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# June 2, 2024 ~ Legacy Giving/Wills Emphasis Sunday; Communion

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 #7: Celebrate our Unity, Savor our Diversity

7. CELEBRATE OUR UNITY, SAVOR OUR DIVERSITY. Thank God that, like parts of the human body, we're not all the same. Be open to learn from others, regardless of their age, background, experience, or tenure with our church. We make better decisions and grow as people when we consider multiple perspectives. Listen with curiosity to others and consider how to use their ideas.

Music in Preparation for Worship	Joel Krott, Organ
Attende Domine: Antiphon – Mode V	Charles Callahan
Kyrie – Mode III	Charles Callahan
*Call to Worship	Elder Ginny Weber

Holy Spirit, as we gather together we pray that you blow among us,

that we may learn new ways to bring about acceptance and compassion.

Breathe your supportive Spirit into us, oh God,

that we may bring courage to those who feel powerless.

Fill us with the love of the Spirit,

that we may find joy as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Come, Holy Spirit, and move our hearts in worship.

### \*Prayer of Adoration

## For Your Gift of God the Spirit

\*\*\*Seating interlude

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

Rev. Allen

Gentle God, you call us to walk alongside you in ministry, but too often we ignore those who walk alongside us. When we fail to notice those who are hurting or in need, forgive us. When we see injustice and fail to act, redeem us. When we lack the courage to speak Christ's hopeful and loving message to our family and friends, embolden us. We seek to be your fruitful people, oh God; help us to find our way. Amen.

(Silence for our personal prayers of confession and surrender.)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

The Lord helps us to take a step back from the routine of our lives and to reflect on His light and love. We have been shown abundant grace and undeserved mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Let us, then, show the same to everyone we meet.

We are ready to follow the path laid out by Christ, the path renewed by love, the path that leads to God's peace. Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### \*Gloria Patri

## Remembering the Church in Your Will, Your Legacy (see insert) Bob Morris

Legacy Giving/Wills Emphasis Sunday is an invitation to consider how one can share the blessings God has given to you beyond your lifetime. We recognize and honor those who have created a legacy here at First Presbyterian Church through gifts, both large and small. A legacy speaks about the things that move us in life, the things that matter to us. In creating a legacy, we dream to keep our church caring and working here after our lifetime. Our church offers many resources to begin this conversation.

## 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

Faith

Franz Schubert

Amanda Schkeeper, Alto

O Prince of Peace, who came obscure and lowly that man through Thee might find eternal life ... Thy gentle precepts, Thy wisdom pure and holy has stood secure through man's eternal strife. When bowed by care, dismayed by life's confusion, we blindly seek to know Thy guiding will. Do we but listen within the soul's seclusion, Thy still small doth lead Thy children still.

Sermon Rev. Stuart Spencer

#### "Can't Do It Without You"

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 (Pew Bible page 174 NT)

**Sermon Series:** Fan The Flames

## \*Hymn No. 784 (Tune 247, vss. 1 & 2)

#### We Come as Guests Invited

## 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.

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

With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

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. 784 (Tune 247), verse 3

### We Come as Guests Invited

Music in Preparation for Service Flourish for an Occasion	Joel Krott, Organ Charles Callahan

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**Worship flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Susan Becker, Bob Becker Sr. and Bob Becker Jr. by Tim (Becker) Brandhorst and her family, Eric, Emma and Claire.

## 9:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Ginny Weber; Communion Elders: Jim Wiggans, Pam Engle, Melody Ransom, Dave Rebuck, Ginny Weber; Audio Technician: Harris Ransom; Live Stream Technician: Jonathan Nawrocki; Ushers: Steve Shaffer, Sherrell Fitts, Bill Pettit; Flower Arrangers: Karen Arsenault and Karin Miller; Trustee Greeter: Joe Molloy; Sanctuary Greeter: Stephen Minister Melissa Corbin; Deacon Greeter: Deacon Jason Rose; Bagel Pick-Up: Carol Wiggans; Coffee Hospitality: Peg Madorno and Carol Wiggans; Nursery Care: Chelsea Margerum.

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

**TONIGHT: Middle School & High School Youth Groups** -- Middle School Youth Group (gr. 7-8) and High School Youth Group (gr. 9-12) <u>Year-End Youth Groups Cookout</u> 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 26<sup>th</sup>.

The 65<sup>th</sup> 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 \$8.00 per person. Venmo too: @fpcmoorestown. Sign up online or at church. Please sign up to help out that night and make the event successful. Many hands are needed! Out of town? Donations to help defray expenses/purchase cakes via Venmo, mail or offering plate are appreciated.



"Fan the Flames;" Spiritual Gifts Survey – TODAY we begin our sermon series <u>"Fan the Flames"</u> which 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 <a href="https://gifts.churchgrowth.org/spiritual-gifts-survey/?id=902651">https://gifts.churchgrowth.org/spiritual-gifts-survey/?id=902651</a> (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) Coffee Hosts (Carol Wiggans), Sunday School Teachers (Holly Asciutto) and (3) Stewardship Committee (Ginny Weber). Representatives will be available for questions and to share about these positions.



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. There will be a Congregational Meeting Sunday, June 16 at 10:15 am for additional officers.

"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. Look for special Sundays, when someone will be on the "HOT SEAT"! No need to sign up, just stop on by.

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

**Summer Inquirers Class:** Are you interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly joining the congregation? The Membership Committee invites you to attend its Inquirers' Class on June 19, June 22 and June 23. The three-part series is designed to work with today's busy schedules. Sign up online or through the Church Center app at <a href="https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2308568">https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2308568</a>.

<u>PW Spring Gathering – Monday, June 10</u> – 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.

COMING: <u>Prayer on the Porch</u>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 7:00 pm on the Van Camp Porch – begins June 13.