

## Welcome New Members

**Sharon Leary** - I am a retired graphic artist and occupational therapy assistant, and enjoy walking our dog with my husband, as well as painting scenes that I love in Cleveland. It is important to me to share prayer and good works in a community of hope, learning, and encouragement.



**David Linden** - I grew up in a fundamentalist family. I received a B.A. in English from The King's College. Before I even met Ellie, I had already gravitated towards a more Progressive viewpoint regarding politics and social issues, as well as what it means to be a Christ-follower. Ellie was attracted to that, as part of my personality, and we got married at First Presbyterian (UPC) in Glen Cove, Long Island, NY. I am so happy that Ellie and I have finally found a church with Progressive values and a social conscience, with like-minded members.

**Ellie Linden** – Ellie attended Clark University in Massachusetts and received her B.A. from Stony Brook University. She worked as a rock journalist in NYC during the Punk and alternative rock scene in the late 70's writing for publications such as *New York Rocker*, *The SOHO News Weekly* and *Zig Zag*. She also worked at Manic Panic and for Danny Fields the manager of The Ramones, The Doors and Iggy Pop. Ellie and David have four dogs and two sons who live out of state. They love Cleveland and especially Forest Hill Church.



**Chiquitia "Chiq" Montgomery** – I live in Cleveland Heights and I'm happily retired from PNC Bank for 17 years. I also have a background in Graphic Design and worked in the industry for over 20 years. Now working temporary jobs at Cain Park and the Cleveland Museum of Art. I've attended FHC for about four years, and the Spirit moved me and felt its time for a committed connection. I'm active with Bell Choir and RE Buddies. I love supporting the Arts be it movies, Broadway plays, art galleries and live concerts the most.



**Chris and Robin Nau** live in Shaker Heights with their kids Margot (4) and Ira (2). Chris grew up in Shaker and Robin is from Westlake. Prior to returning to Cleveland, they lived in Rhode Island and Columbus and were active at Providence Presbyterian Church and King Avenue UMC. Chris is a physician at UH and Robin has worked in HIV and public health.



## FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

November 17, 2024 – 11:00AM



The Rev. Carol Wedell, Gap Pastor  
Dr. Amy Wheatley, Dir. of Family, Youth & Children's Ministry  
Dr. QinYing Tan, Director of Music



You may also join worship online using this link:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qO\\_32RNBKjk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qO_32RNBKjk)

*\*Please stand if able*

### CENTERING WORDS

*“Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.”*

*~Jeremiah 29:12-13*

### PRELUDE

“Adagio”

Gabriel Faure

### WELCOME

### CHORAL INTROIT

Trad. Zimbabwe  
*“Jesu tawa pano/ Jesus, We Are Here”*  
Chancel Choir

### CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Carol Wedell

Come worship the Lord who is with us today.

**There is no Holy One like our God.**

We lift our voices to praise the Lord of strength.

**There is no Rock like our God.**

We prepare to listen and learn with open hearts and minds.

**There is no Source like our God.**

We trust in grace and mercy given to all people.

**There is no Love like our God.**

Come worship the Lord who is with us today.

### \*HYMN NO. 399

“God Welcomes All”

*God welcomes all, stranger and friend  
God’s love is strong and it never ends.  
(2X)  
Alleluia  
Amen*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

### SILENCE

### KYRIE (Hymn No. 576)

“Lord, Have Mercy”

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Neither death nor life, **neither angels nor demons,** neither the present nor the future, **nor any powers,** neither height nor depth, **nor anything else in all creation,** will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

### \*GLORIA (Hymn No. 582)

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.  
(sing twice)*

### RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

### PRAYER

**Dear Lord, we give thanks for those who have chosen to join us in service to you. We pray that they, with your help and guidance, will continue to grow in love and strength with us. Amen.**

*After the reception of new members, children are invited to leave the sanctuary with their adult leaders to go to Sunday School.*

### ANTHEM

Mary Ann Bresich

“Only Light Can Do It”  
Mary Ann Breisch, vocals and piano

### SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 1:4-20 (page 213)

*After the reading*

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### \*HYMN NO. 288

“Spirit of the Living God”

### SERMON

Elder Jean Reinhold

“What Hannah Teaches Us”

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Spencer LaJoye

“Plowshare Prayer”

Mary Ann Breisch, vocals and piano

### THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father Mother, 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. 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.

### OFFERING

By texting: 216-400-5300

You may give online with PayPal, Credit or Debit Card:

[www.fhcpresb.org](http://www.fhcpresb.org)

Or you may also mail a check to the church office.

Make Your Pledge for 2025 using the QR code below.



### OFFERTORY

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \*HYMN NO. 647

“Give Thanks”

### \*BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

### SANCTUARY (Hymn No. 701)

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

### POSTLUDE

“Allegro”

John Walker