



Sunday, April 23, 2023 ~ Third Sunday of Easter
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Our God

We Believe

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (*responsive*)

Rev. Spencer

Day or night, it is always the right time to come before God.

For God already knows what lies in our hearts.

Let us offer up our hopes yet unmet:

for peace, for reconciliation, for grace.

Let us offer up the wrongs we have done:

our greed, our apathy, our meanness.

Let us offer up the good we have left undone:

forgiving another, offering mercy, choosing compassion.

And in silence, let us offer God the whole of our hearts.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the good news! The Lord Jesus Christ died for us; He rose for us; He reigns in power for us; He prays for us. "Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun."

We believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. We thank and praise the Lord together for our great salvation.

Greeting

Sharing with Young Disciples

Mike Jones

Wow Moments

Rev. Wes Allen

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.

Prayers of the People & Offertory

*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

Do It Again

Sermon

Pasteur Léon Dorléans

The Benefit of Saying Yes to God

Scripture Text: [Acts 26:9-19](#)

Sermon Series: The Quiet Coming of the Holy Spirit

Closing Song

Worship Team

Great I Am

Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Allen

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-Keyboards; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
Flower Arrangers:	Debbie Heller and Karen Mason
Usher:	Dave Barr or JoAnn Reynik
Trustee Greeter:	Brian Catanella
Check-in:	Jason Rose
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her sisters, Elizabeth Seropian & Marline Broburg, 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.

We welcome Pasteur Léon Dorléans to our pulpit this morning. He was ordained into the ministry in 1975 at the Red Quarry Christian Church in French-Lick, Indiana. Léon graduated from Cincinnati Christian Seminary in 1987 and started his ministry in Cité Soleil in 1988. Haiti Outreach Ministries began in 1990 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti with Pastor Léon as the founding director. Through HOM, he and his wife, Jacky, and daughter, Nadege, have built three churches, four schools and two clinics as well as developed the leaders in Haiti needed to sustain the ministry. They have recently broken ground for a Bible College. Many of our members have been on mission trips to Haiti. FPCM has sent 11 mission teams to this ministry, with the first being after the 2010 earthquakes.

Adult Spiritual Formation: We are offering two classes: **You & Me Forever (4/16-6/11):** In his book, Francis & Lisa Chan dive into Scripture to understand what it means to have a relationship that satisfies the deepest parts of our souls. The \$25 registration fee includes one copy of the book and workbook. **Register** on our website under Current Events. – *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*

Special Congregational Meeting: This Meeting will be held on **April 30**, immediately following the 9:30 Worship Service in the Commons. The purpose of the Meeting is to elect Elders, Deacons, and Trustees to a term of office beginning June 1, 2023.

Service Project for Cathedral Kitchen – *April 30, 11:00 a.m.:* Our Deacons will lead us in making sandwiches, decorating placemats and designing centerpieces for the tables at CK. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome! **Sign-up Genius link now live.**

Youth Choir Concert – *May 7, 7:00 p.m.:* Come support our young Choir members as they perform favorite selections from this year. They will be accompanied by the West Jersey Chamber Orchestra.

Couples' Retreat – *May 19-21:* It's not too late to register for FPC Moorestown's annual Couples' Retreat! This year we will be staying at The Dormer House, a quaint 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.

Stellar VBS! – *June 26-30, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.:* Kids will take off on an out-of-this-world adventure that is light years of faith-building fun. Cost is \$25 (\$20/addtl. child). Please **Register by June 14.**

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. 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, worshiping around a campfire, glow-in-the-dark night games, and much more! Campers will get to stay up later and sleep in later. *The middle and high school programs are run separately from each other, including activities, accommodations, etc.*

Register at www.campjburg.org. 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.

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.