



**Sunday, March 2, 2025** ~ Transfiguration of the Lord  
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

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**Welcome**

Rev. Wes Allen

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**Songs of Praise**

Worship Team

*Glorious Day*

Passion

*This is Amazing Grace*

Phil Wickham

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**Wow Moments**

Rev. Allen

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**\*Call to Worship** (*responsive*)

Rev. Allen

Come, all who are weary, all who are burdened, all who long to follow in the way of Jesus.

**We come to sit at His feet, to hear His voice, to respond to His call.**

Jesus says, "Follow me," not because we are worthy but because He is gracious.

**We come, leaving behind our fears, our failures, and our self-sufficiency.**

The table of grace is set; and all are invited—tax collectors and sinners, the broken and the whole.

**We come to feast at the banquet of the Kingdom, where mercy triumphs over judgment.**

Let us worship the One Who calls us to follow Him, Who welcomes us into the way of life.

**We come to worship Jesus, our Teacher, our Savior, our Lord!**

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**\*Prayer of Adoration**

Rev. Allen

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**\*Song of Praise**

Worship Team

*Same God*

Elevation Worship

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

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Merciful God, You have called us to follow, yet we are slow to leave behind our comforts and routines. You have invited us to the table of grace, yet we often set conditions on who should sit beside us. You have shown us the way of love, yet we choose judgment over mercy, pride over

humility, self over sacrifice. Forgive us, Lord, for the ways we have been gatekeepers of grace instead of welcomers. Forgive us for the times we have resisted Your call, holding on to our own way rather than walking in Yours. Forgive us when we have failed to trust that Your invitation is enough—not just for others but for us. Have mercy on us, O God. Teach us what it means to follow You with our whole lives. Transform us by Your grace, so that we may reflect Your love to the world. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

*\*Time for silent confession\**

### Assurance of Forgiveness *(responsive)*

Rev. Spencer

Hear the good news! Jesus Christ came not for the righteous but for sinners. He does not wait for us to be perfect before He calls us—He calls us as we are, so that He might make us new.

**"It is not the healthy who need a doctor but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."**

Because of Christ, we are forgiven. Because of His grace, we are set free. Because of His mercy, we are invited into the way of life.

**Thanks be to God! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

### \*Greeting

Rev. Spencer

### Sharing with Our Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

### Way of the Week

Sharon Budka

**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 our Missions Committee for additional suggestions. Make plans to go and serve ASAP.

### Offering Ourselves to God & Work of God's People

Rev. Spencer



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### Song of Praise

Worship Team

***Hungry***

Kathryn Scott

### Sermon

Rev. Allen

#### ***Gatekeepers of Grace***

Scripture Text: [Luke 5:27-32](#)

Sermon Series: *Walking the Way of Jesus*

## Closing Song

### Gratitude

Worship Team

Brandon Lake

## Benediction

Rev. Allen

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

<b>Worship Team:</b>	Matt Russell-Guitar; Kalane Williams-Bass; Joe Wichterman-Electric Guitar; Carl Wilson-Drums; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Michelle Davis, Cynthia Saint Cyr-Vocals
<b>Audio Technician:</b>	Taylor Adair
<b>Sound Technician:</b>	Tony Saranchak
<b>Live Stream Technician:</b>	Dalton Ryan
<b>Visuals:</b>	Alice Conley
<b>Flower Arrangers:</b>	Karin Miller and Rumi Sinunu
<b>Usher:</b>	Greg Connlain or Steve Connlain
<b>Trustee Greeter:</b>	Tim Powell
<b>Welcome Desk:</b>	JoAnn Reynik and Dave Barr
<b>Hospitality Table:</b>	Ginny and Tim Powell
<b>Nursery Caregiver:</b>	Chelsea Margerum

**Today's worship flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother, Jean 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.



**Lenten Bible Study:** This year our Lenten Study will be "Practicing the Way" by John Mark Comer. **There are 3 Groups that you can sign up for either online or in the Lobby.** We hope Groups will proactively INVITE neighbors, family, and friends to participate.



**Adult Prayer Breakfast** -- Saturday, **March 8:** The Men's Prayer Group invites men and women of the congregation to a morning of learning and fellowship. Begin the day with breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. After breakfast, Sister Marcy from the Francis House of Prayer Retreat Center will be our keynote speaker. Please sign up online so we can gauge food preparation.



**SPRING PRAYER RETREAT**, April 1-4: Join a group of friends from a number of churches at Holy Cross Monastery for time away from the crushing pace of life. This three-night, four-day Retreat affords the time to step away from the regular demands of life and enjoy a place of rest and welcome. **Registrations due by March 9.**

**Noah Trip - Thursday, March 20:** We have arranged a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatre to see their production of "Noah." We will depart from FPC Moorestown that morning, travel to Lancaster, PA; enjoy lunch at Miller's Amish Country Buffet, followed by the 3:00 PM show; and return that evening to the church parking lot. Cost is \$150 per person. [Please sign up online.](#) 8 tickets remain.

Pick up a copy of the **2024-25 Program Guide** to see the many opportunities we have to *Serve, Invite, Pray*, and *Give* throughout the year. They can be found in the narthex, Commons, and on the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

**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 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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.