



Sunday, October 17, 2021 ~ Consecration Sunday

9:30 a.m. Blended Worship (Sanctuary) -- Have you checked in on the Church Center app?

*please stand as you are able

Welcome and Work of God's People

Stuart Spencer

Music in Preparation for Worship (Hymn #384)

This is My Father's World

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Dale Wood

Introit

Go Out and Tell The News

Junior Choir; Nancy Bender, Piano

Crockett

Go out and tell the news that Jesus Christ is Lord.
The Lord of Life, the Lord of all, go out and tell the news.

Go out and tell the news that Jesus Christ is hope.
The hope of life, the hope of all, go out and tell the news.

Go out and tell the news that Jesus Christ is peace.
The peace of life, the peace of all, go out and tell the news.

*Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 100)

Wes Allen

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

O God, we are your children, created by and with your love. Come my beloved friends, let us enter into God's glorious presence with joy and delight. Let us worship God!

Hymn No. 568 (verses 1, 2, 3)

Take My Life and Let it Be

Gwen Wilkie, soloist; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Prayer of Adoration

Wes Allen

Call to Confession

Paul Savage

Prayer of Confession (offered in unison)

Gracious God, you are the giver of every good and perfect gift. You give us our talents, our freedom, and our financial resources. We struggle to give back to you from these gifts. We often worry that these gifts are not enough; that we must hold onto them for ourselves and for our family. Remind us again that you have blessed us to be a blessing to others, and free us for more generous living. Forgive us, O God, for all our sins, as we continue to pray in silence...

Silent Prayer

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

"Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning."

Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.

We will trust and not doubt that our God forgives us fully. Alleluia! Amen.

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

Stuart Spencer

Offertory

Stuart Spencer

THANK YOU for your faithful giving. Your tithes and offerings dramatically impact our ministry, and allow us to 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 located in the narthex. Electronic giving is here to stay! Take advantage of this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Donate directly from your phone via the Church Center app too.

Offertory Music

Look At The World

Rutter

Adult Choir; Sophia Giannetto, Soloist; Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Look at the world, ev'rything all around us: look at the world and marvel every day.
Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along the way:

Refrain: Praise to thee, of Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts that we may see:
All the gifts we share and every blessing, all things come of Thee.
Look at the earth, bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;
Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain:

Refrain:
Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer brining the harvest before the winter's cold.
Ev'rything grows, ev'rything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father's fold:

Refrain:
Ev'ry good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of His love;
We are His hands, stewards of all His bounty; His is the earth and His the heave'ns above:

Refrain:

Sermon

Rev. Sam Massengill

"Great Things"

Scripture Text: Acts 1:1-8 and Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon Series: Now Is The Time

Hymn No. 657 (verses 1 & 3)

All Things Are Yours

Gwen Wilkie, soloist; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Dedication of our Gifts

Stuart Spencer

This morning as an act of worship, members will prayerfully consider their 2022 gift to the Lord's work, [Estimates of Giving](#) may be returned by mail, online, or may be dedicated in person at the Drive-Up Dedication today in the main parking lot from 11:30-noon. Celebrate God's goodness at an outdoor coffee hour in the courtyards!

Way of the Week #20

20. FIND STRENGTH IN BELONGING. At FPC Moorestown, you're loved and valued. Claim us as your family. Rather than withdrawing, allow struggles and disappointments to deepen your sense of belonging. Pray for chances to bring healing to relationships. Please be patient! God isn't yet finished with us or with you.

For we don't live for ourselves or die for ourselves. If we live, it's to honor the Lord. And if we die, it's to honor the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. Christ died and rose again for this very purpose—to be Lord both of the living and of the dead. (Romans 14: 7 – 9)

Ideas for Action: Is there a disappointment you've been carrying about the church? In prayer, offer it to the Lord and ask for His help in releasing it. If you've been sitting on the sidelines at home, get back in the game by returning to worship and joining a small group, a class or a committee. We need you.

Anthem

Your Love Broke Through

Martin Bass and Christine Bass

Words and music by Keith Green, Todd Fishkind and Randy Stonehill

9:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Guest Preacher:	Rev. Sam Massengill, Newtown (PA) Presbyterian Church
Audio Technician:	Harris E. Ransom
Live Video Streaming:	Harris A. Ransom and Steve Drzaszcz
Flower Arrangers:	Karin Miller and Fran Green
Ushers:	Paul Lewis, Barry Leatherman, Leonard Fitts, Steve Connlain, Greg Connlain
Trustee Greeter:	Jeff Legath
Check-In Volunteers:	Jane Murphy, Debbie Heller and Vicki Terry
Interim Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's flowers are given by Susan Masiko in loving memory of her father Frank Worthing.

"Now Is The Time" ... TODAY is Consecration Sunday; COMBINED **9:30 a.m.** worship; Dedicate your 2022 *Estimate of Giving* cards which we will complete prayerfully during worship. Those unable to attend may mail estimates to the office, place in the offering ahead of time, [complete online](#) or drop off after worship in a Drive-Through Dedication (11:30 am-Noon). Be sure to gather at a festive outdoor coffee hour in the courtyard and enjoy L&M donuts! ☺ No nursery care, adult education or Sunday School this morning.

Beginning Oct. 17: Online study "Kingdom of God" led by Dick & Lissa Herman. This 10-session study meets Sundays on Zoom from 6:30-8:00 pm from Oct. 17-Feb. 6, 2022. Purchase the study guide *The Kingdom of God* by Gregory Jao from Inter-Varsity Press, Amazon or Christianbook.com. Sign up on our website/events page.

Church Has Left the Building: On Sunday, Oct. 24, we are leaving the building. Literally. Our church-wide mission project will again be safely done off-site. We have added more projects – so many to choose from! [SIGN UP](#) on our current events page or website. This year we're planning a 30-minute outdoor service at 9:30 a.m. in the courtyard between the Sanctuary and Miller Commons. Rev. Chuck Swanson of Options for Women preaches. Please bring your own chair. Masks are optional for those fully vaccinated. There is no nursery care, adult education or Sunday School that morning. **We still have several openings!**

5th Sunday for October: **Sunday, October 31** will be one COMBINED worship service at 9:30 a.m. There will be no nursery care, adult education or Sunday School that day. Bring your own lunch/brunch and enjoy outdoor fellowship together on a crisp fall day. Visit the mobile clinic for Options for Women in our parking lot.

Study Leave -- Pastor Spencer will be away on study leave October 25-Nov. 1. For pastoral care please contact Rev. Wes Allen at wallen@fpcmoorestown.org or the church office at (856) 235-1688.

Organ – Vocal Concert with Jim and Grace Roman, Sunday, Oct. 31 at 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

COVID-19 safety protocols through October: Masks are to be worn for indoor gatherings (vaccinated and unvaccinated). We'll continue to serve communion in pre-packaged units, and food may be eaten outside only. Congregational singing has been temporarily suspended.

Session has called a [Special Meeting of the Congregation](#) for **Sunday, November 7, 2021**, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary. This meeting will also air via live stream. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a Deacon to the Class of 2024.