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Day of Pentecost ~ May 31, 2020

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

Good morning and Blessings to you this Day of Pentecost! 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

Stuart Spencer

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Nun Bitten Wir den Heiligengeist
Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Buxtehude

CALL TO WORSHIP

Kelly LePenske, Stuart Spencer, Holly Asciutto

"On the day of Pentecost, seven weeks after Jesus' resurrection, the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm in the skies above them, and it filled the house . . ." (Acts 2: 1 – 2)

(Holly) In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the waters; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters. (Water)

(Stuart) The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. (Wind)

(Kelly) I baptize you with water, but one more powerful than I is coming who will baptize you with Holy Spirit and with fire. (Flame)

In the last days, God said, "I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and your daughters will prophesy; your young will see visions and your old will dream dreams. In those days I will pour out my Spirit upon all my servants, men and women alike . . ." (Acts 2: 17, 18)

Come to us, Spirit of God, breathe in us now, we sing together, Spirit of hope and light, fill our lives; come to us Spirit of God.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Stuart Spencer

Merciful and gracious God,

Our hearts cry out for you to make us whole again.

Even as we celebrate that you have come to dwell within us,

We have sinned against you and abandoned your commandments.

We have been jealous, possessive, ambivalent, and impulsive.

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**We have not heeded your Word and we have not cherished your covenant.
Help us to glorify you in all times and in all places.
As our souls thirst for your living waters,
Quench our needs and satisfy our love.
That we may come back to you and be sent forth
To fill the world with your mercy and grace.
In the name of your son, Jesus Christ,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit who is at work within us. Amen.**

Time for personal prayers of confession before God

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SOLO

We Sing to Him
Gwen Wilkie, Alto Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Harmonia Sacra

We sing to him, whose wisdom form'd the ear,
our songs, let Him who gave us voices, hear;
we joy in God, who is the Spring of mirth,
who loves the harmony of Heav'n and Earth;
our humble sonnets shall that praise rehearse,
who is the music of the Universe.
And whilst we sing, and whilst we sing
we consecrate our art, and offer up with every tongue a heart.

SHARING WITH OUR CHILDREN

Holly Asciutto

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

Kelly LePenske

WAY OF THE WEEK #23: WORSHIP WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART

Your life is meant to be an act of worship. Every breath, action, and thought flows from God and can bring him glory. Praise God everywhere and embrace the opportunities to regularly worship with your church family.

"And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength." (Mark 12: 30)

And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. (Romans 12: 1, 2)

Let everything that breathes sing praises to the Lord! (Psalm 150: 6)

OFFERTORY

THANK YOU to all who have signed up for our secure electronic giving; a simple automatic withdrawal or debit card transaction. Visit <https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/giving>. You may also give via cell phone through the Church Center app (download from the Apple or Google Play App Store) or mail your offering to the church. Need help? Contact Norman Vandergrift at (856) 986-4507 (cell/text) or nvandergrift@fpcmoorestown.org.

- See program notes for information about today's Pentecost COVID-19 Relief Offering.

ANTHEM *Blessed Be The Lord, Who Doeth Wondrous Things* Henry Purcell
Janet Wilkie, Soprano Gwen Wilkie, Alto Nate Wilkie, Bass Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Blessed be the Lord, who doeth wondrous things.
Blessed be his name both now and evermore.
Let us sing his praises and glorify Him.
In heav'n above and earth below let voices ring.
Great is the Lord and very great His power,
The Lord is gracious and greatly to be praised.
Let us sing His praises and glorify Him,
In Heav'n above and earth below both now and evermore!

SERMON **"WHOLLY, HOLY LIVING"** Stuart Spencer
Scripture: [1 Thessalonians 4: 1-10](#) (NLT)
Sermon Series: Becoming a Beacon

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Blessing of the Bread and Cup
Communion of God's People (please eat and drink as directed by the Pastor)
Prayer of Thanksgiving

MUSIC IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP *Marche* Charpentier
Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

BENEDICTION AND GOING FORTH Stuart Spencer

SPECIAL MUSIC [The Lion and the Lamb](#)
(view performance) The Contemporary Worship Team

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[Special Video Presentation: 23Rd Psalm](#)

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

Music: Kathy Gunsallus; Contemporary Worship Team
Soloists: Gwen Wilkie, Janet Wilkie, Nate Wilkie
Sound Technicians: Harris Ransom, Martin Bass, Sam Spencer
Flower Arranger: Debbie Heller and Fran Green

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Pentecost.

- **TODAY: [Food Pantry Parade](#)** from 12:30-2:00 p.m. outside in the church drive-through; collecting non-perishable food items in a drive-by event. **A special offering** is also being collected to aid local missions. Please use the drop down with your online gift, or put [“Pentecost COVID-19 Relief Offering”](#) in the memo line of your mailed check (no cash please). You may drop off donations at the Food Pantry Parade too.
- **[A Special Meeting of the Congregation](#)** will be held Sunday, June 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m via Zoom, immediately following the 9:30 am live stream worship. Check-in on Zoom will begin by 10:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Elders, Deacons and Trustees to a term of office beginning July 1, 2020. No other business may be brought before the congregation. **Zoom Meeting ID: 850 7636 2315 and Password 6BH45E**
- **The church office is CLOSED.** Staff members are reachable at home via email, phone and text. Are you receiving the Friday eblast? And our Facebook posts? If not, email Jan Martin at jmartin@fpcmoorestown.org so you can keep up with FPC news.
- **Live Stream Worship** -- Connect with FPC Moorestown for live stream worship every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for a blended service and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. for our Prayer Service. Go to www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream from any device, as well as our [YouTube channel](#) and [Facebook page](#). Can't log on live? Visit the site later to watch the recorded service.



RESOURCES for sermon series: Becoming A Beacon: Studies in 1 Thessalonians

1. **[The Amazing Love of Paul's Model Church](#)** by Edward N. Gross (available through Amazon)
This book on the church of Thessalonica confronts us as disciples with the strategic and visionary way early followers of Christ understood the good news of the Gospel, internalized it and lived accordingly -- with great impact.
2. **[The Harvest Prayer of Jesus](#)** by Edward N. Gross (Available through Parson'sPorch.com).
Notice that there is a 25% reduction by putting GOODBOOK in the code at checkout.

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