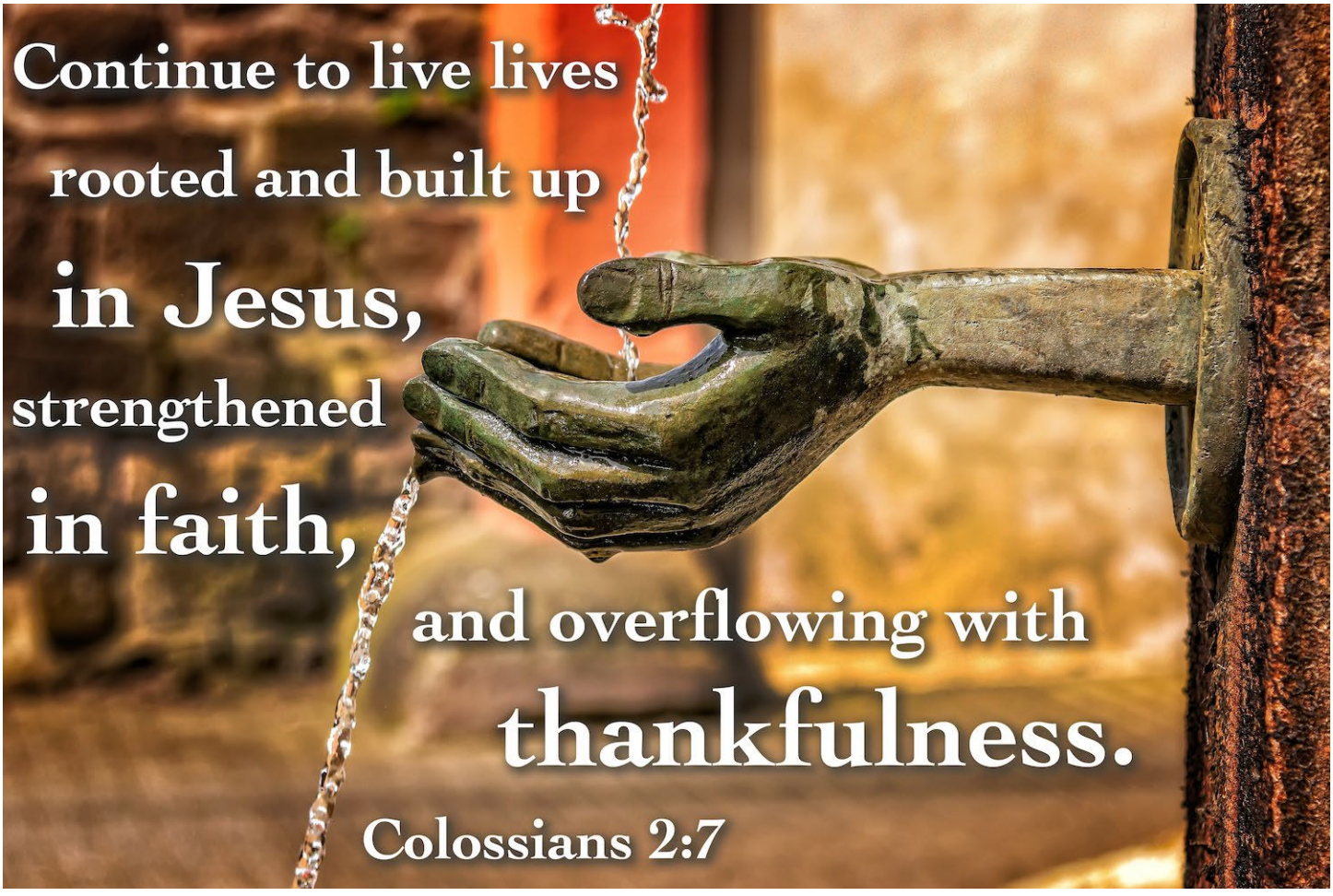
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PASTOR'S COLUMN: WHOLEHEARTED GRATITUDE

November invites us to give thanks. Thanksgiving days were part of this continent's cultures long before there was what we know as Thanksgiving Day (1863).

And yet, gratitude in a complicated world is not simple.

