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WORDS FROM THE REV. DR. GENE MCAFEE



Good news, Forest Hill Church – we're in Step Two!

In this space last month, I wrote that the transitional process of finding new pastoral leadership in PCUSA churches has three discrete steps:

1. securing transitional pastoral leadership - DONE!
2. producing a Mission Study Report (MSR) to inform the work of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) – IN PROCESS; and
3. assembling and supporting the PNC as it examines ministerial profiles of and interviews prospective candidates – A FEW MONTHS AWAY.

A couple of weeks ago, you received the good news that six members of the congregation have agreed to serve as the Mission Study Committee (MSC)—the subcommittee of Session that will produce the Mission Study

Report. Let me remind you of their names and ask again for your prayers as they set about their task:

- Kurt Haas
- Jessica Kelley
- Karen Long
- Chiq Montgomery
- Treva Offutt
- Ahren Stock.

You can see in my [previous article](#) some of the specifics that make up a Mission Study Report and how the MSC will go about securing and assembling those bits and pieces. In addition to your prayers, please be prepared to lend a hand if you are asked to contribute to a survey, attend a listening session or informational meeting, or review a draft document. Bountiful participation in the process will help all of us know that we have contributed to the future of Forest Hill Church.

As always, if you have any questions about this process, please speak with me or Elizabeth Shaw, Clerk of Session. We're on our way!

In service to Christ and Christ's church,

Gene McAfee, Transitional Pastor

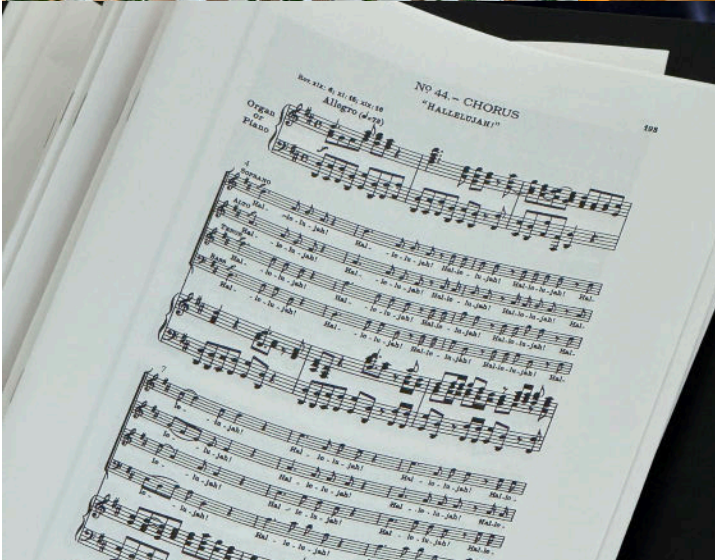
PALM SUNDAY PICTURES





EASTER PICTURES





EASTER EGG HUNT PICTURES





MUSIC MINISTRY

Musical Celebrations during Holy Week

The Music Ministry at Forest Hill Church led the journey into Passion Week with vibrant celebrations featuring rousing drums, triumphant trumpets, our beloved Chancel Choir, and the Little Crescendos.



Don Davis leading FHC Percussion Ensemble at the beginning of Palm Sunday



Solo from G. F. Handel's "Theodora" by Madelaine Matej MacQueen



Little Crescendos singing "Shout, Hosanna!"



"Hallelujah Chorus" from *The Messiah* joined by congregation members



Choir singing "Hosanna in the Streets" with Ahren Stock (trumpet)

Thank you to everyone who took part in these vibrant celebrations. We welcome anybody to make music with us as an expression of faith, joy, and renewal. Please contact Ying at music@fhcpresb.org if you are interested.

SEASON FINALE: THE RESONANCE PROJECT

**Sunday, June 1, 5:00pm
Forest Hill Church Sanctuary**

The Resonance Project presents their season finale on Sunday, June 1, at 5:00pm at Forest Hill Church! Featuring CLE Concierto and Senegalese drummer Papa Assane M'Baye, this dynamic performance recreates the resonance and vibrations of music influenced by nature from both African and European continents.

