

LIVE TO  
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Consecration  
Sunday



Sunday, October 16, 2022  
9:30 am



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9:30 a.m. Blended Worship (Sanctuary) -- Have you **checked in** for worship today?

\*please stand as you are able

### Way of the Week #22

Video: Rachel Long

**22. REST AND REFLECT.** Make time in your week to step back from work, school, and stressful demands. Since Christ has freed us, we no longer have to be obsessively driven. Take a walk, play, nap, meet up with friends, share a meal, or just take some time in solitude.

**Ideas for Action:** Can you make your Sunday more of a Sabbath day of rest for you and your family? Connect with God using worship music. Unplug from the devices for part or all of the day. Seek the joy of the Lord in Creation. Eat a meal together. Be silent with God and pray. Prioritize wholeness and rejuvenation in Christ.

[Watch the new Way 22 Video from Rachel Long](#)

### Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

### Music in Preparation for Worship

Layla Joshi, Organ

*Entrée from "Medieval Suite"*

Jean Langlais 1907-1991

### \*Call to Worship (adapted from Acts 2: 42-26)

Rev. Allen

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer.

**Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.**

All the believers were together and had everything in common.

**They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.**

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts.

**They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people.**

## \*Prayer of Adoration

Elder Frank Manion

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## \*Hymn No. 568

### ***Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated***

\*\*\*Seating interlude

## Anthem

Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

### ***Pacem, Dona Nobis Pacem***

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Chapel Choir

*Pacem, dona nobis pacem.*

Please, grant us peace.

*Miserere nobis, Agnus Dei.*

Have mercy upon us, Lamb of God.

## Call to Confession

Elder Manion

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## Prayer of Confession (offered in unison)

Elder Manion

**Gracious God, you shower us with so many blessings, yet we struggle to share them with others. You love a cheerful giver, but we sometimes give grudgingly. We forget that all we have is yours, and that you can use our gifts to bless the whole world. Give us generous hearts which long to share our bounty, giving extravagantly, loving at great risk, and working for justice in seemingly impossible situations. Forgive us for clutching too tightly to what has always been yours in the first place. Pardon us for this and all our sins, as we continue to confess in silence.**

*A time of silent confession*

## Assurance of Pardon

Elder Manion

The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey and way Christ has prepared for us. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Hallelujah, Amen!**

## \*Gloria Patri No. 805

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

Rev. Stuart Spencer

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## Offertory

Rev. Spencer

*THANK YOU for your faithfulness and for remembering the church with your giving. Our ministry continues year round and your offerings allow us to support church operations and our work in the world. Take advantage of a simple, secure [automatic withdrawal](#) or donate from your phone via the Church Center app. Send offerings by mail to **P.O. Box 868**, Moorestown, NJ 08057. For gifts of stock please call the church office.*

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## Offertory Music

Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

### **Whoever Would Be Great Among You**

Ronald A. Nelson

Chapel Choir

Whoever would be great among you, he must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you, he must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.  
- Matthew 20:26-28

## \*Doxology No. 809

## Sermon

Rev. Allen

### **"Elevate"**

**Sermon Series:** Live to Give. **Scripture Text:** Psalm 1: 1-6 (page 489 Pew Bible OT)

## Worship Song

### **You Are Holy**

Martin Bass

Worship Team

## Dedication of our Gifts

Rev. Spencer

*This morning as an act of worship, members will thoughtfully and prayerfully consider their 2023 gift to the Lord's work at First Presbyterian Church. **Please walk forward to dedicate your gifts.** [Estimates of Giving](#) may be returned by mail, [online](#), or dropped off in the church office during the week. Celebrate God's goodness at our church-wide Tailgating Celebration today. Grills, favorite food, fun stuff, games, JOY!*

### **I Surrender All**

VanDeVenter/Weeden

Worship Team

## Closing Song

### **Good God Almighty**

David Crowder, Ben Glover, Jeff Sojka

Worship Team

## Benediction and Going Forth, Ways Video, Tailgate Grace

Rev. Allen, Rev. Spencer

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## 9:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

