

Forest Hill United Church
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



5th Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2018 10 am

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

Our worship leader is **Elizabeth Savoie**.

Our music is led by music director **Alex Good**
and the **FHUC Choir**.

Our greeter this morning is **John Neville**.

Our Sunday School Teachers are **Christine Hughes**, **Jula Hughes**
and **Margie Roxborough**.

Our hospitality host is **Jennifer Abbott**
and our tellers are **Mary Grant** and **Joan Mitchell**.

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

Lighting of the Christ Candle

****Introit:** (*Sung Together twice*)

MV2

**Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
Come now and worship the Lord.**

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

One: This is the fifth Sunday of the Easter season, the season
for

All: the celebration of resurrection in our lives,

One: the festival of hope,

All: the promise of new beginnings,

One: the dance of faith,

All: the song of joy,

One: the music of gladness,

All: the hymn of love.

One: Let us worship our life-giving God.

Gathering Prayer

(said by all in unison)

Eternal God,
Light of the minds that know you,
joy of the hearts that love you,
and strength of the wills that serve you:
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,
so to love you that we may fully serve you,
whom to serve is perfect freedom. Amen

****Opening Hymn:** Like A Healing Stream MV 144

Exploring

Children's Time

****Song of Praise:** The Spring Has Come VU 187

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

Words from Our Bible: Mary Grant

Psalm 98 VU Page 818 (with Refrain 1)
John 15: 9 - 17
1 John 4:19 -5:5

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God
All: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music: I Sing of God by Benton Price

Reflection

****Hymn of Reflection:** In Loving Partnership We Come VU 603

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** *(Sung Together)* VU 958

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
(Repeat x 2)

Minute for Mission

****Prayer After Giving**

Prayers of Our Community

God of resurrection,
Hear our prayer.

Prayer that Jesus Taught: Tune of VU 959

Creator in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.
VU 921 Ecumenical Version

****Closing Hymn:** My Soul Cries Out MV 120

****Sharing the Light**

****Commissioning and Benediction**

****Choral Amen:** (*Sung Together*) VU 974

Amen! Amen! Hallelujah, amen!

(repeat x 2)

Postlude

Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship!

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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

Forest Hill Book Club Tuesday May 1 at 12:00 in the parlour

Quilt Group Mondays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Upper Room

Choir Practice Sundays 9:30 and 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

The Sunday school is looking for "dip" pens to borrow for use in lessons in May. These would be any type of pen that you dip into liquid ink in order to write with (anything from quills on up). We also have several nibs that are missing pens, so if you have pens missing nibs these would also be useful. We're also looking for liquid ink in a colour other than black. Please contact Margie Roxborough (455-0576) for more information.

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Forest Hill Book Club will meet on Tuesday May 1st at 12 noon in the church parlour. The book for May is [A Blade of Grass](#) by Lewis DeSoto.

HIKE for HOSPICE will take place on Sunday 6th of May 2018 starting at 1:00p.m. from Killarney Lodge. If you are interested in being a part of the Forest Hill Team please speak to Jennifer for more information or to receive a donor form and to register.

50th Anniversary Hymn-Sing and Concert, May 27th, 7:00p.m. Please fill out a form after the service or contact the office, if you would like to request a favourite hymn. Deadline for requests has been extended to May 8th. Suggested donation per hymn choice is \$20. An income tax receipt will be provided on request.

Anniversary Planning Committee is meeting Tuesday May 8, 7:00pm in the Library.

Theology on Tap please join us at Dolan's Pub on the third Tuesday of every month from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Our next gathering is May 15th.

Please check **Lost & Found** on shelf over coat hangers in hall. Scarf, hats, mitts, water bottles etc.

Anyone interested in Church land use issues should check the United Church Observer website. Click on "features" then "Faith" for the article "How Churches are saving themselves through real estate" (by Mike Milne, April 2018). The April edition of the Observer magazine is available in the FHUC library. The article can be found on pages 38-40 under the title "Working the land".

Fair Trade baking supplies. The following Camino baking supplies are now available: chocolate chips (semi-sweet & bittersweet), shredded coconut, baking chocolate (bittersweet). A wide assortment of chocolate bars are also available. For the Camino items, 1/2 the purchase price will support outreach activities at Forest Hill.

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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 on our Facebook page (viewable 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 on the table by the kitchen, 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 can be added to the Chart.

Community Events

Fredericton Council for Christian Ministry on Campus (FCCMC) will hold its Annual General Meeting at 12:00 noon on Monday April 30th in the Family Room of Brunswick St Baptist Church. All are welcome.

Greenwood Drive Baptist Church is pleased to announce that we will be holding a special music evening on April 29th, 2018 at 7PM at Greenwood Drive Baptist Church at 150 Greenwood Drive, Fredericton with special musical guests - Infinitely More. Come out and bring your friends to hear some of their original music, favorite hymns and uplifting stories. Please check them out at www.InfinitelyMore.ca or Facebook at 'Infinitely More' we will be taking a love offering to benefit the Greenwood Drive Baptist Church Summer Children's Ministries.

