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Sunday, October 30, 2022 ~ Reformation Sunday, Church Has Left The Building 9:30 a.m. Blended Worship (Miller Commons, 5th Sunday)

Way of the Week Video

Dr. Steve Trzeciak

24. TELL YOUR STORY. God has done and is doing something unique in your life. Has God answered a prayer, provided help, or blessed you? Share it. Ask God for opportunities to share your faith in Christ by words and deeds.

Ideas for Action: At the start of each morning this week, think about one thing you're grateful to God for from the previous 24 hours. Got it? Now share it with someone else in the course of today.

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Music in Preparation for Worship

Rebecca Neindorff, Piano

Amazing Grace

arr. Victor Labenske

Call to Worship

Elder Cheryl Gaskill

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our rock, our fortress, and our deliverer. Let us remember God's mercy, for indeed God is gracious and kind.

We thank you, Lord God, for calling us to faith in Christ Jesus, for putting your Spirit within us, for granting us the mind of Christ, and for gathering us into your church.

We thank the Lord for extending grace to us, for calling us to a life of gratitude, and for allowing us to serve in His Kingdom.

Thanks be to God!

So let us give thanks to the Lord, for He satisfies the thirsty, fills the hungry with good things, and heals the sick. Let us celebrate as we worship God!

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Your Grace is Enough Enough

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (responsive)

Elder Gaskill

Our hearts are hard, O God -

Soften them with your love. (Silent prayer)

Our hands are clenched, O God -

Open them with your grace. (Silent prayer)

Our feet are planted too firmly, O God -

Help us to keep in step with you. (Silent prayer)

Our lives are not our own, we know -

Let us live and move and have our being in you, O God. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Elder Gaskill

Hear the Good News! Jesus died for us while we were yet sinners; and this proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Glory to God! We are now forgiven and made new by the mercies of God. Amen.

*Greeting Elder Gaskill

Commissioning Greece Mission Trip

Rev. Spencer

Wow Moments

Offertory

THANK YOU for your faithfulness and for remembering FPC Moorestown with your giving. Your offerings allow us to sustain our church programs. Take advantage of simple, secure <u>automatic withdrawal</u> or donate from your phone via the Church Center app. Send offerings by mail to **P.O. Box 868**, Moorestown, NJ 08057.

Sermon Rev. Spencer

Live to Give

Scripture Text: <u>Luke 6:37-42;</u> Sermon Series: Live to Give

*Affirmation of Mission (from Our World Belongs to God) Rev. Spencer

Closing Song Worship Team

Set a Fire

Benediction and Going Forth Rev. Spencer

9:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Elder: Elder Cheryl Gaskill

Worship Team: Martin Bass-Guitar; Don Stevens-Bass; Wes Allen-Electric Guitar; Barry

Overton-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Michelle Davis-Vocals

Flower Arrangers: Debbie Heller and Fran Green

Ushers: Dave Rebuck, Brett Couvillion and Jim Clinton

Trustee Greeter: Paul Lewis

Check-in: Deacon Gail Sorin
Nursery Caregiver: Amy Coombe

Hospitality: Chelsea Margerum (volunteers needed)

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God as we serve the community with Church Has Left The Building.

Work of God's People (See Connections, e-blast, website and app for details)

<u>Check-ins</u>: Check-in is <u>self-check in only</u> on your smart phone. A deacon volunteer is available to assist. *Please remember to check in from home when watching the live stream.*

Nursery care is provided for children ages 0-5 years old in Room 12. Amy Coombe is our adult caregiver.

TODAY: Church Has Left The Building: If you did not sign up for a project, you are welcome to assemble Care Packages for Christian Caring Center and Seeds of Hope in Fellowship Hall immediately following the Worship Service or prepare a casserole that you can drop off at the church by 4:00 p.m. TODAY.

