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Sunday, May 2, 2021 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

Way of the Week #21

21. YOU'RE SENT, NOW GO. We're blessed to be a blessing. God intends to use you to bless, heal, restore, and liberate a dark and hurting world. We're here for others: in our families and our community and in the world. Go to the need. Live missionally.

You are the light of the world – like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. (Matthew 5: 14-16)

Ideas for Action: Check out the Missions tab on our website. Look at our local mission partners' websites for information and ideas for service. Contact Linda Jagiela, Director of Outreach, for additional suggestions. Make plans to go and serve ASAP.

| Welcome and Work of God's People | Rev. Stuart Spencer |
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| Music in Preparation for Worship | |
| O Sacred Head | Kunhau |
| O Sacred Head | J.S. Bach BWV 727 |
| Joel Krott, Organ | |
| Call to Worship | Frantz Constant |

Come, let's worship God. Let's follow Jesus with the boldness of Levi.

We leave our old ways behind to become disciples of Jesus.

Come as you are, healthy or sick, strong or weak. Jesus has a place for you at his table.

We receive Jesus' love with humility, gratitude and awe.

Come and listen to the truth and hope Jesus speaks to people everywhere.

We lean in to hear his words, how they beckon us toward brand new life.

Come, let us follow our Lord without hesitation.

| Prayer of Adoration | Frantz Constant |
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| Call to Confession | Kelly LePenske |
| Prayer of Confession (in unison) | Kelly LePenske |

Living God, forgive us for all that we have done and left undone; for all that we have said and left unsaid; for every opportunity we've squandered to be people of hope and love. Forgive our arrogant attitudes—we'd rather look at the failings of others than our own shortcomings. We stereotype and judge others, and sometimes we come down hardest of all on ourselves. Help us to see ourselves and our neighbor through your eyes—the eyes that looked at the world from the perspective of the cross.

Response

What Thou, My Lord, Hast Suffered

Gwen Wilkie, Alto Joel Krott, Organ

What Thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain; Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain. Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve Thy place; Look on me with Thy favor, and grant to me Thy grace.

Assurance of Forgiveness (from 1 John 4)

Kelly LePenske

Harmonized by J.S. Bach

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. Praise God we are forgiven and freed! So we respond with a renewed commitment:

Since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. We commit ourselves to being people of grace, hope and love!

Anthem

Lonesome Valley

Youth Ensemble Kathy Gunsallus, Piano Amer. Folk Melody/Martin

Jesus walked His lonesome valley, He had to walk it for Himself; Nobody else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it for Himself.

Jesus went to stand His trial; He had to stand it for Himself; Nobody else could stand it for Him, He had to stand it for Himself.

I must walk my lonesome valley, I have to walk it for myself. Nobody else can walk it for me, I have to walk it for myself. 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 <u>automatic withdrawal</u> or are giving directly through the <u>Church Center app</u> for tithes and offerings.

Offertory Music

Ubi Caritas Victor C. Johnson

Youth Ensemble

Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Ubi caritas et amore, Where there is charity and love,

Deus ibi est. God is there.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amore. We gather as one in Christ's love.

Exultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincere. And from a sincere heart, let us love one another.

Sermon Kelly LePenske

"More Than a Band-Aid"

Scripture Text: Mark 2: 13-17 (NLT)

The Lord's Supper Rev. Stuart Spencer

The Invitation to the Table
The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Solo

What Language Shall I Borrow Hassler

Gwen Wilkie, Alto Joel Krott, Piano

Harmonized by J.S. Bach

What language shall I borrow to Thank Thee, dearest Friend, For this Thy dying sorrow, Thy pity without end?

O make me Thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to Thee.

Music in Preparation for Service

O Sacred Head Walther

Joel Krott, Organ

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.

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8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician: Harris E. Ransom Live Video Streaming: Steve Drzaszcz

Flower Arrangers: Debbie Heller, Carol Morgan

Ushers: Paul Lewis, Barry Leatherman, Leonard Fitts

Trustee Greeter: Patrick McIlroy

Youth Ensemble: Soprano – Alivia Nawrocki, Anna Lawlor, Abigail Fuss; Alto – Olivia Pocius,

Jess Zorn, Ava Gandy, Bethany Trzeciak; Baritone - Bryan Gaskill, Will Gaskill,

Adam Connor, Jack Legath

Today's Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the ministry of Kelly LePenske.

Special Meeting of the Congregation

TODAY: Sunday, May 2 at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom to elect officers
See our website, online Events page, eblasts and Facebook page for Zoom link

<u>Drive Through Farewell Reception</u> -- Kelly's last day with us is today, in preparation for her May 15 wedding. Wish Kelly well in person at a Drive-Through Farewell from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Main Parking Lot.

<u>NEW: Discipleship Study (Sundays 9:45 a.m.)</u> -- Join Pastor Stuart and Rev. Paul Asciutto for a Sunday study of discipleship. Participants will use the companion Study Guide for the Discipleship Gospel (\$10). The class begins on Sunday, May 23rd and concludes on August 16th. The study will be offered both in-person and virtually via Zoom. Masks are required on campus. Please REGISTER on our <u>online Events page</u> (see blue-green REGISTER oval). Find more information at <u>www.fpcmoorestown.org</u>.



<u>Gracism: The Art of Inclusion</u> – Register on our Events page for a virtual study with the Converge Church June 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 7-9 p.m. The study will explore *Gracism: The Art of Inclusion* by David Anderson. For information visit: <u>www.embracegracism.com.</u> To REGISTER, visit our <u>online Event page</u>.

Vacation Bible School "Rocky Railway": June 28th - July 2nd, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Children entering Kindergarten through entering 6th grade (Fall 2021) are invited to climb aboard for mountains of fun on this faith-filled adventure! Cost: \$20 per child. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 9**th (see our <u>online Events page</u> and website).

<u>Virtual Mission Fair</u>: *Missionopoly, May 9-23* – Take a virtual trip around the world! Interactive mission fair. See our online Events page and website for details.