



Sunday, January 22, 2023 ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Happy Day

Your Love Never Fails

Call to Worship (*adapted from Matt. 6:25-33*)

Rev. Allen

Jesus says, "Therefore, I tell you

do not worry about your life, what you will eat or wear.

Is not life more than food or clothes?

Look at the birds of the air. They do not sow nor reap nor store up in barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

Are you not more valuable than they?

Can one of you, by worrying, add a single hour to your life?

But seek first God's kingdom and righteousness; and all these things will be given to you as well.

Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself."

Let us surrender our worries to Christ as we worship our Lord and Savior today!

Prayer of Confession

Rev. Allen

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

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Living God, today we confess that we allow fear to drown out Your voice. We are often afraid of the unknown and things outside our control. Help us hand these items over to You every hour of the day. Help us be quiet and still, waiting for Your will to be revealed rather than running ahead of You. Keep our hearts open to the Spirit's working. Remind us that we have daily bread from Heaven and a safe shelter in You when we are tempted to look elsewhere for hope and help. Through the power of the Lord Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Allen

Brothers and sisters, God does not leave us in our distress. He does not abandon us to our devilish decisions. While we choose to starve ourselves on a diet of our own making and choosing that leads to spiritual atrophy and deterioration, God provides us with the Bread of Life. Pursuing us, those who have rejected the wisdom of God, Jesus declares of Himself in John 6:51, *"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, they will live forever."* The bread that He gives is for the life of the world, for you and me. It is His very Body, pierced and broken, which reunites us to the wisdom, truth, life and light of God. In Him and through Him, we are forgiven. **Hallelujah! Amen.**

Greeting

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Sharing with Young Disciples

Rev. Spencer

Wow Moments

Rev. Spencer

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Spencer

Way of the Week [Video](#) – Alecia Connlain

11. MAKE OTHERS AT HOME HERE. Warmly welcome visitors. Offer your name with a smile. Reach out and greet the person you don't know after worship, during Coffee Hour, in Youth Group, or Sunday school. Show a genuine interest in others.

Ideas for Action: Look for someone you don't know very well. Invite that person for coffee, a walk, or a meal and get to know them. Keep your eyes peeled for the visitor at our church and offer your name and a smile of welcome. Pave the way for new friendships wherever you are.

Offertory

Rev. Spencer

*THANK YOU for your faithfulness in remembering the FPC Moorestown with your giving. Your offerings allow us to sustain church programs. Take advantage of secure [automatic withdrawal](#) or donate from your phone via the Church Center app. If you are watching via live stream, you can give online now as well. When mailing your offerings, please send to **P.O. Box 868, Moorestown, NJ 08057.***

Song of Praise

Worship Team

You Are Holy

Sermon

Rev. Allen

A Relentless Love

Scripture Text: [1 Kings 19:1-9](#)

Sermon Series: Let's Eat!

Closing Song

Worship Team

I Lift My Hands

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Don Stevens-Bass; Wes Allen-Electric Guitar; Barry Overton-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Christine Bass-Keys; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
Flower Arrangers:	Karin Miller and Rumi Sinunu
Usher:	Greg Connlain or Steve Connlain
Trustee Greeter:	John Miller
Check-in:	Gail Sorin
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God.

Check-ins: Check-in is self-check in only on your smart phone. A 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.

We are looking for additional **Ushers** for the Contemporary Service. Men and women welcome. Contact coordinator Steve Connlain at sconnlain@gmail.com or the church office.

Adult Spiritual Formation: In January, we offer *Reflecting on the Word*. Join Elder Lorenzo Eagles in **Fellowship Hall A** for a discussion on the sermon text: January 22 (I Kings 19:1-9). *There will be no Adult Spiritual Formation on January 29.*

Beginning in February, we will offer two classes: **How We Love** - This 9-week couples' study (Feb. 5-Apr. 2) is designed to strengthen your marriage. "How We Love" explores the five broken Love Styles preventing intimacy and effective communication in relationships.

The Book of Acts - Acts chronicles some of the most important events in Christian history. This 12-week study (Feb. 5-Apr. 30) will help you understand these historic events and provide the tools and resources for daily application in the 21st century.

Early Music America Concert: On Sunday, **January 22, 7:30 p.m.** in our Sanctuary, hear selections for harpsichord, violin, flute, piano, organ, & voice as gifted young artists from the area present music of J. S. Bach, Buxtehude, Mozart & Henry Purcell. *Admission is Free.*

PW Winter Gathering: Presbyterian Women invite all women of the church to its Winter Gathering **Monday, Jan. 23 at 11:30 a.m.** Guest speaker is Sister Meaghan Patterson, Executive Director from Dawn's Place, one of the missions P.W. supports.

Leadership Retreat: Elders, Deacons and Trustees will gather for a Leadership Retreat on **Saturday, January 28** from 8:30-11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please [RSVP ONLINE on our Events Page](#).

January 29 (9:30 am) is [Blanket Sunday](#), an offering sponsored by our Deacons. Your contributions enables Church World Service to help families around the world recover from disasters and displacement while helping to rebuild viable, sustainable lives and communities. *Look for special pew envelopes or give online (use the Blanket Sunday dropdown).*

Winter Inquirers' Class: The Membership Committee will be holding a three-part Inquirers' Class for those interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian Church as a whole, and possibly joining the congregation. The Class will meet on the following dates:

Wednesday, Feb. 15: 7:00-8:30 PM *via Zoom*

Saturday, Feb. 18: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM (*Hayes Room*)

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 FPCM.
- **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.