Forest Hill United Church

An Affirming Congregation



Trinity Sunday
June 11, 2017 at 10 am

The soul would have no rainbow, had the eyes no tears.
John Vance Cheney

Today's bulletin is donated to celebrate the marriage of Brian and Libby Cassidy who were married in this church 10 years ago, June 10, 2007.

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 **Diane Robinson** and **Dorma Grant**,
Our Sunday School Teachers are **John Neville,**
Margie Roxborough and **Laura Eliaba,**
and our tellers are **Bob Fisher** and **Lorna McKnight**.
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!

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:

One Come to this place where refuge is found.
All **God be among us as we join together.**
One Come to this place where peace is proclaimed.
All **Christ be among us as we listen for your Word.**
One Come to this place where faith is empowered.
All **Spirit be among us as we seek inspiration.**
One Come to this place where the Triune God is met.
All **Three-in-One, One-in-Three, be among us as we worship you.** Amen

Prayer of Approach: ***(Unison)***

Holy One, we are here to worship

in joy and gladness for all the blessings
you provide for our needs.
We also wish to give you thanks for
saving us from our sins.
Thank you, blessed Trinity,
our Lord God, Jesus Christ, and Holy Spirit Amen.

****Opening Hymn:** Called by Earth and Sky MV 135

Exploring Together

Story Time

****Song of Praise:** Jesus Calls Us VU 562

After the hymn, children, youth and teachers will leave for Sunday School.

Words from Our Bible: **Marilyn Lohnes**

Psalm 8 VU 732

2 Corinthians 13 : 11 – 13

Matthew 28 : 16 - 20

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

Special Music:

Message: What The Church Should Be Part 2

****Hymn of Reflection:** We are Pilgrims VU 595

Going Forth Together

Presentation of Our Gifts

****Offering Verse:** ***(Spoken Together)***

You have called and you have challenged us to respond;
and we stand here in response to your love and your call.
Use these gifts; use our lives;
help us to know and show your love to all people and to the whole of creation. Amen

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

In the name and in the spirit of Jesus,
We bring our gifts to you, O God,
Help us to give with them
a ready mind
a willing spirit,
and a joyful heart ***Amen.***

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer ***(Spoken Together)***

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be they 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:** All the Way My Saviour Leads Me VU 635

****Sharing the Light**

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	
Church Picnic	June 18 10:00 am
Quilt Group	Wednesdays 1-3 pm Upper Room
Choir Practice	Sunday at 11:30-12:30 in the Choir Room

Forest Hill UCW is hosting Ladies Night Out at the Ramada Hotel on Tuesday, June 13 @ 6:30 pm. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us for a meal and fellowship. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. If you wish to carpool, call May Houston 455-7715 or Diane Robinson 459-8779.

Ushers/Greeters needed: Please check your schedule to see if you are available for one or more Sundays to help out with set up and greeting our congregation on Sunday mornings. Signup sheet is on the back table. If you have any questions please feel free to ask me. Many thanks. Lorna McKnight



Church Picnic, Sunday June 18 Please join us for our Annual Outdoors Service and Picnic, starting at 10 am on the grounds of the church. Much of the service will be provided by the Sunday School young people. After the service join us for pot luck finger foods (sandwiches, veggies etc.) and games, hikes or a geocaching scavenger hunt. Dessert, juice, coffee and tea will be provided. Bring your finger foods, your lawn chairs, sunscreen, sunhats and bug spray and join us for a wonderful time in the out of doors. In the case of inclement weather, our service and picnic will move indoors.

Planning for FHUC's 50th anniversary is getting under way. Libby Cassidy, our anniversary planning "champion", will be putting together a working group in the fall. In the mean time, Graham Powell is working on assembling a history of our banners and would appreciate any information that folks could add, especially on banners that were created by the Sunday School in days gone by. Please speak to him or email him at powell@unb.ca. In the fall, Libby will start digitizing photos of church folk and activities so if you come across any over the summer, please set them aside in a safe place at home until she can work on them. Please email Libby at libby.ejcassidy@gmail.com if you have any questions or suggestions.

Vacation Bible School 2017 "MAKER FUN FACTORY – created by God, built for a purpose" St. Paul's, Forest Hill and Wilmot United Churches will once again be joining together for our VBS program. WHEN: August 21-25 from 9:00 – 11:30 WHERE: Wilmot United Church AGES: age 4 and up. ******** We will discover a world where curious children and youth become hands-on inventors and discover they're lovingly created by God. Great music, great stories, great crafts

– great fun! We will use our hearts, minds and imagination to participate in the creative life of God remembering that God is with us wherever we go… so… mark your calendars.

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.

Community Events

The SAINT JOHN MEN'S CHORUS, Directed by David Mitchell, is happy to announce our SPRING CONCERT TOUR. The music will include solos and ensembles along with rich four-part music ranging from patriotic and classic styles, through Canadian compositions, to spirituals and Stan Rogers. Performances are in St. STEPHEN, **Sat. June 10th** (Kirk McColl United), FREDERICTON, Sun. June 11th (Christ Church Parish Church), and QUISPAMSIS (United Church), **Tues. June 13**. Concerts are each $15, and begin at **7:30 pm**. Don't miss this fine local men's choir.

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a "Steak & Chicken BBQ" on Wednesday, June 28th. 4 – 6 p.m. Adult: $14 and Child $3. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

St. Paul's Organ Academy If you are a piano student . . . young or old . . . and would like to try your skills on a three-manual pipe organ, come along to St. Paul's United Church, 224 York Street on Saturday, July 8. Dr. Sharon Pond, organist at St. Paul's and Dr. Willis Noble, formerly at Christ Church Cathedral, are offering a day-long workshop where you will get a turn at the organ and learn the basics of performing Baroque music. The session starts at 9 a.m. and runs until 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The fee for the day, including lunch, is $25. You can register in advance with either instructor at spond@bellaliant.net or willis.noble@gmail.com .



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.

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



Minute for Missions
The Healing Fund Is Changing Lives

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the work of healing and reconciliation. Let us hear a story of how The Healing Fund is changing lives.

The Liqwiltach Elders' and Youth Culture Group hosts events and learning experiences in the Campbell River area of British Columbia. Led by volunteer June Johnson, the group connects residential school survivors with local Indigenous youth to provide learning experiences that revitalize culture and language.

These experiences also provide a space for youth from different communities to share their oral histories and traditions, which are once again being passed down from generation to generation.

One of the learning experiences uses button blankets. As the group grows
and travels to different communities, it needs financial support to make new blankets and masks. The blankets are adorned with unique family crests. Each mask signifies a particular dance. A mask dancer teaches the youth the dance and mentors them through the dance process.

These events, acknowledged by The Healing Fund Council and supported through your gifts for Mission & Service, help people reconcile the residential school experience and restore Indigenous languages and cultures in Indigenous communities.

A Liqwiltach Elder noted, “I am happy that our children are learning the
culture, and you see the pride they have to show off their dances. It gives them the sense of belonging, of who they are and where they come from.”
We sing thanksgiving for the gifts of The Healing Fund.