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Sunday, October 6, 2024 ~ World Communion Sunday 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People

Way of the Week

25. REJOICE ALWAYS. The Kingdom of God is a party! Let healthy laughter fill our meetings, our meals, and even our worship. Allow the joy of our faith to be clearly evident in our speech and on our faces.

Ideas for Action: Throw a party for the coming weekend and invite a couple of individuals or families from the church over to celebrate. Don't forget the cake! What's the occasion? The joy of knowing and serving Jesus and belonging to our church family are reasons enough.

Songs of Praise	Worship Team
Everybody Praise the Lord	Lincoln Brewster
Put Your Hands Together	The O'Jays
Wow Moments	Rev. Stuart Spencer

*Call to Worship (unison)

"Come to Me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Put on My yoke and learn from me. I'm gentle and humble. And you will find rest for yourselves." Jesus, we trust and believe You today. Amen.

*Prayer	of Ad	oration
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*Song of Praise

Got to Get Better in a Little While

Worship Team Derek & The Dominoes

Rev. Spencer

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Rev. Wes Allen

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Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession (unison)

Loving and merciful God, You know our hearts and You know our lives. We confess to You that which causes separation, that which causes pain, that which causes distress, and that which breaks down. We confess to You our part in those things. In humility and hope, we ask for Your help to do better, to reconcile, to heal, to soothe, to build up; so may we love You and neighbor and follow our Christ, in Whose name we pray. Amen.

Silence for personal confession & reflection

Assurance of Forgiveness (responsive)

Friends, hear the Good News: the mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Let us proclaim the Good News:

in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*Greeting

Stewardship Moment

Offering Ourselves to God & Work of God's People

Thank you for your faithfulness in blessing FPC Moorestown with your giving. Your offerings allow us to sustain our church programs. Take advantage of <u>automatic withdrawal</u> or donate from your phone via the Church Center app for your offering and our <u>Capital Fund</u> 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	
Power of the Gospel	Ben Harper	
Sermon	Rev. Spencer	
Small Things with Great Love		
Scripture Text: Matthew 13:31-35		
Sermon Series: Stories from the Fields		
Communion Song	Worship Team	
Crowded Table	The Highwomen	

Communion and Home Communion

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

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

Kevin Schaeffer

Rev. Spencer

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GROW THE KINGDOM! As we commit to growing God's Kingdom, every member and friend of FPC Moorestown is invited into a covenant with four commitments: **I will pray. I will invite. I will serve. I will give.** Every member and friend is asked to commit to doing all four. For additional information including commitment forms: <u>https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/grow-the-kingdom/</u>.

Benediction

Rev. Spencer

11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Wes Allen-Guitar; Kalane Williams-Bass; Drums-Carl Wilson; Rebecca Neindorff-
	Piano
Audio Technician:	Taylor Adair
Live Stream Technician:	Dalton Ryan
Visuals:	Alice Conley
Communion Elders:	Pam Engle and Kevin Fauvell
Flower Arrangers:	Stacy Schaffer and Karin Miller
Usher:	Matt La Grou or Jeff Legath
Trustee Greeter:	Jeff Legath
Welcome Desk:	Bobbi Voglesong and Jess Zorn
Hospitality Coordinator:	Carol Wiggans
Hospitality Table:	Jane Murphy and Debbie Rebuck
Nursery Caregiver:	Chelsea Margerum

Today's worship flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her parents, Frederick & Roberta Crane, and her granddaughter, Kelsey Crane Lorence, by Peg Madorno.

Nursery care is provided for children ages 0-5 years old in Room 12.

<u>Check-ins</u>: Check-in is <u>self-check in only</u> on your smart phone. A volunteer is available to assist.

Save the Date! **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. They can be found in the narthex, Commons, and on the Welcome Desk.

<u>God's Good News About Politics</u> – *Wednesdays, 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.



<u>Prayer Vigil</u> - **October 12:** As a church, we will be praying for 12 hours in particular for Consecration Sunday. Sign up online for the slot that works for you.

<u>Consecration Sunday - October 13</u>: There will be <u>one</u> **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 <u>online</u>, mail to the office, or drop in the offering.

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 <u>https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/prayer</u>
- 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.