



Sunday, May 1, 2022 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

Way of the Week

23. WORSHIP WITH YOUR WHOLE HEART. Your life is meant to be an act of worship. Every breath, action, and thought flows from God and can bring Him glory. Praise God everywhere and embrace the opportunities to regularly worship with your church family.

Ideas for Action: Every morning this week recite the Jesus Creed: *“Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is One; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’”* (Mark 12:29–31)

Welcome and Work of God’s People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

God is Able

Blessed Be Your Name

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Rev. Wes Allen

Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer:

**Forgive us when we follow those paths that do not lead to life,
that lead instead to violence or hate or fear; paths that lead to dread and death.**

**Forgive us when we forget that You offer us life,
life that is abundant and eternal, life that began at the creation of all things.**

Forgive us, turn us to the right path, and let Your love and grace flow over us and the world.

We pray in Jesus’ name and for His sake. Amen.

Silence for personal prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's certain Word of grace found in Jesus Christ:

We are accepted; we are forgiven; and we are loved. These are the gifts God grants to us today. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Reception of New Members (CREDO Confirmation)

Rev. Allen

Jack Cranmer (Mentor – Lynne Demmerly); Jonathan Nawrocki (Mentor – Steve Drzaszcz);
Karli Omlor (Mentor – Kim Hock)

Offertory

Paul Savage

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church this year. 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.

Song of Praise

Worship Team

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

A Long Time Ago...

Scripture Text: [Ephesians 1:3-14 \(NLT\)](#)

Sermon Series: The Master's Plan

Communion Song

Worship Team

Jesus, We Love You

Communion

Rev. Spencer & Paul Savage

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

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio: Taylor Adair

Livestream: Jonathan Nawrocki

Visuals: Alice Conley

Worship Team: Martin Bass-Guitar; Wes Allen-Guitar; Charles Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals

Flower Arrangers: Stacy Schaffer, Karin Miller and Carol Benner

Ushers: Greg Connlain and Steve Connlain

Trustee Greeter: Mike Ramage
Check-in: Vicki Terry

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her mother, Mary Jo McKee-Groppe by Elizabeth Litten.

Paul Savage's last Sunday with us is today. We are grateful for Paul's ministry with us this year and wish him well as he graduates from Princeton Theological Seminary this month.

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.

We are looking for additional **Ushers** for the 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service. Men and women welcome. Contact coordinator Steve Connlain at sconnlain@gmail.com or the church office.

ALPHA (*meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Room 3-4*): Invite friends from the community to this 10-week video discussion series. All are welcome: both believers and those seeking to know what Christianity is and what it believes. No book is required. [Sign up online.](#)

National Day of Prayer – Thursday, May 5: This year's theme is "Exalt the Lord Who has Established Us" based on Colossians 2:6-7. Our Prayer Team invites you to participate:

- 1. 12-Hour Prayer Vigil:** *Please sign up on our FPC website. We hope to fill each 30-minute time slot with at least two names. You may also call or text Pam Engle (609-332-7513) to participate.*
- 2. Fasting:** *We invite you to join with others, including Pastor Spencer, to fast on this day as you are led.*
- 3. Gather for Prayer:** *Meet on the Van Camp Porch for a time of prayer at 8:30 a.m. - Light breakfast.*

2022 Graduates: Please fill out a [brief online form](#) with your school information. We will recognize our graduates on Sunday, May 15 for Graduation Recognition Sunday.

Couples Night Out: **May 20 - 6:00-10:00 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. *Speaker information coming soon!*

VBS Registration is OPEN! Children entering kindergarten through entering 6th grade are invited to "Make Waves" at VBS **June 27-July 1 (9:00 am-Noon)**. [Sign up online.](#) See *Connections* for more details.

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