



Sunday, April 11, 2021 ~ Second Sunday of Easter
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

Way of the Week

18. ASK FOR HELP. Part of being a real and authentic member of the church is to acknowledge your weaknesses and be willing to ask for God's help and the support of others. None of us can go it alone. Vulnerability is a sign of strength and a gift to others.

- *"Lord, help!', they cried in their trouble, and He rescued them from their distress."*
(Psalm 107:6)
- *"Each time He said, 'My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness.' So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me."*
(II Corinthians 12:9)

Ideas for Action: First think about what you need help with right now. Then share that need with someone else from our congregation this week.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Kelly LePenske

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Hope Has a Name

Hosanna

Call to Worship

Frantz Constant

Glory to you, Lord God!

On Easter, You won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus!

For us and for our salvation, You overcame death and opened for us the gates to everlasting life.

Blessed are you, Spirit of God!

You lead us into truth, and You abide within us forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit! Let us worship God!

Prayer of Confession

Kelly LePenske

Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired, new love where we have turned bitter and close-hearted, forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have hurt others, and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit where we are prisoners of ourselves.

(Time for our personal prayers of confession to God.)

In the bright light of Easter morning, O God, our sin is exposed, and Your grace is revealed. Tender God, raise us in Your love, so that, with joy, we may see Your awesome deeds in the name and for the sake of Jesus, the risen One. Because we agree in prayer, let God's people say: **Amen.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Kelly LePenske

Sharing with Our Children

Rev. Stuart Spencer

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

Rev. Spencer

Offertory

Rev. 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 dropdown for Easter Offering.*

Praise Song

Worship Team

God Who Saves

Sermon

Frantz Constant

"Do You Believe...?"

Scripture Text: [John 20:19-31](#)

Closing Song

Worship Team

We Believe

Benediction and Going Forth

Frantz Constant

You are invited to leave an offering in the offering box located by the doors into Miller Commons. Online gifts may also be made directly from the Church Center app on your smart phone.

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician:	Taylor Adair
Visuals:	Alice Conley
Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums
Flower Arrangers:	Debbie Heller and Carol Morgan
Ushers:	Greg and Steve Connlain
Trustee Greeter:	Mike Ramage
Seminary Interns:	Frantz Constant, Beth Douglass

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Sheila Schneider in loving memory of Franz and our parents.

Return to Two Services: Beginning on April 11, we will return to two worship services and are happy to be able to safely provide the experience of our Contemporary Service. The Traditional Service will resume its 8:30 a.m. time in the Sanctuary; and the Contemporary Service will begin at 11:00 a.m. in Miller Commons. Sunday School (kindergarten to 6th grade) will move to 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Sunday Check-in: We're looking for three volunteers at each Service (3 for 8:30 a.m. Traditional & 3 for 11:00 a.m. Contemporary). For each Service, two volunteers will be stationed in the Commons Lobby and one will be stationed in the narthex. Teens are welcome! Please see the Sign-Up Genius link below for vacancies and where you can help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D48A5AD23A1FC1-help>. For questions or to sign up, contact Alison Mackey (Ext. 113) or Kelly LePenske (Ext. 101) in the church office at 856.235.1688.

Gracism: The Art of Inclusion – A joint, virtual study with the Converge Church coming in June, Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. FPC Moorestown and the Converge Church, a multicultural congregation in Moorestown, will join together for a four-week study of the book, *Gracism: The Art of Inclusion* by David Anderson. When people deal with color, class or culture in a negative way, that's racism. We can look at color, class and culture in a positive way. That's "gracism". Pastor David Anderson, Senior Pastor of the Bridgeway Community Church, invites followers of Jesus to respond to prejudice and injustice with the principle of gracism, radical inclusion for the marginalized and excluded. Our joint study allows for our two congregations to study, listen, share, and pray together while beginning or building friendships. Watch for more details coming soon. For additional information on Gracism, visit the website: www.embracegracism.com.

Pastor Spencer will be on a Study Leave. Stuart will be away on a Study Leave from April 12 through April 19. In his absence, Kelly LePenske is available for pastoral care.