# SUNDAY Worship Service

July 3, 2022

#### THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION:

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?
- Psalm 8:3-4

Some people say they feel very small when they think about space. I felt more expansive, very connected to the universe.

- Mae Carol Jemison

THE GATHERING and SILENCE

Rev. Linda Pepe

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & INVOCATION

Pastor Linda

**SONG OF PRAISE** 

Peace Like A River
Chalice Hymn, #530

Congregation

Peace Like a River (#530)

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river I've got peace like a river in my soul (repeat)

I've got joy like a fountain . . .

I've got love like an ocean . . .

I've got peace like a river . . .

**HAPPENINGS & OFFERINGS** 

Adam Buck Tom Tamburello

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Jennifer Bradley

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Jen

SCRIPTURE STORY

Pastor Linda

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An Invitation to Wander

Pastor Linda

GATHER AND SHARE

COMMUNION

Pastor Linda

Pastor Linda

**BENEDICTION** 

## TODAY and THE COMING WEEK at FBC MOORESTOWN

TODAY, July 3 10:00 am Morning Worship Service

(Cemetery)

11:15 am Coffee Hour

(Fellowship Hall)

MONDAY, July 4 Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!!!

TUESDAY, July 5 11:30 am to 1:30 pm Food Pantry Hours (Rooms 8, 9 & 10,

5:30 pm to 7:00 pm FH, Lower Level)

6:45 pm New Small Group (Zoom)

THURSDAY, July 7 11:30 am to 1:30 pm Food Pantry Hours (Rooms 8, 9 & 10,

FH, Lower Level)

7:30 pm **Choir Rehearsal** 

FRIDAY, July 8 6:30 pm Small Group Book Study (Zoom)

## PRAYER CONCERNS - July 3, 2022

Please pray for: the family and friends of Roy Gaskell, who passed away on June 29<sup>th</sup>, and lift up "Miss Wini", and their children and grandchildren, for Beverly Bennett for health concerns,

the family and friends of Rev. William ("Bill") LeConey who passed away on Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and lift up Lucia LeConey and their children and grandchildren

the family and friends of Rev. George M. Hawthorne who passed away on May 30<sup>th</sup>, and at the passing of George's mother Myrna, on June 16<sup>th</sup>, and continue to lift up Amy Hawthorne and their children and grandchildren, and

## Please pray for these church family members:

Sharon Kulík, Lorene Moore, Ruth Reigens, Betty Taylor, Jerome Whitehead and George Wister

\*If you have prayer requests or you would like to be removed from this list, please contact the church office at <a href="mailto:fbcmoorestown@gmail.com">fbcmoorestown@gmail.com</a>.

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# 7/03/22 ANNOUNCEMENTS

# In Memoriam

We have some more sad news to share. We mourn the passing of our dear friend a long-time member, Roy Gaskell, who was a beloved member here at First Baptist Church for most of the last 50 years. He passed away peacefully on June 29<sup>th</sup> in Gladwyne Pennsylvania. He was the FBC financial secretary for over 15 years.

He was an electrical engineer at Bell telephone. After retiring he volunteered at Family Service of Burlington County for 20 years. He was an avid reader, and vegetable gardener. He loved cats.

Roy is survived by his beloved wife of 66 years, "Miss Wini" who taught Sunday School at FBC for almost 55 years before retiring to live near their daughter Millie. He is also survived by three daughters, five grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. He gave the best hugs!

We lift up Wini and their family in prayer, and hope that many happy memories can sustain them now.

## SAVE THE DATE - JULY FBCM FOOD PANTRY NEWS

1. Coming - SUNDAYS - In July - During the month of July, we will host five Food Pantry Sundays - July 3 (TODAY), 10, 17, 24, 31. With prices rising and schools being out for the summer, the FBCM Food Pantry needs your help more than ever. Please be generous and bring a food item on each of the Sundays in July. Also, you can purchase gift cards from BJ's or Aldi, and we will do the shopping for you. You may also give through Tithe.ly and designate it for the Food Pantry. John Forte will be providing tours of the Food Pantry on these Sundays in July. See John to set up the tour. Thank you for collaborating with us to assist those who are experiencing food insecurity.

