



Sunday, March 28, 2021 ~ Palm Sunday
11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

Way of the Week #16

16. GIVE CHEERFULLY. Rejoice, you get to give! Think of giving as a privilege rather than an obligation, a joy instead of a burden. As you consider all that's been entrusted to you – time, abilities and money – ask, "How is God calling me to share what I've been given?"

◆ *You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." (2 Corinthians 9: 7)*

◆ *"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full – pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back." (Luke 6: 38)*

Ideas for Action: Consider making a special financial gift this week to the church or one of our mission partners. What else, besides money, can you give this week? How about your time or your forgiveness?

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

The Ten Commandments

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Music in Preparation for Worship

Maestoso in C Minor (Op. 16, No. 1)

Joel Krott, Organ

Vierne/Schreiner

Introit

Ride On! Ride On In Majesty

Soprano: Bobbi Vogelsong, Margaret Munro, Rebecca Castellanos, Janet Wilkie

Alto: Gwen Wilkie, Alexis Fields, Carol Clarke, Barbara Adams

Tenor: Fernando Mancillas, Michael Jones, Nate Wilkie

Bass: Frank Mitchell, Stephen Gross, Sam Scheibe

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Wolle

Ride on! Ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Savior, meek, pursue Thy road with palms and scattered garments strewed.

Call to Worship

Kelly LePenske

When God appeared on earth in the person of Jesus, the world did not recognize him.

We open our eyes to see his glory!

When Jesus spoke truth to the powerful and powerless, the world did not understand him.

We open our ears to hear his wisdom!

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, the world was unaware he would soon be crucified.

We open our mouths to tell the whole story and sing Hosanna!

When Jesus gave up his life for all people, the world did not know how to respond.

We open our hearts to offer him our love. Jesus is Lord!

Prayer of Adoration

Kelly LePenske

Call to Confession

Frantz Constant

Time for Personal Confession

Kyrie: Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Healey Willan

Adult Choir Ensemble

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy up on us.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Frantz Constant

Merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have not done. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Frantz Constant

Hear God's Word for your life from Psalm 118:

Let those who fear the Lord say, his steadfast love endures forever. Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free. The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. In Christ, God answers us and sets us free! In Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Hosanna

Adult Choir Ensemble
Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Christian Gregor

Hosanna, blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer ('debts')

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Offertory

Rev. Stuart Spencer

*Your giving dramatically impacts the ministry of First Presbyterian Church. These offerings allow us to fully support our staff and honor commitments to mission partners during the pandemic. **Thank you** to all who have signed up for our secure [automatic withdrawal](#) or are giving directly through the [Church Center app](#) for tithes and offerings. Please mark "Easter offering" on checks mailed to the church or given through the offering plate for your holiday offering. Electronic givers may use the convenient drop down for Easter Offering.*

Offertory Music

O Thou Eternal Christ, Ride On!

Adult Choir Ensemble
Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Austin Lovelace

O Thou Eternal Christ of God Ride on! Ride on! Ride on!
Establish Thou for evermore the triumph now begun.
A mighty host, by Thee redeemed is marching in Thy train:
Thine is the Kingdom and the power and Thou in love shalt reign.

O Holy Savior of mankind. Ride on! Ride on! Ride on!
We bear with Thee the scourge and cross if so Thy will be done.
And be the road up hill or down, unbroken or well trod.
We go with Thee to claim and build a city unto God.

O Thou are the Life and Light. Exalted Lord and King.
We hail Thine august majesty and loud hosannas sing!
Until in every land and clime Thine ends of love are won:
O Christ, Redeemer, Brother, Friend, Ride on! Ride on! Ride on!

Sermon

Kelly LePenske

"We Won't Be Silent"

Scripture Text: [Luke 19: 29-40 \(NLT\)](#)

Chapter 8 from *The Good and Beautiful Community*: "The Worshipping Community"

Music in Preparation for Service

All Glory, Laud and Honor

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Kosche

Benediction and Going Forth Kelly LePenske

Those in the sanctuary are invited to leave an offering in the offering box located at the back of the narthex. Online gifts may also be made directly from the Church Center app on your smart phone.

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

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| Audio Technician: | Harris E. Ransom |
| Live Video Streaming: | Harris A. Ransom |
| Flower Arrangers: | Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop |
| Ushers: | John Miller, Jack Terry, Joe Scheideler, Brett Couvillion, Barry Leatherman |
| Trustee Greeter: | Bill Conner |
| Seminary Interns: | Frantz Constant, Beth Douglass |

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given by Susan Masiko to the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother Grace Worthing

Live Stream Check-In -- In an effort to gather data regarding our Sunday live stream, viewers are asked to check in on their smart phone by using the Church Center App. (At this time, Check-in is not available on the computer.) It just takes a few seconds. When watching the live stream from anywhere on Sunday morning:

1. Open the Church Center App on your phone or device. Select the "Check-In" icon (bottom right).
2. Tap the service you are viewing (will say '**Sunday Morning Live Stream**' in the title).
3. Check in yourself and your family members. That's it! Our reports will tell us you were watching.

Holy Week Schedule ([See our events page and website](#))

- **Palm Sunday, March 28:** 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship - *Miller Commons, in-person*; 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - *Sanctuary, in-person* as we herald Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. Fish banks for *One Great Hour of Sharing* are returned as a Lenten offering or use electronic giving drop down. **NOTE: Please see the baskets in the Narthex AND Commons Lobby for the safe return of this Lenten offering.**
- **Maundy Thursday, April 1:** 7:00 p.m. with the Lord's Supper; Beth Douglass preaches this meaningful service of the Last Supper - *Miller Commons, live stream only*.
- **Good Friday Tenebrae Worship, April 2:**
Moorestown Ministerium Virtual Good Friday Service: The Last 7 Words of Christ featuring local preachers. Our Stuart Spencer preaches the 7th word. Available virtually; 12 noon. Visit Trinity Episcopal's YouTube page <http://www.youtube.com> or our website at www.fpcmoorestown.org.
7:00 p.m. Tenebrae Worship; Frantz Constant preaching. Tenebrae features a gradual extinguishing of candles and "strepitus" or loud noise taking place in the darkness - *Sanctuary, in-person worship*.
- **Easter, April 4:** He is Risen! 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Worship at the Cemetery Cross, Lord's Supper (in-person outside); 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship – *Miller Commons, live stream only*; 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - *Sanctuary, live stream only*.

Return to Two Services -- Beginning on Sunday, April 11, we will return to two worship services: 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) and 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons). Sunday School for ages Kindergarten to 6th grade will move to 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.