**Beadle:** Elder Frank Manion; **Audio Technician:** Harris E. Ransom; **Live Stream Technician:** Jonathan Nawrocki; **Flower Arrangers:** Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop; **Ushers:** Dave Rebeck, Barry Leatherman, Leonard Fitts; **Trustee Greeter:** Jeff Legath; **Check-In Volunteers:** Deacons Michael Hock and Mike McNeil; **Nursery Caregiver:** Amy Coombe; **Hospitality:** Chelsea Margerum; **Worship Team:** Barry Overton -Cajon, Don Stevens-Bass, Christine Bass-Keyboards, Martin Bass-Guitar, Cheryl Stevens-vocals, Xuan "Winnie" Jiang-vocals

**Worship flowers** are presented this morning to the glory of God with thanksgiving for the generous members of First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown on this Consecration Sunday.

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

- **"Live to Give" -- TODAY is Consecration Sunday; 9:30 am** worship; Children's Sunday School 9:30 am DURING worship. Dedicate your 2023 *Estimate of Giving* cards prayerfully during worship. Those unable to attend may mail estimates to the office, [complete online](#) or drop off in the office during the week. The celebration continues with our church-wide tailgate afterwards! We'll be grilling and people are bringing their favorite tailgate sides and desserts.
- **Fire Pit Fridays** – Come for a night of fellowship around the fire each Friday. Church grounds, 6-9 p.m. See events page. We'll bring the marshmallows. 😊
- **Kingdom Kids (K-3<sup>rd</sup>), Crossing Zone (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>), Middle School Youth Group (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) and Family Dinner (All started October 12. [Registration is OPEN](#) – please sign up your students so we can get an accurate list of participants. [See our event page or website](#). Donation \$5.00 per person for Family Dinner; also pay online**
- **Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.:** K-2<sup>nd</sup>: Room 13; **Grades 3-5:** Rooms 10/11; **Grades 6-8:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor; **High School:** Hayes Room. **Adult Spiritual Formation** is also in full swing. Nearly 50 people are exploring what it means to "Live to Give" with leaders Paul Grossmann and Nancy Chumney Sunday morning. Come join us! We meet at 9:45 am in Fellowship Hall AB. Everyone is welcome! [Zoom hybrid option is also available](#).
- **Couples Night Out** -- On Friday, Oct. 21 from 6-9 pm, join us for an enjoyable evening out with your spouse and other couples from FPC Moorestown and the community. After sharing a meal we will hear from Ruth Wright, a marriage and family therapist in Moorestown. Whether your last marital dispute was about the toilet seat being left up or how to discipline your children, you will leave with foundational tools to designed to make you and your spouse a united front. Cost per couple is \$20. [Register online on our event page](#) or through *Signups* right on the Church Center app.
- **SIGN UP: Church Has Left The Building!** Sunday, October 30 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – worship at **9:30 a.m.** Sign up online for a collection of projects that can be done that day or that weekend. See the project list at <https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/groups> and our [event page](#) or website. Scan the QR code to go right to our CHLTB information page. New for 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays this year: Children's Sunday School WILL meet at 9:30 a.m. during worship.
- **"Prayer on the Porch"** resumes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. (note new time). We do have heaters so it will be warm and cozy! Bring a blanket! Next meeting: **Wednesday, Oct. 26.**
- **GIVE to LIVE** – FPC Moorestown and the American Red Cross will host a blood drive on **Tuesday, Nov. 1 from 1-6 pm in Miller Commons**. Donate your blood to someone in desperate need and who is grateful for your life-giving donation. [See our events page and website](#). Questions? Contact: Debbie Heller
- **CREDO confirmation class** begins Sunday, Nov. 6 for high school students. See information on our event page and website. Meets Sundays 12:15-2:00 pm at church. See Pastor Wes for questions.
- **High School Youth Group** (grades 9-12) is going to Lake Champion for a Winter Retreat December 2-4, 2022 with Young Life. [Sign up on our event page](#) for a weekend full of adventure and classic Young Life energy (zip line, ropes course, rock wall, giant swing, club, awesome food, gym, game room, new friends and MORE). Cost \$195 per person. Registration is OPEN so don't delay.

