

## Live-able

The Discipleship Gospel



**Sunday, July 25, 2021 ~ Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

### Way of the Week

- 8. JUMP IN.** Life is full of unexpected problems and needs, large and small. Pay attention to moments when God calls you to action, no matter how ordinary or extraordinary the situation may be. See “disruptions” as invitations to share Christ’s love. Write a note. Visit the sick or the grieving. Share a meal.

*“O people, the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)*

Ideas for Action: Practice one of the actions listed in this week’s description: Write a note, visit someone who lives alone, and/or share a meal.

### Welcome and Work of God’s People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

### Song of Praise

Worship Team

*Glorious Day*

### Prayer of Confession

Peter Jonescu

God of all the saints, God of all the sinners, hear our prayer. We would be saintlike – holy, good, patient, loving. But we end up feeling more like sinners – full of failures of morality, selfish, mean. Perhaps You see us simply as human – as beloved, flawed, trying, failing, and succeeding. In all of this, forgive the wrong that we have done; and bless the good we have accomplished. Keep on loving us, helping us, and molding us more and more into the image of Christ, in Whose name we pray. Amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

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Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and, thus, freed to love and serve. Alleluia! 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 [automatic withdrawal](#). Online gifts may also be made from the Church Center app on your smart phone.*

## Praise Song

Worship Team

***Great Are You, Lord***

## Sermon

Rev. Spencer

***Love on the Ground***

Scripture Text: [Mark 14:1-11 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: Live-able: The Discipleship Gospel

## Closing Song

Worship Team

***My Jesus, I Love Thee***

## Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Spencer

## Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Spencer

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

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<b>Audio Technician:</b>	Taylor Adair
<b>Visuals:</b>	Merritt Wikle
<b>Worship Team:</b>	Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums
<b>Vocals:</b>	Sarah Bromke and Michelle Davis
<b>Flower Arrangers:</b>	Martha Derry and Debbie Heller
<b>Usher:</b>	Matt La Grou
<b>Trustee Greeter:</b>	Bill Conner

**Today's flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jack's brother, Alex Sinunu by Rumi.

[Discipleship Study](#) - **Sundays 9:45 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall: Join Pastor Stuart and Rev. Paul Ascitutto for a Sunday study of discipleship. Participants 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.*

### Seven Essential Elements of the Gospel:

1. God's Kingdom is here.
2. Jesus is the Christ.
3. Jesus died for our sins.
4. Jesus was resurrected.
5. We repent of sin.
6. We believe the Gospel.
7. We follow Jesus.

**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 meeting on June 22, Session approved the following guidelines for our Worship Services and meetings:

- Masks are now 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 in July, congregational singing is permitted at both Services. Singers won't wear masks.

**Missions Book Club:** Rescheduled for **MONDAY, July 26** at **6:00 p.m.** via Zoom. We will be discussing *The Simple Faith of Mister Rogers* by Amy Hollingsworth. See our website/events for information and join us.

**Paint Wars!** (Grades 4-6): RESCHEDULED - Wednesday, **July 28** at 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Bring 2 towels.

**Summer Offering Reminder:** Please remember to stay current with your Pledge during the summer months, either through electronic giving or by mailing your check to the office.

**P. O. Box Address:** Effective June 2021, Post Office regulations stipulate that mail must be addressed to our **P. O. Box 868**. The street address 101 Bridgeboro Road may also appear on the address as this will be required for deliveries, event locations, etc. Please list the P. O. Box address first.

**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 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 Miller Commons. *How wonderful to gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.*

**Deacons' Toiletry Drive:** Visit our [online event page](#) for information about the Toiletries Drive to support the Moorestown Ministerium Food Pantry, which continues through September.