The program includes Vivaldi's ever-popular *L'estate (Summer)* with violinist Ann Yu, the newly rediscovered *La tempestad del mar* by Spanish composer Davide Perez, and the revolutionary *Le Cahos* by Jean-Féry Rebel, in a special arrangement by cellist René Schiffer.

M'Baye will bring a vibrant array of percussion instruments to life—including the dun-dun, djembe, and gourd water drums—inviting audiences into a visceral experience of rhythm and nature.

Tickets and information are available at [RMseries.com](https://rmseries.com). The Resonance Project is committed to accessibility—Pay-What-You-Can options are always available. Bring your friends!



Ying and Assane M'Baye discussing possible musical interactions in European classical music and Senegalese folk songs)



CLE Concierto after a rehearsal in the FHC sanctuary

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Vision Statement of Session:

By 2027, Session will courageously embrace the transition by:

*Being spiritually led, more diverse, and more fully prepared to serve
Living into individual gifts
Connecting with and across ministries, and
Communicating openly and actively with congregants, all as a Matthew 25 Church and Beloved Community.*

The Session of FHC met on March 26, 2025. Pastor Gene McAfee was the Moderator.

The meeting opened with prayer, followed by a spiritual conversation about the discipline of the Examen. This practice, developed by St. Ignatius, invites one to review each day in the presence of God with thankful reflection on where God is in one's everyday life.

The Financial Report for the period ending February 28, 2025, was received. The co-treasurer also noted that a grant has been

received for the work of the Ministry of Family, Youth and Children.

Session reviewed and approved a new staff position description titled Children's Program Assistant.

Session also reviewed draft personnel policies on ethical conduct and sexual misconduct.

The process for 2025 endowment proposals is underway, one proposal was received and reviewed. The process will continue over the next two meetings.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Submitted by Elizabeth J. Shaw, Clerk of Session.

Congregants are invited to observe meetings of Session. While observers are not able to actively participate in discussions or decision-making, they can see firsthand how Session coordinates the work of the church. The next meeting will be Wed., May 28, 2025, 7:00-9:00pm in South Hall.

WORSHIP

If you are interested in being a lay reader for worship, please contact Linda Martin at martin3386@ameritech.net or (216) 280-4049. If you wish to assist in serving communion, contact Jeanette Nemcek at jet0830@aol.com or (216) 789-6740.

Lay Readers for May

May 4: Lisa Vahey
May 11: Kitty McWilliams
May 18: Eileen Vizcaino
May 25: Lia Clement

To contribute flowers for Sunday worship, use this form: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/Flowers>



ADULT SPIRITUAL GROWTH (ASG)



Honesty for Ohio Education
May 4, 9:15-10:30am
Meet in South Hall

Join this interactive session to learn more about Honesty for Ohio Education and how you can take action at the local and state levels to ensure all Ohio students have access to the honest and complete teaching of history. Lisa Vahey (co-founder of Honesty and Forest Hill Church member) will share how State House updates, Honesty's bill tracker, background on how Christianity is being weaponized against LGBTQ kids and families, and most importantly, concrete suggestions for how we can remain faithful and hopeful by being informed and engaged. Hope to see you there! Registration is not essential but is helpful. Register at this link: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/abc129>

Beginning Genealogy Course:
How to Build Your Family History and
Share Your Ancestors' Stories
May 18, 9:15-10:45am
Meet in South Hall

During February, we celebrated Black History Month with a remarkable program about our family's origin stories, along with a wonderful talk by Dr. Regennia Williams on preserving our oral history and how important it is to share that with our descendants.

In an effort to explore this further and to learn how to research our ancestors, we will be conducting a series of beginning genealogy classes. This is the first step to gaining

knowledge about their lives and then passing their stories on to the next generation. Who were they, where did they come from, where did they live, what did they do for work, who were their children, what were their beliefs?

FHC member Cindy Newton, who has extensive experience as a family researcher and as a member of several genealogical societies, will be conducting the classes.

