

WELCOME to FOREST HILL!

We are so glad you are worshiping with us today!

Families with children are encouraged and welcomed to worship together. Nursery and Preschool classes are offered each Sunday in the Education Wing in Room 24. Greeters are available at the Welcome Center for directions and to answer any questions you may have about our church.

Learn more about the ministries at Forest Hill at www.foresthillumc.org or call the church office at [704-782-1109](tel:704-782-1109).



As a community following Christ,
we know and live God's Love,
strive to Grow in faith and discipleship,
and are compelled to Serve others near and far.



Lazarus
John 11:1-45

*April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday 11:00 AM*

Devices for the hearing impaired and large-print Worship bulletins are available in the Narthex.

SERVING TODAY

All who Gather for Worship

- Greeters:** Janet Coward, Dave & Nancy Gilmore, Janice Britt
- Acolytes:** Sadie Fullerton & Eric Ellis
- Nursery:** Ruth Suddreth
- Visitor Contact:** (TBA)
- Bread Ministry:** Morrison & Betty Honeycutt

OUR STAFF

- Senior Pastor Rev. Mandy Jones
- Associate Pastor Rev. Suzanne E. Dornsmith
- Director of Music Justin Snyder
- Organist M. L. Marley
- Director of Youth and Children's Ministries Vera Smith
- Faith Community Nurse Laura Tolbert, RN
- Administrative Secretary Connie Moss
- Treasurer Don Rogers
- Choir Director Emeritus Cy Maulden

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PRELUDE

Handbell Choir

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"
"It Is Well with My Soul"

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Out of the depths of our sins, we cry to you.
Come and redeem us.
When we are dried up and nothing more than a pile of bones.
Come and bring us to life.
When we doubt your life-giving power.
Come and give us your resurrection life.

† **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty God, we have gathered as dry bones in our Lenten season, longing for your refreshing words. Lord Jesus, let the sinew of your presence be real in our hearts and minds. Holy Spirit, invigorate us with life and give us breath to worship you. In the power of the Triune God. Amen.

† **OPENING HYMN No. 261**

“Lord of the Dance”

LORD OF THE DANCE

† **CONFESSION AND PARDON** (see insert)

† **GLORIA PATRI No. 71**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

CALL TO PRAYER No. 488 (sing through twice)

*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM

“Bread and Mercy Broken”

Chancel Choir

Flute: Sarah McCourt

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Ezekiel 37:1-14

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

If you wish to give electronically, please text fhumc to 77977, or download our Forest Hill app.

OFFERTORY

“In the Garden”

arr. Dan Miller

† **RESPONSE No. 95**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

OLD 100th

† **THE PEACE**

CHILDREN INVITED TO KIDSWORSHIP

Children ages Kindergarten through third grade may bring forward their tithes and exit to KidsWorship in Room 9 in the Education Wing. Parents should pick up their children from Room 9 immediately following Worship.

† **HYMN OF PREPARATION No. 420**

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

TRENTHAM

† **THE GOSPEL LESSON** John 11 (selected verses)

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Living the Resurrection Life Today”

Rev. Suzanne Dornsmith

† **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION** P. 13

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† **CLOSING HYMN No. 311**

“Now the Green Blade Riseth”

FRENCH CAROL

† **BENEDICTION**

† **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

† **POSTLUDE**

“Lamb of God Our Savior, Whom Our Sins Dost Take Away”

J. S. Bach

Our Service of Worship has ended, but our worship

continues as we go forth to love, grow, and serve.

† Please stand as you are able.

**NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 9th – 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. – Palm Sunday
Choir Cantata**