness." – Ruth Hooper

DIRECTORY INFORMATION UPDATE FORMS for all Forest Hills families and individuals have been placed in church mailboxes. A new church directory will be published in the near future. In order to expedite the completion of this project, please complete these forms and return them to the church office promptly. Family members or previous Forest Hills attendees who wish to be included in this directory are asked to contact the church office or complete one of the pink forms on the ledge beneath the mailboxes.

THE LOCAL CROP WALK will leave from the Rotary Pavilion in New Holland Memorial Park today at 1:30 p.m. Walk with the McGowan family, or sponsor them with your donations. The McGowan children will be sitting at the front entrance to collect donations after the worship service today. Help end hunger at home and around the world by supporting this worthwhile event.

ALL YOUNG ADULTS are invited to participate in an exploratory meeting after church next Sunday, October 22, related to a possible summer 2018 mission and service experience. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Nina Harnish if you plan to attend this meeting and lunch.

FILLED GROCERY BOXES that are to be delivered to the Atlantic Coast Conference Fall Assembly on October 28 should be returned to the church by next Sunday, October 22. Please return all outstanding boxes so that they can be taken to the assembly as requested.

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:

- Jere Steinbaecher restarting chemotherapy after needing to discontinue for several weeks.
- Those experiencing on-going health issues and their caregivers.
- Those suffering the effects of natural disasters – including our Mennonite brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico – and the agencies and individuals assisting in recovery.
- The leaders and participants who come to our church for Wednesday Evening Activities.
- Local, national and international leaders – that they would seek peace and well-being for all.

OUR 17TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31 – just a few short weeks away. Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks. Following today's service, please stop by the table in the foyer to sign up to volunteer your time. Also, please bring bags of individually wrapped candies for the children's goodie bags, and place them in the designated container in the foyer. Extra flyers are available on the ledge beneath the mailboxes; take some to pass along to friends and neighbors who may be interested in attending this event.

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, October 23, 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. 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.

THE NICKELS FOR NEIGHBORS JUG for the Atlantic Coast Conference annual collection is in the church foyer. This year's grant will be given to the New Holland Early Learning Center for a new fence and playground equipment for their smallest children. Their toddlers enjoy playing outdoors; however, it isn't always safe for them to be in the same area as the older children since they are easily knocked over by the older children at play. The total cost of the project is \$10,000 – \$6,200 for fencing and \$3,800 for equipment. Please place your loose change and bills in the jug. This money will be taken to the ACC Fall Assembly on October 28.

LOOKING AHEAD

- 🍽️ Sunday, October 29, Noon – MYF (Youth Group) Soup 'n Sandwich fundraiser lunch followed by our Annual Business Meeting.
- 🍽️ Sunday, December 17, 10 a.m. – Christmas Celebration Sunday.
- 🍽️ Wednesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31 – 6 p.m. Shared Supper; 7 p.m. – Winter Bible School for all ages.

MYF CORNER – Youth Group, Grades 9-12

- 🍽️ Today, 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School; no evening meeting.
- 🍽️ Tuesday, 6-7:30 p.m. – Service Project at Ephrata Re-uzit.
- 🍽️ Saturday, Time TBD – Corn Maze at Oregon Dairy.



BLACK ROCK RETREAT is offering several unique Silent Sanctuary Retreats for folks who wish to venture into the world of intentional stillness. Fall dates are Friday-Sunday, November 10-12; Sunday-Tuesday, November 12-14, and Friday-Tuesday, November 10-14. The Retreats will include creative journaling, an art station, prayer labyrinth, and evening prayer walks. For more information or to download a retreat brochure visit www.blackrockretreat.com/silent or call 717-529-3232. Brochures are also available in the literature rack next to the fellowship hall bulletin board.

REPORT: (10/08) General Fund \$8,283; Refugee Education \$100
Sunday School 140; Worship 210

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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
Janette Lile - Director of Community Life
Norma Stauffer - Administrator
Keith Lehman, Ruth Ann Martin, Keith Stuckey - Elders
Louetta Hurst, Joyce Martin, Rose Mosemann,
Warren and Linda Tyson, Kathy Unangst - Care Team

TODAY'S HOSPITALITY HELPERS

Head Usher: David Bontrager

Sound Technicians: Bruce Stauffer

Greeters: Barbara and Barry Weatherholtz

Befrienders: Linda and Warren Tyson

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Lisa Spangler, Steve Spangler

Nursery (Ages 0-3): (SS) Liz C.; (W) Lauri, Kate and Ellie L.

TODAY

🌿 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School for all ages.

🌿 1:30 p.m. – CROP Walk leaves from New Holland Park.

🌿 MYF (Youth Group: Gr. 9-12): No evening meeting.

THIS COMING WEEK

🌿 Monday, 6 p.m. – Worship Commission.

🌿 Monday, 7 p.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry.

🌿 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. – MOMS (Morning Out for Mothers): Make and Take a Meal Home (Enchiladas) led by Wanita Zimmerman.

🌿 Tuesday, 6 p.m. – MYF: Service Project at Ephrata Re-Uzit Shop.

🌿 Wednesday, 8 a.m. – Diakonia Women's Breakfast at Oregon Dairy.

🌿 ~ WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES ~ 7-8:15 p.m.

All are welcome. Information flyers are available on the ledge beneath the mailboxes. Childcare provided in the nursery for children up through Pre-K.

- KfC (Kids for Christ, Gr. K-5): *Nicodemus visits Jesus at night*.

- Junior Youth (Gr. 6-8): *Owl Island*.

- Adult Choir Rehearsal.

- Adult Men's and Women's Bible Study.

🌿 Saturday, 7:30 a.m. – Adelphian Class Breakfast at New Holland Family Restaurant.

🌿 Saturday, Time TBD – MYF at Oregon Dairy Corn Maze.

NEXT SUNDAY

🌿 Pastor José Vargas from Puerto Rico will be delivering the message.

🌿 Noon – Mentoring Lunch.

🌿 12:30 p.m. – Young Adult Service Trip Meeting and Lunch. (See bulletin announcement for details.)

🌿 Sunday-Tuesday – Diakonia Class Retreat in Virginia.

TODAY'S *REPORT* can be found on the bulletin insert.