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Rev. Wesley Allen, Associate Pastor



Sunday, March 3, 2024 ~ Third Sunday in Lent 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome Rev. Wes Allen

Way of the Week Video – Dave Fauvell

Rev. Allen

19. ACCEPT AND DON'T CAST STONES. God's love opens the doors of our church to all people. Just as Jesus did, welcome people as they are. It's not up to us to judge. Love unconditionally; and as Christ has received you, receive others.

Ideas for Action: Approach someone you normally avoid at church for whatever reason. Make a point to speak to them this week.

Ten Commandments

Rev. Allen

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

Hosanna (Praise is Rising)
Graves into Gardens

Wow Moments

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 18)

Rev. Allen

The LORD thundered out of heaven;

the Most High uttered His voice.

He loosed His arrows and scattered them:

He hurled thunderbolts and routed them.

The beds of the seas were uncovered, and the foundations of the world laid bare

at Your battle cry, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

He reached down from on high and grasped me;

He drew me out of great waters.

He delivered me from my strong enemies and from those who hated me;

for they were too mighty for me. Unite us in justice, LORD, that all might praise Your name together.

Song of Praise Worship Team

Way Maker

Prayer of Adoration Rev. Allen

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Allen

Merciful God, we humble ourselves in Your presence, confessing our unworthiness and our sinfulness in Your sight. We have broken Your holy law. We have not sought first Your Kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves or done to others as we would that they should do to us. Most Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Who hast given Your Son, Jesus Christ, to save Your people from their sins. Forgive us, we pray; cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us; through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silence for personal confession

Kyrie Eleison Worship Team

Assurance of Forgiveness (responsive)

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Greeting

Sharing with Young Disciples

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Offering Ourselves to God

Rev. Spencer



Thank you for your faithfulness in remembering FPC Moorestown with your giving. Take advantage of secure <u>automatic withdrawal</u>, or donate easily via the Church Center app. If you're watching via live stream, you can take part and give online right now as well! When mailing your offerings, please send to **P.O. Box 868, Moorestown, NJ 08057**.

Song of Praise Worship Team

Jesus Messiah

Sermon Rev. Allen

Making Room at the Table

Scripture Text: Luke 14:7-14

Sermon Series: Meeting Jesus at the Table

Closing Song Worship Team

Revelation Song

Work of God's People and Benediction

Rev. Allen

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team: Wes Allen-Guitar; Andy Cross-Bass; Joe Wichterman-Electric Guitar; Tony

Saranchak-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Michelle Davis, Steve Drzaszcz-

Vocals

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

Flower Arrangers: JoAnn Reynik and Debbie Heller Usher: Dave Barr or JoAnn Reynik

Trustee Greeter: Wendy Dougherty
Check-in: Rachel Long

Hostess: Volunteers needed! **Nursery Caregiver:** Chelsea Margerum

Today's worship flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother, Jean Sinunu, by Nancy Sinunu Kyle and Mike Sinunu.

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.



THANK YOU for your generous kick-off to our Capital Fund! We've received nearly \$40,000 for our needed capital projects. We're well on our way. The Trustees developed a list of projects that require attention in the upcoming years for \$170,000, of which \$82,000 are high priority. Because of budgetary restraints, no capital funds were budgeted for 2024. Leadership offers the congregation the chance to give to projects during a Capital

Campaign. Contributions can be made online or by utilizing Capital Fund envelopes. See our <u>Church Center event page</u> and website for more information.

<u>Per Capita due</u>: The Stewardship Committee reminds you that contributions/responses for annual Per Capita were due Feb. 29 and asks members to either 1) contribute their Per Capita payment of \$38.75/member (above one's Pledge), or 2) <u>use the online form</u> to request the church to "opt out" of paying their share. The church must pay this assessment for all non-responding members.

"At the Table" Drama: Please see Rev. Wes Allen if you'd like to play a part in the drama in our Maundy Thursday Service on March 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commons.



Introduction to Centering Prayer - Wednesdays (to March 20), 6:30-7:00 p.m.: Join Pastor Spencer for an introduction to a form of contemplative prayer known as Centering Prayer. Stuart shares the Biblical foundation for this prayer with direction on how to begin the practice. Classes are 30 minutes and follow Family Dinner. The class meets in the Pastor's study with a Zoom option.

➤ Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89245133475?pwd=K0R2UUtIOEluVHpydXFRSDh5WHJGZz09

Families: Pick up a fish bank for One Great Hour of Sharing offering and Lent-in-a-Box kit (both in the Lobby).

<u>PW Winter Gathering</u> rescheduled for March 11 (10:00 a.m.): We will enjoy breakfast treats and a guest speaker. Please bring white socks for the Christian Caring Center. <u>Sign up online</u>. *All women of the church are invited*.

2024 Couples' Retreat: Join us **April 26-28** for FPC Moorestown's Couples' Retreat to Cape May, NJ! We will stay at The Dormer House, a quaint B&B. Cost is \$450 per couple: includes breakfast, two nights, group sessions with Dr. Paul Booker, and dinner on Saturday. *Secure your spot with a \$100 deposit*.

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 7:00 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.