What may be for some a sign of providential deliverance and care may be for others an unmitigated disaster. Those of us familiar with the biblical narrative of the Hebrew conquest of Canaan know this. There are at least two sides to every story.
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And so thanksgiving, if it is to be honest, must hold joy and sorrow together, abundance and loss side by side. True thanksgiving must come from a whole heart, and not simply from a self-serving heart. Genuine thanksgiving does not pretend that everything is fine. Instead, it seeks the source of our gratitude in God's faithfulness and not in our narratives, all of which, to varying degrees, are both true and false.

Narratives are *our* stories, that is, they are the products of our imaginations. They are not givens. They are not inevitable. They are not unbiased. They are not value-neutral. We may think we are simply telling the truth, but we are always, in fact, telling the truth *as we see it and are choosing to tell it.*

As a congregation, we have much for which to be grateful: shared ministry, enduring relationships, moments of growth and grace. We also carry grief — for what has been lost, for plans that went astray, for wounds still healing.

What we tell ourselves about ourselves this thanksgiving season is up to us. What we choose to emphasize in our stories and what we choose to ignore will shape not only our narratives, but our very selves as well. We know this from common sense: we can choose to dwell on what is wrong, what is broken, what is suffering, or we can choose to include those realities into a larger narrative of gratitude that is just as real: gratitude for a God whose love allows us to see beyond ourselves, to feel the pain of others (including God's non-human others), and to respond with compassion, intelligence, and understanding. We can also be grateful for a God waiting to help us heal, no matter what our wound.

So what, for us, will be the larger narrative — the narrative of what is wrong with the world or the narrative of what is right, without ignoring what is wrong?

I believe we will do ourselves and the world good by constructing a narrative framework of gratitude in which to live and move and have our being because gratitude has greater power than lament to keep us vital and to draw others into our circle of compassion, knowledge, and action. An "attitude of gratitude," as the slogan puts it, has real, saving power. It can save us from bitterness, despair, and exhaustion.

Thanksgiving — the orientation and the day — in its truest sense is an act of trust. It declares that God's goodness is not limited by our circumstances or anyone else's. It affirms that grace is real, even when life is hard. Thanksgiving is an expression of faith. As Albert A. Goodson put it in his well-known hymn, "We've come this far by faith." Gratitude for that faith is embedded in the words and music.

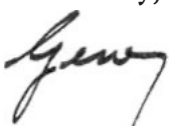
As we approach the end of the church year, I invite you to practice gratitude that is honest and expansive.

Give thanks for what is good.

Lament what is broken.

Trust that God holds it all.

Faithfully,



Gene McAfee
Transitional Pastor



FAMILY, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN MINISTRY

Sunday School: Providing Welcome

In Sunday School, children have been learning about the many ways Jesus welcomed and included people, especially those who were marginalized in his time: women, children, tax collectors, strangers, and people who were sick or poor.

Together, we've been thinking about how we can follow Jesus' example by welcoming others in our church and community. Two recent service projects gave the children hands-on opportunities to put welcome into action.

Violet Majot, one of our middle schoolers, invited us to participate in a project she designed for the Journey Center for Safety and Healing, which provides services for survivors of domestic violence and child abuse. The children created dozens of colorful, beaded friendship bracelets for children living in the Journey Center's emergency shelter. Many of the bracelets included messages such as "Love," "Peace," and "Friends" — small reminders to let children at the shelter know that others cared.

Jessica Kelley, a regular volunteer with the Labre ministry, introduced the children to our church's monthly meal at North Church, where people gather for worship and a hot meal. One Sunday morning, Jessica led ten enthusiastic bakers, ages 5–12, as they took over the kitchen to bake delicious corn muffins for the October meal. The children also created "Welcome" signs to display for the guests who would enjoy the muffins they had prepared.

Through these projects, the children discovered that welcome can take many forms: a colorful bracelet, a freshly baked muffin, or a thoughtful message. This year, we'll continue learning how Jesus welcomed all people and find meaningful ways to extend that same welcome to others!









