



Sunday, July 2, 2023 ~ 5th Sunday after Pentecost; Communion

9:00 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. Wes Allen

Music in Preparation for Worship

Joel Krott, Organ

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American Colonial Anon.

***Responsive Call to Worship (adapted from Isaiah 12: 3-6)**

Elder Matt Livingston

Give thanks to the LORD! Praise His name!

Tell the whole world what He has done—His mighty acts on our behalf.

Sing to the LORD, for He has done wonderful things for us!

Raise your hearts and voices! Shout and sing your praise!

For great is the Holy One who lives among us!

Come, and let us worship God!

***Prayer of Adoration**

Elder Livingston

***Hymn No. 418**

America, the Beautiful

****Seating interlude*

Call to Confession

Elder Livingston

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Our Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown to ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Lord God, have mercy on us and make us whole. In Jesus Christ, our Savior's name, Amen.

Silent prayer for personal confession

Assurance of Pardon

God is slow to anger and full of compassion. He forgives all who humbly repent and trust in his Son as Savior and Lord.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 805

Sharing with our Young Disciples & Commissioning of Malawi Trekkers Rev. Allen

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

Way of the Week #9: Pray First and Pray Again Rev. Spencer

9. PRAY FIRST AND PRAY AGAIN. Ask *first* for God's guidance and blessing in everything you do. Through prayer, ask for wisdom and for God's will to be done. Pray for others as well, that God's love and blessing would be revealed to them in good times and in bad.

Ideas for Action: On your next walk, run, or in your quiet time, intentionally pray for neighbors, other churches, schools, EMTs, police and fire personnel, and local officials. If you're stalled in your prayer life, reach out to one of the pastors or a member of the Prayer Team for a suggestion.

Offertory

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| My Offering | |
| <i>Where your treasury is,</i> | Name: _____ |
| <i>there will</i> | Address: _____ |
| <i>you hear</i> | Amount: _____ |
| <i>it also.</i> | |
| <small>Shec. 621</small> | |

Offertory Music

Kathy Gunsallus, Piano

Tell it to Jesus

Lorenz/Berg

Lilly Rykaczewski, Soloist

Are you weary, are you heavy hearted? Tell it to Jesus, tell it to Jesus.
Are you grieving over joys departed? Tell it to Jesus alone.

Refrain:

Tell it to Jesus, tell it to Jesus. He is a friend that's well known.
You've no other such a friend or brother, tell it to Jesus alone.

Do the tears flow down your cheeks unbidden? Tell it to Jesus, tell it to Jesus.
Have you sins that to men's eyes are hidden? Tell it to Jesus alone. **(Refrain)**
Do you fear the gath'ring clouds of sorrow? Tell it Jesus, tell it to Jesus.
Are you anxious what shall be tomorrow? Tell it to Jesus alone.
Are you troubled at the thought of dying? Tell it to Jesus, tell it to Jesus,
For Christ's coming kingdom, are you sighing? Tell it to Jesus alone. **(Refrain)**

***Doxology No. 809**

Sermon

Rev. Stuart Spencer

"Soul Medicine"

Scripture Text: Hosea 5: 8-6:3 (page 838 Pew Bible OT)

Sermon Series: God's Huge Heart

***Affirmation of Faith (from *Our World Belongs to God*)**

In the Lord's Supper, Christ offers his own crucified body and shed blood to his people, assuring them a share in his death and resurrection. By the Holy Spirit, he feeds us with his resurrection life and binds us to each other as we share one loaf and cup. We receive this food gladly, believing, as we eat, that Jesus is our life-giving food and drink and that he will come again to call us to the wedding feast of the Lamb. Amen.

The Lord's Supper and Home Communion

Rev. Spencer

The Invitation to the Table
The Words of Institution
The Prayer of Consecration
*The Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Hymn No. 612**

How Firm a Foundation

Music in Preparation for Service

Joel Krott, Organ

General Washington's March

American Colonial Anon.