### Coming Soon . . .

2. <u>First Baptist Church Moorestown, NJ Food Drive</u>
Dates: July 30th and August 27<sup>th</sup>/Time: 8 AM – 11:00 AM/
Location of Drive: The FBCM church parking lot.

We will also be holding two food drives (see above) this summer. Please bring a food item on July 30th and/or August 27th. We will be in the church parking lot waiting to collect your items. We look forward to working with you to assist those who are experiencing food insecurity. Any questions please call the church office at 856-235-1180 or Email fbcmoorestown@gmail.com

"One of the greatest feelings in the world is knowing that we as individuals can make a difference. Ending hunger in America is a goal that is literally within our grasp."

- Jeff Bridges

JULY 5th - NEW TUESDAY NIGHT SMALL GROUP — A new small group will be meeting for four weeks beginning July 5<sup>th</sup>. We will meet via Zoom from 6:45pm — 8:00pm. We will be looking at "I've been meaning to ask...a series for curiosity, courage, & connection". The study combines poetry, art, conversation, commentary, and reflection. If you are interested in joining us, or have any questions, please let us know. Contact Bev Allegretti at <a href="mailto:beverly.allegretti@abhms.org">beverly.allegretti@abhms.org</a> or Jennifer Kautz <a href="mailto:jenninreallife815@gmail.com">jenninreallife815@gmail.com</a> There is no need to purchase anything as the devotional booklet is available and will be sent to you with the copying instructions.

<u>JULY 9th – MONTHLY WOMEN'S BREAKFAST</u> - The Women's Breakfast is off to a great start. We will meet again in **Fellowship Hall on July 9th at 9:30 for a <u>potluck</u> breakfast.** See you there!

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

<u>FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS</u> – Help Wanted – The Food Pantry needs several additional evening volunteers. Volunteers are needed for every Tuesday night, OR every other Tuesday night from 5:15 to 7:15 pm. If you are interested/available, please contact Norma Wright at (609) 932-3428.

**FBCM WEBSITE** — In this day of online technology and social media, our FBCM website has become increasingly important. If we want our church to be discovered by an individual, either locally or beyond, often that discovery process is going to take place online. Our website can help welcome, inform, and alleviate anxiety of potential new members. It is also a place for us to communicate our message of faith, and make our congregants feel informed. As a result, it is important for FBCM to keep its website current. Bev Allegretti has graciously agreed to update and oversee the FBCM website. However, she needs updated information, graphics, photos from Ministry Leaders and Staff. The website is out of date, so please send any updates to information on the website to Bev as soon as you are able — Beverly.Allegretti@abhms.org. Thank you, Bev!

<u>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</u> – to Gloría "Coach" Thornton-Peek, Today, Susan DeCesarí on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Lauren Gíbeau and Paul Shaínheít on Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, and Sara Bennett on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. If we do not have your birthday, or you would like to add a family member's birthday, please contact the church office at **856-235-1180** or at <a href="mailto:fbcmoorestown@gmail.com">fbcmoorestown@gmail.com</a>.

<u>FOOD PANTRY</u> – Donations of the following items are always welcome: Cardboard Egg Cartons, Diapers - Size 4, Size 5 and Size 6, Chunky Soups, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Pasta Sauce, Toothpaste and Bars of Soap. There is also plenty of room in the Food Pantry Refrigerators and Freezers for perishable items. Non-perishable donations may be left in the black bin next to the side ramp door. They may also be left in the bin on Bill and Norma Wright's porch at 21 Valley View Terrace, Moorestown.

The total served on Tuesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup> was 151 which, included 42 children. This total also included 2 boxes of assorted foods, baked goods and fresh produce delivered to one MEND Housing Building in Moorestown (8 residents).