

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



Worldwide Communion— October 6, 2019 10 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

OFFICE HOURS

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Minister Emeritus – Rev. Bob Jones Ph.476-8020
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Tuesday 8:45-11:45 a.m. & Thursday 12:45-3:45 p.m.
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Gathering

Worship Leader – Rev. Brian D. MacDonald

*At the **, please rise or remain seated as you desire.*

Prelude

Lighting of the Christ Candle

**Introit:

VU 4

God of all places; present, unseen;
voice in our silence, song in our midst,
we are our people, knowing, unsure:
come, Lord Jesus, come!

Welcome

Call to Worship:

One: Come, let us worship the Lord, for we are God's people, the flock that he shepherds.

People: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord, let's come before God with thanksgiving and praise God with music and song.

All: For the Lord is good, God's mercy is everlasting, and God's truth endures forever. (*Psalms 95 & 100*)

Gathering Prayer: (All)

Gracious and loving God, where can we go but to you when we need to pour out our concerns? Who but you can listen to everything we have to say, "the wheat and the chaff together, gather up what is good, and with a breath of kindness, blow the rest away"? Only you. So we come, confident that you listen. Help us to not be passive observers. Instead, help us to enter wholeheartedly into the experience of worshipping you, knowing, as the Psalmist says, that you are enthroned on the praises of your people: praising you enables us to feel that you are even closer to us than we thought. In Jesus' name, Amen

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.

For detailed announcements please see the announcement page on the bulletin board.

****Opening Hymn:** Abide With Me VU 436

Story Time: Rev. MacDonald

Hymn of Reflection: Great Is Thy Faithfulness VU 288

Minute for Mission: May Houston

Exploring

Words from Our Bible: Joe Rideout

Matthew 21:23-32

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Reflection: Committing to the Truth

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** VU 300

God, whose hand is all creation,
take the gratitude we give;
take the finest of our harvest,
crops we grow that all may live.

****Prayer After Giving:**

****Communion Hymn:** As Grain On Scattered Hillside (see insert)

Service of Holy Communion (see insert)

Prayers of Our Community:

Lord, listen to your children praying, VU 400

Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

****Closing Hymn:** In the Quiet Curve of Evening VU 278

****Sharing the Light**

****Commissioning and Benediction:**

****Choral Amen:** VU 961

Let us, O God, depart in peace,
who in your name are gathered here.
Disclose the brightness of your face
and be forever near.

Postlude

Please join us for coffee and conversation after worship

Forest Hill Important Dates

1. October 10th Board Meeting 7:15 p.m.
2. October 21, 2 p.m. UCW meets at the home of Doreen Kissick
3. October 26 8:30 a.m. Pie Day (forms will be out next week)
4. November 16 Forest Hill Turkey Dinner