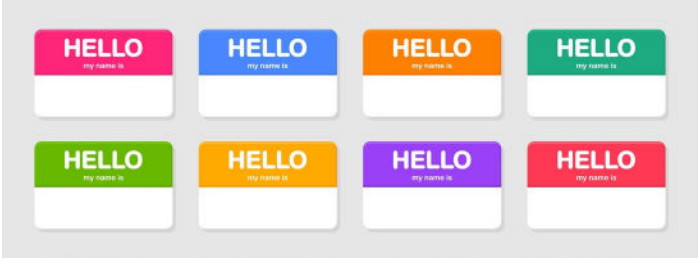






Name Tags

Greeting children during Passing of the Peace or at coffee hour just got easier. FHC kids have received their own Forest Hill Church name tags, just like the grown-ups'. You'll now be able to recognize and welcome the youngest members of our faith family by name. (Are you wearing YOUR name tag on Sundays??)



FAMILY, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN MINISTRY



Gingerbread House Decorating
Sunday, December 6, at 6:00pm
FHC Fellowship Hall

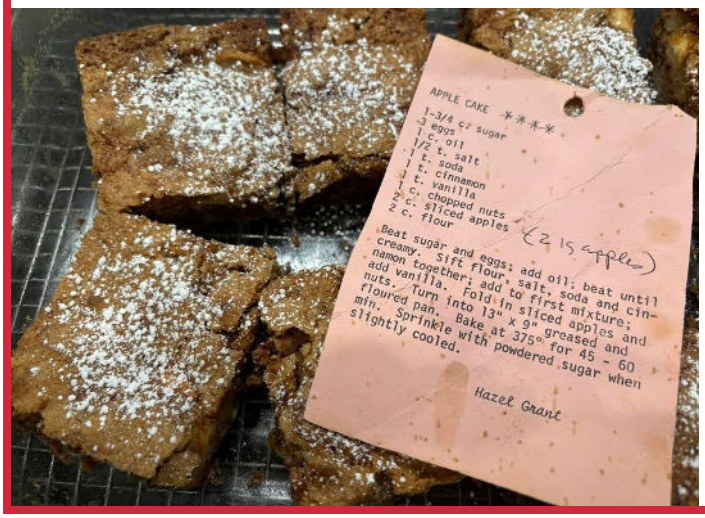
Register and purchase your houses by November 20!

Our annual event is a great way to begin the holiday season! All ages are welcome. Bring your family, your partner, or invite friends and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. We supply everything you need – gingerbread, frosting, and candy – to create your very own Gingerbread House. Cost is $15 per house, and proceeds will benefit local organizations providing programs and services to families facing homelessness.

Register and purchase your houses here by Nov 20: https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/e62e9294394585

RECIPES OF THE PAST: APPLE CAKE

Recently, Kris Fay got out an old FHC cookbook. She found Hazel Grant's recipe for apple cake and baked two of them to share at coffee hour. What a treat for everyone who had a piece! Here is the recipe so you can make your own.



Apple Cake
(from Hazel Grant)

1-3/4 c. sugar
3 eggs
1 c. oil
1/2 t. salt
1 t. soda
1 t. cinnamon
1 t. vanilla
1 c. chopped nuts
2 c. sliced apples
(2 lg. apples)
2 c. flour

Beat sugar and eggs; add oil; beat until creamy. Sift flour, salt, soda and cinnamon together; add to first mixture; add vanilla. Fold in sliced apples and nuts. Turn into 13" x 9" greased and floured pan. Bake at 375° for 45–60 min. Sprinkle with powdered sugar when slightly cooled.

FOREST HILL CHURCH

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION

OVERFLOWING WITH THANKFULNESS



NOVEMBER 1, 2026

AT 12:30
after the 11 AM service

Please join in our
annual giving celebration
kicking off the Stewardship season!

Delicious food,
good company!

Vegetarian and Vegan options available.
Children are welcome and childcare will be provided.

Register here or by calling the church office.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Make a Joyful Noise this Advent and Christmas — Join the Chancel Choir!

There is something special about making music together during Advent and Christmas. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ, the Chancel Choir invites you to join us for a season filled with beautiful music, community, and the joy of singing together.

This year's repertoire includes beloved seasonal favorites and beautiful contemporary arrangements, including Elaine Hagenberg's moving setting of "O Come, Emmanuel" and the tender Christmas lullaby "Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head." Through music, we will help lead our congregation into the wonder, hope, and peace of the season.