TONIGHT: West Jersey Chamber Music Society Concert – *The Sweetest of the Suites*, October 30th at 7:30 pm, purchase tickets at www.wjcms.org; live stream available.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended Consecration Sunday. It was a day filled with joyful worship, beautiful weather, and generous 2023 support. If you haven't yet turned in your estimate, kindly mail it to the office, complete online, place in the offering, or drop off during the week. We ask that estimates be submitted **by Nov.** 1 to assist with budget work. See our website for photos and videos from the day!

<u>GIVE to LIVE</u> – There is an urgent national need for blood donations. 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. <u>See our events page and website</u>. Questions? Contact: Debbie Heller at 856.206.2897.

<u>Deacon Sunday</u> – **Nov. 6**: The Deacons ask that you prayerfully consider contributing to their Fund. The Board of Deacons does the Lord's work by reaching out to our congregation as well as the community. Please use the blue envelopes to designate your gifts.

Adult Spiritual Formation: Starting on Nov. 6, Lissa Herman leads a 3-week class, <u>The Narnian: Joy, Pain, and The Gospel in "Fairy Stories"</u>. This will lead into our Advent Study on "The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe, which begins Nov. 27.

<u>CREDO</u> is First Presbyterian Church's confirmation class for high school students interested in exploring what it means to be a follower of Christ and a member of FPC and the Presbyterian Church (USA). CREDO meets on **Sundays** from **12:15-2:00 pm** in the Hayes Room. We are asking families to pay \$50.00. You can take care of this when registering on the church website. Registration is now open. Begins Nov. 6.

Operation Christmas Child -- It's shoe box time. Shoe boxes are currently available in the Miller Commons Lobby. Take a box and choose a child (age/Male or Female). Read the instructions in the box. Fill it with gifts, and return the box no later than **November 14th**. Please remember to include a check for \$10 in the box to cover the shipping charges. You may also go online and pay for the shipping there (see instructions in the box).

<u>NEW: Family Movie Night</u> – Leading into Advent, we will show the movie *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (Disney version) on **Thursday, Nov. 10** in Fellowship Hall (6:30-8:30 pm).

<u>Family Advent event "Narnia Night"</u> on **Friday, Dec. 2** on "The Lion, The Witch & the Wardrobe." This will be an interactive event at the church from 6:00-8:00 pm. Walk through the Wardrobe and visit our own Narnia. We will have lots of surprises in store. You may even get to sample some Turkish Delight, but not too much. Come and bring your family, friends, and neighbors. It will be open to all. See page 4 of *Connections* and our event page.

High School Youth Group (grades 9-12) is going to Lake Champion for a Winter Retreat Dec. 2-4 with Young Life. Sign up on our event page for a weekend full of adventure (zip line, ropes course, rock wall, giant swing, club, awesome food, gym, game room, new friends and MORE). Cost \$195 per person. This trip fills up fast. Registration is OPEN.

Beginning Nov. 6, our pastoral staff will preach a three-week sermon series called, <u>"Patient God, Patient People."</u> Series will be November 6, 13, and 20th.

FPC MOORESTOWN WEEKLY PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES (See Prayer page on website for links)

- Mondays 9-10 AM Jim Cole leading Prayer Chapel. Anyone needing or wanting to pray for others is welcome to join Jim.
- Tuesdays 9-10 AM Jim Cole leading (Zoom)
- Thursdays 7:30-8:30 AM (Zoom) Pray for our church, nation, and the world. For link, please contact Sue Piper (storybooksue@comcast.net).
- Thursdays 12:30-1:00 PM (Zoom) Pray for discipleship and disciple-making at FPC Moorestown.
- Thursdays 7:00 PM Live stream Prayer Service (praying for our church and discipleship)
- **Sundays 10:00 AM** After Traditional Worship, Beadles available to pray with or for you (David Room). Jim Cole also available in the Prayer Chapel in Commons Lobby for prayer.
- Submit confidential online prayer requests visit https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/prayer
- Fall & Spring Prayer Retreats to unplug and savor time away in meditation.
- Prayer Vigils sponsored by the Prayer Committee for stewardship, National/World Day of Prayer, etc.

