



Sunday, June 4, 2023 ~ Trinity Sunday
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Hope Has a Name

The Lion and the Lamb

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Rev. Wes Allen

Holy God, we know that in so many ways
we have run from You.

We have ignored Your call;

we have closed our eyes to Your presence;

we have disbelieved Your mercy;

we have disregarded Your Words;

we have belittled ourselves;

we have forsaken others.

So we ask, once again, for Your forgiveness. We ask You to stay with us as we turn away from what is wrong and hurtful to what is bright and life-giving. And hear now our silent prayers.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, let us proclaim the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Let us go out into the world as people made new by God.

Amen.

Greeting

Sharing with Our Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

Wow Moments

Rev. Spencer

Way of the Week [Video](#) – Mike Baker

5. **ASSUME POSITIVE INTENT.** Decide to trust that other members are being fair, honest, and concerned for the well-being of our church. Set aside your own judgments and preconceived notions. Surrender the urge to criticize and judge – it doesn't help. Graciously give people the benefit of the doubt.

Ideas for Action: Take a “criticism inventory.” Just how critical are you, really? Ask someone you love and trust to tell you how you're doing in this area. Try a 24-hour fast from all forms of criticism - no complaining or criticism for an entire day.

Moment for Mission: “Live Forward. Give Forward.” (See insert)

Elder Earl Gage

On Legacy Giving/Wills Emphasis Sunday, we are invited to consider how to share the blessings God has given us through our estate planning. In creating this legacy, the dream is to keep our church caring and working here after our lifetime. We offer many options to make a Legacy Gift including Wills, estates, donor-advised funds, trusts, bequests, memorial donations, in-kind donations, and charitable giving. Visit <https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/legacy-giving/> and watch an informative video presentation.

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

Agnes Dei

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

Leaving Clues

Scripture Text: [Hosea 1:1-2:1](#)

Sermon Series: God's Huge Heart

Affirmation of Faith (from “Our World Belongs to God”)

Rev. Spencer

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world—which some seek to control and others view with despair—we declare with joy and trust: Our world belongs to God! From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until the kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever: Our world belongs to God!

God is King: Let the earth be glad! Christ is victor: His rule has begun! The Spirit is at work: Creation is renewed! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord.

Closing Song

Worship Team

Almighty

10:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Christine Bass-Keyboard; Cheryl Stevens-Vocals
Flower Arrangers:	Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop
Usher:	Matt La Grou or Jeff Legath
Trustee Greeter:	Earl Gage
Check-in:	Mike McNeil
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Nancy O'Connor by Mike and Morgan O'Connor.

Sermon Series: Use this link to our website to access [additional resources](#) for our new Sermon Series on the Book of Hosea.

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.

Summer worship hours begin **today**. Worship shifts to 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (*Sanctuary*) and 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Commons*). Adult Spiritual Formation offers a casual drop-in series 10:00-10:45 am in the Lounge. There is no children's Sunday School in the summer. During summer months, *Connections* prints every two weeks.

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. – *Hayes Room*

Drop in & Discuss - Join us each Sunday morning this summer, beginning June 4, to discuss the day's sermon text. We will gather from 10:00-10:45 a.m. Get your coffee and drop in for 10 minutes or for 40. – *Lounge*

64th Annual Strawberry Festival: **Thank you** to everyone who hulled, brought or baked cakes, donated, welcomed visitors, spooned strawberries, coordinated needs, attended, supported, wrangled children, and cleaned up at our church's largest event! YOU help make it a huge success for our community.

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**. Adults and Teen Volunteers (7th grade & older): we need you! Sign up on the VBS page.

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.