

THIS WEEK AT FOREST HILL

Today
 9:00 AM Faith Builders Class
 10:30 Worship Service
 11:45 Mission, Outreach & Service
 5:00 PM Faith Happens Class
 Youth Group (split)
 6:00 Sanctuary Choir rehearsal

Monday, April 10

Tuesday, April 11
 6:30 PM Administrative Committee
 7:00 Women's Evening Circle

Wednesday, April 12
 8:00 AM Prayer Quilt Ministry

Thursday, April 13 - Maundy Thursday
 7:00 AM Men's Fellowship (Bandera Road Cafe)
 7:00 PM CNN Service
 8:00 Worship Team rehearsal

Friday, April 14 - Good Friday (office closed)
 11:00 AM Sanctuary Open

Saturday, April 15
 9:00 AM Elder Training

Sunday, April 16 - Easter Sunday
 9:00 AM Easter Breakfast
 10:30 Worship Service
 11:45 Children's Easter Egg Hunt

FAMILY NEWS

Birthdays ... *Anniversaries ...*

Lauren (Dullnig) Pittman 4/9

Marissa Hunter 4/11

Shari Sheldon 4/14

THE DATA BANK

Attendance - 4/2 Worship Service 53 March Average 79

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OUR PURPOSE

Forest Hills Presbyterian Church is a community based on God's Word and empowered by God's Spirit. We exist to exalt Jesus Christ; to equip people to serve Christ in their families, in the marketplace, and in the church; and to expand the kingdom of God in Helotes and northwest San Antonio.

Announcements

Stewardship for April 2, 2017

Pledged Income \$1,750.00

Non-pledged Income 151.00

Total Offering: \$1,901.00

Weekly Offering Needed \$4,272.12

	1 st Qtr. Budget	1 st Qtr. Actual
PI	\$46,305.00	\$45,072.69
N-pl	9,232.53	4,420.82
Total	\$55,537.53	\$49,493.51
Difference		\$ -6,044.03

Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00pm - Join us this Thursday, April 13, for our final CNN Lenten Series Service.

Easter Eggs Needed - Please bring in plastic eggs filled with individually wrapped candy for our annual children's Easter Egg Hunt. You can bring them to church next Sunday or drop them by the office during the week. Our youth group will be playing Easter Bunny and hiding the eggs on Easter Sunday!

Holy Week Schedule

Thursday, April 13—Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. CNN Lenten Series Service

Friday, April 14—Good Friday

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Sanctuary Open for Prayer and Reflection

Sunday, April 16—Easter Sunday

9:00—10:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Resurrection of the Lord with Holy Communion

Children's Easter Egg Hunt following Worship

Samaritan Sunday

"Who is my neighbor?"

One day a lawyer stopped Jesus in public and asked him, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered him that he must love God with all of his heart and love his neighbor as himself. The lawyer wanted to know..."But, who is my neighbor?"

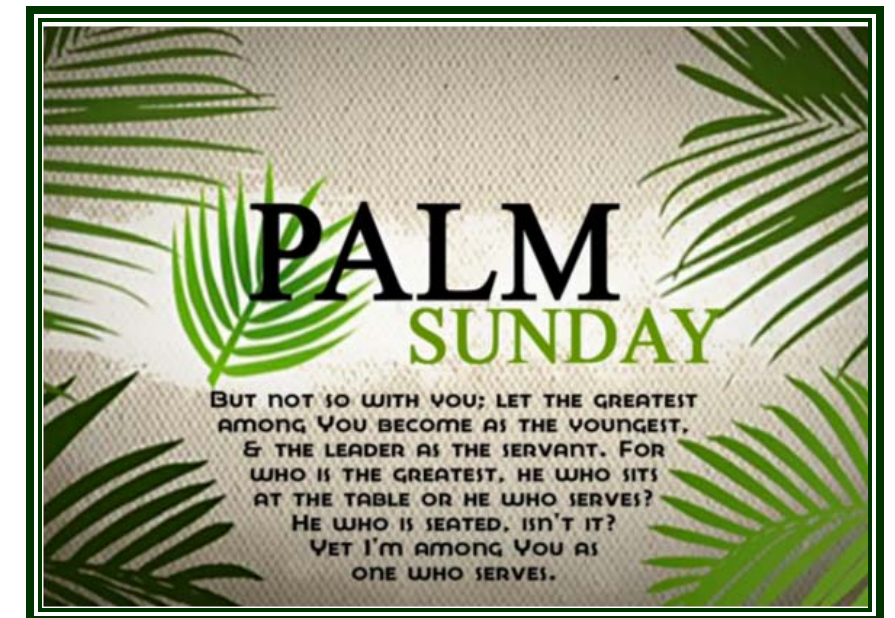
Sunday April 23rd we will have our Samaritan Sunday and Fiesta Lunch. During lunch, we will join in conversation to try to answer that question, "Who is my neighbor?" What are we called to do for our neighbors; how do we engage our neighbors and share the love of God with them.

Fiesta Lunch & Samaritan Fund Silent Auction - On Sunday, April 23rd during the Fiesta Lunch, we will have our mission/service related silent auction. Monies raised will help fund our Samaritan Fund that is used to help church members who are in need. You can begin now by making your items for this special day. For more information, please contact Christina Long at 695-3123.

Sister Act, The Musical - Our own Darrin Newhardt is music directing "Sister Act, The Musical" at the Woodlawn Theater, 1920 Fredericksburg Road. It opened April 7th and plays weekends until May 7th. Friday and Saturday evening at 7:30 and Sunday afternoon at 3pm. Easter Sunday, there will not be a matinee but there will be a 7:30pm show. "Sister Act" is a story with spiritual depth. It is lighthearted fun that also gets us thinking about the things we value spiritually and in our church life. Please come out sometime during the run and enjoy the show. The theater is promoting Easter evening as a time for church groups to see the show. Group discounts are available. Tickets can be purchased online at www.woodlawntheatre.org.

