

## Live-able

The Discipleship Gospel



**Sunday, August 1, 2021 ~ Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

### Way of the Week

9. **PRAY FIRST AND PRAY AGAIN.** Ask *first* for God's guidance and blessing in everything you do. Through prayer, ask for wisdom and for God's will to be done. Pray for others as well, that God's love and blessing would be revealed to them in good times and in bad.

*"Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere." (Ephesians 6:18)*

Ideas for Action: On your next walk, run, or in your quiet time, intentionally pray for neighbors, other churches, schools, EMT's, police and fire personnel, and local officials. If you're stalled in your prayer life, reach out to one of the Pastors or a member of the Prayer Team for a suggestion.

### Welcome and Work of God's People

Peter Jonescu

### Song of Praise

Worship Team

***Awesome is the Lord Most High***

### Prayer of Confession

Peter Jonescu

**Holy and gracious God: At times, we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good; but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again. Help us, we pray. Help us to see You as our center and to cling to the good that You create in the world. Help us to set aside all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear His love and truth to the world. We pray in His name. Amen.**

*Time for silent prayer and reflection*

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Peter Jonescu

Hear and receive the Good News: "Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us."

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God! 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

### **Praises**

## Sermon

Rev. Anthony Maimone

### **Now This is God's Son**

Scripture Text: [Mark 15:33-39 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: Live-able: The Discipleship Gospel

## Communion

Rev. Maimone

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

## Closing Song

Worship Team

### **God Who Saves**

## Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Maimone

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

<b>Audio Technician:</b>	Merritt Wikle
<b>Visuals:</b>	Alice Conley
<b>Worship Team:</b>	Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Curtis Blain-Drums
<b>Vocals:</b>	Ben & Susan Eley and Michelle Davis
<b>Flower Arrangers:</b>	Stacy Schaffer and Karin Miller
<b>Usher:</b>	Greg and Steve Connlain
<b>Trustee Greeter:</b>	Paul Lewis

**Today's flowers** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth of Joshua Stephen, born July 23 to parents Jenny and Steve Revucky.

**Welcome** to our Guest Preacher, Rev. Anthony J. Maimone, who is The Evergreens' Retirement Life Community's Chaplain in Moorestown since February 2020. Anthony graduated from Rutgers University with a BA in English and Political Science and attained his Master in Divinity at New Brunswick Theological Seminary. He has also served as the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Tuckerton from 2016-2019. Anthony is married to his wife, Rosanna, for 27 years and has two sons, Michael and Joseph.

**[Discipleship Study](#)** - **Sundays 9:45 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall: Join Pastor Stuart and Rev. Paul Ascutto for a study of discipleship. Participants use the companion Workbook for the Discipleship Gospel. The study concludes on Aug. 16. *The study is 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.

**[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.*

**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.

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

**[The Engagement Project](#)** – *Coming Sept. 15:* This 10-week study will meet Wednesday evenings at the church. When we draw near to God and contemplate His divine nature, it exposes us as it did Isaiah. It also awakens us to His Truth, which transforms us and calls us to engage the world around us. After we engage, we seek to restore the Truth of God in all areas of life. [Sign up online on our Events page.](#)