UCW Bridge Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 3rd, at 12 noon at Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street. Please contact Connie – 472-4744 to reserve your table at a cost of \$40. Hope to see you all there!

Godly Play Core Training for Storytellers & Doorpersons 2018 Core Training at Nashwaaksis United Church, NB May 5. *There are a lot of things you can learn from a book or a lecture, but Godly Play is best learned from the inside out...* Learn about the different kinds of Godly Play stories; tell a story by heart and receive supportive feedback; learn the fundamentals of setting up your own Godly Play space and program. To learn more or register go to www.godlyplaymaritimes.com or reach out to Rev Priscilla geisterferp@hotmail.com

The UCW of St. Paul's United Church, on the corner of George and York Streets in Fredericton, will be hosting a **BRIDGE LUNCHEON** on Saturday, May 5th at 12 noon. Reserve your table for \$48.00 or \$12.00 per person, by telephoning Isabel Green at 459-7116. Enjoy a delicious lunch, door prizes, and your favorite pastime!

Grace Spring Festival Concert –will be held at Grace Memorial Baptist Church, corner of Connaught and Northumberland Streets, Saturday, May 5 at 2:30 pm featuring performances from the Fredericton Music Festival. Free will offering in support of the organ restoration fund.

Oromocto United Church Spring Turkey Supper 144 Winnebago St. May 5th 2018 4.00 PM-- 6.00 PM Adults \$14.00 Children under 12 - \$ 6.00 Pre-schoolers – Free Everyone Welcome

Celebrate mom and support charity at Wilmot United Church on May 12th from 11 am - 2 pm. Enjoy an elegant tea featuring fancy sandwiches and dainty sweets along with an exhibition and sale of fine arts and crafts in the Church hall. Also drop by the sanctuary to view Wilmot Quilters' display of beautiful quilts. Admission is \$10; for advance tickets, call 458-1066. Limited tickets also available at door.

Grandmothers helping Grandmothers Fredericton is having a Fish and Chips Kitchen Party at the Market on May 12 from 6-8pm. There will be a delicious fish and chips dinner by chef Rick Huskins, lively music by local entertainers Pat and Dan Steeves, a silent auction and gifts for sale just in time for Mother's Day. Cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Cash bar. For tickets call Linda Hubbard at 457-0362 lindahub@nb.sympatico.ca, Westminster books or Jean Coutu Pharmacy in Devon.

Run for the Word 2018 will be held on June 2 in Fredericton at Wilmot Park. This is one of the few annual fund raisers that the **Canadian Bible Society** hosts locally. It gives us the opportunity to help provide scripture resources used in Canadian ministry with youth camping, armed forces, prisoners, indigenous people, refugees and migrants and others. This is an excellent opportunity for some exercise (run or walk 1 k or 5 k), fellowship, fresh air, get prizes, enjoy a barbecue and make a difference with God's Word. Please, mark your calendar, pray for the event and consider how you and a friend may participate. More info will follow.

Bill MacMullin, event coordinator, 238-5034, canonbill@gmail.com

Wesley United Church's closing service, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sun. June 24th. The service will include Holy Communion and be followed by an informal time of fellowship with Coffee and Muffins for M&S.

The Food Bank continues to thank you for the support you've given us, but also wants to ask you to consider giving of your time and skills. We run our organization through many thousands of volunteer hours, and we could always use more. If you are interested in helping us, we have many different ways to help: clothing boutique sales and support, client interaction, warehouse stocking, garden/greenhouse work, as well as any and all use for professional skills in the areas of graphic design, public relations, IT work, nutrition, and many other skills. Please contact us at volunteer@greenerivillage.org if you are able to help.

Minute for Missions Supporting People Entering Ministry

Our gifts for Mission & Service support theological education and support systems for the vocation of ministry. Let's hear this interview with Alana Martin, a candidate for diaconal ministry.

When did you know you were called to ministry?

I started to feel a sense of a call when I was a teenager, but didn't start discerning what that really meant for me until I was a young adult. Growing up, my mom was studying to be a diaconal minister and through that exposure I felt a strong connection to that type of ministry.

What is it about diaconal ministry that spoke to your call?

Education, service, and pastoral care—I feel so called to the ministries diaconal ministers are commissioned to. I also know my ministry will benefit greatly from the diaconal training program.

What are you most excited about in your training for ministry?

The hands-on practicality of the program, the intense learning circles, and being in the program with other students across The United Church of Canada sharing in community together.

What would you like to say to the people who give to Mission & Service?

Because of your generous donations, students at the Centre for Christian Studies are able to deepen their theological study and ministry gifts. I am truly grateful for your support and your endorsement of us to become and continue to be leaders within the church.

Our gifts to Mission & Service support theological schools across the country and people studying to enter ministry in the United Church. If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our Mission & Service.