

Forest Hill United Church

'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



**5th Sunday after Epiphany
February 10, 2019 10 a.m.**

“Never be limited by other people’s limited imaginations.”
Dr. Mae Jemison, first African-American female astronaut

WELCOME to worship!

Our worship leader is **Rev. Deborah Ambridge Fisher.**

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

Our greeters this morning are **Brian Cassidy** and **Libby Cassidy.**

Our Sunday School Teachers are **John Neville**
and **Margie Roxborough**

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 or remain seated according to your needs.*

Prelude

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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

VU 402 v1

**We are one as we come, as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips there's a sense that God is near.
We are one as we sing, as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace
as we meet, together in this place.**

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

One: Faithful God, we thank you that we are known by you.
And you have called us to go into the world to do your
work.

All: Lead us we pray.

One: You called us to love and be loved as we do justice in
your field.

All: Help us we pray.

One: We come in humility asking that you will give us
courage and wisdom to become ambassadors of your
peace and reconciliation.

All: Hear us we pray.

One: You made us like you and called us to be unique.
As you look at us you see the same people you created in
your image.

All: Help us we pray.

One: Help us, Lord, that we may be able to stand up against any injustice.

All: Hear us we pray.

All: We are glad to be your people as we all come together with one voice, answering and making a commitment that we will not keep quiet if there is injustice, but we will stand up and do your work of love, peace, and reconciliation. As you have called us to be one, we recommit ourselves to this calling. We pray all this through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Liturgy for Black History Month Submitted by: The Rev. Wilson Gonese, Burgeo Pastoral Charge, Burgeo, Newfoundland and Labrador

Gathering Prayer

God of love, peace, and unity,
we thank you for welcoming us all just as we are;
for making us equal as your children
from all corners of the earth;
and for giving us your blessings as your children;
and for making us belong.

We pray that you help us realize that we are
all made in your image, and we need to bring peace
to all your creation as one people who belong to you.

We ask all this through Christ our brother. Amen.

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****Opening Hymn:** Precious Lord, Take My Hand VU 670

Exploring

Children's Time 19 Girls and One Lone Boy

Prayer that Jesus Taught: (responsive)

One: Our Father,

All: Our Mother

One: who art in heaven,

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Continued ----->

All: Who are in all the earth

One: hallowed be thy name,

All: Holy is your truth

One: thy kingdom come,

All: May your wisdom come

One: thy will be done,

All: Your circle be one uniting

One: on earth as it is in heaven.

All: uniting heaven and earth

One: Give us this day our daily bread,

All: Give us today a nurturing spirit

One: And forgive us our trespasses,

All: Heal through us

One: as we forgive those who trespass against us.

All: as we ourselves are healed

One: You who does not lead us into temptation,

All: You who leads us into fullness of life

One: but delivers us from evil:

All: But liberates all that is good

One: For thine is the kingdom,

All: For the wisdom,

One: the power and the glory

All: Presence and the goodness are Yours

Now and forever. Amen.

Adapted from the prayer from Dominican Sisters Retreat, March 1993, Great Bend, Kansas

*After the Prayer that Jesus Taught,
children and teachers will leave for Sunday School.*

Words from Our Bible:

Dorma Grant

Isaiah 6:1-13

Psalms 138 VU Page 860

Luke 5:1-11

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Reflection Lead Me (Away From) Home

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Anthem: Precious Lord, Take My Hand by Thomas A. Dorsey

****Hymn of Reflection:** Were You There VU 144

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** VU 402 v2

**We are one as we share, as we share brokenness and fear,
in the touch of a hand there's a sense that God is here.
We are one as we care, as we heal, we are healed;
and we share warmth in God's embrace
as we pray together in this place.**

****Prayer over the Gifts**

Prayers of the People

(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!**

****Closing Hymn:** There Is a Balm in Gilead VU 612

****Sharing the Light**

****Commissioning and Benediction**

****Choral Amen:** *(sung together)* VU 402 v4

**We are one as we hear, as we hear, heart and hand unite;
in the word we receive there's a sense that God is light.
We are one as we leave, as we love, we are loved;
and we seek justice in God's ways
as we move together from this place.**

Postlude

Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship!

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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

Quilt Group	Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Upper Room
Movie Night	Friday Feb. 15 7:00 p.m. The King's Speech

Observer Renewals and new subscriptions. If you wish to renew or start a new subscription, please let Margaret Macdougall know (455-3767) by February 10, 2019. Cost is \$25. Payment may be placed on the offering plate in an envelope plainly marked OBSERVER and with your name and address. If payment is by cheque this should be payable to Forest Hill United Church.

Movie Night Friday February 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The King's Speech. Suitable for ages 14+ due to some coarse language. Popcorn and tea will be served.

