

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



14th after Pentecost Sunday September 6, 2020 10 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

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**The following number is for the Government of NB and has been set up as a help line for anything COVID-19 related.**

**Please share the following phone number with your vulnerable friends. If you have any need for any reason call 1-844-462-8387**

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

Prelude:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

\*\*Introit:

MV 79

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,  
Spirit, open my heart.**

Welcome - Special Guest Vocalist: Dennis Livingstone

Centering Prayer

Call to Worship:

People of God, attune your senses to what is around you and discover the glory of God.

**We notice God everywhere we turn: in the sky, in the world around us, and in the people we meet.**

People of God, praise God for goodness toward all things and all people.

**Every day we are aware of the renewed cycle of God caring for us: in the rising of the sun and in the cycles of the moon, stars, and seasons.**

People of God, come, together let us praise our God.

*Jeanne Wilson, First Grantham U.C., St. Catharines, Ont. The Gathering Pentecost 2, 2020 pg. 25 used with permission*

Gathering Prayer: (All)

**God of the mountains and the seas,  
of dry land and living waters,  
may we always look for you  
where your Spirit leads us, in truth.  
May we always notice you  
where hope does not disappoint us,  
because we know that your love  
has been poured over all. Amen.**

*Wanda Winfield, Blenheim U.C., Blenheim, Ont. The Gathering Pentecost 2, 2020 pg. 27 used with permission*

**\*\*Opening Hymn:** All Creatures of Our God and King VU 217

A New Creed VU 918

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

Story Time: Praying through singing

Prayer that Jesus Taught

**Our Father/Mother 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.  
You, who does not lead us into temptation  
but delivers us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours now and for ever.  
Amen.**

**\*\*Song of Praise:** O Sing to Our God VU 241

Prayer of Confession

Promise of Assurance

## Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21

Psalm 116 VU 836

Refrain: How can I repay you, God, for all the goodness you show to me?

Matthew 18:21-35

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God**

Reflection:

Special Music:

## Responding

Minute for Mission

Presentation of our Gifts

Prayers of Our Community:

One: In Your mercy

All: Lord, hear our prayer

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!

VU 400

\*\*Closing Hymn:     Called by Earth and Sky                   MV 135

Announcements

\*\*Sharing the Light

\*\*Commissioning and Benediction:

\*\*Choral Amen:   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:         Deep in Our Hearts                               MV 154