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**Sunday, October 20, 2024** ~ Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (*Miller Commons*)

Welcome and Work of God's People	Rev. Wes Allen
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 (responsive)	Rev. Spencer
Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing! <b>Praise God for His wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!</b> God has remembered His faithful ones. <b>God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us.</b> Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout Your praise! <b>Rejoice, for God is truly with us. AMEN.</b>	
*Prayer of Adoration	
*Song of Praise	Worship Team
Our God	
Prayer of Confession (unison)	Rev. Allen

Dear gracious and merciful Lord, I thank you for Your love towards me even when I fail You. Thank You for not treating me as my sins deserve. You have proven that You are gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, and abounding in love. Lord, I thank You for Your Holy Spirit Who is alive in me, and Your Word that convicts me of sin. O Lord, You have searched me, and You know me. You know my entire life; and You understand my thoughts from afar. You discern my daily activities, and You are familiar with all my ways. Even before I speak a word, You know it completely. Father, I confess that I missed the mark and have sinned against You. I humble my heart before You, and I ask that You forgive me of my sins and shortcomings. What a privilege to be loved by You. I confess my sins of

Silence for personal confession & reflection

## **Assurance of Forgiveness** (responsive)

To all those who turn from their wrongs and look to Jesus Christ for their salvation, I declare that the pardon of sins is yours in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

\*Greeting

Sharing with Our Young Disciples

Rev. Allen

Audrey Drummonds

Way of the Week

2. SPEAK THE TRUTH WITH LOVE. Speak honestly and directly in a way that clearly reflects love and support for one another. Be courageous enough to say what needs to be said even when it's difficult. Address issues directly with those who are involved or affected; speak to, not about, others.

**Ideas for Action:** Is there a difficult conversation you've been delaying? Is there someone you've been talking about instead of being direct? Pray for courage and grace to have the conversation, in person, if possible.

## Offering Ourselves to God & Work of God's People

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Song of Praise	Worship Team
Surrender	
Sermon	Dr. Bruce Main
Living Like a Fountain	
Scripture Text: Isaiah 35:5-7; John 7:37-38	Pam Main
Closing Song	Worship Team
Glorious Day	
Benediction	Dr. Main

Rev. Spencer

## 11:00 a.m. Worship Ministry

Worship Team:	Wes Allen-Guitar; Kalane Williams-Bass; Drums-Carl Wilson; Rebecca Neindorff-
	Piano; Michelle Davis, Steve Drzaszcz, Winnie Jiang-Vocals
Audio Technician:	Joshua Leonard
Sound Technician:	Taylor Adair
Live Stream Technician:	Dalton Ryan
Visuals:	Alice Conley
Flower Arrangers:	Carol Morgan and Gretchen DeCou
Usher:	Greg Connlain or Steve Connlain
Trustee Greeter:	John Miller
Welcome Desk:	Keith Wright and Rachel Long
Hospitality Coordinator:	Carol Wiggans
Hospitality Table:	Donna Leatherman and Sarah Dietz
Nursery Caregiver:	Chelsea Margerum

**Today's worship flowers** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jim's brother, Richard, by Jim & Marian Hartshorne.

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.

**Welcome to Dr. Bruce Main,** the founder and President of UrbanPromise. His many roles have included executive director as well as the creator of UrbanPromise's various locations around the world. He is an accomplished author and has also written a children's book, *The Water Barrel*. Learn more at www.urbanpromiseusa.org.

Pastor/Staff Appreciation Sunday - Oct. 20: Bring cards or notes for our Pastors and program staff to let them know how much they are appreciated. Blank cards are available in the Commons Lobby, too.

**West Jersey Chamber Music Society** opens its 2024-25 season TONIGHT with "*Autumn Serenade*" with the West Jersey Chamber Symphony which will perform string works by F. Schubert, W. Mozart, D. Wiren, and others. **Tickets:** \$30 Adults; \$24 Seniors; Children (under 18) – Free. Purchase tickets at <u>wjcms.org</u> or at the door – **7:30** in our **Sanctuary**.

*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 Small Group study in the **Lounge**. The series encourages believers to look to Scripture first, shaping our approach to faithful political engagement.



**Men's Prayer Breakfast** - Saturday, **November 2, 8:30-10:00 a.m.:** The morning begins with breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. After breakfast, Dr. Dick Herman, former Associate Pastor at FPC Moorestown, speaks on this timely topic: *"Ways to Pray for Our Country During an Election."* In addition to Dick's presentation, there will be time enough for prayer for our nation and ourselves. To register:

https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2554387.

**Fall Inquirers' Class:** The Membership Committee invites you to attend its Fall Inquirers' Class, starting **November 13**. The Inquirers' Class is for those interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and the Presbyterian Church as a whole. The five-part series is led by the Pastors and church leaders. Please register or call Alison Mackey in the church office at X113.

## 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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.