



Sunday, August 6, 2023 ~ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)
Sinnerman

Call to and Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Jenny Revucky

Lord Jesus, I bow before You in humility and ask You to examine my heart today. Show me anything that is not pleasing to You. Reveal any secret pride, any unconfessed sin, any rebellion or unforgiveness that may be hindering my relationship with You. I know that I am Your beloved child, having received You into my heart and life and having accepted Your death as penalty for my sinfulness. The price You paid covered me for all time; and my desire is to live for You. Each time I take communion, Lord, I want to recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit. As I leave this place, help me to hold this fresh remembrance and the story that never grows old close to my heart. Help me to share its message faithfully as You give opportunity. Amen.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Even when our cups run dry, God's grace overflows. Even when our plates are empty, God's generosity overflows. Even when our hearts feel barren, God's love overflows.

We have been called and claimed by the God of all things; and by the abundance of God's grace and by the power of God's love, our sins have been forgiven. Amen.

Greeting

Sharing with our Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

Wow Moments

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Spencer

Way of the Week [Video](#) – Dr. Bruce Main

Rev. Spencer

14. GROW FAITH. Take advantage of every chance you have to form your faith – through Small Groups, classes, and personal study. Be a disciple, and look to learn from those who know more of the Bible and Christian life than you do, then look for opportunities to share what you've gained with someone else.

Ideas for Action: If you're not currently in a Small Group, contact the church office and ask for assistance in finding one. Ask for some time with someone whose faith you respect, and pick their brains on their practices of faith formation.

Song of Praise

Worship Team

You Are Good

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

A Bumper Crop

Scripture Text: [Hosea 10:9-15](#)

Sermon Series: God's Huge Heart

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

When Israel spurned God's love—lusting after other gods, rusting in power and wealth, and hurting the weak—God scattered them among the nations, yet kept a faithful remnant and promised them the Messiah: a prophet to speak good news, a king to crush evil and rule the earth with justice, a priest to be sacrificed for sinners. God promised to forgive their sins and give them a new heart and a new spirit, moving them to walk in His ways. Amen.

Communion Song

Worship Team

Everlasting God

Communion and Home Communion

Rev. Spencer

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

10:30 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Wes Allen-Electric Guitar; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Cheryl Stevens, Michelle Davis, Sharon Budka, Steve Drzaszcz-Vocals
Live stream Technician:	Matthew Miller
Flower Arrangers:	Martha Derry and Karen Mason
Usher:	Jeff Legath
Trustee Greeter:	Wendy Dougherty
Check-in:	Jess Zorn
Hospitality:	Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver:	Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Richard Neindorff from his children and grandchildren from his Memorial Service held on August 5.

Nursery care is provided for children ages 0-5 years old in Room 12.

Our World Belongs to God: In our summer sermon series on the book of Hosea, each Sunday we'll read a portion of a Statement of Faith called, "Our World Belongs to God," from the Christian Reformed Church. While not having confessional status, it is meant to give a hymn-like expression of our faith within the heritage of the Reformed confessions, especially addressing issues that confront the Church today: <https://www.crcna.org/welcome/beliefs/contemporary-testimony/our-world-belongs-god>.

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.*

Summer worship hours: 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: 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*

Men's Bible Study: Discipleship Essentials - Every Wednesday morning, from 6:30-7:30 a.m., Pastor Stuart Spencer leads a study for men. The group recently began a study of the book Discipleship Essentials by Greg Ogden. The group gathers in a hybrid fashion, some in Fellowship Hall and others via Zoom. Contact Stuart if you'd like to join: sspencer@fpcmoorestown.org.

Youth Summer Book Study - Wednesday evenings, led by Cheryl Gaskill and Dave Fauvell. SIGN UP on our [Event page!](#) We're looking at "More Than A Carpenter" by Josh McDowell, a skeptic turned believer, and his son, Sean.

Pastor Spencer will be away on vacation from Aug. 9-22. In his absence, Pastor Allen is available for pastoral care.

Come help at the [Children's Fresh Air Home](#) on **Thursday, Aug. 17** from 8 am-5 pm in North Wildwood. The campers are from UrbanPromise. We will be serving them lunch and helping with their special day at the beach. To carpool from the church, contact [Linda Jagiela](#) or if you can help (267-275-7582 cell/text).

During July and August, we are suspending the Thursday Evening Prayer Service. You are encouraged to join the Prayer Committee for [Prayer on the Porch](#) at **7:00 p.m.** (*Aug. 17, Sept. 7, 21*) for a time of prayer & fellowship on the Van Camp Porch. (*In the case of inclement weather, it will be held in the Lounge.*)

[Malawi Trekkers Mission Presentation](#): Pastor Stuart Spencer and Jim Dugan recently returned from a mission trip to Malawi, Africa. Join Jim and Stuart to hear more about their trip and see their pictures and videos. The presentation is Wednesday, **August 30 at 6:30 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall.

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** – Prayer on the Porch – Join our Prayer Team for a time of prayer on the Van Camp Porch (*1st & 3rd Thursdays June-Sept.*)
- **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.