The annual congregational meeting will be held following church on 17 February. People are encouraged to bring finger foods for a pot-luck lunch.

Theology on Tap will be held on the third Monday of February (the 18th) from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. We will be welcoming our friends from the Unitarian Church. Please join us at Dolan's Pub.

Lenten Study will be on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. going from March 10, 2019 to April 14, 2019. We will be using Learning to Walk in the Dark by Barbara Brown Taylor, which can be purchased downtown at Westminster Books.

Reverend Deborah is looking for people to join her interfaith conversation group. If you would like to join please contact her any time.

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.

Community Events

The Women's Inter-Church Council of Fredericton is having the World Day of Prayer Bible Study on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Christ Church Parish Church, 245 Westmorland Street, Fredericton. Rev. Wandlyn Snelgrove of Christ Church Parish Church will lead the Bible Study. The 2019 World Day of Prayer service was written by the Women of Slovenia (part of former Yugoslavia). Women of any denomination of faith are encouraged to come to the Bible Study. Thank you for your support of the World Day of Prayer.

Potluck Rainbow Brunch. 10:00- 12:00, Saturday, Feb 23, Wilmot Church parlor. This is an opportunity for LGBTQ2+ individuals, and our friends and allies, to share a meal in a safe and welcoming space. We would like to extend the invitation to our friends at Forest Hill United Church. We'll have the coffee on for 10:00 and sit down for the meal together at 10:30. For more information feel free to contact Elizabeth Savoie (454-1945) or Deb Bradbury (206-2948).

The Mt. Allison Sharp Scholarship is for a student who is Protestant, a non-smoker and born in the Maritimes, with preference given for members of the United Church and PEI residents. The application deadline is March 1 and more information can be found on the Mt. A. designated scholarships webpage.

The Women's Inter-Church Council is having the World Day of Prayer Services for 2019 in the Fredericton Area. The World Day of Prayers is being prepared by the Women of Slovenia. The Theme is "Come-Everything is Ready!" Open to the Public: Men, Women and Children. Northside / Marysville: Nashwaaksis Baptist Church, 104 Edgewood Drive, Fredericton, on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at 2:00p.m. Storm Date: Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 2:00p.m. Rehearsal Date: Friday, February 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. It is Wheelchair Accessible. Forest Hill/Lincoln: St. Margaret's Anglican Church, 775 Forest Hill Road, Fredericton on Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. No Storm Date. Rehearsal date: Monday, February 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Hanwell/New Maryland: St. James's Presbyterian Church, on Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Storm date: Friday, March 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. No Rehearsal. Southside: Christ Church Cathedral, 115 Church Street, Fredericton on Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Rehearsal Date, Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Storm Date: Sunday, March 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Contact name and phone number: Debbie Heustis 472-2916.

The UCW of St. Paul's United Church, on the corner of York and George Streets in Fredericton, will be hosting a BRIDGE LUNCHEON on Saturday, March 16th at 12 noon. Reserve your table of 4 people for \$48.00 by telephoning Isabel Green at 459-7116. Register early! Enjoy a delicious lunch, door prizes, and your favorite pastime!!

Minutes for Mission Community Commitment

Our gifts for Mission & Service support meal programs like the one at the House of Lazarus Community Outreach Mission in Mountain, Ontario.

House of Lazarus has had great success in building community through community partnership and sharing hope through new programs. It is helping develop Places for People Dundas County, a new affordable housing project for the community. Its Green Food Box program is the largest of its kind in the area. The program provides people with staple and seasonal fruits and vegetables along with simple and nutritious recipes. The House of Lazarus team, which includes 18 employees, nine board members, and more than 100 volunteers, is the driving force behind it all.

“I witness the passion and the dedication of the House of Lazarus team daily,” notes Executive Director Cathy Ashby. “Their commitment to this community is commendable. Their efforts ensure that programs continue and gaps in service are filled. I look forward to the coming year and its promises.”



All we say to America is, "Be true to what you said on paper." If I lived in China or even Russia, or any totalitarian country, maybe I could understand the denial of certain basic First Amendment privileges, because they hadn't committed themselves to that over there. But somewhere I read of the freedom of assembly. Somewhere I read of the freedom of speech. Somewhere I read of the freedom of the press. Somewhere I read that the greatness of America is the right to protest for right. And so just as I say, we aren't going to let any injunction turn us around. We are going on. Well, I don't know what will happen now. We've got some difficult days ahead. But it doesn't matter with me now. Because I've been to the mountaintop. And I don't mind. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain. And I've looked over. And I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as a people will get to the promised land. And I'm happy tonight. I'm not worried about anything. I'm not fearing any man. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oehry1JC9Rk>

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