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OFFERTORY

“Peace in the Valley”

Thomas Dorsey

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, you are the source of every good and beautiful thing. We return a portion of that bounty and beauty to you, asking for your blessing. Amen.

***HYMN NO. 741**

“Guide My Feet”

***BENEDICTION AND CHARGE**

*Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,
tried and true; With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

POSTLUDE

“Etude in F major”
Jiana Peng

F. Chopin

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, June 22:

- Fellowship Hour (after worship): Juneteenth Celebration sponsored by ASG.

Monday, June 23:

- Book Discussion: *This Other Eden* by Paul Harding at 6:00 pm.

Friday, June 27:

- Pacesetters: *Fiddler on the Roof* at Porthouse Theater at 8:00 pm.

*Special thanks to Treva Offutt
for her help in worship today.*

*Thank you also to Fergus Donnelly, Jiana Peng,
and Eve McPherson for providing the music in today's service.*

Prayer Requests: To request prayers for a personal concern, please email the church office (office@fhcpresb.org).

Prayers are requested this week for: Jennifer Blakeney, Elsie Boyd, Janet Dauer, Bob Dawson, Diane Doyle, Sheryl Dugard, Deborah Howard, Chuck and Jane Ishler, Jessica Owusu, Roz Peters, Ron Register, and Joyce Senger.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Kemp Jaycox, Ron Klein, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Pat Musick, Grace Uhle and Warren Young.

Care Groups will assist our pastor with members' needs. Please call the church office to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death. Information will be passed on to the head of the Deacons.

The Deacon Card Ministry, with cards for all occasions, is available in Fellowship Hall most Sundays after worship. Deacon Nathaniel Martin will be happy to help you pick a card for someone who needs to hear from you and our church. Brighten someone's day with a reminder of our care.

Thank you, office volunteers: Joan Bacon, Lynda Bernays, Cathy Ghiandoni, and Nancy Grube.

Thank you, Stream Team Volunteers! Anyone interested in helping stream Sunday services should contact Kurt Haas at kurt@dangereddy.com.

Please remember to leave your name tag in the appropriate column on the magnetic board outside Fellowship Hall before you leave today. You want it to be waiting for you next week!

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FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

June 22, 2025 – 10:00AM



You may also join worship online using this link:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9zui8A5lwqQ>

****Please stand in body and/or spirit.***

Childcare is provided for children ages birth to five years from 9:45 am – 11:15 am in Rooms 201/203. Older children (ages 6+) join their families for summer worship in the sanctuary.

CENTERING WORDS
“History, despite its wrenching pain, cannot be unlived, but if faced with courage, need not be lived again.”
– Quote near the entrance to the Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama, by American poet and memoirist Maya Angelou (1928-2014)

PRELUDE
Improvisation on “I’ve Got Peace Like a River”
Fergus Donnelly, piano

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP Treva Offutt
Come, all who are weary, all who are burdened, all who long to be free.
We come to focus again on the One who breaks all bonds.
Where God’s Spirit is, there is freedom – freedom from fear, from sin, and from shame.
Released from captivity, we gather as beloved members of the beloved community.
We lift our hearts and voices, unbound and unafraid.
We worship, glad and free!

***HYMN NO. 339** “Lift Every Voice and Sing”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Blessed One, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know our deeds and our desires. You know that our love for others does not match our love for ourselves. You know that we have abused our freedom in Christ and brought harm to your world. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to amend our ways, inclining them always toward you.

SILENCE

KYRIE HYMN NO. 456“Listen, God Is Calling”

Leader

All

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE** “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

MUSIC Traditional
“Over My Head, I Hear Music in the Air”
Eve McPherson, soprano

Ushers will collect prayer requests.

SCRIPTURE
Exodus 3:1-15 (page 44)
Galatians 5:1, 13-14 (page 948)
Luke 4:14-20 (page 835)

***HYMN NO. 39** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

SERMON The Rev. Dr. Gene McAfee
“What’s Freedom For?”

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR
Our Loving Parent, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER/ANNOUNCEMENTS
To participate in our online Friendship Register, please leave a comment in the Live Chat box listing the names of those participating in this morning's Live Worship or email the office.

COMMISSIONING OF THE MISSION STUDY COMMITTEE
After the commissioning of the Mission Study Committee and the introduction of its liaison with the Presbytery of the Western Reserve, the congregation is invited to join in the following prayer:

Eternal God: You have called these persons to serve you in this household of faith and in the world, which you have entrusted to our care and keeping. Send your Holy Spirit upon them and upon us, that together we may serve you with honor and faithfulness. Help the members of the Mission Study Committee to be diligent in their duties, that your church may prosper in the mission you place before it. May their example prove worthy for all of us to follow, as we are united in ministry for the welfare of your creation and to the glory of your name. Amen.

CALL TO GIVING