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May 26, 2024 ~ Trinity Sunday

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. Stuart Spencer

Way of the Week #6: Forgive ... Again

6. FORGIVE ... **AGAIN.** Just as God forgives us, heal relationships by extending forgiveness with grace and generosity. Forgive everyone everything. Start by praying for those you resent or hate. Ask for every blessing you would want for the one you're struggling to forgive.

Ideas for Action: Work on "dropping" the anger you have. Don't let it come between you and someone else. Stop bringing up the hurt in public or with friends. Stop nursing the memory of how you've been wronged.

Music in Preparation for Worship	Kathy Gunsallus, Organ
O Trinity, O Blessed Light	Farlee

*Call to Worship (adapted from 1 Cor. 12)

Now there are various kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are various kinds of service, and the same Lord.

For as the body is one, and has many members, and all the members of the body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ.

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether bond or free; We were all given to drink into one Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit!

ALL: Let us worship God!

Elder Melody Ransom

*Prayer of Adoration

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts on us than we are to seek them, and are willing to give more than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened to us; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Hymn No. 5

Come, Thou Almighty King

***Seating interlude

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to You as the source of our healing. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

Hear us now, O Lord, as we confess our sin to you in this moment of silence.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends in Christ, know this: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting, and I remind you of this surpassing grace – in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Sharing with our Young Disciples

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

Offertory

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Offertory Music	Joel Krott, Piano
My Savior and My God	Althouse
Grace Rykaczewski Sandusky, Soprano	
My life, my love, I give to Th O may I ever faithful be, my	ee, Thou Lamb of God who died for me. Savior and my God.
O Thou who died on Calvary I dedicate my life to Thee, m	r, to save my soul and set me free, ny Savior and my God.
I'll live for Him who died for I'll bow to Him on bended kr	r me; how richer, then, my life will be. nee, My Savior and my God.
O may I ever faithful be, my	me; how richer, then, my life will be. nee, My Savior and my God.
*Doxology No. 809	
*Hymn No. 568	
Take My Life and Let it Be	
Sermon	Rev. Wes Allen

Kathy Gunsallus, Organ
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Rev. Wes Allen

Worship flowers are given by Jane Murphy in loving memory of her dear husband Kim Murphy.

9:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Melody Ransom; **Audio Technician:** Harris Ransom; **Live Stream Technician**: Jonathan Nawrocki; **Ushers:** John Miller, Brett Couvillion, James Clinton; **Flower Arrangers:** Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop; **Trustee Greeter:** John Miller; **Sanctuary Greeter:** Stephen Minister Sue Hill; **Deacon Greeter:** Deacon Susan Winner; **Coffee Hospitality:** Ginny and Tim Powell; **Bagel Pick-Up:** Ginny and Tim Powell; **Nursery Care:** Chelsea Margerum.

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Memorial Day – In observance of Memorial Day, the church campus will be CLOSED Monday, May 27.

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Work of God's People (See *Connections*, eblast, website and Church Center app for details)



Middle School & High School Youth Groups -- Middle School Youth Group (gr. 7-8), last meeting Wednesday, May 29 (6:30-8:00 pm). High School Youth Group (gr. 9-12) last meeting Sunday, May 26 (6:30-8:30 pm). Both groups will gather for a Year-End Youth Groups Cookout on Sunday, June 2 in our

parking lot from 6:00-8:30 pm. SIGN UP ONLINE. Check us out on FPC Youth's Instagram and watch for weekly Youth Group Hangouts on Wednesdays this summer (7-9 pm) starting June 26th.



"Fan the Flames;" Spiritual Gifts Survey – TODAY we begin our sermon series "Fan the Flames" which GtK will highlight the work of the Holy Spirit in equipping men and women of faith with spiritual gifts suited for growing God's Kingdom. If you haven't done so yet, please take the spiritual gifts survey at https://gifts.churchgrowth.org/spiritual-gifts-survey/?id=902651 (see Friday eblast, website, event page for a letter from Pastor Allen). Use your spiritual gift inventory to explore new ways to serve God's Kingdom by identifying volunteer opportunities at FPC Moorestown

TODAY: Visit the I Will Serve table in the Commons Lobby and learn about volunteer openings for (1) Communion Helpers (Vicki Terry) and (2) Yearly Mission Events (Linda Jagiela). Representatives will be available for questions and to share about their position.



Thank you to the men and women who have answered the call to serve incoming terms as elders, deacons or trustees. "I Will Serve" is one of the tenets of our Grow The Kingdom emphasis. Installation and Ordination will be on Sunday, June 9. Several officer positions remain and the Nominations Committee continues to look for individuals to fill these needs. Contact Nominations chair Gil Warren.

Registration is now OPEN online for students and volunteers for Vacation Bible School 2024 "Race to the Finish," June 24-28 for students entering kindergarten to entering 6th grade. VBS set up week will G†K be June 17-21 -- meetings and events may be moved accordingly. See Connections or www.fpcmoorestown.org/vbs for more information.



It's Back! Women's Half Day of Prayer Event – Saturday, June 1 (8 am – noon); sign up online and see **GTK** *Connections* for information. FPC Moorestown Lounge

The 65th Annual Strawberry Festival is coming Friday, June 7 (6-9 pm). Registration is OPEN and LOTS of volunteers are needed. The event is free, suggested donation \$8 per person. Venmo too: @fpcmoorestown. Sign up online or at church. Donations to help defray expenses/purchase cakes via Venmo, mail or offering plate.



Summer Inquirers Class: Are you interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly GTK joining the congregation? The Membership Committee invites you to attend its Inquirers' Class on June 19, June 22 and June 23. Sign up online or through the Church Center app at https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2308568.

PW Spring Gathering – Monday, June 10 – Presbyterian Women invite all women of the church to a Spring Gathering on Monday, June 10th at 6:30 pm in Miller Commons. Coffee and dessert bar! Inspiring panel presentation, "Inspired By Her." Is there a woman who has made an impact on you? Mother, grandmother, teacher, coach, pastor, friend, co-worker or mentor? Sign up online.



Volunteers are needed on Sunday mornings to set up and clean up the coffee hospitality. If you enjoy having bagels and coffee, please contact Carol Wiggans at (267) 496-0450 or jcwiggans@gmail.com to periodically assist on a support team. Drivers are also needed to pick up the bagels Sunday mornings

from Manhattan Bagel in Moorestown. Please contact Jan Martin in the office if you can take a turn picking up!