



Sunday, September 24, 2023 ~ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome

Rev. Wes Allen

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Good God Almighty
Hope Has a Name

Wow Moments

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Call to Worship

Rev. Allen

God rejoices at our presence here today
and welcomes us home with a celebration.
We come from different places bringing different needs;
and God's love accepts and provides for us all.
God, help us extend Your extravagant welcome
and share the gift of true Biblical hospitality.

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Rev. Allen

For the times we neglect to care for our brothers and sisters in Christ, please forgive us, Lord.
For the times we fail to welcome new people who look or act different from ourselves, please forgive us, Lord.
For the times we fail to pursue You through prayer and Scripture reading, please forgive us, Lord.
For the times we are unwilling to try new things in order to reach people, please forgive us, Lord.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Psalm 103 reminds us that God “forgives all our sins and separates us from our sin as far as the east is from the west. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God’s love for us.” Friends, believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, your sins have been forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Gloria Patri

Worship Team

Greeting

Rev. Spencer

Stewardship Moment

Elders Ginny Weber & Paul Grossmann

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

Rev. Spencer

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 Outreach, for additional suggestions. Make plans to go and serve ASAP.

Offering Ourselves and Song of Praise

Worship Team

The Stand

Sermon

Rev. Allen

Welcoming the Divine

Scripture Text: [Matthew 25:31-46](#)

Sermon Series: Biblical Hospitality: Inviting Outsiders to Be Family

Closing Song

Worship Team

How Great is Our God

Work of God’s People and Benediction

Rev. Allen

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Martin Bass-Guitar; Wes Allen-Electric Guitar; Don Stevens-Bass; Barry Overton-Drums; Christine Bass-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Cheryl Stevens, Michelle Davis-Vocals
Live stream Technician:	Matthew Miller
Visuals:	Greg Connlain
Flower Arrangers:	Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop
Usher:	Matt La Grou or Jeff Legath
Trustee Greeter:	Mike Welch
Check-in:	Susan Winner

Hospitality: Chelsea Margerum
Nursery Caregiver: Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of his wife, Charlyne, by Thomas Hinkelman.

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

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.*

New Worship Times: Beginning September 17, our Sunday morning schedule has changed. As recommended by the Worship Committee and approved by Session, the Traditional Service now begins at 9:00 a.m. Sunday School is held from 10:15-11:00 a.m. The Contemporary Service is still held at 11:00 a.m.

Sermon on the Mount – Fellowship Hall A: In His sermon as recorded by Matthew in chapters 5-7 of his Gospel, Jesus reveals the principles of what true discipleship looks like. Please **Register** online for this class.

Church Has Left The Building - **October 28-29:** Sign up online or at the table in the Lobby for various projects. This year we will be tending to a few items at "our house" FPC Moorestown. On the 29th, we begin with a combined worship at **9:30 a.m.** and then split up for the various Sunday projects. Luke Maxted is our guest preacher.

The Chosen: This 8-week Small Group gathers on Sundays at **4:00-6:00 pm (NEW TIME)** at the home of Dick and Lissa Herman to watch and to discuss each episode in light of the Gospel accounts. You must Register online to participate in this Group.

ALPHA is an 11-week course that creates a space where people are excited for a conversation about faith, life and God. Each week's talk looks at a different question. A new series of Wednesday evening sessions began on Sept. 6. [Sign up online](#) or through the Church Center app.

If you have interest in being involved in our **Youth ministry**, please contact Dave Fauvell at dfauvell52@gmail.com or 609-980-7885 call/text.

Stephen Minister Training Class: We will be starting a new class for those who would like to train to be a Stephen Minister, beginning on Monday, **October 2**. We will meet in Room 2 for 10 weeks. Please [REGISTER online](#) or contact leader Doris Kahley at 609-261-8474 or d.kahley@verizon.net.

Road Trip! We will be carpooling from FPCM at 8 a.m. on **Thursday, Oct. 5** to America's Keswick for a Hymn Sing. Tickets are only \$13 and include a continental breakfast and lunch. [Sign up online](#) or contact Linda Jagiela at missions@fpcmoorestown.org if you would like to join us.

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.