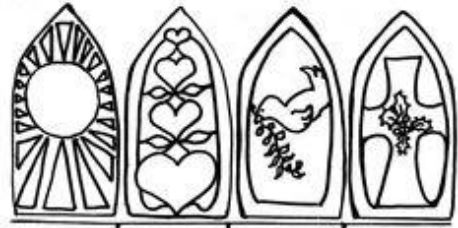


Forest Hill United Church

'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



Hope | Peace | Joy | Love

**2nd Sunday of Advent
December 9, 2018 10 a.m.**

Love, the rose, is on the way.

WELCOME to worship! It is good that you are here.
Our worship leader is **Rev. Deborah Ambridge Fisher.**

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

Our greeter this morning is **Annemarie Manson.**

Our Sunday School Teacher is **May Houston.**

Our hospitality host is **Jennifer Abbott**
and our tellers are **Bob Fisher** and **Lorna McKnight.**

*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 or remain seated according to your needs.*

Prelude

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Graham Powell and Patricia Powell

One: God's world is a rainbow world,
Two: a joyful spectrum of colour.
One: Today, God speaks to us
Two: in the green of the forest that surrounds us.
One: We long for the Christ to bring colour to a waiting world.
All: **Let us worship God in this season of peace.**

Adapted from the prayer in *Gathering*, A/C/E 2018-2019, page 69. Used with permission.

****Introit:** *(sung together twice)*

Tune of VU 75

**As we are waiting for a sign
As we long for new life.
We trust your word revealed to us
An end to all earths strife.**

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Welcome & Church News

Guided Meditation

Call to Worship:

One: Advent, a time for reflection:
All: **we will prepare ourselves
carefully and prayerfully
for the coming of Jesus.**
One: Advent, a time of wonder:
All: **God loved the world so much that
God sent the wonderful child Jesus.**
One: Advent, a time for priorities:

**All: in the midst of preparations,
the rush and the worry,
the light of Christ will shine through.**

One: Advent, a time for inspiration:

**All: if God is for the world, with the world,
and in the world, what can stop God's people
from changing the world?**

One: Come, let us open our lives to God.

David Sparks, Summerland, B.C. Gathering, A/C/E 2018-2019, page 30. Used with permission.

Gathering Prayer

God of Peace,
As we walk further into the season of Advent,
Watching and waiting for Your son,
Journey with us.
Help us to repent for what we have done
Or left undone.
Give us courage to deepen our faith
As we face the busy schedules
And heightened expectations of the season.
All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Advent in Namia, Heidi Haverkamp, Westminster John Know Press 2015, page 74.

****Opening Hymn:** My Peace, My Peace
by Arlo Guthrie Arr. Brian Cassidy

Verse 1

My peace, my peace is all I've got that I can give to you.
My peace is all I ever had, it's all I ever knew.
I give my peace to red and white, to green and black and blue.
My peace, my peace is all I've got that I can give to you.

Verse 2

My peace, my peace is all I've got, it's all I've ever known.
My peace is worth a thousand times more than anything I own.
I pass my peace a-round and round, 'cross hands of every hue.
My peace, my peace is all I've got that I can give to you

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Exploring

Children's Time

Prayer that Jesus Taught:

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother,
Holy and blessed is your true name.
We pray for your reign of peace to come,
We pray that your good will be done,
Let heaven and earth become one.
Give us this day the bread we need,
Give it to those who have none.
Let forgiveness flow like a river between us,
From each one to each one.
Lead us to holy innocence
Beyond the evil of our days.
Come swiftly Mother, Father, come.
For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy:
Forever your name is All in One.
Amen.

Parker J. Palmer

*After the prayer that Jesus taught, children
and teachers will leave for Sunday School.*

Words from Our Bible:

Bob Fisher

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalm 62 VU Page 779

Luke 1:57-80

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Reflection

Guest Speaker

****Hymn of Reflection:** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus VU 2

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Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

**Offering Verse:

People, look east. The time is near
of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love the guest is on the way.

**Prayer After Giving

Prayers of Our Community

(Sung response)

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

**Closing Hymn: Hark, The Herald Angels Sing

**Sharing the Light

**Commissioning and Benediction

**Choral Amen: *(sung together)*

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen.

Postlude **The Peace Carol - Bob Beers -** Arr. Libby Cassidy
Mary Grant with Brian and Libby Cassidy

Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship!

