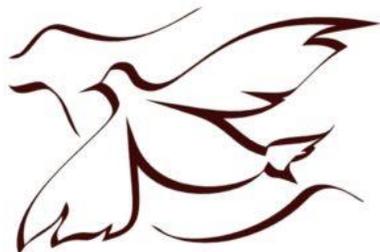


**Forest Hill United Church**  
**'open doors, open hearts, open minds'**



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 17, 2018 10 am**

“Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them.”  
James Baldwin, novelist and social critic

**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 **Mary Grant.**  
Our hospitality host is **Marilyn Lohnes**  
and our tellers are **Jennifer Abbott** and **Mary-Anne Blakney.**

*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** Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness VU 375

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*\*Introit:** How Then Shall I Live? Chorus only.  
From Seasons of the Spirit Vol 1 p 14, 15 (photocopied)

**Welcome & Church News**

**Call to Worship:** Janice Flinn

One: Beloved of God, we are called here today,  
**All: reminded how Jesus called the little children to Himself.**  
One: God be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**  
One: Lift up your hearts,  
**All: We lift them up to the Creator.**  
One: Let us give thanks for the children,  
**All: for their wisdom,  
for their laughter,  
for their curiosity,  
for their boundless joy and unconditional love.**  
**Today we come together to worship as one, to worship as the Body of Christ  
Respecting all the members of that body.**

**Gathering Prayer** (*said by all in unison*) Charlotte Flinn

**Strengthening God,  
Help us to remember that you  
Are always with us  
Grant us the courage to do what you want us to do  
No matter how difficult it may seem  
And realize that you can help us do  
Amazing things.  
Amen.**

**\*\*Opening Hymn:** My Love Colours Outside the Lines MV 138

## Exploring

**Creation Readings:** Janice Flinn

Genesis 2-3 (selected verses)  
Paradise Lost by John Milton, Dover Publication, 2005.

**Words from Our Bible:** Charlotte Flinn

Matthew 14:22-33  
John 21:1-19

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

**Special Music:** Do You Love Me?

Music by “The Contours”; words written by the Senior Class;  
music video components by the Junior Class; accompanied and  
led by Alex Good

## Reflection

**\*\*Hymn of Reflection:** Come and Find the Quiet Centre VU 374

## Responding

**Presentation of Our Gifts**

**\*\*Offering Verse:** (*sung together twice*) 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 say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

**\*\*Prayer After Giving** Christine Hughes

**Prayers of Our Community**

**Sung response** VU 400

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!

**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:** Go, Make a Diff'rence MV 209

**\*\*Sharing the Light**

**\*\*Commissioning and Benediction** Noah Eliaba & Ella McKnight

One: Worship is done! Go in peace.  
All: **Worship is done, we go peacefully into God's world.**  
One: Songs have been sung! Go in love.  
All: **Songs have been sung, we go singing into God's world.**  
One: Prayers have been lifted! Go in friendship.

**All: Prayers have been lifted, we go knowing we are not alone.**

**One:** Go now, all of you, with the love of God who created us, the peace of Christ who calls us worthy and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit who sustains us. Go now to love and serve your God. Amen.

**\*\*Choral Amen:** (sung together twice) VU 298

**When you walk from here,  
when you walk from here,  
walk with justice, walk with mercy,  
and with God's humble care.**

### Postlude

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

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## Church News

### COMING UP @ FHUC

<b>Campus Ministry</b>	Monday June 18 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. at St. Pauls
<b>Quilt Group</b>	Mondays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Upper Room
<b>Bible Study</b>	12:30 Sundays starting June 24 <sup>th</sup>

### Update from the Board

The Board met on June 7 for its final meeting before the summer break. We revisited the board vacancies including the vacancy for the Spiritual Guidance committee chair and Board vice chair. Thank you to Margie for agreeing to take on the position of Vice Chair, this is much appreciated! We reiterate our urgent call for nominations for the Spiritual Guidance committee chair, operating without this key position is increasingly difficult.

The Interchurch Refugee Committee, as a committee of Presbytery, will be discontinued when the current sponsorship agreement ends at the end of July, in preparation for restructuring of the United Church regional governance.

The Affirm Committee is asking everyone to mark August 12 in their calendars. This is the date for this year's Fredericton pride parade. We are excited to report that we have hired a summer student with funding received from the federal summer student job program. Chris Zhang will begin her summer with us on June 25 and will continue until mid August. Thank you to everyone who helped with creating and staffing this position!

We received a report from the Land Use committee and will be working on developing a proposal for the consideration of the congregation. With best wishes for a wonderful summer!

**Campus Ministry Meeting** - If you are interested in Campus Ministry, please attend a planning and brainstorming meeting at St. Paul's on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Contact Karen Flinn or Shelley Clayton for more information.

**Bible Study** will be on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:30. Bring your own lunch.

**"How Great Our Art"**, a display of the creative talents of the Forest Hill folk, will be held on Saturday September 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you are an artist, author, photographer, or musician and would like to be a part of the show, please speak to committee curators Mary Grant, Margie Roxborough or Karen Flinn, or email Libby Cassidy [libby.ejcassidy@gmail.com](mailto:libby.ejcassidy@gmail.com) before the end of June.

