



Sunday, March 20, 2022 ~ Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) -- Have you **checked in** for worship?

*please stand as you are able

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

The Ten Commandments

Wes Allen

Music in Preparation for Worship

Sinfonia in G Minor

Vikram Joshi, Harpischord

JS Bach BWV 797

***Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 61:1-4)**

Paul Savage

O God, listen to our cry! Hear our prayers!

From the ends of the earth, we pray to you for help when our hearts are overwhelmed.

Lead us to the towering rock of safety, for you are our safe refuge.

Let us live forever in your sanctuary, safe beneath the shelter of your wings!

Let us worship God!

***Prayer of Adoration**

Paul Savage

Hymn No. 225 (verse 1)

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Gwen Wilkie, Alto; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

***Seating interlude

Almighty God, there is no one else like You. You are always true, as are your promises. You listen to us patiently with the compassion of a good Father. You also answer us with perfect wisdom. You brought us eternal salvation when no one else could. We confess that we sometimes neglect prayer and time with You. We also admit that we fail to follow through Your commandments. Yet, You call us to repentance and in You we find the abundance of life. Forgive us, Lord, for our failures and our lack of trust, and grant us the precious gift of Your loving grace. In the name of Jesus, our Savior, we pray ...

Time for silent prayers of confession

Kyrie No. 823

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Merbecke

Gwen Wilkie, Alto; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness (inspired by Psalm 51: 9-12)

Stuart Spencer

The Lord has hidden his face from our sin. He has blotted out all of our iniquity. In Christ and his cross, he has created within us a clean heart and renewed a right spirit within us. So that, we are not cast away from his presence. We are endowed with his Holy Spirit, restored to the joy of God's salvation and given a willing spirit to do all that he asks and desires of us. For in Christ Jesus, the perfect suffered for the imperfect, the sinless became sin for the sinner; we are forgiven and freed to live in a right relationship with God. Brothers and Sisters, you are forgiven indeed! **Hallelujah, amen!**

Children's Moment

Holly Asciutto

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

Stuart Spencer

Anthem

Meditation for Lent

Bedford

Choristers and Chapel Choir Girls; Carol Manion, Piano

There is a green hill far away, outside a city wall,
Where our dear Lord was crucified Who died to save us all.
O dearly, dearly has He loved! And we must love Him too,
And trust in His redeeming love, and try His will to do.

Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,
That we to judge You have in hate pretended?
By foes detruded, by Your own rejected,
O most afflicted.

Offertory

Stuart Spencer

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church as we journey through Lent. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry, and allow us to support church operations and our work in the world. 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 from your phone via the Church Center app too.

Way of the Week #17

17. SHOW WHO YOU REALLY ARE. Our church is for “real” people. Bring your true self, including your joys, your sorrows, your fears, your strengths, and your weaknesses. God loves you as you are. Don’t hide your struggles, failures or problems.

Ideas for Action: This week, sit down with or talk to another member by phone and share one area of struggle, failure or a fear you have.

Offertory Music

I Choose Love

Mark Miller

Chapel Choir; Kathy Gunsallus, Piano; Sofia Giannetto, Solo

In the midst of pain, I choose love
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.

In the midst of war I choose peace
In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.

When my world falls down I will rise
When my world falls down I will rise, explanations can’t be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.

Sermon

Wes Allen

“Learning to Pray”

Scripture Text: Luke 11: 1-13 (NRSV) (page 72 Pew Bible NT)

Sermon Series: On the Way, Praying

Hymn No.622 (verse 1)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Gwen Wilkie, Alto; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Music in Preparation for Worship

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Moore

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Benediction and Going Forth

Wes Allen

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## 8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

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| <b>Audio Technician:</b>          | Harris E. Ransom                             |
| <b>Live Video Streaming:</b>      | Harris A. Ransom                             |
| <b>Flower Arrangers:</b>          | Martha Derry and Stacy Schaffer              |
| <b>Ushers:</b>                    | Dave Rebuck, Brett Couvillion, James Clinton |
| <b>Trustee Greeter:</b>           | Paul Lewis                                   |
| <b>Check-In Volunteer:</b>        | Deacon Andrew Ehala                          |
| <b>Interim Nursery Caregiver:</b> | Amy Coombe                                   |

**Today's flowers** are given by Susan Masiko to the glory of God and with gratitude and in loving memory of Grace Worthing.

## Work of God's People

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- Session has lifted the mask mandate for minors, effective March 3. At this time, masks are optional for vaccinated persons and recommended for unvaccinated individuals. Masks are required for singers.
- [Couples Night Out - Save the Date!](#) May 20 – 6-10 p.m. at the historic Union League of Philadelphia. Cost per couple is \$325, includes a four-course meal and guest speaker. Join us for a much needed night out, connect with other couples, and strengthen your relationship and faith. [REGISTER on our event page.](#)
- TODAY: Order forms for **Easter flowers** will be available March 20, March 27 and April 3. Flowers are \$15.
- NEW: The Children's Ministry program is looking for an energetic, Christ centered, kid loving, creative part time aide to assist with Wednesday night programs, Vacation Bible School, and other events with our vibrant children's program. Hours vary as needed and remuneration is negotiable. If you are interested please reach out to Earl Gage at [egage@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:egage@fpcmoorestown.org). This is an ideal position for someone that wants to help children experience the love of Jesus and God's big story, have fun while serving our community, but cannot commit to regular employment. There are no benefits with this [position](#).
- **One Great Hour of Sharing offering:** Palm Sunday April 10 to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Fish boxes will be given out in Sunday School. Drop down is available on electronic giving. *There is NO children's Sunday School on Palm Sunday.* There WILL be Adult Spiritual Formation that day.
- **In loving memory of C. Harry Knowles – A Palm Sunday Concert** (April 10, 2022, 7:30 p.m.) -- West Jersey Chamber Music Society and our Adult Choir perform Gabriel Fauré's Requiem and John Rutter's setting of the same mass in celebration of the life of Harry Knowles. FREE. Masks must be worn. It will be held in the Sanctuary and will also be live streamed at [www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream](http://www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream).
- **Holy Week Worship:** Maundy Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Miller Commons, led by Rev. Wes Allen, as we remember The Last Supper before Jesus' arrest. A Good Friday Community Service will be held outside in the Sanctuary Courtyard at 12 noon April 15. That evening at 7:00 p.m. we will offer our Good Friday Tenebrae Worship at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, led by Paul Savage; a moving service moving from light into the darkness of the crucifixion. *Visit the Lent page on our website.*
- **He Is Risen!** Celebrate the Resurrection with Easter worship services on Sunday, April 17: 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service (Cemetery Cross); 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary); and 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons). Services will be in-person and also available via live stream.