

Forest Hill United Church

1968 - 2017



Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

February 19, 2017 at 10 am

“When you look at the clouds they are not symmetrical. They do not form fours and they do not come along in cubes, but you know at once that they are not a mess... They are wiggly but in a way, orderly, although it is difficult for us to describe that kind of order. Now, take a look at yourselves. You are all wiggly... We are just like clouds, rocks and stars. Look at the way the stars are arranged. Do you criticize the way the stars are arranged?”

Alan W. Watts (1915-1973)

The Tao of Philosophy: The Edited Transcripts

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

Our worship leaders are Rev. Ali Anningson

and our music director is Alex Good,

who leads us with the assistance of the FHUC Choir.

Our greeters this morning are Brian Cassidy and Libby Cassidy,

our Sunday School teachers are Margie Roxborough, Lise Shaw

and Jean Fisher

our hospitality host is Diane Robinson,

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, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation, and gender identity. All are welcome here!

Gathering

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

Prelude

Welcoming the Light

**Introit: *(Sung Together)*

#8 MV

And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide,
and on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide,
and on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide!
Open wide! Open wide! Open wide!
The gates are open wide!

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

One: There's a pulling in our hearts, calling us here.

All: **There's anticipation and wondering, calling us here.**

One: There's thirst and hunger, calling us here.

All: **In gratitude, let us celebrate life together!**

By Sheryl McLeod (edited) in *Gathering A/C/E 2016-17*

Gathering Prayer: *(Spoken Together)*

Holy One, we come together as a people ready
to reach out in love, to act with commitment,
and to serve with humility.

Be with us as we continue our journey of faith.

Give us new purpose within our lives,

and new energy as we follow in the ways of Jesus. Amen.

Bill Steadman in *Gathering A/C/E 2016-17*

****Opening Hymn:** #509 VU I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Exploring

Story Time

****Song of Praise:** #375 VU Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Words from Our Bible:

May Houston

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

You Are God's Temple

Matthew 5:38-48

Turn the Other Cheek

One: This is the Word of God to guide us on our journey.

All: Thanks be to God!

Special Music:

Message: "How to Be Perfect"

Responding

Presentation of Our Gifts

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

#191 MV

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

**Prayer After Giving

Prayers of Our Community

The Prayer That Jesus Taught *(Spoken Together)*

Our Father, our Mother, our Holy One,
may your kingdom come,
and your will be done here on earth.
May we find this day the bread we need
and may we feel forgiveness for our missteps
and forgive others freely for theirs.
May we walk away from temptation
and focus on good.
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory.
Now and for ever. Amen.

Paraphrased by Ali Anningson, 2017

****Closing Hymn:** #352 VU I Danced in the Morning

**Sharing the Light

**Blessing

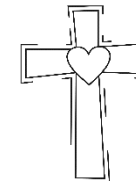
****Choral Response:** *(Sung Together)*

#221 MV

I am walking a path of peace,
I am walking a path of peace,
I am walking a path of peace,
lead me home, lead me home.
Sung Twice

Postlude

*Please join us directly following the service for our lunch and our
Annual Meeting.*



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Church News

COMING UP @ FHUC

FHUC Annual Meeting February 19th following worship, potluck
finger foods

World Day of Prayer Bible Study Mon, Feb 20 10 am

UCW Tuesday, February 21 at 10:30 am
at the home of Doreen Kissick

Bible Study Theme: Last Supper Tues, Feb 21 7 pm Church Library

Shrove Tuesday Supper Tuesday, February 28

World Day of Prayer Service Friday, March 3 at 7 pm

Quilt Group Wednesdays 1-3 pm Upper Room

Choir Practice Sunday at 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

FHUC Annual Meeting: Forest Hill United will hold its Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 19, following worship. Please bring along finger foods to share for lunch as we will eat while we meet. All are encouraged to attend. The agenda for this year's Annual Meeting will include releasing one of our Trustees and voting on a revised governance document. Details about the latter will be provided in a presentation both on the Sunday before and at the Annual Meeting.

