

Forest Hills Friday News

Friends and Family of Forest Hills,

Today is the most solemn day of the entire church year. Today is the day that we mark the death of our Savior. It's hard to believe that we, as humanity, got to this point where the throngs of people were seeking the crucifixion of Jesus. They wanted to see Him die on the cross. They wanted the baby who was born in the manger with the star of Bethlehem shining overtop to suffer. They wanted to the one who performed miracle after miracle, including raising people from the dead, to die Himself. They wanted the one who spoke of mercy, love, forgiveness, and grace to suffer a painful, humiliating end on a wooden cross on Golgatha. What a dark day indeed.

There's an old song that comes along with Good Friday that says, "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" As a little kid, I thought this song was a bit crazy. Of course I wasn't there. I'm not that old. I thought that maybe my grandparents were there, but I wasn't 😊. After hearing this song some more, and growing a little deeper in my analytical thinking, the reality is that I was there. Through the ways that I have disappointed God and broken His laws, I was in fact there, joining the voices saying Crucify. That truth absolutely breaks my heart. My sin caused a punishment that Jesus lovingly bore for me. When He was on the cross, He took my sins, my shame, my guilt and defeated it once and for all. The truth is that I could not have bore that burden. I could not have paid the price that was asked for my sins, so He had to do it for me. The day is not only dark because Jesus died. It's dark because of the actions of humanity, myself included, that He had to pay for.

If our story ended there, there would be no hope. There would be no purpose to life. But thanks be to God, it certainly doesn't end there. In 1 Corinthians, we read, "If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (1 Cor 15:13-14) With the resurrection of Christ, all things are fulfilled, and all things are true. He promised to conquer sin, death, and the devil, and this action on Good Friday did exactly that. But His promises would be incomplete without His resurrection.

I can only imagine the wonder on the eyes of those who found the empty tomb. As Mary and Mary went to the tomb that Easter Sunday morning, they went with sorrow that Jesus had died. Imagine their wonder when the angel told them that He was not there – He had risen. Their despair turned to hope. Their sorrow turned to excitement, and they had to go and tell. That same excitement, enthusiasm, and gratitude is still something that can fill our souls today. The wonder of Easter is not confined to a specific Sunday on a calendar, but it is something that fills our lives and gives purpose and meaning to us each day. Those sins that we shamefully show to God each day are defeated, and they have no power over us. The only power now is that of our Risen Lord, and it is a power that He gives to us so that we can have eternal life with Him.

Yes – today is Good Friday, and it's a solemn, mournful day. But Easter light overshadows Good Friday's sorrow and eliminates it forever. You are loved – so much that Jesus did this FOR YOU! May the joy of Easter be the compass of your life as it points Heavenward in Christ. He is risen – He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

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April 19th, 2019



Me & My Gal Event:

The Mother/Son Movie Night previously scheduled for Friday May 3rd has been cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

Me & My Guy Event:

The Father/Daughter Dance is scheduled for Saturday May 4th, invites are coming home in your Envelope today. Song requests? Please email David at David.henkemeyer@gmail.com



In Your Family Envelope:

- 2019-2020 School Calendar
- Me & My Guy Dance invite RSVPs

Dates at a Glance:

Sunday 4/21	Easter Sunday, HE IS RISEN!
Monday 4/22	Easter Monday, No School
Tuesday 4/23	Kickball Practice, 3pm 6 th Grade to Outdoor School, 4/23-4/26
Wednesday 4/24	Chapel Host Mt. Olive, 8:20pm
Thursday 4/25	IM & 3 rd Grades in Tillamook, All day Track Meet at Life, 3:30pm
Friday 4/26	Track Meet, Catlin Gabel Invite
Saturday 4/27	2019 Annual Fundraising Auction, 4:30pm
Monday 4/29	Track Subdistricts
Tuesday 4/30	Kickball Practice, 3pm
Wednesday 5/1	Buddy Chapel Host St. Peters, 8:20am
Friday 5/3	Run for the Hills Event, All Day
Saturday 5/4	Me & My Guy Dance, 6:30pm



News from the Principal

Talent Show:

We are in need of a volunteer or volunteers to help run the annual spring talent show. If you are interested in helping please email: principal@FHLCS.org

McTeacher's Night:

Mark your calendars! McTeacher's Night will be 5/15 from 5-8pm. More details to come in the coming weeks.

April Showers bring May Flowers, and weeds, and bark, and pruning, and... Spring has officially sprung on campus and we need some volunteers to join the Campus Beautification Committee. We have projects for all skill levels and time commitments. Do you enjoy gardening and yard work? Then we are the committee for you! Contact Dani in the office for more details and a list of current needs/wishes. brownd@fhcls.org



Full School Calendar: [HERE](#)
Guest WiFi: Falcons!

Forest Hills is currently accepting applications and resumes for the position of **Director of Advancement**. This director is responsible for marketing, retention, and recruitment activities for Forest Hills. They must understand the relationship between the churches and the school and work to foster these relationships. Fundraising knowledge and experience is also key. For more information, or to apply, e-mail Mike Schiemann, Principal at principal@fhcls.org. Applications are due no later than midnight on Friday, April 19, 2019.

