

*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](http://www.foresthillumc.org) or call the church office at [704-782-1109](tel:704-782-1109).

*SERVING TODAY*  
*All who Gather for Worship*

**Acolytes:** Seren Dornsmith & Annalee Tolbert  
**Nursery:** Joy Hooks  
**Visitor Contact:** Gene Holbrooks  
**Bread Ministry:** LaDonna Butts

**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



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.



July 16, 2017  
Sunday 11:00 AM

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

**PRELUDE**

“Trumpet Tune in D”

David Johnson

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAYER**

† **HYMN NO. 539**

“O Spirit of the Living God”

FOREST GREEN

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 887**

Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39

† **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**

*“Open Our Eyes, Lord”*

OPEN OUR EYES

***Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him, and say that we love Him.  
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen,  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.***

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**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.**

**ANTHEM**

Chancel Choir

*“Redemption”*

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

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

**OFFERTORY**

*“Hymn of Promise”*

Sleeth, arr. Carter

**† RESPONSE No. 94**

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

**† 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. 2158 (The Faith We Sing)**

*“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”*

CLOSER WALK

**THE EPISTLE LESSON Romans 8:1-14**

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*“Free from Selfishness”*

Rev. Mandy Jones

**† CLOSING HYMN No. 3110 (see insert)**

*“By Grace We Have Been Saved”*

**† BENEDICTION**

**† CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**† POSTLUDE**

*“Hornpipe from Water Music”*

G. F. Handel

***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.

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**NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup> – 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

**Scripture:** Romans 8:14-25

**Sermon Series:** “Free” (series based on Romans 8) **Sermon:** “Free to Hope”