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Sunday, July 4, 2021 ~ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

Way of the Week

5. ASSUME POSITIVE INTENT. Decide to trust that other members are being fair, honest, and concerned for the well-being of our church. Set aside your own judgments and preconceived notions. Surrender the urge to criticize and judge – it doesn't help. Graciously give people the benefit of the doubt.

"Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins." (I Peter 4:8)

<u>Ideas for Action</u>: Take a "criticism inventory." Just how critical are you, really? Ask someone you love and trust to tell you how you're doing in this area. Try a 24-hour fast from all forms of criticism. No complaining or criticism for an entire day.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Peter Jonescu

Song of Praise

Worship Team

This is Amazing Grace

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Time for silent prayer and reflection

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Spencer

By Christ's work, we are reconciled and united with God and with one another. Thanks be to God for the Good News.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Offertory Peter Jonescu

Your giving dramatically impacts the ministry of First Presbyterian Church. Your tithes and offerings allow us to fully support church operations and our work in the world. Our ministry continues every day. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box by the doors. Electronic giving is here to stay! Sign up for this simple, secure <u>automatic withdrawal</u>. Online gifts may also be made from the Church Center app on your smart phone.

Praise Song Worship Team

The Stand

Sermon Peter Jonescu

Mountain-Moving Faith

Scripture Text: Mark 11:12-25 (NLT)

Sermon Series: Live-able: The Discipleship Gospel

Communion Rev. Spencer

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup (Please prepare a communion serving for yourself and any who are worshipping with you.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer Rev. Spencer

Closing Song Worship Team

What a Beautiful Name

Benediction and Going Forth Peter Jonescu

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician: Taylor Adair
Visuals: Jonathan Nawrocki

Worship Team: Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-

Bass; Barry Overton-Drums

Vocals: Sarah Bromke and Michelle Davis
Flower Arrangers: Debbie Heller and Fran Green
Ushers: Matt La Grou and Jeff Legath

Trustee Greeter: John Miller

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our 245th Birthday as a nation.

<u>Live-able: The Discipleship Gospel</u>: At FPC Moorestown, we strive to be a congregation *of* disciples who *make* disciples. The message we preach and the message we hear determines the disciple we'll become and the disciples we'll make. We're closely examining the "discipleship gospel", what Jesus preached

and what we must do using the Gospel of Mark. Our sermon series is *Live-able: The Discipleship Gospel.* For information on additional study resources, visit our Events page.

<u>Discipleship Study</u> - **Sundays 9:45 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall: Join Pastor Stuart and Rev. Paul Asciutto for a Sunday study of discipleship. Participants will use the companion Workbook for the Discipleship Gospel (\$10). The study concludes on Aug. 16. *The study will be offered both in-person and virtually via Zoom.* Please REGISTER on our online Events page.

Check-ins: Check-in has shifted to a **self-check in only** on your smart phone (no QR code to swipe). Volunteers remain available to assist. Please remember to check in from home when watching the live stream.

Revised Protocols for Worship: At its stated meeting on June 22, Session approved the following guidelines for our Worship Services and meetings:

- Effective Sunday, June 27, masks will be optional. Some people may decide to wear a mask for a number of reasons. As disciples, we honor and love one another without judgment.
- > Starting Sunday, July 4 (our Independence Day), congregational singing will be permitted at both Services. We'll start slowly, meaning that the congregation will sing a couple of times in each Worship Service. Beginning on June 27, singers at both Services won't wear masks.

"Rocky Railway" Vacation Bible School: See our event page (and front of Connections) for a listing of our fantastic adult volunteers, teen volunteers, office and Property staff who helped with this important community outreach. It was good to be back! Special kudos to our VBS Director Holly Asciutto, VBS intern Lauren Clark, and their creative team.

Monday, July 5: The church campus will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

Outdoor Hymnsings: Join your Church Family as we gather safely outdoors to sing God's praises and offer our prayers. On the first Wednesday of July, August and September at 7:00 p.m., we'll meet in the courtyard (between the Commons Lobby and main parking lot). Bring your chair(s). Our Hymnsing includes lots of singing with a reflection on our Way of the Week and a time to share prayer requests. You need not wear a mask. However, we'll respect anyone who chooses to do so. In the event of rain, it will be held the following Wednesday. How wonderful to gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.

Deacons' Toiletry Drive: Visit our <u>online event page</u> for information about the Toiletries Drive to support the Moorestown Ministerium Food Pantry, which continues through September.

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