# First Presbyterian Church of OOTES OWN

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# Sunday, January 15, 2023 ~ Second Sunday after Epiphany

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

\*please stand as you are able

Welcome and Work of God's People	Rev. Stuart Spencer

Music in Preparation for Worship	Joel Krott, Organ
Steal Away to Jesus	Spiritual, arr. Callahan

### Introit

#### Steal Away to Jesus

Adult Choir; Amanda Schkeeper, Alto; Frank Mitchell, Bass

Refrain:	Steal away to Jesus! Steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here.
Refrain:	My Lord calls me, he calls me by the thunder; The trumpet sounds within my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.
Refrain:	My Lord calls me, he calls me by the lightning; The trumpet sounds within my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.

## \*Call to Worship

Elder Paul Grossmann

God of all glory, on this first day of the week you began creation, bringing light out of darkness. On this first day you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ out of the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day, grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your people, in heaven and on earth, in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, and in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit—one God, now and forever! Let us worship God!

#### \*Hymn No. 612

How Firm a Foundation

\*\*\*Seating interlude

#### **Call to Confession**

Elder Grossmann

## Prayer of Confession (offered in unison)

Unclutter our lives, Lord we have too much, consume too much, expect too much. Grant us perspective; to see this world through others' eyes than just our own. Grant us compassion; where there is need to play our part not turn aside. Grant us gratitude for what we have, our daily bread the gift of life. Unclutter our lives, Lord, give us space, simplicity thankful hearts. Lord have mercy for we ask these things in Jesus' name and for His sake. Amen.

Silent prayer for personal confession

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

God pardons those who humbly repent and truly believe the gospel. Since Jesus died for us, we have peace with God, to whom be praise and honor forever. Amen.

Thanks and praise to God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen!

#### \*Gloria Patri No. 805

Sharing with our Young Disciples	Rev. Stuart Spencer
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#### Anthem

Keep On Travelin', Soldier Adult Choir

Refrain: Keep on travelin', soldier keep your hands on the plow.

Keep on travelin', soldier. Don't you give up now! You just keep on holdin' on until you reach that heavenly home. You've got to keep on travelin', on.

> Early in the mornin' when I risel pray for strength to run this race. And late in the ev'nin' when I close my eyes I thank the Lord for mercy and grace.

When I am upon the battlefield I ask the Lord to take my hand. And I pray that the Lord will be my sword and shield and lead me to that heavenly land.

Refrain:

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer ('debts') Rev. Spencer

Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

**Rollo Dilworth** 

## Way of the Week #10: Join Hands

**10.** JOIN HANDS. Work as a team. Collaborate with each other, our professional staff, our lay leaders, and our congregants to find the best solutions. Collaboration lightens the load, generates better ideas than individuals working alone, and unleashes the gifts God has given us all.

**Ideas for Action (try to complete by 12 noon Tuesday):** Is there some task you're doing at church that you could invite someone to share with you? Think of someone from our church who can help you sort out a challenge or problem you're facing.

#### Offertory

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Offertory Music	Joel Krott, Piano	
<b>Singin' Wid A Sword In Ma Han'</b> Frank Mitchell, Bass	Spiritual, arr. Rosamond Johnson	
*Doxology No. 809		
Sermon	Rev. Stuart Spencer	
"Not Bread Alone" Sermon Series: "Let's Eat!" Scripture Text: Deuteronomy 8: 1-18 (pa *Hymn No. 611 (call and response style)	age 158 Pew Bible OT)	
There is a Balm in Gilead Refrains: Congregation Verses: Frank Mitchell, soloist		
Music in Preparation for Service	Joel Krott, Organ	
Balm in Gilead	Spiritual, Arr. Callahan	
Benediction and Going Forth; Ways Video (Brian Catanella)	Rev. Spencer	

#### 8:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Paul Grossmann; Audio Technician: Harris Ransom; Live Stream Technician: Jonathan Nawrocki; Flower Arrangers: Martha Derry and Debbie Heller; 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Flower Deliveries: Deacons Karen Hynoski and Laurie LaMonica; Ushers: Michael Welch, John Miller, Paul Grossmann; Trustee Greeter: Rich Corbin; Check-In Volunteer: Deacon Bobbi Voglesong; Nursery Caregiver: Amy Coombe; Hospitality: Chelsea Margerum (volunteers needed)

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Worship flowers today are given to the glory of God.