Benediction and Going Forth; [Ways Video](#) (Melissa Corbin)

Rev. Spencer

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9:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Matt Livingston; **Communion Elder:** Frank Manion; **Audio Technician:** Harris Ransom; **Live Stream Technician:** Jonathan Nawrocki; **Flower Arrangers:** Stacy Schaffer, Carol Benner, Karen Mason; **Ushers:** Steve Shaffer, Gail Sorin, John Miller; **Trustee Greeter:** John Miller; **Check-In Volunteer:** Deacon Susan Winner; **Nursery Caregiver:** Amy Coombe; **Hospitality:** Lissa Herman and Sue Piper (*volunteers needed for this ministry*)

Worship flowers are given by Jane Murphy with thanks to God for the gift of her granddaughter, Abby Biglin.

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

- **The church office is CLOSED Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 for the Independence Day holiday.**
- **THANK YOU to everyone who helped with VBS June 26-30!** “Stellar” brought Jesus' light into the world and to all attendees. Children made bags for Christian Caring Center to use in its homeless outreach. 😊
- Come help out at the **Children's Fresh Air Home on Thursday, Aug. 17** from 8 am-5 pm in North Wildwood. The campers are from UrbanPromise and we will be serving them lunch, and helping with their special day at the beach. Carpool from the church; contact [Linda Jagiela](#) if you can help: 267-275-7582 cell/text.
- **NEW: Youth Summer Book Study**, Wednesday evenings, led by Cheryl Gaskill and Dave Fauvell. SIGN UP on our [event page](#). We'll be looking at “More Than A Carpenter” by Josh McDowell, a skeptic turned believer, and his son, Sean McDowell.
- **High Schoolers:** Did you know we have a summer camp trip in July! Join Burlington County Young Life for an incredible [summer camp July 19-24](#) at Saranac Village, NY. [See the scoop on our event page!](#)
- **Summer Reminders:** Summer Worship is 9:00 a.m. Traditional and 10:30 a.m. Contemporary. Adult Spiritual Formation offers a drop-in series **10:00-10:45 am** in the Lounge. Children's Sunday School is on summer break – see you in the fall. 😊 During summer months *Connections* prints every two weeks.
- Throughout July and August, our Thursday Prayer Service is on hiatus. Instead, the congregation is encouraged to participate in [Thursday Evening Prayer on the Porch](#). Come pray with the Prayer Committee on the first and third Thursdays at 7:00 pm: dates **July 6; July 20; Aug. 3; Aug. 17.**
- Registration is OPEN for Camp Johnsonburg summer camp **July 16-21.** [See event page for all the fun!](#)
- **Recent Member Reception & Ice Cream Social: Sunday, July 30, 5th Sunday, 9:30 am** Blended Worship. After our 5th Sunday worship we have something very special planned -- a church-wide ice cream social and reception to honor the past four new member classes, coordinated by the Membership Committee and Deacons. *SIGN UP on our event page and through the Church Center app SIGNUPS.* 😊
- **Trek Malawi with UrbanPromise** -- Pastor Spencer will be away **July 7-18** joining Jim Dugan and other riders on a 300-mile bicycle trek through the country of Malawi, Africa for UrbanPromise. For pastoral concerns please contact Rev. Wes Allen or the church office. You can pray along with Stuart, Jim and the group daily. Watch for a *Prayer Guide* on our website and event pages.
- **NEW! Family Paintball and Whitewater Rafting!** Check out our [events page online](#) or through *Signups* on the Church Center app about two exciting family adventures this summer. Sign up and pay online at <https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events>.
- Would you like to **donate flowers** in honor or memory of someone special? Openings remain for several dates this summer. Each vase is \$40. Contact Rumi Sinunu at (856) 266-4047 cell or rts319@gmail.com.
- **Please submit 2023-24 event dates**, room requests, planning dates and meeting schedules to the church office by **August 1** for the church calendar and summer staff planning session.