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PRINTABLE ORDER FOR LIVE STREAM WORSHIP Sunday, April 19, 2020

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship (Sanctuary)

Good morning! Today we gather via electronic worship and welcome all ages to participate in this blended worship experience. You may wish to have a Bible on hand to look up the passages. Kids: race your parents to look up the verses!

WELCOME AND WORK OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Kelly LePenske

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Dawn

Jenkins Joel Krott

Call To Worship Kelly LePenske

O living God, you are the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt.

Your absence leaves us scared and uncertain,

and your presence is overwhelming.

Breathe on us with your abundant life,

so we may have the courage to touch your wounds like Thomas.

Let us declare like he did:

My Lord and my God! Let us worship our risen Savior!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Prayer of Confession Rev. Stuart Spencer

Wondrous God, we confess that our doubts and fears usually overrides our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lost sight of the joy of your love and give into gloom and despair. Lift up our spirits, Lord. Help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection in the future. We give thanks for your Son, Jesus the Christ, who continues to offer us new life, who shows his wounds, and in doing so, heals ours. Forgive us, restore us, renew us. In the name of our Savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Time for personal prayers of confession before God

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PSALTER READING Psalm 16:1–11 (New Living Translation)

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Silence for reflection and meditation

Special Music Consider the Lilies Hoffman

Fernando Mancillas, Tenor Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Sharing with our Children Kelly LePenske

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER ('debts')

Rev. Stuart Spencer

WAY OF THE WEEK 17

SHOW WHO YOU REALLY ARE. Our church is for "real" people. Bring your true self, including your joys, your sorrows, your fears, your strengths and your weaknesses. God loves you as you are. Don't hide your struggles, failures or problems.

When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. (Romans 5:6)

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. (John 3: 16)

OFFERTORY

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SERMON "THE DOUBTING DISCIPLE" Kelly LePenske

Scripture: <u>John 20: 19–29 (NLT)</u> **Sermon Series: Not a Fan**

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR SERVICE Ye Sons and Daughters Let us Sing, Alleluia! Willan

Kathy Gunsallus

BENEDICTION AND GOING FORTH Kelly LePenske

Special Music Blessed Hope Martin Bass

Martin Bass and Band

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9:30 a.m. Worship Ministry (Blended, Sanctuary)

Music: Joel Krott, Kathy Gunsallus, Martin Bass, Christine Bass

Soloist: Fermando Mancillas

Sound Technicians: Harris Ransom and Sam Spencer

• **Today's flowers** are given to the glory of God by Steve Smith in loving memory of his beloved wife Betsy Smith.

- **Next Sunday, April 26, Live Stream Worship 9:30 a.m.:** Scripture: Acts 17: 1-10. Rev. Spencer preaches *Prelude: A Three-Week Storm* beginning our new sermon series.
- Connect with First Presbyterian Church for live streamed worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for a blended service and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. for our Evening Prayer Service. Go to www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream from your computer, phone or tablet. If you can't log on live, visit the site at a later time and enjoy the recorded worship service.
- The church office is CLOSED until further notice. Staff members are reachable via e-mail, phone and text, and are working at home. Are you receiving the Friday eblast? And our Facebook posts? If not, email Jan Martin at imartin@fpcmoorestown.org so you can keep up with FPC news. God bless you and keep well.

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- 1. PBS interview with Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor: Doubt and Disillusionment as Divine Gifts
- 2. Devotional podcast (Pray As You Go) on John 20: 19–31
- 3. Martin Bass and Band singing an original song, "Blessed Hope"