

WELCOME VISITORS! We invite you to sign the guest book in the front entryway.

Restrooms are at the end of the hallways upstairs and downstairs.

Please join us for Fellowship Hour after the service in the Fellowship Hall downstairs.

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THE CHAPEL IN MINISTRY & MISSION

ALL CHAPEL PICNIC! Today, right after worship, at the home of Sally and David Grubb, 104 Midway Road, to welcome our returning members, choir, director, and feast in fellowship! Dish to pass. Sally says, "The weather looks discouraging but don't worry the picnic will go on. Bring warm clothes in case its cold, but there is room inside so don't worry. Rain or shine the picnic is on. There is always plenty to eat. If you forget a dish don't worry. Just come anyway.

DIRECTIONS

Turn left out of Chapel parking lot, drive up Pleasant Grove Road past Hasbrouck Apartments, and turn left at Jessup Road. Turn right on to Triphammer Road. Cross Upland Road and turn left at Northway Road (6th on left I think) IMMEDIATELY turn right onto Midway. (In fact Triphammer bends to the right and at the bend you essentially drive straight ahead onto Midway. Some spaces in driveway and then along the street. We are second on the left - blue grey house. The house numbers is on the house but difficult to see. Beautiful weeping Maple by side of driveway.

Our FALL CHILDREN'S SCHOOL MINISTRY offerings totalled 364 school supply items, and 170 clothing items. Thank you for your donations to our children's learning and comfort!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED! Help our children and youth learn stories of our faith and fellowship together! Sign up in the Fellowship Hall. **Thank you.**

PLEASE, REMEMBER YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE ITHACA KITCHEN CUPBOARD. **Thank you for your steadfast generosity to this vital ministry.** **YOGA this Thursday, 5:30**

Fellowship Hall – free will donation - all levels of strength welcomed – especially beginners! Amita Verma is our instructor and this free yoga class will inspire you to care for the body and spirit all at once – praise be to God! Ms. Verma is a Forest Home Community resident; we are blessed with her offering to the community through our facility. **Join us!**

Our Spiritual Living through Faith and Film: Dish to Pass; September 30, THE RED VIOLIN, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Enjoy some time with friends as we share a beautiful film that speaks to music and its power of hope, passion and love through decades of time and many hands. Adult themes, God talk to follow the film presentation. **Bring friends!**



FOREST HOME CHAPEL

September 9, 2018

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Ministers: All the People

CHAPEL MISSION STATEMENT

Embracing God's will for our community through education, compassion, and justice.
"What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."
~ Micah 6:8 ~



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**Forest Home Chapel
United Methodist Church**

September 9, 2018

10:30 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE Maria Rabbia, Music Director

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PLEASE GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*One of our goals at the Chapel is to help people experience a sense of belonging.
Please return to your seats as the music begins.*

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Can you see love in your midst?

We seek God in all things.

Can we gather to hear what the spirit will offer us today?

We are called to be God's witnesses.

Can we be grateful for the mystery of our faith?

Praise to the One whose voice is heard above all others; that sound is love! Let us worship God, together this day! AMEN.

*HYMN #57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Lord of mercy and grace hear our prayer. We come ready to be busy and serve you through serving your people. We come in praise and thanks for more than we can name, especially for the steady love you offer. We come looking at our neighbor and are quick to judge, forgetting to open our eyes and ears to your presence. Forgive us we pray. We come ready to learn and sense your presence, hear our prayer, O Lord. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

The peace of God be with you. Receive God's forgiveness and the promise of mercy, because our God is the bringer of justice, joy, hope and love. **AMEN.**

WE ENCOUNTER THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

James 2:1-10, 14-17

Jean Snow, Reader

Mark 7:24-37

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God!

YOUNG DISCIPLES MOMENT (*Children come forward as we sing*)

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God's Word, Bread and Cup, Prayer and Song: this is where children belong.

After this time, children may go downstairs for Sunday School.

*HYMN #432

Jesu, Jesu

ANTHEM

MESSAGE

Neighbors All

The Rev. Dr. Robin Blair

UNISON RESPONSE

Amen #901

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

SHARING OF PRAYERS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Following each, the pastor says: "Lord in your blessings."

The people respond: "Hear our prayer."

PRAYER HONORING OUR EDUCATORS (insert)

TIME OF SILENCE/PASTORAL PRAYER/LORDS PRAYER (#895)

OFFERING OUR GIFTS (Our "Noisy Can" collects loose change for local food ministries.)

*DOXOLOGY #95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

God of us all, we lift up a prayer of thanks because you have given everything. We offer our humble gifts back to you that your love might be known in the world through our ministry and presence in this time and place. Please bless these gifts to your purpose, Amen.

*TFWS #2152

Change My Heart, O God

*BENEDICTION BLESSING

And now may the peace of Christ fill you, the love of God surround you, and the power of the Holy Spirit guide your path, this and every day. **AMEN.**

*POSTLUDE

*You may stand.