Please fill out the Breeze form and Cindy will reach out to you with research forms to complete before the first class. Register at this link: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/6aeb9a>

Adult Spiritual Growth Seeking Input

Spiritual growth comes in many different ways for people and is an ongoing journey. The Sunday morning educational hour with some additional programming has been ASG's approach in aiding spiritual growth. Yet what has worked for one generation to grow may be greatly different for a newer generation. ASG understands the current programming does not fit everyone's schedule. So, what can ASG do to help you in your spiritual journey? What are your desires for timeframe, format, topics, etc.?

ASG, also, is seeking help in another way. If you have the desire to provide a one-session or multiple-session program, let us know what you would like to offer.

To provide input, contact the Ministry at spiritgrowth@fhcpresb.org.

ASG Elders,
Jennifer Blakeney and Ron Zimmerman

Repair! Restore! Rise!

A Reception Celebrating Racial Repair to Eliminate College Debt

Join us in celebrating Natasha Lovelace, former Cleveland Heights resident and the first recipient of Forest Hill Church's Racial Educational Debt Repair Award.

This award is the work of the Racial Repair & Restoration (RR&R) Task Force, launched in 2022 to address the deep and lasting impact of systemic racism—specifically the disproportionate burden of student loan debt on Black communities.

After a thoughtful review process involving over 20 candidates, Natasha was selected as a Black female college graduate carrying the weight of educational debt.

WHY IT MATTERS:

- Black graduates carry more student debt on average than any other group.
- This debt limits wealth-building opportunities like buying a home, saving for retirement, or starting a family.
- Black women are especially impacted—earning degrees without closing the income gap.
- This crisis threatens the financial future of millions, as the ACLU and Brookings Institution have reported.

OUR RESPONSE: Put FAITH into action!

"[The President's] baseless attacks on DEI are attacks on the promise of America, the promise that everyone should be able to build the life of their dreams without barriers standing in their way."
—Andrea Abrams, Executive Director, Defending American Values Coalition

Join us to celebrate this step toward racial and economic justice.



Racial Repair & Restoration Task Force and Award Recipient
(L-R) Mark Chupp, Marina Grant, Quentin Smith,
Natasha Lovelace (recipient),
Jeannine Gury, Danielle Cosgrove

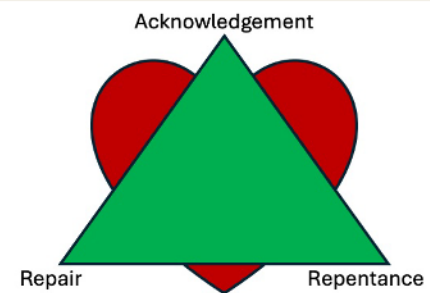
THURSDAY

MAY 15, 6pm

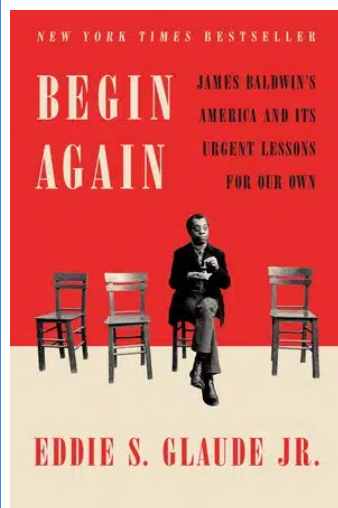
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**Open to all
Please submit this form to
RSVP**

<https://fnc.breezechms.com/form/May15Reception>



RACIAL EQUITY BOOK CLUB



Saturday,
June 7,
10:30am-
12:00pm
via Zoom

Begin Again by
Eddie S. Glaude Jr.

