

Forest Hills Friday News

Friends and Family of Forest Hills,

Here we are once again at a pivotal moment in the church's history. This coming week begins the most 'up and down' week in the history of the world. It is a week that began with a resounding celebration of people singing Hosanna to the King as Jesus entered Jerusalem. He was greeted with the waving of palm branches and the voices of countless saying, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." Sadly, those voices changed their tune, when, just four short days later, they started chanting, "Crucify Him. Crucify Him." It still amazes me how much things can change in such a short time!

But thanks be to God that this was all in His plan as He began the best plan ever – salvation for you and me. Through the agonizing suffering and death of Jesus, our sins have been paid for. Each thing that you and I have done that is not in line with the law of God, separates us from Him. Yet in Jesus, the price for those sins has been paid, and we are free to live as forgiven children of God.

There was one more voice that needed to be heard that Easter morning in order to complete the story. It wasn't a crowd of people. It wasn't even a small group that had gathered. It was one voice saying, "He is not here – He is risen, just as He said." This voice shared the message that echoes into eternity. In this statement, we can see that Jesus fulfilled the plan that God had for Him, and the plan for salvation that God had for us. This voice brings peace, brings mercy, and shows the unending, overwhelming love of God.

Sometimes, we find ourselves aligning with different voices throughout the story. There are times in our life when we join the celebration of many and shout Hosanna to Jesus. When things in our life are going well, it is easy to sing, even shout praises to God! Sadly, there are also times in our life when our voice (and our thoughts and actions) more closely align with the crowd shouting, "Crucify Him." In our sin, we once again put those nails through Jesus' hands and feet. When that voice is the loudest in your life, we can thank God that He didn't pull those nails out. Because of His great love for us, he endures the punishment on our behalf so that our relationship with Him is restored. In our sinfulness, God is still there. He is always ready to forgive, to love, and to restore. What happened on that hill 2,000 years ago is no less powerful today.

In the end, we can all be thankful that we still get to hear that one, still small voice. We are constantly reminded and reassured that He has risen, just as He said. No matter what voices we join, no matter what we do, the truth of Christ's victory over sin, death, and the devil is sure and certain. "O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law, but thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 15:55-57)

The victory that Jesus won on the cross is a gift for you. As you go through Holy Week, may you be blessed as you remember the voices throughout the ages, and the choir that you join singing, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" Rev. 5:13.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

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April 11th, 2019



- **Yearbooks** Our 2018-2019 yearbooks are now available for order. Order deadline is April 15th. Use our [direct link](#).



- **Auction Tickets** tomorrow is the LAST day to buy tickets. Click [here](#) to purchase.
- **Volunteers!** We are looking for volunteers to help during Auction Week (April 22nd-28th) Please stop by the office or email [AUCTION](#) to sign up.
- **Ice Cream Social** Remember to join us THIS AFTERNOON for the Auction Classroom Art Reveal in the Library. Right after school until 4pm. Come look at our collection of student made art that will be on auction April 27th. Enjoy some ice cream too!

Me & My Gal Event:

PAL Service Hour Opportunity - This year, the PTA will be sponsoring a movie night for the "Me & My Gal" (Mother/Son) event. We need your help to make it happen! We need 3-4 volunteers to fill the roles of: tech lead, snack helpers, and greeter/check-in. (Note: we must fill these spots by April 17th, in order to hold this event!) Please see the attached [Google Doc](#) or contact Alyssa Shifra at blue_sparrow07@yahoo.com for more information!



Forest Hills week at VillaSport is April 15th-21st. See attached flyers for more information.

In Your Family Envelope:

- **Run for the Hills** packets are coming home TODAY

Dates at a Glance:

Thursday 4/11	Auction Reveal, 3pm Track Meet @ Portland Christian 3:30pm Middle School Dance, 7:30pm
Friday 4/12	Professional Development, No School
Sunday 4/14	Palm Sunday 3 rd Grade to sing at Mt. Olive, 9am
Tuesday 4/16	Readers Theater Assembly, 10am & 12:30pm
Wednesday 4/17	Buddy Chapel Host Mr. Schiemann, 8:20am Track Meet at Portland Christian, 3:30pm
Thursday 4/18	Maundy Thursday
Friday 4/19	Good Friday All School Field Trip to Bethlehem, 9am Easter Chapel, 2:15pm
Sunday 4/21	Easter Sunday, HE IS RISEN!
Monday 4/22	Easter Monday, No School

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@fhllcs.org. Applications are due no later than midnight on Friday, April 19, 2019.

