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Sunday, October 22, 2023 ~ Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome Rev. Wes Allen

Songs of Praise Worship Team

Jesus is Coming Back Same God

Wow Moments Rev. Stuart Spencer

Call to Worship Rev. Allen

Lord, help us listen.

Still the noise around us and in us; still the urgency and anxiety; still the destruction and falsehood.

Lord, help us listen.

Break through with Your still, small voice; with Your calm and clarity; with Your leading and light.

You reveal the needed next steps. You provide all we need to make the journey. Lord, help us listen and help us act.

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord Jesus, Your life shows us how You want us to live. So often, we know exactly what it would take for us to become more like You; and yet we sit back rather than taking a step toward Your holiness. Lots of times You make the pathway of faithfulness obvious to us, but we stumble away

from the road to sanctification. We need Your strength, living Lord Jesus, so that we can live into our call as well-loved disciples who become more and more like You. We repent of our complacency and ask You to forgive us for these and all of our trespasses. We continue now to confess in silence...

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in loving kindness. He will not always accuse; neither will He stay angry forever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins nor repaid us for our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His loving kindness toward those who fear Him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us." Thanks be to God. Hallelujah, amen!

Greeting

Song of Praise Rev. Allen

Jerusalem

Sharing with Young Disciples

Rev. Spencer

Way of the Week Video – Rebecca Neindorff

Rev. Spencer

25. REJOICE ALWAYS. The Kingdom of God is a party! Let healthy laughter fill our meetings, our meals, and even our worship. Allow the joy of our faith be clearly evident in our speech and on our faces.

Ideas for Action: Throw a party for the coming weekend, and invite a couple of individuals or families from the church over to celebrate. Don't forget the cake! What's the occasion? The joy of knowing and serving Jesus and belonging to our church family are reasons enough.

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Rev. Spencer

Fill My Cup

Worship Team

Rev. Allen

Sermon
Trustina God at Home

Scripture Text: John 4:43-54

Sermon Series: Our House, God's House

Closing Song

Worship Team

Good, Good Father

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; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Christine Bass-Keys; Cheryl Stevens,

Michelle Davis-Vocals

Audio Technician: Taylor Adair
Live stream Technician: Matthew Miller
Visuals: Alice Conley

Flower Arrangers: Karin Miller and Rumi Sinunu
Usher: Matt La Grou or Jeff Legath

Trustee Greeter: Matt Moxhay Check-in: Jenna Cole

Hospitality: Chelsea Margerum **Nursery Caregiver:** Amy Coombe

Today's pulpit flowers are given to the glory of God, in gratitude and in loving memory of Frank Worthing by Susan Masiko.

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

<u>Check-ins</u>: Check-in is <u>self-check in only</u> on your smart phone. A volunteer is available to assist. *Please remember to check in from home when watching the live stream.*

If you have not already done so, please submit your **2024 Estimate of Giving** online, by mail, in the offering, or to the church office.

<u>Sermon on the Mount</u> – *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.

<u>Church Has Left The Building</u> - October 28-29: Sign up online or at one of the tables at church for various projects (*see insert*). This year we will be tending to a few items at "our house" FPC Moorestown. You can also <u>donate</u> towards the supplies for the Care Packages. On the 29th, we begin with worship at 9:30 a.m. and then split up for the various Sunday projects. Luke Maxted is our guest preacher.

Pick up your <u>Operation Christmas Child Box</u> in the Commons Lobby and see directions for returning BY Tuesday, **Nov. 14**. Don't forget to include a check for \$10 to pay the postage.

<u>The Chosen</u>: This 8-week Small Group gathers on Sundays at **4:00-6:00 pm** 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.

TONIGHT: **Beginners and Masters Concert**, 7:30 p.m. – West Jersey Chamber Music Society opens their season with classical symphonies from Mozart, Haydn, and others. <u>Tickets</u> are \$28 (Discounts for Seniors). Students 18 & under are Free.

Thursday Evening Prayer: After taking a break for the summer months, we have resumed our Thursday Evening Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m. Our Pastors lead this 15-minute Service. Do you have a prayer request, joy, or a concern to share? E-mail or text Rev. Spencer by **9:00 a.m. Wednesday**.

<u>PW Holiday Bazaar</u> is coming Saturday, **Nov. 11** (10 am-3 pm)! Please donate holiday fabric to Edith McFalls or Fran Green by **Oct. 22** for making ornaments (See *Connections*).

<u>Young Musicians' Concert</u> – *Sunday, Nov. 5, 7:00 p.m.*: Come out to support our own young musicians as they perform solos and instrumental pieces. The Choristers and Chapel Choir will also be featured.

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.

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 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)
- 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.