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Sunday, January 2, 2022 ~ Second Sunday of Christmas

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

Way of the Week

6. FORGIVE ... AGAIN. Just as God forgives us, heal relationships by extending forgiveness with grace and generosity. Forgive everyone everything. Start by praying for those you resent or hate. Ask for every blessing you would want for the one you're struggling to forgive.

"Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others." (Colossians 3:13)

<u>Ideas for Action</u>: Work on "dropping" the anger you have. Don't let it come between you and someone else. Stop bringing up the hurt in public or with friends. Stop nursing the memory of how you've been wronged.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

One Thing Remains
Your Grace is Enough

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Stuart Spencer

What is confession?

An unburdening, a letting go, and telling the truth about ourselves.

To whom do we confess?

We confess to the One we call God, our Creator, our Redeemer. We confess to the One Who loves us.

What do we confess this day?

We confess the wrong we have done and the hurt we have caused. We confess the good we have not done and the sin we have not claimed. We confess that we live for ourselves and less like

Jesus.

Let us now make our silent confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

New every morning is God's love for us, and so we are bold to proclaim the Good News: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Offertory Rev. Spencer

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church as we begin a new year in ministry. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry and allow us to support church operations and our work around the world. Those attending in person may leave an offering in the box. 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.

Praise Song Worship Team

Cornerstone

Sermon Rev. Spencer

New Clothes for a New Year

Scripture Text: I Peter 5:1-11 (NLT)

Sermon Series: Your Best Friend, Your Worst Enemy

Communion Song Worship Team

Hope Has a Name

Communion Rev. Allen

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

Benediction and Going Forth

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: Mike Ramage
Check-in: Jean Donahue
Nursery Coordinator: Amy Coombe

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lynn's parents, Dr. Dean & Jessie Gray, and brother, Scott, by Lynn, Nick and Deanna Miceli.

<u>Check-ins</u>: Check-in is <u>self-check in only</u> 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.

<u>New Protocols</u>: Effective December 12, Session approved revised COVID-19 safety protocols effective immediately. **Masks are REQUIRED during Worship Services.** 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.

Remember the church in your year-end giving. Process stock gifts expediently by contacting your broker or Norman Vandergrift at 856-235-1688, ext. 112. Checks may be received in the offering plates up to January 2, 2022 with a date of December 31 on the check.

Church Office will be closed Monday, January 3.

Fostering a Spirit of Reconciliation: Rev. Wes Allen and Dr. Leslie Spencer will be leading a 6-week study on The Confession of Belhar. The study will meet in person at the Spencers' home on January 6 from 7:00-8:30 PM. The remaining classes will be offered via Zoom with the final session in person. The Confession of Belhar emerged out of apartheid South Africa in 1986 and was adopted by the Presbyterian Church (USA) as a Confession of Faith in 2016. Sign up on our website as the class is limited to 8 people.

<u>Epiphany Concert</u> will be held on Sunday, January 9 at 7:30 p.m. The Adult, Bell and Chapel Choirs as well as the Choristers will be singing carols, songs, and anthems of the season.

<u>PW Winter Gathering</u>: On Monday, January 31 at 7:00 p.m., Kelly Maxted will be our speaker in Miller Commons (also via live stream (www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream). The program, "When God says, 'Go!'", will tell about her faith journey. Kelly and her husband, Luke, are currently Fellows at UrbanPromise. They are preparing to answer God's call to found UrbanPromise London.

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