



Sunday, May 22, 2022 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter, Teacher Appreciation

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

*please stand as you are able

Way of the Week #1

BE THIRD. God is first, others are second, and you're third. Don't just think about your own interests, be interested in others. Don't think less of yourself, just think of yourself less and others more.

Ideas for Action: Ask God, "Whom can I serve today?" Look for an opportunity to be last ... in line, the last to speak, or last to be served. [See our new Way 1 Video from Leslie Spencer.](#)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Music in Preparation for Worship

Come Follow Him

Joel Krott, Organ

Walther

***Call to Worship (based on Lamentations 3)**

Wes Allen

Let us joyfully adore our Almighty God. Remember this: The unfailing love of the Lord never ends!

By God's mercy, we are kept and we are held in God's love.

Great is His faithfulness; God's mercies begin afresh each day. I will say to myself, "The Lord is my inheritance; therefore, I will hope in Him."

The Lord is wonderfully good to those who wait for Him and seek Him. So it is good to wait quietly for salvation from the Lord.

For the Lord does not abandon us. No, by the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, is with us here. Let us worship God!

*Prayer of Adoration

Hymn No. 701

God is Here!

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Joel Krott, Organ

***Seating interlude

Call to Confession

Stuart Spencer

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, hear our prayer:

For the mending of our hearts, torn apart by our unkindness;

For the healing of our souls, wasting away from the despair around us;

For the forgiveness we seek for the sin we have allowed to persist;

For the reconciliation of the world, whose division condemns us;

We pray for the courage to admit our fault,

The strength to amend our actions,

And the hope that your grace awaits us.

Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Silent prayer for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, hear the Good News: God so loved the world that God sent Jesus to us, not to condemn the world but in order that we might be saved – healed and forgiven – through him.

Thank you, gracious God! We will love you and trust this certain good news. Alleluia! Amen.

Children's Sermon

Wes Allen

Teacher Appreciation (see insert)

Stuart Spencer

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

Offertory

THANK YOU for your faithful giving and for remembering the church. Your offerings dramatically impact our ministry, and allow us to support church operations and our work in the world. Electronic giving is here to stay! Take advantage of this simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#). Donate from your phone via the Church Center app.

Offertory Music

O Lord on High

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Joel Krott, Piano (lyrics continue)

Mozart

O Lord on high, we pray Thee guide us, And keep our souls in Thine own care;
When dark our way, with light provide us, Teach us Thy righteousness to share.
Lead Thou us through dangers lowering, Be Thou our shield in fears o'er pow'ring;
Oh, let Thy mercy e'er be our guard, Over our life be watch and ward.

Sermon

Stuart Spencer

“Being Included”

Scripture Text: Ephesians 2: 11-22 (page 192 Pew Bible NT)
Sermon Series: The Master's Plan

Hymn No. 708 (verse 1)

Blest Be The Tie That Binds

Frank Mitchell, Bass; Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Music in Preparation for Service

Andante from Grand Sonata

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ

Riese-Liebman

Benediction and Going Forth

Stuart Spencer

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8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Audio Technician:	Harris E. Ransom
Live Video Streaming:	Jonathan Nawrocki
Flower Arrangers:	Stacy Schaffer and Debbie Heller
Ushers:	Michael Welch, Gary Bender, Tom Samuel
Trustee Greeter:	Frank Manion
Check-In Volunteer:	Deacon Kourtney de la Cruz
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum, volunteers needed

Worship Flowers are given by Jane Murphy to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Kim Murphy.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

The CDC risk for Burlington County has moved to the HIGH level. Therefore, **effective May 15**, protocols as approved by Session were implemented for this level:

- **INDOOR SUNDAY WORSHIP** – Masks required for all individuals, vaccinated and unvaccinated. Sanctuary and Miller Commons open seating – social distancing when possible. Check-in, communion, offering will be staff discretion. Choirs masked for singing. There is no congregational singing.
- **INDOOR MEETINGS:** Masks optional for vaccinated adults – recommended for unvaccinated adults. No food served indoors. Choirs masked for rehearsals.

Work of God's People (see *Connections*, eblast and website for details)

- **TODAY: Teacher Appreciation, last day of Children's Sunday School** -- The Deacons will have ice cream, snacks, coffee, games and mingling. Meet in the Sanctuary Courtyard **9:45-10:45 am**. EVERYONE aged 0 to 99+ is welcome as we honor all our teachers (see insert).
- **TODAY: Honoring Kim Murphy and Jan Amos** – Immediately after the 11:00 am service will be a brief service of dedication for rosebud trees out by the Labyrinth, in memory of Kim Murphy and in honor of Jan Amos' 15-year leadership of Stephen Ministry. Everyone is invited to attend, especially friends of Kim and of Jan and of Stephen Ministry.
- **TONIGHT: Youth Choir Concert** – Sunday, May 22 at 7:00 p.m. -- Come out to support our Youth Choirs who have worked so diligently this year under challenging restrictions. Three choirs will perform a full-length program of sacred and spiritual music. The concert will air via live stream on our website www.fpcmoorestown.org/live-stream. Masks must be worn for this event. Free will offering.
- **NEW:** As we begin our 8th round of the Ways, we are launching a new series of **Ways videos**. Watch this week's video [here](#). Find the 25 new videos on our website at www.fpcmoorestown.org.
- **Coffee Hour Assistance Needed** – Volunteers are needed early Sunday mornings to pick up bagels in Maple Shade and deliver to the church. Would you be willing to do this once every 6-8 weeks? Bagels will be charged to FPC's account so you won't need to pay for them. Contact [Lissa Herman](#) (856-745-7357) or [Sue Piper](#) (856-722-0581) to volunteer. Helpers are also needed to assist Chelsea Margerum staff the coffee hour on Sunday mornings. *Please contact Lissa or Sue.*
- **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 details. Adults and Teens: we're looking for **volunteers** for this super fun week! Sign up online.
- **NEW:** Stay up to date with FPC Moorestown's sermon series by subscribing to our weekly sermon podcast now available on Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, Google Podcasts, Spotify and Anchor. Full services continue to be available with video on YouTube and Facebook or by visiting www.fpcmoorestown.org.
- **Fifth Sunday May 29th** – OUTDOOR blended worship at **9:30 a.m.** No nursery care. Incoming elders, deacons and trustees will be ordained and installed. Please bring a chair and worship the LORD.
- [Please help us help others](#) -- See our event page for missions collections continuing through June: rice, boxed milk, and proteins; cleaning supplies; paper products; school supplies, sports equipment; adult and children's books. Drop off outside Missionwares store.

SCAN ME



[Strawberry Festival Returns Friday, June 3](#)

Come out and enjoy homemade cakes, fresh strawberries, ice cream, two bands, face painters, balloon artists, inflatables, food tent (CASH ONLY) and more. **LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS are needed!** [See our website page and current events page](#). Sign up in Commons Lobby or please use the Sign-up Genius links.

Cakes, cakes and more cakes -- We need over 300 cakes to serve the community. Any flavor and size cake (cupcakes too) welcome. Please sign up so we have an idea of how many cakes we will have that day - sign ups are in Commons Lobby and by the Kitchen. **PLEASE PRE-CUT YOUR CAKE PRIOR TO DROP OFF.**

Strawberry Hulling -- **Thursday, June 2** at 3:00 p.m. until they are all cut! Come for an hour or stay for a few. Bring your favorite small knife, a cutting tray and a colander. Pizza, salad, soda and water served at 5:00 p.m. All ages welcome! There are sign-up sheets around the church or sign up online.