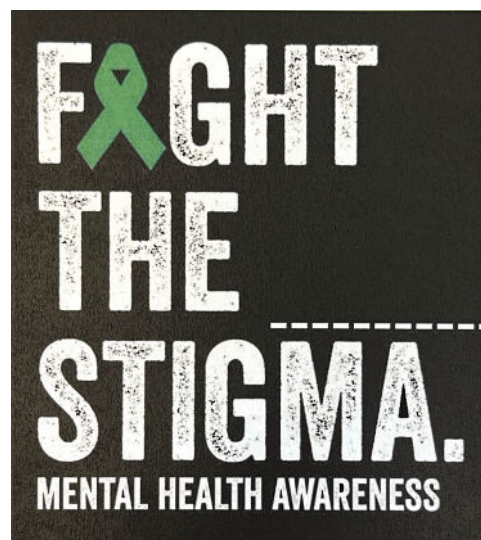
Persons interested in reading and discussing books that further individual and collective knowledge about racial equity issues are invited to join the discussions. For more information, or the Zoom links, email racialequitybuddies@fhcpresb.org.

The First Congregational Church of Hudson (UCC) and the Ministry of Adult Spiritual Growth of Forest Hill Church, Presbyterian are sponsors of the Racial Equity Book Club and Racial Equity Buddies program.

EASTSIDE CITIZENS' EMPOWERMENT FOUNDATION

Wednesday, May 14, 5:00-6:30pm
FHC Fellowship Hall

Mental Health Month



Brief Committee Meetings
Prepare for Clean-Up in June

Refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, contact Nathaniel Martin at 216-469-9581.

GREATER CLEVELAND CONGREGATIONS (GCC)

Help GCC in Your PJs

GCC volunteers—we need your support behind the scenes!

After a year full of bold action, we're sitting on a mountain of data from our 2024 campaigns that needs to be entered. This is essential work that keeps our movement strong, and the best part? You can do it from the comfort of your home—in your PJs, fuzzy socks, and all.

If you're ready to help, email Megan at megan@gcc-ohio.org, and we'll connect with you to get started.

Let's keep building power—one spreadsheet at a time!



JUSTICE MINISTRY

Justice Ministry Gathering with Forest Hill Church Grantees Sunday, May 18, 12:15-2:00pm South Hall

Please join the Justice Ministry in lifting up and celebrating the work of our FHC grantees! We are offering this time of fellowship so FHC congregants can hear from community members and organizations who received FHC community grants in 2024! This is a

wonderful opportunity to learn about what work and outreach is happening around our community! A simple meal will be provided, so please be sure to RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 9, at [this link](#) or contact Chenoa Stock (314-448-0005 or pcusa.mcw@gmail.com) to let us know you can join us! We hope you can!

PACESETTERS PICNIC AND HIKE Friday, May 16, 12:00pm

Please join us for a deli potluck picnic with optional hikes to follow (.2 miles up to 3 miles) at Liberty Park and Nature Center near Twinsburg.

Sign up for deli meats or bread or potato/coleslaw/mac salad by emailing Laurie and Keith Logan (laurie.logan2@gmail.com). Admission is free, and there is plenty of parking near the handicap accessible Nature Center. Carpooling may be worth the effort as the park is a 35-minute drive from church.

This event is “rain or shine” (in keeping with our northeast Ohio grittiness), so pack a raincoat if the forecast is less than ideal. The picnic pavilion is outside but under roof protection.



EXPLORING MEMBERSHIP AT FOREST HILL CHURCH

Have you been participating in the life of Forest Hill Church and are ready to take your engagement to the next level? Exploring Membership classes provide a pressure-free and engaging way to learn about the Church’s vision and core values as well as the many opportunities the church offers for growing in spirit, in service, and in connection to others. Participating in the classes is also a great way to grow the network of people you already know within the church community.

Exploring Membership is a two-class series (dates to be determined), with the first session in person (after church until 2:15pm, lunch and childcare provided), and the second via Zoom at a most convenient time. If you are interested in finding out more about membership, please complete the form at this link: <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/ExploringMembership2025>, or speak with a Church Growth team member: Kay Hogg, Scott Lafferty, Ahren Stock, Mark Wedell or Eileen Vizcaino. (churchgrowth@fhcpresb.org)

EARTH CARE CONGREGATIONS



The Power of God

For Earth Day this year, PCUSA Creation Justice created a program for earth care entitled “The Power of God.” God chooses to exhibit power through Jesus—a different kind of King. The gospels reveal to us Jesus’ use of power, and that power is meek, peaceful, and kind. Jesus’ power is found in the cross. It is the kind of power that transforms dead things into fully alive creatures.

