



Sunday, April 2, 2023 ~ Palm Sunday
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

King Jesus comes: King Jesus is the Son of God, our Savior and Lord.

Hail, King Jesus, Lord of all!

Recall the words of Scripture: "A great crowd, who had come to the feast, heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying, 'Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!'"

In praise, we adore you, King Jesus. Enter our hearts today as You entered Jerusalem long ago, and lead us by faith to the way everlasting.

Let us worship God!

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

Hosanna (Be Lifted Higher)

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Rev. Wes Allen

Merciful God, as we enter Holy Week and gather at Your house of prayer, turn our hearts again to Jerusalem – to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Oh Lord, we confess that too often we turn inward toward our own desires. We turn in the direction that is most comfortable and most familiar. Help us to set our eyes on the path of our Savior, Your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to follow in His journey this Holy Week so that we might be united with Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

We are met by God in our times of testing. Our Lord knows the choices we face and has made clear the cost of the faithful way. Through faith in Jesus Christ we find our strength for the journey.

Jesus has gone before us. His cross symbolizes the agony but also the victory. Through Christ, we find our peace and assurance. Amen.

Greeting

Sharing with Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

Wow Moments

Rev. Spencer

Way of the Week [Video](#) – Luke Maxted

21. YOU'RE SENT, NOW GO. We're blessed to be a blessing. God intends to use you to bless, heal, restore, and liberate a dark and hurting world. We're here for others: in our families, our community, and in the world. Go to the need. Live missionally.

Ideas for Action: Check out the Missions tab on our website. Look at our local mission partners' websites for information and ideas for service. Contact Linda Jagiela, Director of Missions, for additional suggestions. Make plans to go and serve ASAP.

Offertory

Rev. Allen

*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

Jesus Messiah

Sermon

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Pasture: Form a Search Party

Scripture Text: [Luke 15:1-10](#)

Sermon Series: Crossing the Road with Jesus

Communion Song

Worship Team

Breathe

Communion

Rev. Allen

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup (*Please prepare a communion serving for yourself and any who are worshipping with you.*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Kalane Williams-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Christine Bass-Keyboards; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
Flower Arrangers:	Debbie Heller, Stacy Schaffer and Fran Green
Usher:	Dave Barr or JoAnn Reynik
Trustee Greeter:	Mike Ramage
Check-in:	Sarah Harper
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert R. Rorke by Lucy Rorke-Adams.

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.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering is given on Palm Sunday. Children may return their fish banks at both Services. Use the dropdown in electronic giving for One Great Hour of Sharing or the special pew envelopes. *Please mark OGHS in the Memo field on checks.*

Adult Spiritual Formation: We are offering two classes: **How We Love** - This 9-week couples' study is designed to strengthen your marriage. "How We Love" explores the five broken Love Styles preventing intimacy and effective communication in relationships. – *Hayes Room*

The Book of Acts - Acts chronicles some of the most important events in Christian history. This study will help you understand these historic events and provide the tools and resources for daily application in the 21st century. – *Fellowship Hall A*

Palm Sunday Concert: *April 2, 7:30 p.m. in our Sanctuary* – West Jersey Chamber Orchestra & Chorale along with our Adult Choir will perform Haydn's "**St. Theresa Mass**". Tickets are \$28; \$18 Seniors; Children Free.

Holy Week Worship Schedule:

Thursday, April 6 (7:30 p.m., Miller Commons)

Maundy Thursday Drama Presentation: "From the Table to the Cross" and including the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 7

- Good Friday Community Worship: Noon, FPCM Courtyard (outdoor)
- Good Friday Tenebrae Worship: 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 9 - *He is Risen! Alleluia!*

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Worship (Cemetery Cross)
- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Miller Commons)

Couples' Retreat – May 19-21: Join us for FPC Moorestown's annual Couples' Retreat! This year we will be staying at The Dormer House, a quaint Victorian bed & breakfast located in historic Cape May. The cost is \$450 per couple and includes breakfast, two nights, group sessions with a licensed marriage & family therapist, and dinner on Saturday. **Register** on our website under Current Events.

Camp Johnsonburg: Camp Offerings the week of July 16–21 include:

1. **Elementary Students** (2nd -5th grade) - **Mystery Camp**: Your group will have to solve the mystery over the course of the week, finding clues where you least expect them. You'll make new friends, try new activities, and have a blast swimming in the pool and lake, boating, making your dinner over a campfire, and a whole lot more. Limited spots available for this one, so sign up soon!
2. **Middle School & High School students** (6th–12th grade) – **Night Owl**: Enjoy God's creation in the *dark*--with stargazing, worshipping around a campfire, glow-in-the-dark night games, and much more! Campers will get to stay up later and sleep in later. Experience your favorite activities during the day AND by the light of the moon--as well as Night Owl only activities that no other camp session gets to do. *The middle and high school programs are run separately from each other, including activities, accommodations, etc.*

Register at www.campjburg.org | Camp Johnsonburg allows families to pay over time; and they offer tiered pricing depending on level of need. Camper registration costs range from \$590-\$890 for the week. Scholarships are available through The Presbytery For Southern New Jersey and First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown. If interested or you have any questions, please contact Wes Allen (wallen@fpcmoorestown.org).

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.