We look forward to several special musical events, including our **Service of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 13**, a cherished opportunity to hear the story of Christ's coming through Scripture, prayer, and song. We will also share in the beauty and warmth of our **Christmas Eve candlelight service on December 24**, celebrating the light of Christ in the midst of the winter darkness.



You are warmly invited to sing with us! Whether you have sung in a choir for years or simply love to sing, there is a place for you. You do not need to be an experienced singer or a music reader — just bring your voice and a willingness to share in this musical ministry.

The Chancel Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings, 7:30–9 p.m. and gathers again on Sunday mornings before worship. Joining us for the Advent and Christmas season is a wonderful way to connect with others, deepen your experience of the season, and offer a meaningful gift to our church community.

Come sing with us and help make this Advent and Christmas season ring with joy, hope, and peace!

SERMON ON THE AMOUNTS

Each month we will publish year-to-date financial data showing congregation support versus the budget to keep members updated on the financial status of our church.

We are thankful for your support.

Marina Grant and Mary McMillan,
Co-Treasurers

As of October 21, 2026

Congregation Support:	$566,457
Budget for Period Ending:	$583,168
Annual Budget:	$713,777
Per Capita:	$4,541
Budget for Period:	$2,859
Annual Budget:	$3,544

THE RESONANCE PROJECT

From the Isles: A Scottish Boroque Concert
Friday, November 20, 7:30 p.m.
FHC Sanctuary

The Resonance Project invites you to an evening of lively, tuneful, and heartwarming music with *From the Isles: A Scottish Baroque Concert*.

Scottish Baroque music emerged from a fascinating cultural encounter in 17th- and 18th-century Scotland, blending the elegance of Italian art music with the spirited energy of Scottish fiddle tunes and folk traditions. These musical worlds met in Edinburgh's drawing rooms, concert halls, and social gatherings, creating a distinctive repertoire that bridges classical and traditional music.

The influence of Scottish folk music even reached Italian composers. Francesco Geminiani, an Italian violinist and composer, was captivated by Scottish melodies played by Scottish musicians in London. Geminiani drew on them in his compositions, bringing their distinctive character into the refined world of the Italian sonata. His music offers a wonderful example of how folk traditions and classical art music inspired and enriched one another.

Inspired by Forest Hill Church's 2025 pilgrimmage to Scotland and Ireland, Ying embarked on a journey of musical discovery then. She found that many Scottish melodies preserved in 17th- and 18th-century collections are still played today at Scottish dances and community gatherings. This concert celebrates the remarkable continuity of these traditions, bringing together the music of the past and the living folk culture of the present.

Joining us for this special performance is James MacQueen, Scottish fiddle player and a member of Forest Hill Church.

We hope you'll join us for an evening of music, art, and reflection. Tickets are available at RMseries.com. Pay-What-You-Can tickets are always available.

Contact Ying (music@fhcpresb.org) with any questions!



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James MacQueen

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Witness to the Light:

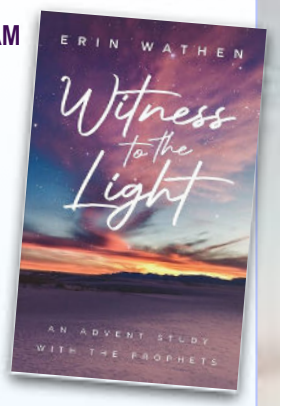
An Advent Study with the Prophets

by Erin Wathen

Sundays, 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM

Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 13, and Dec. 20

South Hall



This Advent, find hope through the words of the prophets Miriam, Joel, John the Baptist, Isaiah, Anna, and Ezekiel. Some sang of God's faithfulness, some spoke of a Messiah, and all cast a luminous vision while we await the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Each week will feature a different facilitator and Advent theme to guide us through a practice that speaks ancient comfort to our modern souls.

