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Rev. Wesley Allen, Associate Pastor



Sunday, May 5, 2024 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome Rev. Wes Allen

Way of the Week

Rev. Allen

3. LISTEN GENEROUSLY. Be quick to listen and do so with your undivided attention. Minimize the distractions, and let go of the need to agree or disagree. Suspend your judgment; and be curious to know more rather than jumping to conclusions. Above all, listen to understand.

Ideas for Action: Put aside phones and laptops. Turn off the TV or computer, and face someone you love. Focus on what the other is saying, not on what you want to say. Be careful that you're not interrupting because you're not listening to them.

Songs of Praise Worship Team

Rumble Blessed Be Your Name Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

Wray
Matt Redman
Chris Tomlin

*Call to Worship (responsive)

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Where is this Jesus, the One you call Messiah?

Christ the Lord is risen! The Lord is here among us now.

I do not see Him. I don't believe you.

(louder): Christ is risen! Christ is here among us!

Let me see His body, His hands, and His feet.

We are Christ's Body; we are Christ's feet.

You see the suffering in the world? Where is Jesus now?

We are going into the world to be the Body of Christ.

Let us go together; let us partner with others.

For we are the Body of Christ; let us share the Good News!

*Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Spencer

*Song of Praise

Worship Team

Sinnerman

Spiritual arr. Simone

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (unison)

Rev. Allen

We use a lot of words, Gracious God, but do little to turn them into deeds. Instead of being of one heart and soul, we choose sides and form groups of folks just like us. Blessed with great grace, we have trouble sharing it with those who need it the most. Forgive us, God of love. Forgive us, as we step out of our shadows into Your light. Restore us as we reveal our brokenness. Hear us as we proclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and our God.

Silence for personal confession

Assurance of Forgiveness (responsive)

This is the good news we have to declare: God leads us out of the shadows to walk in the light of Christ.

This is the Word we have heard: our faithful God forgives our sins and raises us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Greeting

Wow Moments

Rev. Spencer

Offering Ourselves to God

Rev. Spencer



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Song of Praise

Worship Team

Great I Am

Anderson

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

Can You Imagine?

Scripture Text: Acts 4:32-37

Sermon Series: Priorities of a Powerhouse People

Communion and Home Communion

Rev. Spencer

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution & the Lord's Prayer

The Bread and the Cup (Please prepare a communion serving for yourself and any who are worshipping with you.)

^{*}Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Yes, dear Lord our God, our hearts truly are glad, and we are filled with thankfulness. In Your great love, You did not abandon us in the dark and fearful places of this world. Through our Lord Jesus, You came to us, to rescue us, to restore us, and to give us new life. Therefore, with praise and thanksgiving, we join our voices to those of the heavenly host who sing to Your glory, saying:

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 Table

Chris Tomlin

Work of God's People and Benediction

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team: Wes Allen-Guitar; Kalane Williams-Bass; Tony Saranchak-Drums; Rebecca

Neindorff-Piano; Steve Drzaszcz-Vocals

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

Flower Arrangers: Stacy Schaffer and Karen Arsenault

Usher: Dave Barr or JoAnn Reynik

Trustee Greeter: Pete Honeyford
Check-in: Susan Shaffer
Hostess: Carol Wiggans
Nursery Caregiver: Chelsea Margerum

Today's worship flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory and thanks for my brother, Bob Whitaker by Ray & Sally Freud; and in loving memory of Mary Jo Groppe by Elizabeth Litten & Brett Couvillion.

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.

Special Congregational Meeting has been called for Sunday, May 5, following the 9:00 Service in the Sanctuary. The purpose of the Meeting is to elect Elders, Deacons, and Trustees to a term of office beginning June 1, 2024.

<u>Youth Choir Concert</u> – *Sunday, May 5, 7:00 PM*: Come support our young choir members (Junior Choir, Choristers, & Chapel Choir) as they perform many sacred selections from this year. They are also performing Pergolesi's "Magnificat", accompanied by the West Jersey Chamber Orchestra.



<u>Grow The Kingdom</u>: The Kingdom of God was the main topic of Jesus' teaching. FPC Moorestown is called to grow the Kingdom of God. For additional information on how we can grow the Kingdom (I Will Pray, Invite, Give, Serve), visit: https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/grow-the-kingdom/.



Thank You for your generosity to our <u>Capital Fund</u>! Contributions can still be made online or by utilizing Capital Fund envelopes. See our <u>Church Center Event page</u> for more information.



<u>Centering Prayer Group</u>, Wednesdays: Pastor Stuart Spencer leads a weekly time of Centering Prayer. This hour-long session includes a time for Centering Prayer followed by a Lectio Divina Bible Study and time to pray for one another. The Group meets from **6:30-7:30 p.m.** in the Pastor's study.

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.