God’s power is most clearly seen in relationships, creation, redemption, healing, and renewal. God’s power is manifested in the *Bible*, beginning with giving his peoples dominion over all the earth. Modern dominion demands responsible governance, i. e., caretaking, over all aspects of the ecology of life.

What does ecological care by God’s people have to do with God? The answer is: Everything. Everything, because what we believe about God’s power changes how we interact in the world! What we believe about the power of God changes how we adjust our thermostats, fuel up our cars, commute to work, carry out our jobs, engage in politics, advocate for legislation, shop for home goods, and plug or unplug our many house-hold appliances.

Despite the ravages of nature—and many man-made ecological disasters—we have experienced the power of God in restoration

of waterways, forests, lands and many nearly extinct living creatures when we have taken actions. But we need to do much more!

Personal actions and advocacy are important aspects of personal responsibility for earth care that can make a difference. There are many actions that we can take to address our energy consumption and prudent use of natural resources to minimize harmful greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate the effect of climate change.

Earth Care people support our national initiatives on the EPA, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, Antiquities Act and other government actions which are essential tools for resisting environmentally harmful extraction projects, protecting the health of communities and ecosystems, and maintaining biodiversity. These foundational policies safeguard the integrity of air, water, wildlife, and culturally significant lands and waters, ensuring that all energy projects, whether extractive or renewable, are subjected to rigorous environmental reviews and public input.

Earth Care people support and advocate for influential non-governmental organizations, such as Earth Justice, World Wildlife Fund, Center for Biodiversity, Natural Resource Defense Council, Sierra Club, Ocean Conservancy, Rainforest Alliance, National Wildlife Foundation, and many others on global, national, state, and local levels that speak to power throughout all levels of government to protect and care for the earth and the environment.

Long live God’s Power in all of us to enhance and strengthen his Creation!

David Neff, Earth Care Leader

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

**Celtic Pilgrimage:
A Sacred Journey through Ireland
Informational Meeting
Tuesday, April 29, 7:00-8:00pm
Meet in South Hall**

Join us for a Celtic pilgrimage to Ireland. Our focus is on sacred Christian Celtic sites associated with mystics/Saints Patrick, Brigid, Kevin, and Columba. We will seek union with their Celtic spirit in the storied landscapes of Ireland. Ours will be a contemplative journey with time of walking, personal reflection, public worship, and Sabbath rest.

Pilgrims are persons who take a journey into the outer world to sacred places seeking transformation of the inner geography of their souls. We will leave home to find Home and to return renewed.

Highlights of the Ireland pilgrimage:

- Visit to the Book of Kells at Trinity College and Dublin Cathedral
- Visit to monastic city of St. Kevin and a walk on the pilgrim path in Glendalough
- Visit to Brigid's Cathedral, Fire Temple and Holy Well in Kildare
- Journey to the ancient site of New Grange, Kells Cathedral, and the Hill of Tara—sites of ancient Christian significance
- In Northern Ireland, walking in the footsteps of St. Patrick and his mission at the St. Patrick Centre
- Visit Clonard Monastery and East Belfast Mission—centers of faith and reconciliation in bringing peace to Northern Ireland now and during the "Troubles"
- Coastal pilgrimage experience to Giant's Causeway and the Bushmills Distillery



- Reflect on the legacy of St. Columba in Derry/Londonderry at sacred wells and heritage sites
- Daily moments of prayer, reflection, and shared community throughout the journey

There is an optional extension to Scotland to visit the island of Iona for one day, and visit to Edinburgh where Pastor Gene will guide us through highlights of the city. We will also worship together at St. Giles Church, where Pastor Gene had his first call.

The dates for the Ireland Pilgrimage departing from Cleveland are October 6-16, 2025. The Early Bird Cost for the Ireland Pilgrimage from Cleveland is \$4,499 through May 9. After that date airline prices are scheduled to increase.

The dates for the Ireland pilgrimage and Scotland optional pilgrimage are October 6-20, 2025. The additional cost for the Scotland option is yet to be determined.

