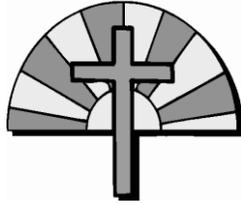


**Forest Hill United Church**  
**An Affirming Congregation**  
*'open doors, open hearts, open minds'*



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**23<sup>rd</sup> Day after Pentecost**  
**November 12, 2017 at 10 am**

WELCOME to worship! It is good that you are here.

Our worship leader is **Rev. Bob Jones**,

Our music director is **Alex Good**,

and the **FHUC Choir**.

Our greeters this morning are **Joe Ridout** and **Lorna McKnight**,

our Sunday School teacher is **May Houston**,

our hospitality host is **Diane Robinson**,

and our tellers are **Diane Robinson** and **Jean Fisher**.

*At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on  
ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolostogey land.*

*Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless  
of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual  
orientation, and gender identity.*

**Gathering**  
**At the \*\*, please rise in body or in spirit.**

Prelude

Welcoming the Light

**\*\*Introit:** (*Sung Together, verse 1 and refrain*)

VU 299

Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;  
let your world of beauty capture me.

Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,  
Life be celebrated, joy you give.

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

We come from scattered lives to this sanctuary,  
seeking unity in the Spirit,  
seeking the grace of Christ,  
seeking the peace of God.

**Gathering Prayer: (Spoken Together)**

We feel your welcome, gracious God,  
in this time of worship.  
You welcome young and old,  
all seeking peace,  
and all brimming over with energy.  
You welcome newcomers and long-time members;  
all seeking a familiar expression of praise and prayer,  
and all seeking a startling new celebration of faith.  
You welcome us all, welcoming God.

**\*\*Opening Hymn:** Come, Let Us Sing

VU 222

**Exploring**

Story Time

**\*\*Song of Praise:** Let There Be Light

VU 679

*After the first verse the children and teachers will  
leave for Sunday School*

**Words from Our Bible:**

**Diane Robinson**

Isaiah 40:1-8

Psalms 121 page 844 VU

Matthew 6:25-34

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God..

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Special Music:** Abide With Me

by H. Lyte , W. Monk

**Message:** The Daffodil

**\*\*Hymn of Reflection:** All the Way My Saviour Leads Me VU 635

**Minute for Missions:**

**Joan Mitchell**

## Responding

**Presentation of Our Gifts**

**\*\*Offering Verse:** (*Sung Together*) VU 300, verse 3

All our labour, all our watching,  
all our calendar of care,  
in the crops of your creation,  
take, O God, they are our prayer.

**\*\*Prayer After Giving**

**Prayers of Our Community**

**Prayer that Jesus Taught:**

Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
Sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us,  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and testing, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us,  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
Now and forever. Amen,

From a New Zealand Prayer Book, and VU pg.916

**\*\*Closing Hymn:** Thine Is the Glory

VU 173

**\*\*Sharing the Light**

**\*\*Blessing**

**\*\*Choral Response:** (*Sung Together verse 4 and refrain*) VU 299

Teach me, God, to know you,  
Hear you when you speak,  
See you in my neighbour when we meet  
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,  
Life be celebrated, joy you give.

**Postlude**

*Please join us for coffee and conversation  
after worship!*

Printed sermons and large print bulletins are available from our greeters for anyone who might find either useful.

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## Church News

Rev. Bob Jones will be out of town from today until Wednesday November 15<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Brian MacDonald 459-1205 has consented to take any calls during this time.

### COMING UP @ FHUC

<b>Quilt Group</b>	Mondays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Upper Room
<b>Choir Practice</b>	Sunday at 9:30 and 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

Our **Turkey Supper with both Bake and Craft Sales** is set for **Saturday 18 November** from 4 to 6 p.m. Takeout meals and Celiac meals will be available. Please make this known among your friends and associates. Please also plan to help in any way that you can. Sign-up sheets for needs and assistance are available today, as are posters to be taken for display.

**CHURCH CALENDARS** for 2018 will be available in mid November. The price will be \$8.00. To order speak to Jennifer either at church or call 454- 2829.

**Advent is approaching** and we are looking for 2 - 3 people willing to bake 2 - 3 dozen sugar cookies for Sunday, Dec. 3. The theme this year is nativity scenes, so shape preferences are for barnyard animals, shepherds, kings, Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, angels and stables. If you can help by either baking or lending appropriate cookie cutters, please contact Margie Roxborough at 455-0576.

**Scripture Readers** – are needed each week to assist during Worship Services. Please help Patricia Powell (455-8602), who coordinates readers, by indicating on the Reader Chart, which Sundays you would be available to read (√), if needed, and also when you would not be available (x). New readers are most welcome, and names could be added to the Chart.

**Ushers/Greeters needed:** Please check your schedule to see if you are available for one or more Sundays to help out with set up and greeting our congregation on Sunday mornings. Signup sheet is on the back table. If you have any questions please feel free to ask me. Many thanks. Lorna McKnight

**From the Interchurch Refugee Committee** to the congregations of Forest Hill United, Wilmot United, and Saint Paul's United churches: When you and your Outreach Committees are planning Christmas financial donations please consider the Interchurch Refugee Committee. For the past few years we have been supporting several new refugee families. Our costs have been greater than anticipated related to increases in the cost of living and unexpected expenses. In order to meet commitments to our families we need to raise funds. Donations will be gratefully received. Payments need to be addressed to your local church treasurer, and designated for the Interchurch Refugee Fund. Many thanks to all for your considerations.

**The Food Bank would appreciate help.** As the weather cools down, heating costs go up and more people will need to turn to the food bank for assistance. Did you know that there is a Food Bank Box at the Main doors of the church? Please remember to bring in non-perishable food items and school supplies and put them in the box. One of the Outreach Committee members empties the box every month and takes the items to the Food Bank. Monetary donations are also a good idea. That way your money goes further, since the food bank receives a special discount at the stores. Cheques should be made out to FHUC, with "Food Bank" on the envelope, or in the memo line on the cheque.

## **Community Events**

**Fredericton's Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers'** is having a benefit dance Friday, November 17th, 8:30 pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Fredericton. Music by Fredericton's fabulous 9-piece dance band, Juke Box Live. Proceeds from the dance go to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and Help Lesotho - supporting African grandmothers raising children orphaned by AIDS/HIV. Tickets are \$30.00 and available from Westminster Books, Jean Coutu Pharmacy Or by calling either : 472 -1767 or 457- 0362

**The 17th Fredericton Festival Sale** will be held Friday, November 17th, from 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Wilmot United Church, 473 King St, Fredericton. Admission is free. The gifts you buy at the Ten Thousand Villages Sales will give the blessings of steady work, fair wages, and a better life for struggling families around the world. For more information call Jill Bateman at 459-5685. Your purchase makes a difference! "

**UCW Christmas Bazaar**, Saturday, November 18th – 9 am-11:30 am at the Nashwaaksis United Church, Craft and bake tables and a Silent Auction. Do your Christmas shopping early. You may also enjoy our delicious Continental Breakfast. Cost by donation only. Hope to see you there!!