



July 7, 2024 ~ Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

*Please stand as you are able.

Have you **checked in** for worship today on the Church Center app? Please remember to also **sign** the Friendship pads in the pews and greet those seated near you.

Welcome & Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Way of the Week #12: Own Our Church

12. OWN OUR CHURCH. The work of the Church isn't defined by Pastors and staff alone. It comes from each member actively participating in the life of Jesus Christ. Claim ownership of FPC Moorestown's mission, programs, and property. Each is an expression of how God is working among us. Support others. Be informed. Volunteer for a new role. Live like you're the Church – *because you are!*

Ideas for Action: Spend a few minutes on our website to learn about some aspect of our ministry or mission that's new or unknown to you. Fuel your curiosity and consider getting involved in an area of ministry that brings you joy.

Music in Preparation for Worship

Joel Krott, Organ

Song of Peace

Langlais

*Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Elder Debbie Heller

Turn again, O Lord, and give us life.

We come here today to rejoice in Your great name.

"Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Renew a right spirit within me.

Give us again the joy of Your help."

With the help of Your Spirit, grant us freedom and sustain us. Let us worship God!

*Prayer of Adoration

Elder Heller

*Hymn No. 72

To God Be the Glory

***Seating interlude

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession *(responsive)*

Rev. Stuart Spencer

O, Lord our God, we are sorry for the many times we have left You and chosen to satisfy our own selfish desires. For the times we have hurt the members of our families by refusing to do our share of the family tasks or being insensitive with our words,

God, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we were unkind and impatient with those who needed our time and concern,

God, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we were too weak to stand up for what was right and allowed others to suffer because of our fearfulness,

God, we have sinned. Forgive us.

For the times we refused to forgive others,

God, we have sinned. Forgive us. Have mercy upon us all. Amen.

(Silence for our personal prayers of confession and surrender)

Assurance of Pardon

Through the crucified Body and blood of Christ the King, we have pardon from God and full forgiveness for our sins.

“For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

*Gloria Patri

Commission Honduras Mission Trip

Rev. Spencer

Today we commission the 4-member Honduras Mission Team for its July 9-14 trip. Mission team members include Jim Clinton, Margaret Dealy, Linda and Philip Jagiela.

Prayer of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer ('debts')

Rev. Allen

Offertory

Rev. Allen



Thank you for your faithfulness and for blessing FPC Moorestown with your giving. Your offerings and donations allow us to sustain our church programs. Take advantage of secure or donate easily from your phone via the Church Center app for your tithes, offerings and other fund contributions. If you're watching via live stream, you can give online right now as well! To mail offerings, send to P.O. Box 868, Moorestown, NJ 08057.

Offertory Music

Joel Krott, Piano

Deep River

Lilly Rykaczewski, Soprano

Spiritual Arr. Burleigh

*Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.
Oh, don't you want to go to the gospel feast, that promised land where all is peace?
Oh, deep river, Lord.*

*Doxology No. 809

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

"The Ways in Which God Works"

Scripture: [Colossians 1: 1-14](#) (Pew Bible page 199 NT)

Sermon Series: Jesus at the Center

*Affirmation of Faith *(adapted from the Belgic Confession)*

We believe that Jesus Christ, according to His divine nature, is the only Son of God—eternally begotten, not made nor created, for then He would be a creature. He is one in essence with the Father; coeternal; the exact image of the Person of the Father and the "reflection of His glory," being in all things like Him. So then, Jesus Christ is the true eternal God, the Almighty, Whom we invoke, worship, and serve. Jesus is Lord! Amen.

*Hymn No. 481 *(vs. 1-2)*

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

The Lord's Supper and Home Communion

Rev. Spencer, Elders

The Invitation to the Table

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

It is always right and just to praise You, God our Father, for You have always sought and found us. As we give You praise for Jesus Christ, the Shepherd and guardian of our souls, we offer thanks for this bread, which is to be for us His Body. May we who receive Him from Your hands be encouraged to lives of thankful praise, and be empowered by Your Spirit to offer Jesus to the world, which You have redeemed through Your own great love. We worship and adore You now and always, lifting our voices to You:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Words of Institution

The Prayer of Consecration

*The Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn No. 481 *(vs. 3-4)*

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Music in Preparation for Service

Joel Krott, Organ

Ah Lord My God

Dupré Op. 28 No. 2

*Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Spencer

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

9:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Debbie Heller; **Communion Elders:** Jean Kunkel, Matt Livingston, Frank Manion; **Audio Technician:** Harris Ransom; **Live Stream Technician:** Jonathan Nawrocki; **Ushers:** Dave Rebuck, Brett Couvillion, James Clinton; **Flower Arrangers:** Stacy Schaffer and Kristin Zorn; **Trustee Greeter:** Joe Molloy; **Sanctuary Greeter:** Stephen Minister Jim Dodimead; **Deacon Greeters:** Deacon Bobbi Voglesong and Alex Wilkie; **Bagel Pick-Up:** Paul Grossmann or Jim Cole; **Coffee Hospitality:** Paul Grossmann and Jim Cole; **Nursery Care:** Chelsea Margerum.

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Work of God's People (See Connections, e-blast, website, and Church Center app for details)

TODAY: [Our Honduras Mission Trip team](#) will be commissioned. The Team travels to Honduras July 9-14 for mission work: Jim Clinton, Margaret Dealy, Linda and Philip Jagiela.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped out with our Olympic-themed Vacation Bible School "Race to the Finish!" It was a fun-filled week in ministry. Save the Date for Vacation Bible School 2025: June 23-27!



"Drop In and Discuss" -- Join us each Sunday morning this summer to discuss the day's sermon text. We will gather in the Lounge from **10:15-11:15 am**. Get your coffee and drop in for ten minutes or for forty. No need to sign up, just stop on by.

Christmas in July -- We will be celebrating Christmas in July by stuffing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Our VBS children stuffed **35 boxes** as part of V.B.S. Missions! If you would like to sponsor a box by paying the \$10 shipping, it would be a great blessing. Throughout July, stop by the Commons Lobby and pick up your shoebox to fill. All instructions are provided. Please have your boxes back by the end of July. We will also have another opportunity in the fall to pack shoeboxes. OR you can also drop off the items we're collecting, and we'll include them in our boxes in the fall. **See the list on our [Church Center event page](#).**

College Bible Study -- From June 11-August 19, college-age people are invited to a weekly Bible Study Tuesday evenings from 8-9 pm in the Lounge, led by Youth Director Dave Fauvell. Call/text Dave at 609-980-7885 if you're interested.

NEW: Middle school and high school students (grades 7-12) are invited to **"Chill at Church"** Wednesdays beginning June 26 (7-9 p.m.). We'll have food, fun, and get to know each other. Friends are always welcome. Contact Youth Director [Dave Fauvell](#) at 609.980.7885 or find us on Instagram.

Prayer on the Porch, 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:00 pm on the Van Camp Porch. Share a summer evening with friends and pray together – with ice cream! **Next: July 11.**

Crossing Zone Paint Wars -- **Wednesday, July 24** on the church grounds for an action-packed night of fun for current 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. Wear clothes to get REALLY messy and bring a towel. **There is no cost**, but please **sign up online** so we can accurately plan.

Join us for a family **Whitewater Rafting** adventure down the Lehigh River in PA on **Saturday, August 17**. No prior experience is necessary; minimum age: 8 years old. Bring the whole family and invite your friends for an unforgettable experience. [Sign up online](#). Registration deadline: **July 28** - \$80 per person.