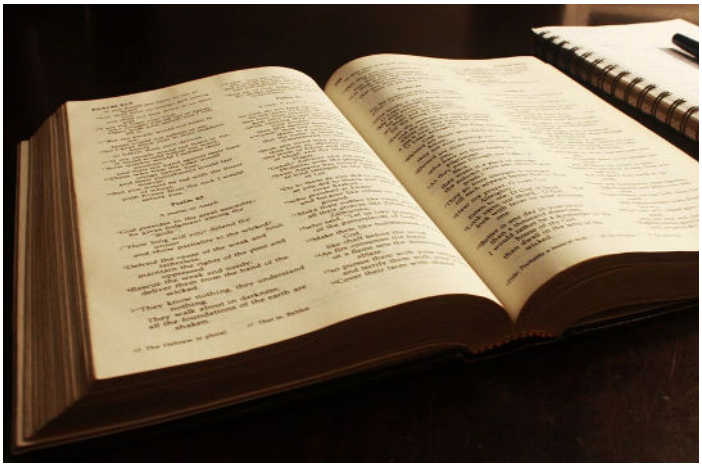
Please obtain your copy of this study devotional from Sharon Leary or Ron Zimmerman before class begins. The cost of the book is a voluntary donation.

Register on BREEZE.

Registration link: https://fhc.breezechms.com/form/Advent2026

Contemplative Scripture Study
Based on the lectionary
(scripture readings of the week)
November 1 and November 22, 4 p.m.
Meet in the chapel.

Join in creating community through collective reading and inquiry of the lectionary passages (scripture readings of the week), followed by periods of silence to explore the personal significance of the passage. We will have the opportunity to share with our small group the way we are called to bring this message into our life. After this we will pray for each other. This is a deeply meaningful way to bring scripture into our lives and make deep connections with each other. Facilitated by Valeria Stutz and Jennifer Blakeney.



RACIAL EQUITY BUDDIES: CHRISTIANITY & THE BIRTH OF WHITE SUPREMACY



Christianity & The Birth Of White Supremacy: A Forum Featuring Indigenous People of America
Saturday, November 21, 12–3 p.m.

RSVP to racialequitybuddies@fhcpresb.org to reserve your seat. The program is free and open to the public. A light lunch will be offered.

Many of us trace the origins of white supremacy in America to 1619, when the English privateer ship *White Lion* arrived in Virginia carrying approximately 20 enslaved Africans. Far fewer of us are familiar with the Papal Bulls of the 15th and 16th centuries and how they initiated religious and legal frameworks that would contribute to systems of racial domination and colonialism.

Join us Saturday afternoon, November 21, for an in-depth discussion exploring the origins of white supremacy and the role the Christian church played in developing and promoting doctrines whose deleterious effects continue to shape our society today.

The program will include:

- Robbi Swift (Ojibwe, Whitefish River First Nation), featured speaker
- The Maza Napin Dance Troupe, which consists of community members of the Lake Erie Native American Council
- Screening of a short documentary
- An opportunity for reflection and discussion

As we prepare to celebrate Thanksgiving, come and hear firsthand stories and reflections, explore different perspectives on Thanksgiving, and engage in a thoughtful conversation that invites us to consider the holiday in new ways.

We hope you'll join us for this timely and thought-provoking program!

Click here for a three-minute YouTube clip on the Doctrine of Discovery.

Come ready to listen. Come ready to question. Come ready to have your assumptions challenged.

Sponsors: Community Church of Chesterland; The Democracy in Action Team of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Cleveland; Racial Equity Buddies of Greater Cleveland; Repairers of the Breach, NEO; Restorative Justice Working Group; Social Justice Advocacy Ministry (SJAM) of Federated Church in Chagrin Falls; SURJ NEO (Showing Up For Racial Justice); Undoing Oppressions Task Force of West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church; UUCC Pretrial Support Team

RACIAL EQUITY BUDDIES: QUILT AUCTION

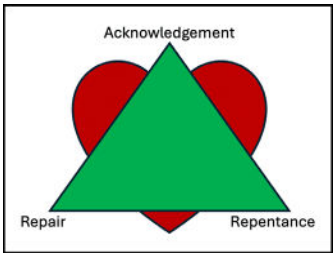
Help Build Economic Racial Repair!
Bid on a Quilt.

The quilts pictured on the next page are more than beautiful, one-of-a-kind handmade quilts. **They are an opportunity to put your values into action.**

Email racialequitybuddies@fhcpresb.org to place your bid!

Bid on one of the three exquisite quilts to add a stunning work of art to your home — or give someone an unforgettable holiday gift — while supporting an economic racial repair program we helped create at Forest Hill Church.

The program's idea is simple but powerful: **acknowledge economic harm, take responsibility and do something tangible to begin repairing it.**



And it works.