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

- The Moorestown Ministerium invites you to an ecumenical <u>Celebration and Worship Service</u> on **Sunday**, January 15 at 3:00 p.m. honoring the legacy and ministry of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. First United Methodist Church is located at 446 E. Camden Avenue in Moorestown.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Jan. 29: There will be Sunday School at 9:30 am for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, held <u>during</u> the combined service. Nursery care will be provided. Dr. Bruce Main is the guest preacher on January 29. Afterwards be sure and stay for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chili Cookoff!!!
- <u>Early registration for Step by Step Christian Preschool</u> for church members and current enrollees will be January 3-14, 2023 for the 2023-24 year. Open registration begins on January 17, 2023. PARENTS: Check out our school at the <u>Open House</u> **Thursday, Jan. 19** from 6:00-7:30 pm (adults only please)
- <u>Adult Spiritual Formation</u>: In January, we offer the adult series: *Reflecting on the Word*. Join Elder Lorenzo Eagles in Fellowship Hall A for a discussion on the sermon text: January 15 (Deuteronomy 8:1-18); January 22 (1 Kings 19:1-9). There is no adult spiritual formation on January 29 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday).
- <u>PW Winter Gathering</u> (also via Zoom)-- Presbyterian Women invite women of the church to its Winter Gathering Monday, Jan. 23 at 9:30 am. Guest speaker is Sister Meaghan Patterson from Dawn's Place, a mission PW supports. Dawn's Place has been a pioneer in offering a safe and caring residential setting for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation/sex trafficking. <u>RSVP online on our event page</u>. The event will also be available via Zoom (find link on our event page).
- Holiday Hours: The FPC Moorestown campus will be CLOSED on Monday, January 16 (MLK Day of Service).
- The **Annual Report** will be available Sunday, Jan. 29 to prepare for the February 5<sup>th</sup> <u>Annual Meeting of the</u> <u>Congregation</u> (12:30 pm, Fellowship Hall and Zoom). Coffee hour and brunch items will be available.
- January meetings for **CREDO confirmation class** will be January 22 and January 29 from 12:15-2:00 pm in the Hayes Room, led by Rev. Wes Allen.
- Middle School Youth Group (gr. 7-8) returns Wed. Jan. 18. We'll have pizza, prayer & fun hanging out. 😊
- <u>Leadership Retreat</u> Saturday, January 28 -- Elders, deacons and trustees will gather for a Leadership Retreat on Saturday, January 28 from 8:30-11:00 am in Fellowship Hall. Please <u>RSVP ONLINE on our</u> <u>Events Page</u> and return the short educational survey.
- January 29 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 9:30 am) is <u>Blanket Sunday</u>, an offering sponsored by our Deacons. Your contributions to Church World Service enables CWS to help families around the world recover from disasters and displacement, while helping to rebuild viable, sustainable lives and communities. Just \$50 can provide five warm blankets for a family left homeless. *Look for special pew envelopes that day or give online and use the Blanket Sunday drop down*.
- NEW: <u>Inquirers Class --</u> Are you interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly joining the congregation? The Membership Committee invites you to its Winter Inquirers Class February 15, 18, 19. The three-part series is designed to work with today's busy schedules. Please <u>register on the Events</u> page or contact Alison Mackey at 856.235.1688, Ext. 113, <u>amackey@fpcmoorestown.org</u>.
- The **Church Directory** has been updated for 2023. Hard copies are available in the church office.