

Join Us In April!

April 7 at 9:15 AM:

"Sabbath Rest" Adult Spiritual Growth
(Every Sunday Morning through May 12)

April 7 at 9:15 AM:

Contemplative Worship in the Chapel

April 14 at 12:15 PM:

Holy Cow! Consulting Report to the Congregation (lunch served)

April 20 at 10:00 AM

Homeless Stand Down - See Jack Breisch

April 20 at 6:00 PM

"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" - Fellowship Night

April 28 at 11:00 AM: Piano Dedication Service

April 28 at 11:00 AM: Labre Ministry @ North Church

April 28 at 12:15 PM: Ushers Luncheon

*Following 11am worship, children ages birth to 10
and their families are invited to join our annual Easter Egg Hunt!*

Do you want to contribute flowers for Sunday worship?

If so, use this link to signup:

<https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/641db770112776329>



Prayer Request: To request prayers for a personal concern, please email Pastor Lentz (pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org) no later than Thursday afternoon of each week for inclusion in next week's congregational prayer.

Prayers are requested this week for: Joe Dauer, Mark Davidson, Deborah Howard, Kemp Jaycox, Cate Monaghan, Beverly Thomas, Grace Uhle, Ann Williams, Warren Young and Karen & Dan Yourd.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Ron Klein, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Roz and Graham Peters.

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, Susan Kay Dunlap** (susandnlp@gmail.com or deacons@fhcpresb.org).

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

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

The deadline for the bulletin and weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. The next TOWER deadline is **April 18, 2024 (for the May TOWER) at 8:00 am**. Please submit your written requests to office@fhcpresb.org.

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FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 31, 2024 – 11:00AM

You may also join worship online using this link:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=upk7ajkLXd4>

**Please stand if able*

CENTERING WORDS

*This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!*

PRELUDE

J.S. Bach
"Prelude in D major"

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ the Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
O sing unto the Lord, **for God has done excellent things.**
O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good! **God's steadfast love endures forever.** Christ the Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

INTROIT

John Ferguson
"Easter Introit"
Chancel Choir
Lena Console, trumpet
Scott Lafferty, trumpet

*HYMN NO. 232

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this day when we are astounded by the joyful good news of the resurrection, we confess that we are still entombed by fear. We are fearful of what is happening in our country. We are fearful of what is happening to our environment. We are fearful even of what is happening in our own lives. We are fearful of risk. We are fearful of change. Fear constricts us and makes us small. As we listen again to the Easter story may we arise anew, a people called without fear to face the day in faith, hope and love.

A TIME OF SILENCE

KYRIE (Hymn No. 576)

"Lord, Have Mercy"

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN NO. 582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"
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. (X2)

CHILDREN'S WELCOME

Amy Wheatley

ANTHEM

John Rutter
"Christ the Lord is Risen Again"
Chancel Choir

LIVING WORD (NRSV)

Mark 16:1-8 (page 829)

After the reading

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN NO. 240

"Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks"

SERMON

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.
"On Beyond Fear"

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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
Or you may also mail a check to the church office.
Make Your Commitment (Pledge) For 2024 at www.fhcpresb.org

OFFERTORY

George Frideric Handel
"I Know that My Redeemer Liveth"
Madelaine Matej-Macqueen, soprano

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN NO. 246

"Christ Is Alive!"

CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

*Hallelujah Chorus
All are invited to come forward and join the choir*

POSTLUDE

Jacques Lemmens
"Fanfare"

Easter Lily Dedications

Chris and Dave Bell: In memory and honor of friends and family.

Mary Ann and Jack Breisch: In thanksgiving for the ministry of John and Deanne Lentz.

Marcie Denton: In honor of her family.

Susanna Gransee: In thanksgiving of family.

Marina Grant: In loving memory of her parents, other family members, and friends who have passed away. Also, in thanksgiving for her family.

Nancy Grube: In memory of Rita Grube and Don Grube.

Anne Hunter: In memory of David Hunter.

Jane and Cliff Kowall: In memory of parents Paul and Dorothy Kowall and Walter and Elaine Grasson.

Deanne and John Lentz: In celebration of our thirty years together.

Linda Martin: In honor of her family.

Rachel Martinez-Finn and Bill Finn: In memory of their loved ones.

Sondra Schultz: In memory of Walter Schultz.

Pat and Jim Seeders: In honor of her beloved brother, Boyd Kevin Rice.

Carolyn Smith: In memory of her parents, Robert and Grace Sloan and husband Rev. Andrew W. Smith.

Sonja Solar: In memory of her father, Arthur Anderson.

Nonie Stack: In honor of those who minister at the Southern Border.

Derry Stauffer and Kathy Hanna-Stauffer: In honor of family.

Maydene Young: In memory of loved ones.

Rev. Sally Wile: In memory of her parents Virginia and Frank Wile.

We thank Jack Breisch for serving as Lay Leader this morning.