

Join Us in May!

May 18 at 7:00 PM

Pacesetters: Karaoke Party

May 19 at 9:30 AM

Contemplative Worship in Bodwell

May 19 Pentecost

Wear Red

May 19 at 12:15 PM

Dedication of the Kemp Jaycox Garden

Do you want to contribute flowers for Sunday worship?

If so, use this link to sign up:

<https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/641db7701127776329>



If you wish to give online, please use this QR Code and select your giving option.



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, Barb Hansen, Deborah Howard, Kemp Jaycox, Cate Monaghan, Beverly Thomas, Grace Uhle, Ann Williams, the family of Robert (Bob) Young, 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.

We thank Deanne Lentz for serving as Lay Leader this morning.

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FOREST HILL CHURCH, PRESBYTERIAN

MOTHER'S DAY

May 12, 2024 – 11:00AM

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

**Please stand if able*

CENTERING WORDS

*"As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you."
Isaiah 66:13*

PRELUDE

Nicolas Lebègue
"Les cloches"

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

David E. Poole
"Holy, Holy"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord! **Praise the Lord O my soul!**
We will sing praises to the Lord as long as we live;
we will sing praises to God all our life long.
The Lord sets the prisoner free; **the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.**
The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; **the Lord loves the righteous.**
The Lord watches over the strangers; **God upholds the orphan and the widow.**
The Lord will reign forever! **Praise the Lord!**

*HYMN NO. 14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and Mothering 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 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, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

A TIME OF REFLECTION

KYRIE (Hymn No. 576) "Lord, Have Mercy"

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*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)*

***During the singing of Gloria,
children are invited to go to childcare
and Sunday School with their adult leaders.***

MINUTE FOR MISSION YAV and Pentecost Offering

ANTHEM Mark Miller
"God Has Work For Us to Do"
Chancel Choir

Congregation get your prayer request ready for the ushers to collect.

LIVING WORD (NRSV) Matthew 23:37-39 (page 804)

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

*HYMN NO. 7 "Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth"

SERMON Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.
"In Support of Mothers"

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

OFFERTORY Arr. Stephen DeCesare
"In Christ Alone"
Jack Lentz and Em Ezell, soloists

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN NO. 852 "When the Lord Redeems the Very Least"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING The Iona Pilgrimage Blessing
Bless to us, O God, Our souls that come from on high.
Bless to us, O God, Our bodies that are of the earth.
Bless to us, O God, Each thing our eyes see.
Bless to us, O God, Each sound our ears hear.
Bless to us, O God, each odor that goes to our nostrils.
Bless to us, O God, each taste that goes to our lips, each note that goes to our song, each ray that guides our way. Amen.

*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 François Couperin
"Le Tic Toc Choc"