

## Upcoming Events

### September 22:

Millennials and The Mmmboopers: Please join us from 9:45-10:45 AM in Bodwell Hall for our inaugural event - a breakfast potluck and meeting to plan out our other social activities for the year. Contact Katie Hall or Charity Stock.

### September 24:

Repair and Restoration Task Force: A New Beginning," 6-8 pm, in the FHC Fellowship Hall announcing FHC's Educational Equity Program (creating greater financial equity among Black female college graduates by helping to eliminate their college debt). To reserve your seat, you can email [racialequitybuddies@fhcpresb.org](mailto:racialequitybuddies@fhcpresb.org).

### September 27:

The Resonance Project Concert: CLE Concierto performs. Tickets for "Perspectives" are available on the website at RMsSeries.com and will be sold in person at Sundays' fellowship hour. Contact Ying ([music@fhcpresb.org](mailto:music@fhcpresb.org)) for more information.

### September 28:

Racial Equity Buddies: God and Country is a must-see film. It will be shown at 3 PM at 16349 Chillicothe Rd, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023.

### September 29: Stewardship Sunday

Worship led by Elder Jean Reinhold and Stewardship Ministry.

### October 6: World Communion

Worship led by The Rev. Eric Dillenbeck

## Bible Fellowship Opportunities

Building community and spiritual growth in small groups through an array of Bible discussions. Join us!

- Contemplative Scripture Study
- Sunday Morning Bible Study
- Christian Beliefs: Bible 101
- Bible and Bagels
- Special Offerings: Christian perspectives from Ethiopia and Peru

Learn more by using the QR Code below!



**Prayer Request:** To request prayers for a personal concern, please email the church office ([office@fhcpresb.org](mailto:office@fhcpresb.org)).

**Prayers are requested this week for:** Denise, Shaniba Bland, Mark Davidson, Dorothy Herd, Cate Monaghan and Twanda Patterson.

**Please remember these homebound members in your prayers:** Kemp Jaycox, Ron Klein, Carol Hopkins-Lutz, Pat Musick, Roz Peters, Beverly Thomas, 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, Susan Kay Dunlap** ([susandnlp@gmail.com](mailto:susandnlp@gmail.com) or [deacons@fhcpresb.org](mailto: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@dangerreddy.com](mailto:kurt@dangerreddy.com).

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



FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

September 15, 2024 – 11:00AM



You may also join worship online using this link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjtUFx4xJ0s>

*\*Please stand if able*

**Centering Words**

*“Handle them carefully, for words have more power than atom bombs.”*

*~ Pearl Strachan Hurd*

**PRELUDE**

“How Great Thou Art”  
QinYing Tan, Organ

Carl Boberg

**WELCOME**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

“Gloria a Dios”  
Chancel Choir

Trad. Peruvian Melody

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

God of life, we praise you!

**God of all Creation, we are in wonder!**

Mother of all people, Father of the poor, all humanity is your praise.

**In the Spirit of Christ, who calls us, we honor you.**

In the name of all who love you, we thank you.

**In the company of all who long for life, we worship you.**

Your Christ calls us to life, calls us to compassion, calls us to follow.

**Alleluia! Rise in us, Spirit of Life, and transform us by your grace. Alleluia!**

By Steve Garnaas-Holme

**\*HYMN NO. 19**

“God of Great and God of Small”

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, we know that the simplest word can leave a legacy of pain, or a lifetime of joy. Yet we fill the air with our words, oblivious or simply dismissive of their impact, of the lives changed, for better or worse, by our careless chatter. Forgive us, gracious God. Teach of the wisdom of careful speech, the power of blessing, the healing of forgiving and the gift of telling the truth. Give us the courage to speak out to do our part in filling the world with words that bring life. Hear now our silent prayers.

**SILENCE**

**KYRIE** (Hymn No. 576)

“Lord, Have Mercy”

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

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

With gentleness, God speaks to us; with graciousness, God forgives us; with joy, God embraces us. **With our lips, we praise God; with our words, we thank God, with our silence, we find God in our hearts. Thanks be to God.**

By Thom Shuman

**\*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**

“Roll Down Justice”  
Chancel Choir

Mark Miller

Please stand up and join us in singing when indicated  
*Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace  
Stream of justice, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!*

***Ushers will collect prayer requests.***

**CHILDREN'S WELCOME**

*Children are invited to leave the sanctuary with their adult leaders to go to Sunday School.*

Amy Wheatley

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

James 3: 1-12 (Page 981)

*After the reading*

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

**\*HYMN NO. 392**

“Jesus, We Are Here”

**SERMON**

“Tongue-Tied”

The Rev. Carol Wedell

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Scott Lafferty

**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.

**OFFERTORY**

“Shepherd Me, O God”  
Jack Lentz, soloist

Marty Haugen

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN NO. 741**

“Guide My Feet”

**\*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**

“Joyous Festival March”

J.W. Lerman



*Thank you, Scott Lafferty, and Chiq Montgomery for contributing to the worship service this morning.*