



Sunday, September 29, 2024 ~ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Rev. Wes Allen

Way of the Week

Rev. Allen

24. TELL YOUR STORY. God has done and is doing something unique in your life. Has God answered a prayer, provided help, or blessed you? Share it. Ask God for opportunities to share your faith in Christ by words and deeds.

Ideas for Action: At the start of each morning this week, think about one thing you're grateful to God for from the previous 24 hours. Got it? Now share it with someone else in the course of today.

Songs of Praise

Worship Team

We Believe

Everybody Praise the Lord

Wow Moments

Rev. Stuart Spencer

*Call to Worship (*unison*)

Rev. Allen

God of grace, You have given us minds to know You, hearts to love You, and voices to sing You praise. Fill us with Your Spirit that we may celebrate Your glory and worship You in spirit and in truth through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Song of Praise

Worship Team

Blessed Be Your Name

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

Rev. Spencer

Gracious God: Have mercy on us because we keep messing things up. Forgive us for what we do and for all the things we let happen. We ignore Jesus, and sometimes we make bad decisions. We swear and sometimes we try to get revenge. Forgive us for war, for fighting over stupid things, and for the bullying and shootings in our schools. Forgive us for the fact that racial hatred, climate change, and suicide are things that exist in our world. Forgive us for our lack of respect for others and our lack of respect of You. We ask all of this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silence for personal confession & reflection

Assurance of Forgiveness *(responsive)*

Hear the good news! The saying is worth everything and is worthy of full acceptance today. Jesus Christ came into this world to save sinners like us.

He himself bore our sins in His Body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Greeting

Stewardship Moment

Deacon Joshua Leonard

Offering Ourselves to God & Work of God's People

Rev. Spencer



Thank you for your faithfulness in blessing FPC Moorestown with your giving. Your offerings allow us to sustain our church programs. Take advantage of [automatic withdrawal](#) or donate from your phone via the Church Center app for your offering and our [Capital 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.**

Song of Praise

Worship Team

Revelation Song

Sermon

Rev. Spencer

Let Them Grow

Scripture Text: [Matthew 13:24-30](#)

Sermon Series: *Stories from the Fields*

Closing Song

Worship Team

Graves into Gardens

Benediction

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Wes Allen-Guitar; Joe Wichterman-Electric Guitar; Matt Russell-Bass; Drums-Jamie Farmer; Ryan Peiffer-Keys; Rebecca Neindorff-Piano; Vivian Allen, Bethany Trzeciak-Vocals
Audio Technician:	Joshua Leonard
Live Stream Technician:	Jacob Allen
Sound Technician:	Taylor Adair
Visuals:	Alice Conley
Flower Arrangers:	Gretchen Birdsall and Robin Gadonis
Usher:	Dave Barr or JoAnn Reynik
Trustee Greeter:	Matt Moxhay
Welcome Desk:	Jenna Cole and Owen Dietz
Hospitality Coordinator:	Carol Wiggans
Nursery Caregiver:	Chelsea Margerum

Today's worship flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Al on his birthday by Joyce Wenzke.

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.

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



Fall Prayer Retreat - October 22-25: Registration is open for this 3-night, 4-day Retreat at Holy Cross Monastery (NY) led by Pastor Spencer. Study Book: *One Thousand Gifts: A Dare to Live Fully Right Where You Are* by Ann Voskamp. See our Events page for details and to [register](#). Cost: \$355 study book included; \$340 study book NOT included. **TODAY is the last day to Register.**



On September 12, we celebrate the 136th Birthday of First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown, which was founded in 1888.

God's Good News About Politics – Oct. 2-30, 6:30-8:00 PM: Register online to join Rev. Wes Allen for this 5-week Small Group study in the **Lounge**. The series encourages believers to look to Scripture first, shaping our approach to faithful political engagement.



The Engagement Project is a 10-week program **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM Sept. 11-Nov. 13** in **Room 2** led by Jim Cole and Sue Piper. [Sign up online](#) or through the Church Center app. Invite friends to this video discussion series led by Dr. Del Tackett. There is no book.

Howard Univ. Gospel Choir Concert: On Friday, **Oct. 4 at 7:00 PM**, the renowned Howard Gospel Choir of Howard University will be in concert at First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown; and the community is invited! No tickets required. A freewill offering will be taken. Non-perishable food items will be collected for the Moorestown Ministerium Food Pantry.

Consecration Sunday - October 13: There will be one 9:30 am Worship Service. The theme is *Grow the Kingdom - I Will Pray; I Will Invite; I Will Serve; I Will Give*. We will gather as a church family to dedicate our 2025 Estimate-of-Giving cards (Please bring yours to church.) and enjoy a Covered Dish Brunch after the Service. If you are unable to be with us on the 13th, complete your Estimate of Giving [online](#), mail to the office, or drop in the offering ahead of time.

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 (2nd & 4th 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.