

**Forest Hill United Church**  
*'open doors, open hearts, open minds'*  
*June 23 2nd after Pentecost*

Never apologize. Never explain. Just get the thing done,  
and let them howl. - Agnes Macphail

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: Here I Am, Lord chorus

VU 509

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

Sparks fly, winds blow, sounds surround!  
The Spirit is in the air!  
Amazing things are happening!  
God's Spirit has been let loose!  
Something astounding is about to change the church.  
Are you ready?  
We speak the language of love and harmony.  
We receive the message of unity and grace.  
We live the way of new beginnings!  
We worship God.

Laura Turnbull, Penticton U.C., Penticton, B.C. Gathering, PENTECOST 1 2019, page 25.  
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Gathering Prayer

(said by all in unison)

For the moments when, alone with the world,  
we feel connection with all that is:  
We give thanks for the gifts of the Spirit.  
For the times when we come together  
and feel our hearts blend as one family in worship:  
We give thanks for the gifts of the Spirit.  
For the strength to reach out and touch those  
in need with actions that speak of God's love:  
We give thanks for the gifts of the Spirit.  
For the courage to proclaim and witness to  
the love of God in the world, in deed and in word:  
We give thanks for the gifts of the Spirit.  
In thanksgiving and with assurance that she is  
with us in all places and at all times,  
we ask the Spirit to manifest through us in our thoughts, words,  
and deeds.  
May we be a Pentecost church, at work in an eternally renewing  
world. Amen!

Anna Atkinson, Cedar U.C., Nanaimo, B.C. Gathering, PENTECOST 1 2019, page 26.  
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\*\*Opening Hymn: Dance with the Spirit

MV 156

Children's Time: The Bad Seed  
by Jory John illustrations by Pete Oswald

Prayer that Jesus Taught:

The Lord's Prayer from Dominican Sisters Retreat, March 1993, Great Bend, Kansas

One: Our Father  
**All: Our Mother**  
One: Who art in heaven  
**All: Who are in all the earth**  
One: Hallowed be they name  
**All: Holy is your truth**  
One: Thy kingdom come

**All: May your wisdom come**  
 One: Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven  
**All: Your circle be one 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 as we forgive those who  
 trespass against us  
**All: Heal through us as we ourselves are healed**  
 One: Lead us not into temptation  
**All: Lead us into Fullness of life**  
 One: But deliver us from evil  
**All: And liberate all that is good**  
 One: For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory  
**All: For the Wisdom, Presence  
 and the Goodness are Yours  
 Now and forever  
 Amen.**

A New Creed

We are not alone,  
 we live in God's world.  
 We believe in God:  
 who has created and is creating,  
 who has come in Jesus,  
 the Word made flesh,  
 to reconcile and make new,  
 who works in us and others  
 by the Spirit.  
 We trust in God.  
 We are called to be the Church:  
 to celebrate God's presence,  
 to live with respect in Creation,  
 to love and serve others,  
 to seek justice and resist evil,  
 to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
 our judge and our hope.

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In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
 God is with us.  
 We are not alone.  
 Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Confession:

Promise of Assurance:

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

John Neville

Galatians 3:23-29  
 Psalm 42 VU Page 767 no Refrain  
 Luke 8:26-39

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

Special Music: All You Need is Love by Lennon/McCartney

Reflection: All You Need is Love

\*\*Hymn of Reflection: Blest Be the Tie that Binds VU 602

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

\*\*Offering Verse:  
 Christ Has No Body Now but Yours verse 4 MV 171

Through ev'ry gift, give back to those in need:  
 As Christ has blessed, so now be his blessing,  
 with ev'ry gift a benediction, be to the people of God.

\*\*Prayer After Giving

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!

\*\*Closing Hymn: We Are All One People MV 141

\*\*Sharing the Light

\*\*Commissioning and Benediction

\*\*Choral Amen: Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow v1 VU 196

Postlude:

*Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship*

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### Church News

#### COMING UP @ FHUC

Quilt Group	Wednesdays 1 - 3 p.m. Upper Room
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Ladies Night Out on Thursday June 27 at 5:30 p.m. at Sam Sneads. The sign-up sheet is at the back table.

Open house at the Manse on July 13<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of July 20<sup>th</sup>, time TBA hosted by Rev. Deborah and John. Please bring your own chair.

Rachel Neville will be taking over the booking of the church effective immediately. Please contact Rachel if you wish to book an event at the church or make changes to any existing bookings. You may contact Rachel at 455-0576 or by email at [rheleann@gmail.com](mailto:rheleann@gmail.com). Thanks to Rachel for taking on this important task for us.

The Church Management Committee is asking that all keys to the church be returned by the end of June. Those ones for members or staff who need to have a key will be checked off against our Master List and reissued immediately. Please bring your keys to Mary Grant or Diane Robinson. Thank you.

When submitting announcements for the bulletin that aren't for a specific date, please also indicate how long they should appear.

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.

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 annual meeting of Woodlands Cemetery Inc. will be held at the church in Woodlands on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

## Minute for Mission

### Migrants Are Not Stereotypes

Migration touches all corners of the globe. Some people choose to move in search of jobs, opportunity, or education. Others are forced from their homes by conflict, poverty, inequality, and a lack of sustainable livelihoods. The United Nations reported 258 million migrants in 2017.

The safeguards and protections we afford refugees, migrants, and displaced peoples speak to the foundation of human rights. The strangers among us are God's people in need of our hospitality and mercy as much as our advocacy for the justice they seek and human rights they deserve.

Many migrants are victimized by the conditions of forced migration, including human trafficking in all its forms (labour, drugs, human organs, sex, baby-selling, and mail-order brides). Migration today cannot be isolated from concerns for working conditions. Living wages and a safe, secure working environment are denied to many. These rights must be protected.

Migrants are not stereotypes. Their value can not be measured by the documents they may or may not have, or their financial contributions to national economies. One migrant leader has said, "Do not talk about us without us. We have answers, and we have been voicing them."

Mission & Service partners around the globe—including the National Council of Churches of Kenya, Evangelical Congregational Church in Angola, United Church of Zambia, Church of North India, Methodist Church in Colombia, and Middle East Council of Churches—are working tirelessly to help displaced peoples fleeing violence, political conflict, and persecution as migrants organize to make their dreams come true.

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.