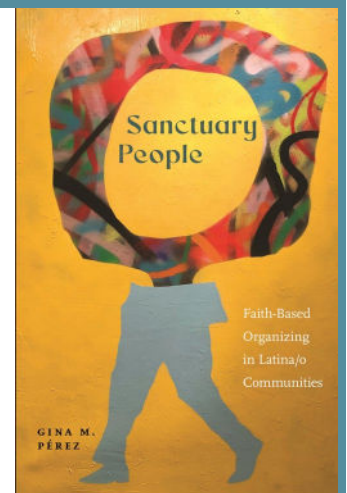
To learn more about the full itinerary and to ask questions, join us for an informational meeting at Forest Hill Church on Tuesday, April 29, at 7:00pm. For more information, contact Liz Nau at mlnau2002@gmail.com.

SANCTUARY PEOPLE BOOK

Three copies of the book *Sanctuary People*, have been placed in our library by the Immigration Task Force. The author, Dr. Gina M. Pérez, spoke at Forest Hill Church on Sunday, March 9.

Based on four years of research and interviews at the local, state, and national level, *Sanctuary People* offers a compelling exploration of the ways in which faith communities are creating activist strategies and enacting new forms of solidarity, working within the sometimes conflicting ideological

space between religion and activism to answer the call of justice and live their faith. In the book are many references to FHC's Sanctuary movement, including interviews with Leonor Garcia and Rev. Lentz.



The books are available in the bookcase on the right as you enter the library. You can self-check out a copy.

SPRING CHURCH WORK DAY



**Saturday
Morning
May 10th
9-12**

**Childcare
Provided!**

HELP! is needed for various tasks including: switching storms & screens, washing glass, gardening, painting and just getting organized. There's plenty to do inside if it rains - outside tasks will be rescheduled. Meet in the Jin Room to choose an assignment.

LUNCH together when we complete our tasks!

**Contact Jeff Smith - jeffsmith2756@gmail.com
to volunteer and to answer any questions.**

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF FOREST HILL CHURCH

In the midst of our current pastoral transition, we might recall change of a different sort—when the Cleveland Heights Presbyterian Church made the journey to its present site 75 years ago.

As recounted in the church history compiled and written by Joan E. McVeen:

At the end of World War II, church leaders anticipated membership growth and a need for larger facilities. During a few years coinciding with the arrival of a young, new pastor, they:

- Put money down and completed purchase of a prominent lot set aside for a “community church” in the Rockefeller Allotment—then a racially and religiously exclusive subdivision;
- Sold the old church buildings at the corner of Mayfield and Preyer Roads to a Jewish congregation comprised of German refugees, sharing the place with them for several years; and
- Began a capital campaign to raise \$200,000 to build upon the new site.

By the spring of 1950, with young families flocking to churches all over America, it was time to begin the move. Groundbreaking for the church’s new sanctuary at Lee and Monticello Boulevards took place on May 7, 1950. *The Cleveland Plain Dealer* reported that “Pre-K children will turn the first clods of earth” and “everyone in the congregation will have a chance to dig into the ground with souvenir shovels provided by the minister, Rev. Yoder P. Leith” following Sunday services.

By September 17, 1950, work had progressed sufficiently to allow laying the cornerstone—a “Bronze Brick”—at the front of the new

church. At the same time, the congregation’s name officially became “Forest Hill Church, Presbyterian,” a wording that complied with expectations by the developers while embracing the congregation’s faith heritage and affiliation with the Presbyterian Church (USA).

The newly completed, stand-alone sanctuary (without the education and fellowship hall wings that would be added later) was initially occupied the following spring and dedicated with great fanfare on May 20, 1951.

(These and other interesting details of our congregation’s more than 121-year history are in a binder recently prepared by Zivile Khoury. You can find and read it in FHC’s Meg Cameron Library.)

