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Rev. Stuart Spencer, Pastor/Head of Staff

Rev. Wesley Allen, Associate Pastor



Sunday, February 6, 2022 ~ Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Welcome & Way of the Week

Rev. Stuart Spencer

11. MAKE OTHERS AT HOME HERE. Warmly welcome visitors. Offer your name with a smile. Reach out and greet the person you don't know after worship, during Coffee Hour, in Youth Group or Sunday school. Show a genuine interest in others.

"Welcome her in the Lord as one who is worthy of honor among God's people. Help her in whatever she needs, for she has been helpful to many, and especially to me." (Romans 16:2)

<u>Ideas for Action</u>: Look for someone you don't know very well. Invite that person for coffee, a walk, or a meal and get to know them. Keep your eyes peeled for the visitor at our church and offer your name and a smile of welcome. Pave the way for new friendships wherever you are.

Song of Praise Worship Team

Alive and Running

Call to Worship (Micah 6:-6-8)

Martin Bass

"With what shall we come before the Lord and bow ourselves before God on high?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil?

God has told you, O mortal, what is good. What does the Lord require of you?

To do justice, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God." Let us worship God!

Song of Praise Worship Team

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Prayer of Adoration

Paul Savage

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Merciful God, we humble ourselves in Your presence, confessing our unworthiness and our sinfulness in Your sight. We have broken Your holy law. We have not sought first Your kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves nor done to others as we would that they should do to us. Most gracious God, our heavenly Father, Who gave Your Son, Jesus Christ, to save Your people from their sins, forgive us, we pray; cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior...

Silence for personal prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness (based on Isaiah 35:10)

Paul Savage

"Now return to the Lord with joy and gladness.

Sing a song of redemption!

Let sorrow and sighing be no more."

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Work of God's People & Offertory

Rev. Wes Allen

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

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Sermon Rev. Allen

God's Gonna Cut You Down

Scripture Text: Daniel 4:34-37 (NLT)

Sermon Series: Your Best Friend, Your Worst Enemy

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

Communion Song Worship Team

Jesus, We Love You

Benediction and Going Forth Rev. Allen

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: Stacy Schaffer and Debbie Heller Ushers: Greg Connlain and Steve Connlain

Trustee Greeter: Patrick McIlroy **Check-in:** Susan Shaffer

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration and gratitude for Joel Krott's 50 years of music ministry at FPC Moorestown.

<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 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. We will not serve nor eat food indoors. Session and staff will continue to monitor the pandemic and make changes as warranted.

NEW: Seminary Intern Paul Savage will lead a four-week study on **The Four Gospels** beginning Sunday, February 6. The class will meet from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Room 8 and is also be accessible via Zoom.

<u>Annual Meeting</u>: The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held **TODAY at 12:15 p.m.** via Zoom. The purpose of the Meeting is to share the Annual Reports with members, receive the 2022 church Budget, and approve the Pastors' Terms of Call.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82802424815?pwd=VjA3Z1loenZKenAwcnZFRXJSZ1Vudz09

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Service Pledge: The Stewardship Committee has created a simpler online <u>Service Pledge</u> for members to indicate ways in which they wish to connect and serve this year. How can you best use the talents God has given you? The form is available ONLINE, allowing members the opportunity to fill it out at their leisure.

<u>Winter Inquirers' Class</u> (a three-part series) for those interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church, starting February 23. <u>Sign up online</u> or with the church office at 856-235-1688.

<u>Lenten Prayer Retreat</u> - *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. Registration is now open online.