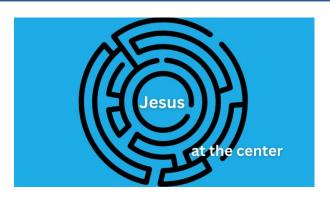


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July 28, 2024 ~ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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 #15: Welcome Change

15. WELCOME CHANGE. Be curious about new ideas, perspectives, and approaches. Get excited by the possibilities that change can bring. What worked in the past won't always work in the future, for God is doing new things.

Ideas for Action: This is a simple one to try. Sit in a different pew in the sanctuary or seat in Miller Commons next Sunday. See what happens.

Music in Preparation for Worship	Joel Krott, Organ
Saraband in C Minor	Jeremiah Clarke
Minuet in C Minor	Jeremiah Clarke
*Call to Worship	Elder Joyce Wenzke

The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say:

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

***Seating interlude

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (unison)

Elder Wenzke

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave up everything to come down from heaven in order to love and serve us. Unlike you, we find self-sacrifice hard. Most of us look for ways to puff ourselves up, so that we look better in other people's eyes. We fool ourselves into thinking that we can make ourselves look good in your eyes, too. Send us your Spirit, that we would be more humble. We long to be like you, our loving shepherd, and we thank you for hearing our prayers as we continue to confess in silence. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Let us receive Christ's pardon for all of our sins, and receive God's peace that we can never generate on our own.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

Sharing with our Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

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

Rev. Stuart Spencer

Offertory Rev. Spencer



Thank you for your faithfulness and for blessing FPC Moorestown with your giving, especially in these critical summer months. Your offerings and donations allow us to sustain our church programs year-round. 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

O Lord Our Governor

Marcello

Amanda Schkeeper, Alto

O Lord, our Governor, Oh, how excellent is Thy great name in all the world, O how excellent in all the world!

*Doxology No. 809

Sermon Rev. Wes Allen

"Rooted in Christ"

Scripture: Colossians 2: 6-19 (Pew Bible page 200 NT)

Sermon Series: Jesus at the Center

Jesus Shall Reign

Music in Preparation for Service Joel Krott, Organ

March in D Major

Jeremiah Clarke

*Benediction and Going Forth

Rev. Allen

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Worship flowers are given to the glory of God.

9:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Beadle: Elder Joyce Wenzke; Audio Technician: Harris Ransom; Live Stream Technician: Jonathan Nawrocki; Ushers: Mike Welch, Paul Grossmann, Sherrell Fitts; Flower Arrangers: Gretchen Birdsall and Sally Bishop; Trustee Greeter: John Miller; Sanctuary Greeter: Stephen Minister Doris Kahley; Deacon Greeters: Deacons Dave Barr and Helen Dominy; Bagel Pick-Up: Paul Grossmann; Coffee Hospitality: Paul Grossmann and Holly Asciutto; Nursery Care: Chelsea Margerum.

Providing Worship Flowers

Would you like to donate worship flowers to honor loved ones or commemorate special dates? Several summer and fall dates remain available. Vases are \$40 each and you may order one vase or two. Contact Rumi Sinunu at rts319@gmail.com or 856-266-4047.

St. Vincent DePaul Drive-Through Food Drive is August 17th

NEW: On Saturday, August 17, our partners at the Society of St. Vincent DePaul are sponsoring a <u>Drive-Through Food Drive</u> in the parking lot of Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Church, between 9:00-11:00 am. All collected food will be given to the Moorestown Ministerium Food Pantry on the campus of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, First Baptist Church of Moorestown Food Pantry, and Bethel AME Church Food Pantry.

Non-perishable foods and paper products are appreciated. Monetary donations will also be accepted to benefit charities supported by the St. Vincent de Paul Society at Our Lady of Good Counsel. Simply place the donation in your car trunk, enter the parking lot, pop the trunk, someone will remove the donation and off you go! *OLGC is located at 42 W. Main St. in Moorestown*.

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

RESCHEDULED: Crossing Zone Paint Wars for current and incoming 4th, 5th and 6th graders has been rescheduled for **Wednesday**, Aug. 21 due to severe weather.

PARKING NOTICE: Your Capital Fund dollars are hard at work. The main parking lot is scheduled to be resealed and relined the week of **August 5-9** (weather depending). <u>There will be no parking in that lot the entire week</u>. Please plan accordingly. The handicapped lot and staff lot WILL be open.

Yes, there's room! 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.

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 VBS mission! If you would like to sponsor a box by paying the \$10 shipping that would be a great blessing. Throughout July stop by Miller 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 store them until the November distribution. 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.**

Grades 7-12: Middle school and high school students are invited to "chill at church" summer Wednesday nights **June 26-August 28** from 7-9 pm. We'll have food, crazy fun and get to know each other. Friends are always welcome. What's on your mind? Contact Youth Director <u>Dave Fauvell</u> at 609.980.7885 or find us on Instagram.

NEW: College Bible Study -- On Tuesday evenings this summer from June 11-August 20, college age young people are invited to a weekly Bible Study from 8-9 pm in the Lounge, led by Youth Director Dave Fauvell. Call/text Dave at (609) 980-7885 if you're interested. Explore the Bible with friends this summer.

"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.

NEW: <u>Prayer on the Porch</u>, 2nd and 4th summer Thursdays at 7:00 pm on the Van Camp Porch with the Prayer Team. Share a summer evening with friends and pray together – with ice cream! **Next: Thursday, Aug. 8**.

Double the Fun: We will be volunteering at the Children's Fresh Air Home in N. Wildwood for TWO days this year **Wed. Aug. 7** and **Thurs. Aug. 15** --- <u>learn more about this hands-on opportunity</u> to make a difference for Camden area youth to experience a day at the beach complete with BBQ. Contact Linda Jagiela to participate.

Time Away -- Pastor Stuart will be away Aug. 7-20 and preaching at Wells Presbyterian Church in Avalon. Pastor Wes will also be away Aug. 6-12 and Aug. 26-30. For pastoral care needs during this time, please call the church office at (856) 235-1688. Please pray for our pastors as they enjoy a brief respite and travels with their families.

Office Closure -- The church office will be CLOSED **Monday, August 12** for a planned staff summer holiday. The building will be open for regular building users, music lessons and evening meetings.

I Will Pray ... Registration is NOW OPEN for the Women's Half Day of Prayer – Saturday, Aug. 24 (8:00 am-Noon).