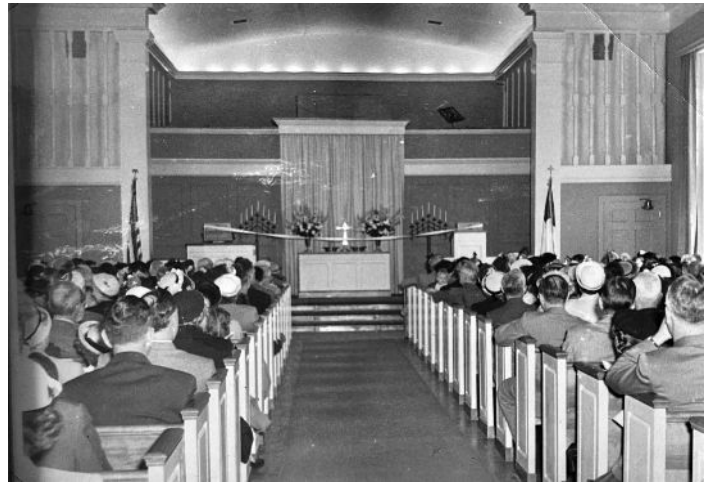
Dick Obermanns



Building under construction, December 1950



Inside the building during construction



(above) Building dedication service on May 20, 1951

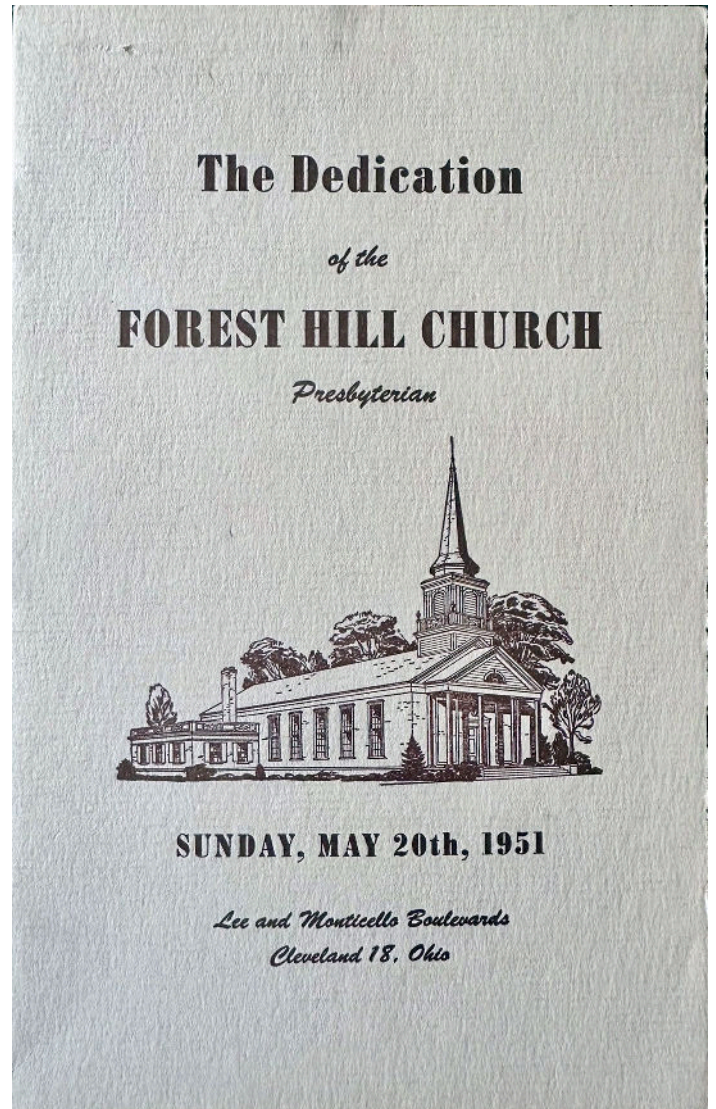
(below) Program cover from the building dedication service



Preparing to raise the steeple



Welcoming sign during construction



CELEBRATING GRADUATES

On Sunday, June 15, we will celebrate those in our church family who are graduating this spring. If you or a family member would like to be included in our recognition, please

complete this form by June 1. <https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/9a5b695630>

Contact Amy Wheatley, ce@fhcpresb.org, for more info.



