

Forest Hill United Church

An Affirming Congregation



Christian Family Sunday
May 14, 2017 at 10 am

**"Pursue some path, however narrow and crooked,
in which you can walk with love and reverence."**

**Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862)
American Philosopher**

WELCOME to worship! It is good that you are here.

Our worship leader is **Rev. Bob Jones,**

and our music director is **Alex Good,**

who leads us with the assistance of the **FHUC Choir.**

Our greeters this morning are **Lorna McKnight** and **Joe Rideout,**

Our Sunday School Teachers are **Jula Hughes** and **Mary Grant,**

and our tellers are **William Hughes** and **Robert Christie.**

And our Hospitality Host is **Diane Robinson.**

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for all
people to gather regardless of race, creed, age,
cultural background, family status, sexual

orientation, and gender identity. All are welcome
here!

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Gathering Together

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

Prelude:

Welcoming the Light

****Introit: (Sung Together)** MV #37 Each blade of grass:

Each blade of grass, each wing that soars,
The waves that sweep across a distant shore
Make full the circle of God.
Each laughing child, every gentle eye,
A forest lit beneath a moon-bright sky
Make full the circle of God.

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

Prayer of Approach: (Unison)

As the leaves return to the trees
So your love returns to your people
As the warmth returns to the land
So your grace comes to us
God of new life
Help us to turn to your loving embrace.
Amen.

****Opening Hymn: #227 VU For the Fruit of All Creation**

Exploring Together

Story Time

****Song of Praise:** #606 VU In Christ There Is No East or West
*After the hymn, children, youth and teachers
will leave for Sunday School.*

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Words from Our Bible:

Laura Eliaba

Psalms 66: Part 1 784 VU

Joshua 24:14-15

Matthew 7:24-27

One: This is the Word of Hope – the Word for All.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music: Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace
by Sebastian Temple.

Message: Family Day Mothers' Day The Religious Dimension

****Hymn of Reflection:** #602 VU Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Going Forth Together

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** *(Sung Together)* VU 320

Mother in God you gave me birth
In the bright morning of the world
Creator source of every breath
You are my rain, my wind, my sun.

****Dedication** *(Unison)*

*Gracious god,
You have given us the full extent of your love.*

*So we return these gifts to you.
May they become the means by which
others are blessed according to their needs.
Amen.*

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Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lords Prayer *(Spoken Together)*

*Our Father, who are 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, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.*

****Closing Hymn:** #333 VU Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BENEDICTION

****Choral Response:** *(Sung Together)* #VU 649

**Walk with me,
I will walk with you and
build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.**

Postlude:

Please join us for coffee and conversation directly following the

service.

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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

Quilt Group	Wednesdays 1-3 pm Upper Room
Choir Practice	Sunday at 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

Ali's New Address 6-638 Forest Hill Road, Fredericton, NB, E3B 4K6

Thank you to anyone and everyone who was in any way a part of our Roast Beef Supper yesterday – before, during or after the event. It is so good to be able to put on such an event, and your participation is most appreciated.

HIKE for HOSPICE, The Forest Hill team, Ali, Shelley, Mary, May, Lorna, Joan & Jennifer raised \$992.50 for Hospice Fredericton. Thank you to them all and to the people who came to keep them company on the walk.

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, 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 could be added to the Chart.

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Community Events

When Love Hurts: Understanding & Healing Domestic Abuse

Grace Memorial Baptist Church will offer a 4 week support group to help those who are caught in the painful cycle of abuse. The video and discussion series will be held from 7-9 PM on Tuesdays, April 25-May 16. For more information or to register please call the church office 458-8527.

"The AMUsing Comedy & Music Tour" will be held at Grace Memorial Baptist Church on Sunday, May 21 at 7:00 PM. This is a program for the whole family to enjoy. Tickets \$10 in advance from the church office; \$15 at the door, or online at <https://tickets.buzztix.com/event/amusingfrederickton>.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St. will be hosting a Stuffed Pork Loin Dinner on May 24th, 4 – 6 p.m. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets. Adult \$ 13; Child \$3.



Cancelled Stamps: The church collects cancelled stamps for the Canadian Bible Society. To be used, each stamp must have 1/8" to 1/4" envelope/paper around it. There is no need to save the entire cancellation mark. Please place stamps in the drawer at the back of the sanctuary. 1 pound of stamps = 1 Bible



Just a friendly reminder that Forest Hill United Church is a **scent-free environment**. Strong scents, aftershave lotions and perfumes have an effect upon others with allergies and asthmatic problems. No scents make good sense.

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please join me in making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!

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Minute for Missions Reaching Out to Migrants

Our gifts for Mission & Service support programs for migrant workers. Let us hear a story from Korea.

Canadians think of our country as a multicultural society. Migrant populations arriving in Korea are a relatively new phenomenon. In 1997 there were only about 380,000 foreigners living in Korea. By 2011 that number had increased to 1.4 million.

Some migrants are coming to Korea to work, especially in small- or medium-scale factories. Others are arriving as marriage migrants.

Whatever their reason for coming to Korea, Mission & Service partner the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea (PROK) is welcoming newcomers and helping them adjust to the realities of life in a new land.

The PROK is responding to the many social service needs facing new immigrants by

- providing cultural orientation and language training
- helping immigrant workers understand their rights and
- advocating for workers when those rights are not upheld
- helping workers who become ill or unemployed
- staffing hotlines for marriage migrants who find themselves in situations of domestic violence and abuse

The PROK's Migrant Workers Centre addresses needs that are as many and varied as the people they serve.

We sing thanksgiving for the Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea, our Mission & Service partner that reaches out to people in need!