**Forest Church** begins on July 1<sup>st</sup>. This will be for all the Sundays in July. We are looking for volunteers to get dirty and have fun.

**Theology on Tap** Please join us at Dolan's Pub on the second Monday of July (the 16<sup>th</sup>) from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

**BBQ at the Manse** on July 21<sup>st</sup>, at 4:00 p.m. hosted by Rev. Deborah and John. Bring your own chair.

**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.

**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.

**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

## Community Events

**If you are looking for ways to volunteer time for flood disaster relief** both the Canadian Red Cross and Samaritans Purse are currently active. For the Canadian Red Cross, you need to pick up an application from their head office at 318 Maple Street. For Samaritans Purse call 1-844-547-2663.

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Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, "**Wolastoq Reclaiming Her Name Ceremony**", further to the discussion of Grand Chief Ron Tremblay. More details will follow.

**Wesley United Church's closing service** will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sun. June 24<sup>th</sup>. The service will include Holy Communion and be followed by an informal time of fellowship with Coffee and Muffins for M&S. You will need to bring a copy of Voices United for this service. Please remember to bring back the book.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MORNINGS** - The congregation of Brunswick Street Baptist Church will be sharing a week of morning children's programming with the greater Fredericton community from Monday, June 25 to Friday, June 29 from 9 am to noon each day. It's an "island" theme of being 'shipwrecked' and rescued by Jesus. Children are encouraged to find strength in times of loneliness, struggle, fear, etc. This message is shared in fun games, snacks, stories, crafts and so much more. There is no cost. To preregister visit [www.bsbc.nb.ca](http://www.bsbc.nb.ca) and click on the "shipwrecked" logo or call the church office (458-8348). This VBS program is offered to children who this fall will be entering Kindergarten to Grade 5.

**SUMMER HYMN SINGS** - Do you enjoy lively hymn singing? Why not join us for our series of summer hymn sings to be offered on the third Tuesdays of June (19), July (17) and August (21) at 7 pm at Brunswick Street Baptist Church. We sing your choices accompanied by organist, David Steeves and pianist, Leah Steeves. After an hour of singing join us for an ice cream sandwich and conversation. All are welcome

**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@greenvillage.org](mailto:volunteer@greenvillage.org) if you are able to help.

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## **Minutes for Mission Reconciliation**

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the work of reconciliation with Indigenous brothers and sisters.

The Mohawk words “Akwe Nia’Tetewá:neren” (in English, “All My Relations”) were added to The United Church of Canada’s crest in 2012, recognizing that we are all connected to each other and all of creation.

A recent visit from the Uniting Church in Australia’s Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress demonstrated the truth of this phrase. The visit was part of a dialogue on reconciliation between our two countries and churches. A return visit from Canada took place in March 2018.

The Australians arrived in Vancouver, British Columbia, and after exploring its urban Indigenous context, were scheduled to fly up the coast to the Indigenous community of Bella Coola. The United Churches there had worked to ensure a meaningful visit, but wildfires intervened. Concerned that the community might need to provide refuge for those displaced by fire, everyone reluctantly decided to cancel the visit.

Several phone calls later, friends in Peepeekisis and Carry the Kettle First Nations in Saskatchewan helped out with “Plan B.” The warmth with which the visitors were received was overwhelming. In Peepeekisis, after a brief service in the beloved old church, everyone was invited to a community feast, where the Australian guests participated in sacred ceremony. At Carry the Kettle, a visit to the annual powwow turned into the Australians being part of the Grand Entry—an incredible honour, and an experience that most will likely never have again.

This happened because of a simple recognition, that no matter how far apart we are, we are all connected; we are all relatives.

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.

Do You Love Me – Words as written by the seniors class (2018)

You broke my heart  
You denied me three times  
Even tho' I was about to die  
And now I'm back to to let you know  
That I can never die

Do you love me?  
Yes I do Lord.  
Do you love me?  
Yes I do Lord.  
Do you love me?  
You know I do Lord.  
I'm giving you a chance.

Watch me now  
Lord, Lord  
I can cook some fishes  
Lord, Lord  
I can cook some bread too  
Lord, Lord  
Y'know I have saved your soul now  
Lord, Lord

Chorus  
I have gone to heaven  
You have gone to heaven  
And come back down  
You came back to us  
Now tell me Peter  
Tell him Peter  
Have I done enough yet?  
He came back from the dead!  
Tell me!  
Tell him!  
Tell me!

Do you love me?  
Yes I do Lord.  
Do you love me?  
Yes I do Lord.  
Do you love me?  
You know I do Lord.  
I'm giving you a chance.

Follow me, hey  
Lord, Lord  
Feed my lambs, feed them  
Lord, Lord  
Feed my, feed my sheep  
Lord, Lord  
Oh, little bit of soul now  
Work, work  
Oh we'll work hard Jesus  
Work, work  
We've been a little crazy  
Work, work  
Now don't you get lazy  
Work

Do you love me?  
Do you love me?  
Do you love me?  
You know I do, Lord  
Now, now, now  
Work, work  
We've been a little crazy  
Work, work  
Now don't you get lazy  
Work  
(fade out)  
Work, work  
Work, work  
Well, we've been a little crazy