PICTURES REQUESTED

We are building a digital library of church photos. If you take a few pictures at an event, please send them to Laura at churchadmin@fhcpresb.org. If you take a lot of pictures at an

event and would like to upload them to Google Drive yourself, contact Laura for access.



SHUTDOWN OF OLD WEBSITE

I'm sure you're all enjoying our new website! However, the new site doesn't include all the old posts and pages from the previous site going back to the '00s. Because of this, we have kept the previous site online at <https://legacy.fhcpresb.org>, but the time has come to take it down. We'll take it offline on June 30.

If you have anything on the old site that you want, now is the time to get it! If you need help, contact Kurt Haas at kurt@dangereddy.com.

BIRTHDAYS

May 4 – Margie Ravas

May 5 – Julie Ely

May 6 – John Dugard, Jr.

May 6 – Angela Oetama-Paul

May 9 – Jeff Dyck

May 10 – Kathy Hanna-Stauffer

May 11 – Elsie Boyd

May 11 – Julie Lustic

May 12 – Clarence Boyd

May 13 – Jennifer Blakeney

May 15 – Dave Linden

May 16 – Jane Olson

May 17 – Gail Larson

May 19 – Kris Fay

May 19 – Tom Zych

May 20 – Isaac Ampong

May 20 – Kevin Stauffer

May 21 – Anna Brock

May 21 – Melody Obery

May 23 – Ron Zimmerman

May 24 – Cheryl Anderson

May 26 – Monita Franklin

May 28 – Joan Bacon

May 28 – Marina Grant

CALENDAR

May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 1:00pm - Communications Committee Meeting (virtual)	2 5:00pm - Praying with Others 7:30pm - Resonance Project Concert	3 10:30am - Men's Group (virtual)
4 9:15am - Honesty for Ohio Education (ASG) 12:15pm - Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal 12:15pm - Welcome Team Meeting	5	6	7 7:00pm - Personnel Committee	8 7:00pm - Forest Hills Homeowners Association Meeting	9	10 9:00am - Church Work Day 10:00am - Fiber Fellowship
11 Mother's Day 12:30pm - Drum Circle 4:00pm - Contemplative Scripture Study	12	13 6:00pm - Endowment Committee Meeting 7:00pm - Church Growth Meeting (virtual)	14 5:00pm - Eastside Citizens' Empowerment Foundation 7:00pm - Ministry Meetings	15 Deadline for the June Tower 5:00pm - RR&R Task Force Grantee Reception 5:30pm - Finance Committee Meeting	16 12:00pm - Pacesetters Picnic and Hike 5:00pm - Praying with Others	17
18 9:15am - Genealogy (ASG) 12:15pm - Intergenerational Choir Rehearsal 12:15pm - Justice Ministry Grantee Luncheon	19	20	21	22	23 10:00am - Excell Graduation	24
25 - Labre Ministry at North Church 12:30pm - Drum Circle 4:00pm - Contemplative Scripture Study	26 MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICE CLOSED	27	28 7:00pm - Session Meeting	29 5:45pm - Excell Parents Meeting	30 5:00pm - Praying with Others	31 - Friends of Heights Parks Plant Sale
Regularly scheduled events meet every week unless noted 11:00am - Worship service	9:00am - Bulletin and email deadline 6:00pm - AA: Progress Not Perfection 7:00pm - AI- Anon: Now There's Hope 7:30pm - AA: Borton Group	10:30am - 1:00pm Abundance Food Pantry	7:30am - Bible & Bagels (virtual) 12:00pm - Staff Meeting 12:30pm - AA: Wed. Women's Group 6:00pm - AA: Four Absolutes	1:00pm - English Country Dance 6:15pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal	10:00am - AI- Anon: Hand in Hand 6:30pm - Scottish Country Dance	

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Website: www.fhcpresb.org

Deadline for the June Tower: 9:00am on May 15, 2025
Deadline for The Week Ahead email: 9:00am every Monday

Giving Options

Friends of FHC, you may give monetary gifts or donations by texting 216-400-5300, or see the online giving options at fhcpresb.org/give. You may also mail a check to the church bookkeeper (3031 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118).