In just two years, the program has paid off $70,000 in undergraduate student debt owed by Natasha Lovelace*. Natasha had no previous connection to Forest Hill Church. She was simply someone whose economic burden the church chose to help lift.

Here is a short message from Natasha: *"I'm so grateful for the support and kindness shown by Forest Hill Church. The first payment helped to improve my credit so much that I was able to move to a house more fitting for my family, and in Cleveland Heights. I'm renting, but hopefully that will change soon!"*

Now the church is preparing to do it again — identifying another person whose educational debt can be retired.

This groundbreaking initiative has attracted both local (News 5 Cleveland) and national attention (Presbyterian Church [U.S.A.])

Now we need you.

Bid on one of these quilts. Bid on a tote bag. Bid generously. And help us keep this experiment in economic racial repair moving forward.

The quilts start at $250, a price that covers the materials but comes nowhere close to valuing the extraordinary amount of time, skill, labor, and love that went into making them. Tote bag bids begin at $30.

These items were handcrafted by Claudia Zimmerman, an REB supporter who has spent more than 25 years mastering the art of quilting. Claudia generously donates her creations to causes she believes can make a difference.

This is your chance to turn a bid into action.

You get something beautiful.

Someone else gets relief from crushing educational debt.

And together, we demonstrate that economic racial repair doesn't have to remain a political slogan or an abstract conversation. It can be concrete. It can be personal. And it can change someone's life.

So don't just admire the quilts. BID.
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The quilts are shown on a queen-sized bed.

Quilt #1



Quilt #2

Current Bid: $600



Quilt #3



Totes

Opening Bid: $30 each



[*]As a first-time homebuyer, Natasha is eligible for a range of local, state, and federal programs designed to assist first-time purchasers. Her eligibility for these programs was considered as part of the overall calculus in providing economic relief from her educational debt. This debt relief, combined with the assistance available through local, state, and federal first-time homebuyer programs, creates an opportunity for Natasha to build generational wealth — an important goal of this program.

EARTH CARE CONGREGATIONS

Earth Care, Near and Far

As an Earth Care congregation, Forest Hill members "get it." We try to be good stewards of the Earth and God's creation. As individuals and in our families, we recycle; we re-use; we are prudent with our energy and water usage; we avoid harmful chemicals in our lawns, gardens, and household cleaning; we try to buy eco-friendly paper products; and we value maintaining biodiversity.

However, there is only so much that we can do as individuals to care for Mother Earth. Therefore, we require assistance from larger, broader-based environmental organizations which have influence on our state and national governmental bodies and organizations. Such national non-governmental organizations (NGOs), with their legal staffs and financial support, have the greater ability, and on a broader scale, nationally, to create awareness and influence change in policies with governmental agencies and the administration. They can help generate positive outcomes to benefit environment issues.

One such NGO, out of many, is Earth Justice. In this month of Thanksgiving, let us give thanks for several good works which they have participated in which benefit Earth Care:

- Protecting wetlands in Florida by using the Endangered Species Act to block construction permits. Wetlands support biodiversity and control erosion.
- Suing to shut down a polluting coal plant in Montana which threatens air quality and increases electricity rates.
- Helped to shut down an immigrant detention center in Florida's Alligator Alley.
- Working to oppose the massive Tar Sands Pipeline in Montana which the administration proposes, but without sufficient environmental analysis. Such a pipeline impacts indigenous peoples lands as well as increasing the potential for spills and pollution.
- Supported California Law which establishes clear "buffer zones" around oil, gas and chemical plants which impact the health of local communities.
- Opposing a development project in Hanalei Bay in Hawaii which would threaten native seabirds, sensitive coastal ecosystems and Native Hawaiian cultural practices.

Earth Justice insists that those peoples most affected have a seat at the table in the decision-making process.

The above actions are but a few of many, many activities undertaken by a coalition of NGOs which work to protect and preserve the environment from detrimental actions most often resulting from the administration. Their governing policies strongly favor expansion of natural resource extraction and destruction in favor of corporate profit.

