# June Worship Schedule

# June 16-after worship service:

Juneteenth Festival Cross dedication in the Prayer Garden

#### June 23 - 10 AM:

Outdoor Worship on the front lawn, Rev. Dr. Lentz preaching

Simon Doong of PCUSA in Louisville will make a presentation on environmental issues and selective divestment recommendations after worship in South Hall.

#### June 30 - 10 AM:

Worship in Fellowship Hall, led by Rev. Sally Wile and Mary Ann Breisch

The Deacons' Jordan Care Group invites children and their families to enjoy ice cream and cake in South Hall following worship today.

Visit www.fhcpresb.org for more program information.



#### Welcome Reverend Shannon M. Garrett-Doege

The Reverend Shannon M. Garrett-Doege is ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament within the United Church of Christ. She currently serves as the senior minister of Smithfield United Church of Christ in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Additionally, she serves as the Youth Minister Associate of the Penn West Conference.

She received her Master of Divinity from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 2021, after earning a graduate certificate in Youth Culture and Youth Theology from Princeton Theological Seminary. Additionally, she earned an undergraduate degree in Theology and Pastoral Ministry from Notre Dame College. Currently, she is a doctoral student at Eden Theological Seminary.

Originally from Cleveland Heights, Ohio, she grew up in a racially and religiously diverse neighborhood, which nurtured a love for God, the arts, and humankind. Rev. Shannon holds a deep love for Creation as a whole, a desire to understand people through culture and contexts, a deep passion for social justice, and a conviction towards the work of reconciliation that seeks justice and inclusivity for all of God's children.

Rev. Shannon is a passionate leader and a gifted teacher. Deeply rooted in her culture and heritage, she often blends elements of literature, history, music, and pop culture into her pedagogy to reflect the diversity, dynamism, and depth of her theological imagination. Rev. Shannon is an activist and an advocate for justice and joy for all, especially those on the margins.

Rev. Shannon is married to Caryn Doege who is a pre-licensed clinical therapist. They live in Highland Park, PA with their teenagers Lotus and Lyric, and Zen, plus their dogs Clawdeen and Pawlo.

**Prayer Request:** To request prayers for a personal concern, please email Pastor Lentz (<u>pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org</u>) 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, Jerry Ramler, 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, and Nancy Grube.

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

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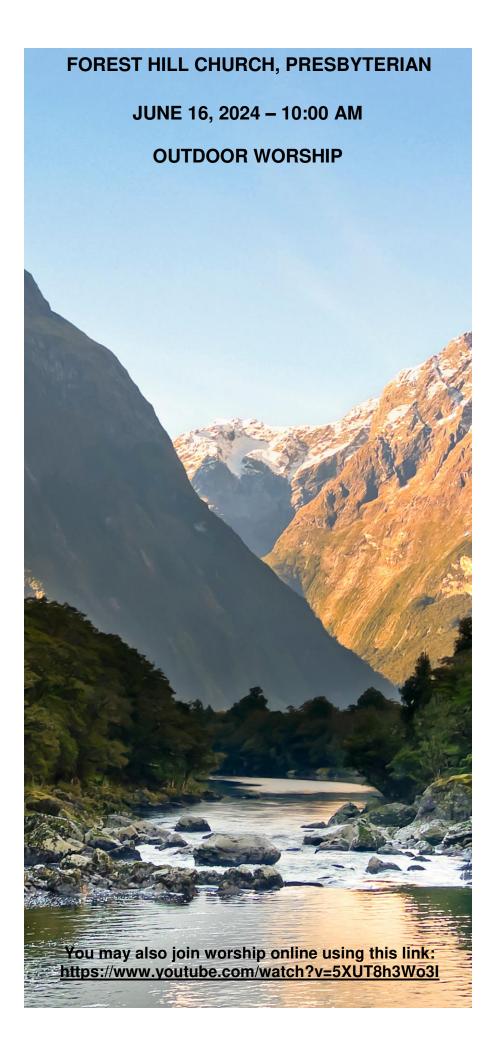
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Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr., Pastor Dr. Amy Wheatley, Dir. of Family, Youth & Children's Ministry Dr. QinYing Tan, Director of Music Rev. Carol Wedell, Parish Associate





#### \*Please stand if able

PRELUDE William H. Monk

"Abide with Me"

#### WELCOME

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of seeds on earth; it grows up and becomes the greatest of shrubs, and the birds of the air make nests in its shade. Give thanks to God, whose promised reign is coming. Thanks be to God!

\*HYMN NO. 366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

When we gather to worship God, we remember that we are God's people, but we have often preferred our way instead of God's. Trusting God's power to make us new persons in Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, the parable of the mustard seed teaches us that a little faith can produce great work in your kingdom. Yet we are too timid to bear the fruit of your righteousness, for we walk by sight and not by faith. Forgive us, Lord; we do not uphold the poor or the oppressed. We do not advocate for the powerless or the voiceless. We do not sacrifice ourselves for the needs of our neighbors. Renew us with the love of Christ so that we live no longer for ourselves, but for Christ who became the seed of your righteousness in us. Amen.

# A TIME OF REFLECTION

KYRIE (Hymn No. 576)

"Lord, Have Mercy"

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

# **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

We who walk by faith and not by sight believe the good news—If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! Praise be to God for the mercy and grace that forgives our sins. Alleluia. 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)

**ANTHEM** Arr. Lloyd Larson

"How Great Thou Art"

Ushers will collect prayer requests.

**LIVING WORD (NRSV)** 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 (page 226)

After the reading

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

Thanks be to God.

\*HYMN NO. 817 "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

**SERMON** Rev. Shannon M. Garrett-Doege

"This is the One"

# 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.

**OFFERTORY** 

Traditional American Melody

"Amazing Grace"

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN NO. 22

"God of the Sparrow"

verses 1-3 - all
v. 4 - high voices
v. 5 - low voices
v. 6 all

## \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Sanctuary

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,

tried and true;

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

POSTLUDE

Traditional Spiritual

"Kum Ba Yah"

We thank Leslie Clement for serving as Lay Leader this morning.