



Sunday, January 16, 2022 ~ First 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

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Our God

Awesome is the Most High

Prayer of Confession *(offered in unison)*

Leslie Spencer

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to You the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

Silence for personal prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leslie Spencer

Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this surpassing grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Let God’s people say:
Alleluia! Amen.

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

Agnus Dei

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

Careful of the Target on Your Back

Scripture Text: [Luke 18:9-14 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: Your Best Friend, Your Worst Enemy

Closing Song

Worship Team

Good, Good Father

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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| 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: | Stacy Schaffer and Barb Wetherill |
| Delivery Arranger: | Jean Donahue |
| Flower Deliverers: | Andrew Ehala and Susan Schaffer |
| Ushers: | Dave Barr and Jason Rose |
| Trustee Greeter: | Jeff Legath |
| Check-in: | Karen Hynoski |

Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God and with grateful thanks to our educators and healthcare workers who are working so tirelessly during this Coronavirus pandemic.

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 January 12, Session approved revised COVID-19 safety protocols effective immediately. **All individuals entering our building are required to mask.** This includes all meetings for all groups. 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.

The church campus will be **Closed** on Monday, January 17 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on **Sunday, Feb. 6 at 12:15 p.m.** via Zoom webinar. The purpose of the Meeting is to share the Annual Reports with members, receive the 2022 church Budget, and approve the 2022 Pastors' Terms of Call. Find the webinar info on our e-blast, online Events page, and website. The Annual Report will be available Sunday, Jan. 30.

PW Winter Gathering: 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.

Lenten Prayer Retreat - March 15-18: Pastor Spencer leads a four-day, three-night Retreat at Holy Cross Monastery (NY), an Episcopal community of faith. Join members from FPC Moorestown and friends from other churches for a study of the parable of the Prodigal Son and lots of time for rest, reflection, and renewal. Save the date and watch for registration information that's coming soon.