David Neff,
FHC Earth Care Leader

AMIS

- CLEANING -
SUPPLY DRIVE



AMIS' mission is ***"to inspire hope and contribute to the well-being of immigrants and their families."*** We are one of the few organizations in the area that are able to give funds directly to individuals and families. Recent actions by ICE are devastating to families in our community who were already struggling.

HOW TO HELP: we partner with a Hispanic church on the near west side. Earlier this year we did a cleaning supply drive and it was hugely popular, so at their request, we are bringing it back.

ITEMS NEEDED:

- Body wash
- Dental hygiene products
- All purpose cleaner
- Dish soap
- Laundry soap
- Other cleaning supplies like sponges and mops
- Personal hygiene products
- Gift cards to Walmart
- Cash donations gratefully accepted for purchase of hampers and other items.

COLLECTION DATES: **November 1-8, 2026**

COLLECTION LOCATIONS:

St. Paul's Church
2747 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland Hts.

Forest Hill Church
3031 Monicello Blvd., Clevleand Hts.

You can also donate directly to AMIS so we can help families in all other ways by scanning the QR code.

♥ THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

For more information about AMIS, visit amisohio.org

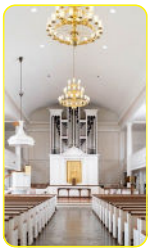
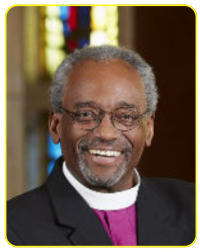
Legacy of Light

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SHAKER HEIGHTS, OHIO

SHAKER HEIGHTS YOUTH CENTER

1st Annual Gala
Dec. 12, 2026

6:00pm
6111 Landerhaven Drive, Mayfield Heights


KEYNOTE:
FMR. PRESIDING BISHOP MICHAEL CURRY

A Fundraiser for
Christ Episcopal Church, Shaker Heights
joining with the **Shaker Heights Youth Center** to
build supportive after-school teen youth programs.
Tickets: $125

Scan QR code or visit
www.cometochristchurch.org
for tickets & more information!

FIBER FELLOWSHIP

A Small Group of Fiber Arts Crafters

Join us for knitting, quilting, basic sewing, and plenty of conversation. Whether you're working on a group project or bringing your own, you'll find encouragement, ideas, and good company.

We love learning from one another — so feel free to teach us your favorite fiber craft, from crochet to punch needle, macramé, and more. Or simply enjoy the fellowship while you mend a pair of socks!

We meet on the second Saturday of every month at 10 a.m. in the Jin Room (next to the kitchen on the main floor) or South Hall (adjacent to Fellowship Hall).

All are welcome! Hope to see you on November 14!



BLACK HISTORY MONTH: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Though several months will pass until Black History month, the Black History Education Committee is at the beginning stages of preparation. Yet, there is a problem. There are only two clearly defined members with a possibility of a third to do the work of developing programming and organizing the activities for February 2027. If you are interested in becoming involved, contact Chiq Montgomery, Jennifer Blakeney, or the church office as soon as possible.



P.E.O. HOSTS AUTHOR SUSAN PETRONE

Saturday, November 7, 2:00pm
FHC Sanctuary

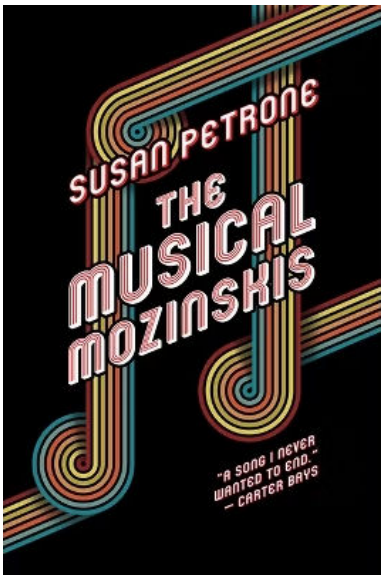
Chapter Q of Philanthropic Educational Organization International (P.E.O.) will present "An Afternoon with Susan Petrone" on Saturday, November 7, at 2 p.m.

P.E.O. International, founded in 1869, is a nonprofit philanthropic educational organization where women motivate, educate, and celebrate women.

The Nov. 7 event is P.E.O.'s 14th annual program featuring a local author. While the event is free, donations support P.E.O.'s work to further women's education.

