



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



6th Sunday after Pentecost
June 30, 2024 11:30 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

Gathering

** Please rise in spirit or in body as you are able

Prelude: There is Room for All

MV 62

Welcome, Announcements & Acknowledgement:

Land Acknowledgement

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqiyik (wolas-to-qiyik) land. We are all Treaty People. In and with God, we will direct our lives toward the right relationships with one another in respect and harmony.

Declaration of a Safe Place

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.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We remember that even on stormy days, Christ is always with us, our captain leading us to a safe place.

With and in Christ, we always have peaceful and calm mornings. We gathered here on Sunday morning with this hope and faith. This morning Christ, our friend and guide, brings us pleasant sunshine and gentle breezes.

****Introit:** Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom MV 10 vs 1

**Come and seek the ways of Wisdom,
she who danced when earth was new.
Follow closely what she teaches,
for her words are right and true.
Wisdom clears the path to justice,
showing us what love must do.**

Call to Worship:

Out of the depths, we cry to you, O Lord.

Hear our prayers and supplications.

Heed the anguish of our pleas.

**Our souls wait for you alone, O Lord,
more than those who wait for the morning.**

We are here to worship you this day.

Michael Beu, The Abingdon Worship Annual 2024

Opening Prayer: *(together)*

**O God, we come to this place trusting in you. We trust
that this is a safe place where we can be honest with
our feelings.**

**We trust that here in this time and space, we can cry
out from the depths of our sorrows, and you will hear
us and hold us close.**

**We can dare to hope, and rejoice, knowing and
trusting in your wondrous mercy.**

**May everyone gathered here courageously trust, rely
on, and lean on you, and may we abundantly share
love and mercy with one another. Amen.**

The Whole People of God 2021

****Opening Hymn:** Will You Come and Follow Me VU 567

Prayer of Self Reflection:

We behold those with unflinching faith, O God,
and yearn for their unquestioned assurance
of your powerful presence.

We are tired of mourning the dead
and long to laugh with Jairus' household

as Christ called a beloved daughter
back from the world beyond.
We seek not merely to be healed in body
but to be made whole in spirit as well.
Heal our fickle hearts as we wait for you.
Now, we ask God to help us in our weakness in silence.
O Lord, hear our voices and have mercy on us.
(Time for Silent Prayer)

Words of Assurance:

The Lord is the great Physician who heals our body and soul.
In the Lord, we restore joy and peace. God's endless love and
grace always renew us.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

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Sharing Time:

**Hymn of Praise: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus VU 357
Those going to Sunday School will leave after the first verse

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

May Houston

2 Corinthians 8:7–15

Mark 5:21–43

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God

All: **Thanks be to God**

Message:

Special Music:

Responding

Presentation of our Gifts:

We honour the time, talent, and labour we express as gifts to-
day. Thanks to your generosity and your love, we can continue
our work through missions and service here in our faith com-
munity and around the world. This wouldn't be possible with-
out each of you. Now, let's share the gift we have received.

2024 Offering Invitations and Prayers, the UCC

**Jesus called my name
when he was passing by;
my life will never be the same;
this love will never die.**

Prayer of Dedication: *(together)*

Merciful God, misery and despair
touch our world each day.

Multiply the gifts we bring before you,
that no one may suffer want.

And if our fortunes are one day reversed,
may we receive with the same grace and gratitude
we have offered this day. Amen.

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Prayers of the People

followed by the Prayer that Jesus Taught

Alternate versions of the Prayer of Jesus, VU 916

**Our Father-Mother, who is in heavens,
may your name be made holy,
may your dominion come,
may your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today the bread we need;
and forgive us our debts,
as we have forgiven our debtors;
and do not put us to the test,
but rescue us from evil.
For yours is the dominion, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

We Go Out As God's People

**Blessing Hymn: Let My Spirit Always Sing

MV 83

****Commissioning and Benediction:**

Go in the hope and promise of God.

We will share God's love and grace.

Go in the wholeness of life with Christ.

We will share the good news of Christ's healing.

Go in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We will share the Spirit of peace with the world.

The grace of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of us, now and forever.

Amen.

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Postlude: I See a New Heaven

VU 713

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