Forest Hill United Church
An Affirming Congregation
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'

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20th Day after Pentecost
October 22, 2017 at 10 am

WELCOME to worship! It is good that you are here.
Our worship leader is **Rev. Bob Jones,**
Our music director is **Alex Good**,
and the **FHUC Choir**.
Our greeters this morning are **Lorna McKnight** and **Joe Rideout**,
our Sunday School teachers are **Jula Hughes**
and **Margie Roxborough**,
our hospitality host is **May Houston**,
and our tellers are **Jennifer Abbott** and **Mary-Anne Blakney**.

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for all people to gather regardless of race, creed, age, ability, cultural background, sexual orientation, or gender identity. You are welcome here!

Gathering

At the **, please rise in body or in spirit.

Prelude

Welcoming the Light

****Introit:** ***(Sung Together)*** MV 85

Take, O take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

This is no ordinary place; this is the house of God
This is the place where the prophets cry out
For peace and justice and righteousness
It is the place where God reaches down
Into the corners of our lives,
To offer us the mystery of holy love.
This is no ordinary gathering.
This is no ordinary place; this is the house of God.

Prayer of Approach: ***(Spoken by All)***

We feel your welcome, gracious God,
In this time of worship.
You welcome young and old,
All seeking peace,
And all brimming over with energy.
You welcome newcomers and long-time members;
All seeking a familiar expression of praise and prayer.
And all seeking a startlingly new celebration of faith.
You welcome us all, welcoming God.

****Opening Hymn** I am a Child of God MV 157

Exploring

Story Time: **Jula Hughes**

****Song of Praise:** I Have Called You by Your Name MV 161

After the first verse the children and teachers will leave for Sunday School

Words from Our Bible: **Richard Larin**

Exodus 15:1-18
Psalm 71 page 789 VU
Luke 10:25-37

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

Special Music: Be Not Afraid by Bob Dufford

Message: The Story of the Good Samaritan

****Hymn of Reflection:** How Deep the Peace MV 95

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** ***(Sung Together)*** **VU 300, verse 3**

All our labour, all our watching,
all our calendar of care,
in the crops of your creation,
take, O God, they are our prayer.

****Prayer After Giving:**

Prayers of Our Community:

Prayer that Jesus Taught:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
And the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen
Lord's Prayer from #914 VU

****Closing Hymn:** O Jesus, I Have Promised VU 120

****Sharing the Light**

****Blessing:**

****Choral Response:** ***(Sung Together 2 times)*** VU 958

Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!
Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah!
Hallelujah! Hallellujah!

Postlude:

Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship!

Printed sermons and large print bulletins are available from our greeters

for anyone who might find either useful.

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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

Quilt Group	Mondays 10:00 am -12:00 pm Upper Room
Oct 26th	FHUC 50th Anniversary Working Group 7:00pm
Pie Making Day	October 28th in the kitchen
Choir Practice	Sunday at 9:30 and 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

There will be a short meeting in the parlour after church today of the "Affirm Group". Past members and anyone interested in helping us to promote "diversity" in our church are very welcome.

Apple Pie Making Day, October 28 8:30 - finished. Please check the signup sheets on the table by the coffee to order pies and signup to help on the day. Many hands make light work and if you can come for a few hours or all day it will help to make this fundraiser a success. Questions: contact Diane Robinson 459-8779 or by email at robinsondiane47@gmail.com

A Celebration: Doreen Kissick's daughters invite you to help celebrate Doreen's 90th. Birthday on 28th. October at an Open House to be held from 2.00 to 4.00 pm. at 792, Burden Street.. There will be cake and coffee

The Women's Inter-Church Council of Fredericton is having their Annual General Meeting on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 1:30 PM at the Church of St. John and Paul, New Maryland. Direction: Following the New Maryland road, the Church is on the left hand side going towards Nasonworth. Their hall is in the basement of the church. The entrance is to the right of the church when you're in the parking lot. Lots of room for parking & is wheelchair accessible. Reminder: Women's Inter-Church member's representative membership fee of $10.00 is due from each Church. The Fellowship of the Least Coin donation can be received at this time. Everyone is welcome of all Christian denominations.

FHUC 50th Anniversary Working Group will meet in the Parlour at 7:00 pm on Thursday October 26th. More "heroes" needed!

Iridesce-The Living Apology Project. Iridesce is a joint project between Affirm United and the United Church of Canada, funded by the Mission & Service Fund. General Council 42 voted to support a national project of story-sharing with people affected by the Church's 1988 decision. These stories would then help the church to discern if, and how, it might live into a possible apology to our church's lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer and Two-Spirit (LGBTQ2) people. With inspiration, this project has been named Iridesce: The Living Apology Project. An evening workshop/story-telling event is being planned for Thursday, October 26 beginning at 6:30 pm in the parlour at Wilmot United Church. Refreshments will be provided. Aaron Miechkota, Project Coordinator from Montreal will facilitate the event as part of her tour of Maritime Conference. This evening is open to all who would love to be involved with this project and share their life-experiences coming out of the 1988 decision. More information from Libby or Jean.

Advent is approaching and we are looking for 2 - 3 people willing to bake 2 - 3 dozen sugar cookies for Sunday, Dec. 3. The theme this year is nativity scenes, so shape preferences are for barnyard animals, shepherds, kings, Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, angels and stables. If you can help by either baking or lending appropriate cookie cutters, please contact Margie Roxborough at 455-0576.

Community Events

Enjoy an evening Dinner Theatre at Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street, at 6:00 pm on Saturday, October 28th. For only $25 you will be treated to the comedy show "The Life of Riley" and a 3-course meal of harvest soup, complete turkey dinner, and cheesecake. Numbers are limited so please reserve early from Rindy & Tom Austin, 450-7151.

Oromocto United Church Fall turkey supper 144 Winnabago St Oromocto NB November 4, 2017 4.00PM--6.00 PM Adults $14.00 Children under 12- $6.00 Preschoolers.—Free. Everyone welcome

The UCW of St. Paul's United Church, on the corner of George and York Streets, will be hosting their Pre-Christmas Luncheon/Craft/Bake Sale on Saturday, November 4th from 11 AM to 1 PM. Lunch ($12.00) includes chicken-a-la-king, salad, cranberry sauce, angel food cake with lemon sauce. Mincemeat pies for sale $6.00 or $12.00. To order tickets or pie telephone Donna Chauvin 458-5885 or other UCW members. Thank you for your co-operation. Donna Chauvin UCW President home 458-5885 work 458-1898

Minute for Missions / Nations Uniting

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the journey toward reconciliation. Let us hear a story of one of our Mission & Service partners in Ohsweken, Ontario.

In the Six Nations First Nations community in southern Ontario sits a simple white building. For over five years Nations Uniting has offered a place of community and provided educational workshops to the surrounding communities on and off the reserve at various locations up and down the Grand River.

Healing Circles and Grandmothers' Teas are times of quiet sharing, with each person in the circle getting a chance to talk or ask questions and, most importantly, to respectfully listen to one another's stories of life. As people listen, they learn from one another.

Nations Uniting also uses the Blanket Exercise developed by KAIROS Canada to bring to life teachings and reflections of forgotten Canadian history.

The number of Sharing Circles is increasing as other churches hear about what Nations Uniting is doing and yearn to know more about their First Nations neighbours.