Petrone will discuss *The Musical Mozinskis*, a novel that blends her real-life experiences growing up in a musical family with her gift for storytelling.

Mike Petrone, "Cleveland's Piano Man," will perform before and after his sister's book interview with improvisation on the piano during her talk.



A reception with refreshments will follow, and Loganberry Books will sell copies of Petrone's books.

A livestream of the November 7 event will also be available. To register and donate, go to www.eventbrite.com and search "Petrone."

P.E.O. has provided more than $490 million in financial assistance to more than 132,000 women. Learn more at www.peointernational.org.

If you have any questions about the event, contact Cathy Ghiandoni or the church office.

DONATIONS FOR NORTH CHURCH



As winter approaches, warm clothing is needed for our friends at North Church, many of whom live at the downtown shelters and walk to their various destinations. Please consider donating new or gently used **hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, or socks for both women and men**. Put your donated items in the designated collection box in the Hunter Pavilion by Sunday, November 29. Thank you!

THANKSGIVING AND DEADLINES

Please note that the church office will be closed on November 26 and 27 for Thanksgiving. Due to the shortened week for the holiday, the deadline for the December *Tower* is **Thursday, November 12, at 9 a.m.**



BIRTHDAYS

November 1 – Angela Sanders
November 2 – Judy Hammer
November 2 – Michael Wiggins
November 3 – Anne Way
November 3 – Todd Webster
November 5 – Chris Bell
November 5 – Mark Chupp
November 6 – Gloria Webb
November 7 – Emma Haas
November 7 – Laurie Logan
November 7 – Matt Russo
November 11 – Molly Webster
November 12 – Mike Glaros
November 13 – Nancy Grube
November 13 – Barb Hansen
November 15 – Betty Jo Jenkins
November 17 – Margie Glaros
November 18 – Jane Kowall
November 19 – Chiq Montgomery
November 20 – Ellie Vahey
November 21 – A. Guy Cameron
November 21 – Joyce Pope
November 23 – Jane Ishler
November 24 – Jaden Cosgrove
November 25 – Bill Ladebue
November 27 – Beth Zednik
November 29 – Yvonne Blanchard
November 30 – Deb Adrine
November 30 – Mason Caminiti
November 30 – Antoinette Richardson

CALENDAR

November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Saving Time ends 12:15pm - Stewardship Luncheon 2:00pm - Messiah Chorus Rehearsal 4:00pm - Contemplative Scripture Study	2	3	4 7:00pm - Personnel Committee	5	6	7 10:30am - Men's Group 2:00pm - P.E.O. Author Event
8 2:00pm - Messiah Chorus Rehearsal	9	10 7:00pm - Trustees Meeting	11 5:00pm - Eastside Citizens Empowerment Foundation 7:00pm - Ministry Meetings	12 Deadline for the December Tower 7:00pm - Forest Hills HOA Meeting	13 5:00pm - Praying with Others	14 8:30am - Gingerbread Baking 10:00am - Fiber Fellowship
15 2:00pm - Messiah Chorus Rehearsal	16 7:00pm - Deacons Meeting	17	18 6:00pm - Session Meeting	19 5:30pm - Finance Committee Meeting	20 7:30pm - Resonance Concert	21 10:00am - Messiah Chorus Dress Rehearsal 12:00pm - Racial Equity Buddies Program
22 - Labre Ministry at North Church 12:15pm - Safety Committee Meeting 4:00pm - Messiah Chorus Concert 4:00pm - Contemplative Scripture Study	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving - Church Closed	27 Church Closed 5:00pm - Praying with Others	28
29 9:15am - Advent study	30					

Regularly scheduled events meet every week unless noted 9:15am - Bible study 11:00am - Worship Service 2:00pm - Messiah Chorus Rehearsal	9:00am - Bulletin and Email Deadline 6:00pm - AA: Progress Not Perfection 7:00pm - Al-Anon: Now There's Hope 7:00pm - Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting 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	1:30pm - English Country Dance 6:15pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal	10:00am - Al-Anon: Hand in Hand 6:30pm - Scottish Country Dance	

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Deadline for the December Tower: 9:00 a.m. on November 12, 2026
Deadline for The Week Ahead email: 9:00 a.m. every Monday

Giving Options

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