

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Sunday, September 13:

- Fellowship Festival following worship.

### Thursday, September 17:

- Bell rehearsals at 6:15 pm.
- GCC Judge Candidate Action at 7:00 pm.

### Sunday, September 20:

- Adult Spiritual Growth Bible Study at 9:15 am.

### Friday, September 25:

- Forest Hill Connects Game Party Night at 6:30 pm.

### Saturday, September 26:

- PWR Mission and Ministry Faire at 10:00 am.
- Racial Equity Buddies Book Discussion at 10:30 am.

### Sunday, September 27:

- Labre Ministry serves at North Church at 10:15 am.



*Special thanks to Arun Ranchod for assisting in today's worship.*

*Thank you to Ahren Stock for playing the trumpet.*

**Prayers are requested this week for:** Ajah Hales, Greg Hall, Kathryn Himmelsteib, Deborah Howard, Jane Ishler, Ellie Linden, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Linda Martin, Roz Peters, Joyce Senger, Derry Stauffer, Kate Tzepronis, Doreen Underwood, Sharon Wiggins, Ann Williams, and Warren Young.

**Online Prayer Requests:** If you have a prayer request that you would like to have included in the Prayers of the People during Sunday worship, you are welcome to submit it here: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/PrayerRequest>. You may also contact the pastor through this link.

**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, Nancy Grube, and Kim Hill.

**Thank you, Stream Team Volunteers!** Anyone interested in helping stream Sunday services should contact Kurt Haas at [kurt@dangereddy.com](mailto: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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**The Rev. Dr. Gene McAfee, Transitional Pastor**  
**Dr. Amy Wheatley, Dir. of Family, Youth & Children's Ministry**  
**Dr. QinYing Tan, Director of Music**  
**The Rev. Carol Wedell, Parish Associate**

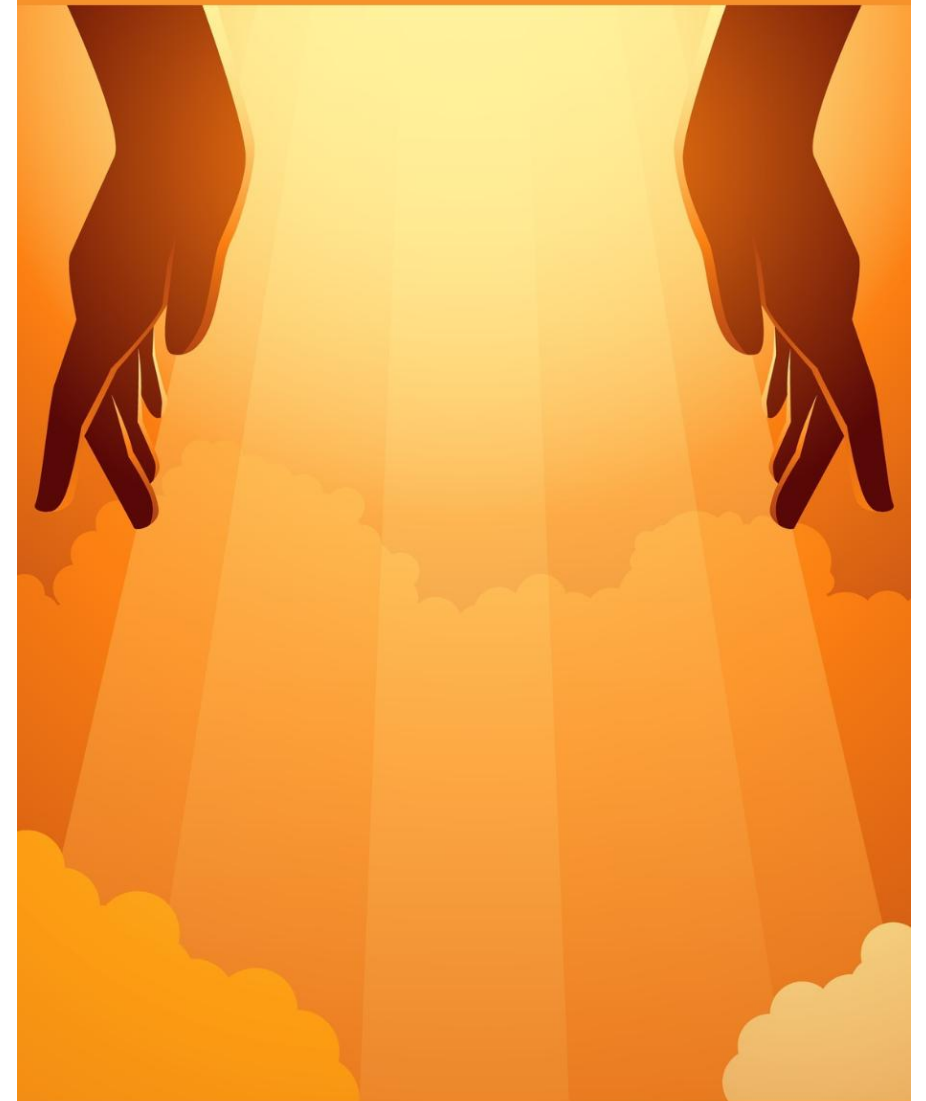


Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

## FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

**September 13, 2026 – 11:00 am**

**The Second Sunday in the  
Season of Creation**



**You may also join worship online using this link:**  
**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qF4UWVuHzDM>**

*Please take a moment, as you prepare for worship, to silence any electronic device(s) you may have with you.*

*Children of all ages are invited to participate in worship.  
Childcare is provided for children ages birth to 8 years from 9:45 am - 11:15 am in Rooms 201/203 and 207.*

*Asterisks (\*) indicate standing in body and/or spirit.*

CENTERING WORDS

“There is not one blade of grass, there is no color in this world that is not intended to make us rejoice.”  
– John Calvin

CENTERING MUSIC

“Berceuse”  
Louis Vierne

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

“Let Us Make a Joyful Noise”  
Douglas Wagner  
Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Arun Ranchod  
Look, people of God, and lift up your hearts.  
**For the heavens are telling us of God’s glory.**  
Creation is the gift of a loving Creator.  
**And we are the work of God’s hands.**  
We have come into God’s presence with singing.  
**And God’s praise is on our lips!**

\*HYMN NO. 1 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”  
(vv. 1 – 2, 4)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of wonders, God of abundance, forgive our foolish ways. Forgive our love of comfort. Forgive our shortsightedness. Forgive our greed and indifference. In your mercy, forgive all our sins.

SILENCE

KYRIE

(choir first time, all second time)

Lead me, Lord Lead me in thy righteousness,  
make thy way plain be- fore my face.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (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.

World without end, without end. Amen. (x3)  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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.

ANTHEM

“I Sing Because I’m Happy”  
Rollo Dilworth

Ushers will collect prayer requests.

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.

CALL TO GIVING

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

Edward MacDowell  
“To a Wild Rose”

\*SONG OF DEDICATION

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

For every blessing, Holy One, we offer our thanks with our gifts. May they do more good than we can know or imagine. For your love’s sake we ask this. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:1-13, 24-31a (page 1)  
Matthew 6:26-33 (page 788)

AFTER THE READINGS

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

\*HYMN NO. 661 “Why Should I Feel Discouraged?”  
His Eye Is on the Sparrow

SERMON

“Creation: The Original Good News”

\*HYMN NO. 136 “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

\*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.

DEPARTING MUSIC

G.F. Handel  
“Allegro”