CORNYVAL - Thurs., May 4 - Sun., May 7 - Yes, it's that time of year again! If you can help our youth group sell pizza at Cornyval, please sign up in the narthex or contact Christina Moore at 347-6542.

COMING UP: Sat., Apr. 15 Elder Training



Palm Sunday
April 9, 2017, 10:30 AM

13200 Bandera Rd. / P.O. Box 257 / Helotes, TX 78023
 (210) 695-3123

info@fhpconline.org / www.fhpconline.org

If you are interested in joining Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, you may do so in one of three ways: public affirmation of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of membership.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*= Please stand, if comfortably able

THE LORD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

Greeting & Announcements

Please sign the welcome of friendship pad and pass it down to others in your pew. If you are visiting and interested in knowing more about the church or receiving church event notices, please provide a phone number and email.

Prelude & Lighting of the Christ Candle

A quiet time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

*Call to Worship (responsive)

One: Honor.

All: **Honor and praise.**

One: Honor, praise, and glory.

All: **Honor, praise, and glory are yours**

One: Almighty God, now and forever.

All: **In celebration, we join the crowds of old, waving branches, giving honor to the Messiah.**

One: Yet, our celebration is bittersweet, for our story doesn't end here.

All: **We know the pain of what lies ahead.**

One: Today anticipates the rest of the story – a story of betrayal and death, a story of hope and resurrection.

Worship in Song

Worship Team

Hosanna
There is a Redeemer (T3)

Words at the Font

*Opening Hymn #88 Procession of the Palms
All Glory, Laud, and Honor

THE LORD FORGIVES OUR SINS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord Jesus, we are a fickle people, quick to turn away. We are quick to flock to you when all is well, but we are prone to scatter when there is opposition or criticism. Too often we have kept silent before you, afraid to proclaim your praise. It is easy to join the crowd as you ride triumphantly into Jerusalem— singing our joys and expectations, dancing our hopes and dreams. It is far more difficult to stand by you as the crowd cries for your crucifixion. Forgive our weakness when we turn away. Strengthen us for the journey ahead as we relive your suffering and death, that we might stay beside you to the end. Give us the courage to shout our hosannas, not only today, but each and every day. Amen.

Words of Assurance (responsive)

One: The Lord is our strength and might. Jesus is our salvation.

All: **In Jesus our sins are forgiven. In Jesus our cries are answered, our salvation is at hand. Blessed be the name of the Lord.**

*Gloria Patri, #579

*Passing of the Peace and Greeting One Another

One: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you**

One: Please pass the peace of Christ throughout the congregation.

The people may exchange signs of God's peace, greeting each other with the peace of Christ.

THE LORD SPEAKS TO US

Children's Message

After the Children's Sermon, children are dismissed to the Pray Ground or back to the pews.

Scripture Reading

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 21: 1-11

Anthem

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon Text

Philippians 2: 5-11

Sermon

Rev. Reuben E. Lashley

It's Not What it Looks Like

WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Above All (A1)

Worship Team

*Doxology (Hymn #592)

*Prayer of Dedication

Dedication of Prayer Quilt

Prayers of the People

*Lenten Statement of Faith

We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

THE LORD GOES WITH US

*Closing Hymn #92

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

*Benediction

*Sending Song (Hymn #439)

In Christ There Is No East or West

Postlude

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist : Conor McCary

Prayers of the People: Cleve Collins

Music Director: Darrin Newhardt

Pastor: Rev. Reuben E. Lashley

Greeters: Kay Griffin & Blossom Jeter

Elder of the Month: Paul Vinton

KIDS AT FOREST HILLS

The Pray Ground, located on the left side of the sanctuary, is available for children up to second grade. We ask parents to please sit nearby and supervise their children. Parents are also welcome to use the narthex as a cry room during the worship service.

WELCOME TO FOREST HILLS

If you're worshiping with us for the first time today, we're so glad you chose to spend your Sunday morning with us. Please take a moment to fill in the Fellowship Pad/Attendance Record. We keep in touch about church events by email primarily, so please include your email address if you have one. Got questions or comments or prayer requests? Feedback is welcome. You can use the back of the Welcome Card, or contact us at 695-3123 or info@fhpconline.org. If you are interested in learning more about Forest Hills Presbyterian Church, an elder will be available at the communion table after worship to speak with you.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer request cards are located in the narthex or can be acquired from an usher. Please feel free to fill one out and either hand it to an usher or place in the offering plate.

PRAYER QUILTS

The Prayer Quilt Ministry at Forest Hills makes lap-size quilts for people who are seriously ill, cannot attend worship or who, because of recent events in their life, are in particular need of God's love and our prayers. If you know someone who needs a prayer quilt, please fill out a Prayer Quilt Request Card found in the narthex or contact Margie Cox at margiecox78023@yahoo.com or (830) 510-4130.

FAITH HAPPENS

Faith Happens is a class for kids in grades K-5th to join together and learn more about our awesome God. They meet on Sunday nights from 5-6 pm in the Children's Worship & Nurture Center (CWNC) next door.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group, which includes middle and high school aged youth, meets Sunday evenings as follows:

5:00-5:45 Middle School study & activities

5:45-6:15 Combined youth dinner

6:15-7:00 High School study & activities

All 6th through 12th grade students and their friends are welcome to join us.