



Sunday, November 14, 2021 ~ Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

Way of the Week

24. TELL YOUR STORY. God has done and is doing something unique in your life. Has God answered a prayer, provided help, or blessed you? Share it. Ask God for opportunities to share your faith in Christ by words and deeds.

"Has the Lord redeemed you? Then speak out! Tell others He has redeemed you from your enemies." (Psalm 107:2)

Ideas for Action: At the start of each morning this week, think about one thing you're grateful to God for from the previous 24 hours. Got it? Now share it with someone else in the course of today.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

A Word from the Deacons

Deacon Andrew Ehala

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Alive and Running
In the River

Prayer of Confession

Paul Savage

Assurance of Forgiveness

Paul Savage

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Allen

Offertory

Please continue your faithful giving as we look to begin our program year. 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

More and More

Sermon

Rev. Stuart Spencer

A Future That Won't Disappoint

Scripture Text: [Jeremiah 29:8-14 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: A Letter to Exiles

Closing Song

Worship Team

Joy

Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio:	Taylor Adair
Livestream:	Jonathan Nawrocki
Visuals:	Alice Conley
Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Michelle Davis-Vocals; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
Flower Arrangers:	Carol Morgan and Carol Benner
Ushers:	Matt La Grou and Jeff Legath
Trustee Greeter:	Wendy Dougherty

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Kim's father, Charles Y. Murphy, Jr., by Jane Murphy.

TODAY is Deacons Sunday. Thank you for your support of this hands-on Board of ministry.

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

New Protocols: Effective November 1, Session approved revised COVID-19 safety protocols effective immediately. Masks are optional for vaccinated adults. Masks are recommended for those unvaccinated. Individuals 18 years or younger are required to wear masks. Congregational singing remains discontinued; singers are masked. We will not serve nor eat food indoors. Session and staff will continue to monitor the pandemic and make changes as warranted.

Adult Education: Join Lorenzo Eagles and Rev. Wes Allen on Sunday mornings, 9:45-10:45, in Fellowship Hall or via Zoom for our fall Adult Education hour. Each week we will dive headfirst into the Word of God as we reflect on and explore that week's sermon text. A study guide is provided electronically on the church website.

- Week 7: November 21 – Jeremiah 29:14-23

Installation Service for Rev. Wes Allen will be held today at 4:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Stay to enjoy s'mores outside after the Service!

If you have not yet returned your 2022 *Estimate of Giving*, kindly return **by TODAY** to assist our budget preparations. Return by mail, [fill out online](#), place in the offering, or e-mail to Norm Vandergrift in the church office.

Christian Caring Center: Please visit yougivegoods.com/fpcm2021 to go to our personalized event page where you can "shop" and choose items to give. This Wish List includes an array of cold weather accessories, clothing, games, and books. Items purchased will be delivered directly to the Christian Caring Center and distributed to those in need this December. The starting date is November 11. **Please complete online gift purchases by Monday, November 29.** Have fun shopping!

Thanksgiving Break: Wed. Nov. 24 - No kids groups or middle school youth group; Sun. Nov. 28 - No high school youth group. The church office is closed Nov. 25-26 for the holiday.

Advent Devotional: *Watch for the Light: Readings for Advent and Christmas* – Give yourself the gift of God's presence in your life this Advent as we read through a collection of writings from classic and contemporary Christians, including Henri Nouwen, Philip Yancey, Bernard of Clairvaux, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and more. The church office has a limited quantity for \$12/each. (Exact change is appreciated.)

Longest Night Service will be held **Sunday, Dec. 12** at 7:00 p.m. to provide peace to those dealing with grief, illness, anxiety or depression, who may not feel the holiday joy. Seminary intern Paul Savage preaches. If you have someone you would like us to invite, please provide their name and address to Alison Mackey in the church office so we may send them an invitation letter.

Poinsettia Sales will be held November 21, November 28, and December 5. Look for order forms online and at church.