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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

Bible Study	Advent in Narnia today at 1:00 p.m.
Quilt Group	Mondays 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Upper Room

Advent in Narnia Bible Study on the 4 Sundays of advent (Dec. 2, 9, 16 and 23) at 1:00 p.m. Feel free to reread the book The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. It will be a bring your own lunch/potluck and Deborah will bring treats. If you wish to do daily devotionals, you may wish to buy the book. Please see Deborah. Sign-up sheet will be at the back of the sanctuary. If you would like to listen to the books on CD, please contact Kris at the office.

Forest Hill UCW Ladies Night Out will be held on Monday, Dec. 10 at 5:30 p.m. at the Fredericton Inn. This is a time of fellowship for the ladies of the congregation. All ladies are welcome. There is a signup sheet on the table near the kitchen so that the restaurant can set up for us. Any questions can be directed to May Houston 455-7715 or Diane Robinson 459-8779.

Movie Night Friday December 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. Suitable for all ages. Popcorn and tea will be served.

Open House at the manse on Saturday December 22 from 3 – 7 p.m.

The Gifts with Vision catalogue is available for gift giving which benefits others. The catalogue is in effect until September 2019

Looking for Christmas Gifts? Don't forget the "Just Us" Coffee and more; the 50th Anniversary History of FHUC at a suggested \$20.00 and Forest Hill United Note cards 6 for \$5.00.

Do you have some old towels or other absorbent cloth that could be used for rags? If you do please put them in the janitor's closet. Thank you.

Your favourite hymns are being requested. Please fill out a ballot and put your selection in the box at the back of the church.

Photos or video may be taken for use on our web site and social media sites. Please advise a board member if you do not want your photo used on-line.

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.

An Usher list has been created for 2019. This list has been updated this week. Please talk to Lorna McKnight if you have any questions.

Community Events

Save the Date December 9th, at 3:00 p.m. Fredericton Ladies Choir 10th Annual Christmas Concert at St. Dunstan's Church. (See poster on Bulletin Board in the Main Entrance FHUC.)

Minute For Mission Nursing in the Korean Context

Our gifts for Mission & Service support overseas personnel like Marion Pope, a registered nurse who served with the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea (PROK) in South Korea for 36 years.

"Hold the gospel and culture in creative tension." These words of her teacher, Dr. Katharine Hockin, guided Marion, who became a well-known and respected teacher and writer about mission.

"Our questions relate to the struggle to reconcile the truth we see in the gospel with the values of the culture in which we are living and working," says Marion. "Those going to partner churches overseas are all trying to learn how the gospel is understood and being lived by the people of that partner church.... We were not being sent out to change others or to achieve an end. We were being sent out to learn, work, and live with other people under the direction of the church to which we were sent."

As a nursing educator, Marion took this challenge seriously and taught the traditions of Korean nursing, which had been replaced by Western medicine. "[Marion] gave us insight into how to develop nursing in the Korean context: 'Don't just borrow from the West,' she told us. 'Use your own Korean perspective.' We learned from her that Korean nursing has much to offer. Her influence is still being felt," notes Professor Lee Won-Hee of Yonsei University College of Nursing.

Says Marion, "Everything I have done and taught and lived in Korea and Canada was my attempt to reflect the missiology I was taught by Dr. Katharine Hockin and the diaconal ministry taught at the Centre for Christian Studies."

Turkish Delight

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups water
- 3 cups granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons light corn syrup
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 3 tablespoons orange zest
- 3 (.25 ounce) envelopes unflavored gelatin

- 3/4 cup cornstarch
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 3/4 cup chopped pistachio nuts
- confectioners' sugar for dusting

Directions

1. Bring 1 1/2 cups water, sugar, and corn syrup to a boil over medium-high heat in a large saucepan. Cook, stirring frequently, until the temperature reaches 240 degrees F (115 degrees C) on a candy thermometer. Set aside and keep hot.
2. Stir together orange juice and orange zest, sprinkle with gelatin, and set aside. In a small bowl, dissolve cornstarch in 1/2 cup cold water, then stir into hot syrup. Place over medium-low heat, and simmer, stirring gently, until very thick.
3. Remove syrup from heat, stir in orange juice mixture, vanilla, and pistachios. Sprinkle a 8x8-inch pan generously with confectioners' sugar. Pour the Turkish delight into the pan, and let cool in a cool, dry place (not the refrigerator) until set, 3 to 4 hours.
4. When cool, sprinkle the top with another thick layer of powdered sugar. Cut into 1-inch squares, and dredge each well with confectioners' sugar. Store at room temperature in an airtight container.

Nutrition Facts

Per Serving: 302 calories; 3.5 g fat; 66.1 g carbohydrates; 3.2 g protein; 0 mg cholesterol; 42 mg sodium.