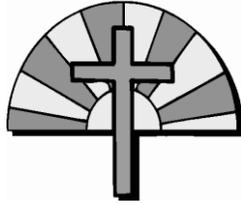


Forest Hill United Church
An Affirming Congregation
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



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24nd Day after Pentecost
November 19, 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 **Jula Hughes** and **Libby Cassidy**,

our hospitality host is **Diane Robinson**,

and our tellers are **Jennifer Abbott** and **Lorna McKnight**.

*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:

One: You will say in that day:

**All: God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid;
For the Sovereign God is my strength and my song.**

One: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.
And you will say in that day:

**All: Sing Praises to the Sovereign God
Who has done gloriously;
let this be known in all the earth.**

Gathering Prayer: (Spoken Together)

Our God, as a gentle rain soaks the earth,
may your peace and love fall upon us,
bringing growth and life.
Soak into our innermost being.
Quiet all that makes us anxious.
Help us to linger in your presence,
and send us out refreshed, to carry your peace to others.

****Opening Hymn:**

by Mary Grant

Who's Taking Care of Your World

Exploring

Music Insert

Story Time

****Song of Praise:** Dance with the Spirit MV 156

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

Words from Our Bible:

John Neville

Isaiah 12:1-6

Psalm 51 page 776 VU

John 8:21-30

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music: In My Heart There Rings a Melody by Elton Roth

Message: Muted Lives

****Hymn of Reflection:** I Have Called You by Your Name MV 161

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** (*Sung Together*) MV 191

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. (I'll sing with joy.)
I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love.
I'll do my share.

****Prayer After Giving**

Prayers of Our Community

Prayer that Jesus Taught:

Our Father, 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen
Lord's Prayer from #914 VU

****Closing Hymn:** Christ Has No Body Now but Yours MV 171

****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

COMING UP @ FHUC

Advent Festival	Sunday December 3, 2- 6 pm
Quilt Group	Mondays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Upper Room
Choir Practice	Sunday at 9:30 and 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

CHURCH CALENDARS are now available. They make good Christmas gifts or stocking stuffers at \$8.00 each. For your copy see Jennifer after service or call 454 2829

Thank you to anyone and everyone who was in any way a part of our Turkey Supper yesterday – before, during or after the event. It is so good to be able to put on such an event, and your participation is most appreciated.

Our annual Advent Festival will be held on Sunday, Dec. 3, starting at 2 pm with activities and decorating the sanctuary. Following this, we will have a carol sing, short worship and shared meal of turkey soup. Our theme this year is "nativity scenes" and we invite everyone to bring any nativity scenes they have to display them for that afternoon. Join us for some or all of this time of fellowship to start our Advent celebration.

Forest Hill UCW will meet on Monday, November 20 at 2 pm at the home of May Houston, 170 Valcour Dr, Apt 101. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us.

Save the Date Ladies' Christmas Nite Out will be held on Tuesday, Dec 12 at 6:30 pm at the Fredericton Inn.

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.

It is sometimes necessary to cancel services due to serious storms. A decision to cancel is made very early in the day. We put cancellation notices on our main telephone number (455-0988) and send an email to congregation members no later than 8:30 am. We also post cancellations to the radio and to our Facebook page (on the left side of our main web page).

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



Cancelled Stamps: The church collects cancelled stamps for the Canadian Bible Society. To be used, each stamp must have 1/8" to 1/4" envelope/paper around it. There is no need to save the entire cancellation mark. Please place stamps in the drawer at the back of the sanctuary. 1 pound of stamps = 1 Bible

Fair trade coffee, tea, sugar, and chocolate are available every Sunday here at Forest Hill. Make your selection and support the outreach efforts of our congregation!



Just a friendly reminder that Forest Hill United Church is a **scent-free environment**. Strong scents, aftershave lotions and perfumes have an effect upon others with allergies and asthmatic problems. No scents make good sense.

Community Events

The UCW are trying something new. Our Christmas Bazaar and Turkey-a-la-king will be on Friday, Nov.24th from 4PM to 8PM at Marysville United Church. We will be renting tables for \$10.00. The supper will be \$10.00 and the menu is turkey-a-la-king with peas, carrots and coleslaw with cheese cake for dessert. Come and do some Christmas shopping and enjoy supper.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a “Market & Breakfast” on Nov. 25th, 8 a.m. until 12 noon. Admission to the Market is free and Breakfast is \$7/adult and \$3/child.

GriefShare Surviving the Holidays will be held in the parlour of Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 536 Northumberland St on Monday, November 27 from 7:00-9:00 PM. For more information or to register, you may contact the church office at 458-8527.

A Christmas Nativity 'Tea' will be held on Friday, December 1 from 2-4 pm at Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street, featuring a variety of lovely nativity scenes. Enjoy sandwiches and sweets along with tea and coffee. Free-will donation. No reservation required.

Minute for Missions UCW Works to End Child Poverty

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the United Church Women Child Well-Being Initiative. Let us hear a story of the ways the Prince Edward Island UCW are working to end child poverty.

What important message could a colourful cloth doll give? A powerful one! Just ask the members of the Prince Edward Island Legislative Assembly, who each recently received a handmade doll from the PEI UCW Presbyterial Child Poverty Committee with a message reminding them that all PEI children deserve to have their basic needs met.

The members were genuinely interested in the dolls and commented on the uniqueness of each one, some with personal comments such as “I have a sweater just like my doll!” But better yet, the UCW committee was assured that politicians understood the intent of the dolls—to be a concrete reminder that over 22 percent of children in that province live with poverty every day and that the responsibility of government is to do all it can to eradicate poverty.

This is only a beginning, as the UCW works continually to monitor progress in this area and hold government to account until child poverty has been eradicated in Prince Edward Island. This initiative is part of a nation-wide UCW strategy to address child poverty. Across Canada, United Church Women continue to be huge supporters of the Mission & Service of The United Church of Canada.

We sing thanksgiving for UCW’s work to end child poverty.

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!

