



*We aspire to be beacons of God's love and truth ...*

August 26, 2022

Dear Members and Friends of First Presbyterian Church:

Way #16 of our 25 Ways offers a beautiful invitation to us: GIVE CHEERFULLY. *Rejoice, you get to give! Think of giving as a privilege rather than an obligation, a joy instead of a burden. As you consider all that's been entrusted to you—time, abilities and money – ask, "How is God calling me to share what I've been given?"*

Rejoice, you get to give! I deeply believe that every form of giving is an opportunity God hands us to discover joy. Through the practice of generous giving, we uncover the meaning of our existence. Most of all, when we give we're positioning ourselves to make an eternal impact for the Kingdom of God.

I'm so committed to preaching, teaching and talking about giving that we're devoting September, October and November to consider this practice in depth. Don't groan at the news of this emphasis. We're about to discover the full blessing of giving cheerfully. I write today to commend another giving opportunity to you.

The **September 12<sup>th</sup> Fund** serves as a long-term endowment for our church and honors our founding date. Financial contributions to the fund are held and invested for the care and protection of our church. A designated portion of the earnings is distributed each year for current church needs.

It is these invested gifts, given cheerfully by many members and friends in the past, that have grown to create financial stability for FPC Moorestown, even in uncertain times. It is our gifts that will provide that same stability for future generations to weather the storms that will come.

Though we continue to contend with the COVID virus, I'm excited to direct our attention to the joy of giving. There is no better way to protect the future and make a lasting difference financially for our beloved First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown.

So, in this our 134<sup>th</sup> year, please consider a gift of \$13.40, \$134.00, \$1,340 or \$13,400. Enclosed is a pre-addressed envelope for your convenience. You may also give easily online at [www.fpcmoorestown.org](http://www.fpcmoorestown.org) or through the Church Center app.

THANK YOU for your incredible and consistent generosity. You haven't wavered through these recent tough years. I'm so blessed by you and I thank God because I'm certain you'll continue to rejoice as you give.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Stuart*

Stuart H. Spencer, Pastor

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