Forest Hill UCW will meet on Tuesday, Feb 21, at 10:30 am at the home of Doreen Kissick, 792 Burden Street. We will be making plans for the upcoming World Day of Prayer to be held at Forest Hill on March 3. All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us.

Registration for **Youth Forum and Intermediates at Conference** is now online! Deadline to register is March 31st. Woolastook Presbytery & Forest Hill United generously offer funding to participants. To register for YF: <http://marconf.ca/youth-forum-registration/> To register for IAC: <http://marconf.ca/intermediates-conference-registration/>

World Day of Prayer Service: This year's worship service will be held here at Forest Hill United. Please come out and support this event. The materials have been prepared by the women of the Philippines and the theme is "Am I Being Unfair to You?" Time of fellowship to follow. March 3, 2017 at 7:00PM. No Storm Date.

Storm Policy Reminder: In the event of a serious storm on a Sunday morning, a decision will be made by 8 a.m. as to whether a cancellation is necessary. If a service is cancelled, a message will be placed on the church answering machine, sent out via email, and passed on to CBC radio.

Community Events

Kiwanis Delights: Sunday, February 26th, Delta Hotel. Doors open at 6:30. Delights include a draw for Diamond Ring valued at \$1,000, a Fashion Show sponsored by Hospice Boutique, a Dessert Buffet, and a Silent Auction. Tickets are available from Kiwanis members (454-1298), at the Hospice Boutique on Prospect St., and Westminster Books on King St. Monies raised support Kiwanis Fredericton community programs and Hospice Fredericton.

Minute for Mission Rendez-vous!

Our gifts for Mission & Service support youth and young adults. Rendez-vous is a place where leaders can be inspired and, in turn, inspire youth and young adults in their communities!

Dancing, singing, praying, playing, laughing, and learning—these are all elements of Rendez-vous 2017. Hundreds of youth, young adults, and their leaders will gather at Concordia University in Montreal in August 2017 to celebrate faith.

This will be the third event. Rendez-vous was held in Toronto in 2011 and in Winnipeg in 2014. Each one has a different theme and a regional flavour. The common thread is the energy and enthusiasm that youth share and take back to their local communities of faith and regions of the country.

Participants at Rendez-vous offered some of the following feedback:

“My home group and our leaders were amazing. Rendez-vous wouldn’t have been the same without the connections, support, and love!”

“I was moved by the diversity and courage of all speakers and appreciated that there was something for everyone.”



“Youth events are extremely important because they give the youth a community to connect with and a sense of belonging with other youth.”

We sing thanksgiving for Rendez-vous! Our gifts for Mission & Service offer youth and young adults a place to gather in community.

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!

The Women’s Inter-Church Council is having four World Day of Prayer Services for 2017 in the Fredericton Area. The World Day of Prayers has been prepared by the Women of the Philippines with the theme "Am I Being Unfair To You?"

This service is a Public event open for everyone. In some services they will show a CD of the Philippine or have a guest speaker. The service is approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour with a reception in the hall afterward for fellowship.

Please come and join us on Friday, March 3, 2017 with Christians in more than 170 countries around the world and in 2,000 communities across Canada who will gather to learn about, pray, and celebrate in Solidarity with the people of The Philippines through the World Day of Prayer.

Northside / Maryville: St. Theresa’s Roman Catholic Church, 1 William Street on Friday, March 3, 2017 at 7:00PM. Storm Date: Sunday, March 5, 2017 at 3:00PM.

Forest Hill/Lincoln: Forest Hill United Church, 45 Kimble Court off Forest Hill Road, on Friday, March 3, 2017 at 7:00PM. No Storm Date.

Hanwell/New Maryland: Sts John and Paul Church, New Maryland on Friday, March 3, 2017 at 7:00PM. No Storm date.

Southside: St. Dunstan’s Roman Catholic Church, 120 Regent Street on Friday, March 3, 2017 at 2:00PM. No Storm Date.

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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.