

First Presbyterian Church
101 Bridgeboro Road
MAIL: PO Box 868
Moorestown, NJ 08057
fpcmoorestown.org
856.235.1688

Rev. Stuart Spencer
Pastor/Head of Staff
sspencer@fpcmoorestown.org

Rev. Wes Allen
Associate Pastor
wallen@fpcmoorestown.org

**Worship. Connect.
Serve. Devote.**

JOIN US from the safety of
your home or safely gather
at church to worship on
Sunday morning:

8:30 AM: Traditional
11 AM: Contemporary

Worship streams live from
each worship space and
participants in attendance
observe health protocols
per state regulations.
Log on from any device to
www.fpcmoorestown.org
or [YouTube](#) or [Facebook](#).

The service is also posted
later in the week
to our website.

"Connections" is published
weekly for Sunday worship and
every two weeks in the summer.
Please submit information **by**
noon Tuesdays to:
Editor Jan Martin
jmartin@fpcmoorestown.org
856-235-1688, Ext. 133

**Are you receiving our Friday
e-blast** with announcements,
Connections and upcoming
events? If not, contact the
[church office](#).

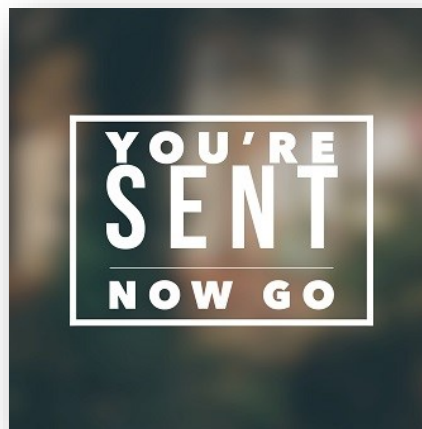


Connections

FPC
Moorestown

First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown

April 17-23, 2022



Way of the Week 21 (April 17-23)

21. YOU'RE SENT, NOW GO. We're blessed to be a blessing. God intends to use you to bless, heal, restore, and liberate a dark and hurting world. We're here for others: in our families and our community and in the world. Go to the need. Live missionally.

- ♦ *I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you famous, and you will be a blessing to others. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you. (Genesis 12: 2, 3)*
- ♦ *You are the light of the world – like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father. (Matthew 5: 14-16)*
- ♦ *Again he said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." (John 20: 21)*

You seek
Jesus of Nazareth,
who was crucified.
He has risen;
he is not here.

Mark 16:6

Easter Sunday Sunday, April 17th

6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service

8:30 a.m. Traditional

11:00 a.m. Contemporary

(no Sunday School or Adult Spiritual
Formation)



"The Most Reluctant Convert: The Untold Story of C.S. Lewis"

FPC Moorestown is registered to host a screening of *"The Most Reluctant Convert: The Untold Story of C.S. Lewis"* on **Saturday, April 23** at 6:30 p.m. in Miller Commons. An elder C.S. Lewis looks back on his remarkable journey from hard-boiled atheist to the most renowned Christian writer of the past century.

Tickets are \$11 for adults and \$9 for children 12 and under. A small convenience fee will be added to each order. Visit our website event page to order online and watch a movie trailer. This event is OPEN to the community -- please invite your friends and colleagues.

Kindly arrive ahead of time to check in. Walk up ticket sales: cash or check only please, \$12.

ORDER tickets online: <https://brushfire.com/faithcontentnetwork/themostreluctantconvert/530481>.

BONUS: Stay after the movie for a film discussion. For information contact Jean Kunkel, Gayle Payne or the church office at 856.235.1688.

Coming: Mission May

Mission May is coming! Watch for information about Mission May Malawi. We celebrate our mission partners in Malawi with fun activities for all ages. Pick up a copy of the [Spring Missions Connections newsletter](#) to learn more.



Congregational Meeting

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown, New Jersey, has called a special meeting of the congregation. This meeting will be held **Sunday, May 1, 2022** immediately following the 8:30 AM traditional worship service in the sanctuary.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect elders, deacons and trustees to a term of office beginning June 1, 2022.

The meeting can be viewed via live stream but vote can only be cast in person.

No other business may be brought before the congregation other than the preceding item.

Ann McBride
Clerk of Session

Coming: Inquirers' Class

Individuals interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly joining the congregation are invited to a May Inquirers Class sponsored by the Membership team. This three-part series is designed to learn more about our church and our faith, and is formatted to work with today's busy schedules. [Sign up online](#) or with the church office at 856.235.1688.

- ◆ **Wed. May 11:** 7:00-8:30 PM (Zoom)
- ◆ **Sat. May 14:** 9:00 AM-1:00 PM (in person)
- ◆ **Sun. May 15:** 12:15 PM with Session, received into membership (in person)
- ◆ **Sun. May 22:** Welcomed at worship (in person)

Hearing Assist Upgrade Sanctuary Hearing Assist system revitalization project

The Sanctuary Hearing Assist system now has new receivers which are speech and music capable, using our streaming sound, with zero delay. The following are used with these receivers. Headphones, Neck loops, and the new low profile surround earphone. The system is available during Sanctuary streaming times which include worship, concerts, funerals and weddings. A case containing these items is on a table in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

- Charles Plymale, coordinator

Holiday Closure

The church office will be CLOSED on Easter Monday, April 18.

Spring ALPHA Series

Invite your friends to this video discussion series Wednesday evenings **April 20-June 22** in Room 3-4 (7-8:30 p.m.) All are welcome — believers, searchers, and those seeking to know what Christianity is and what it believes. No book is required. Open to the community. [SIGN UP online](#) on our webpage.

Check out our Podcasts

NEW! Stay up to date with FPC Moorestown's sermon series by subscribing to our weekly sermon podcast now available on Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, Google Podcasts, Spotify and Anchor. Full worship services continue to be available with video on YouTube and Facebook or by visiting www.fpcmoorestown.org.

Check in to Church

Using the Church Center app on your phone, please "check in to church" each Sunday you're in person or home watching the live stream. This simple automated check-in has replaced the Friendship sign-in pads and provides accurate records for the Membership Committee, staff and member care. Download the app on your phone from the App Store or Google Play. Need help? Please see the volunteer in the narthex or at the desk.

SAVE THE DATE
Red Cross Blood Drive
Friday, May 13th
Miller Commons

Couples Night Out

Save the Date for a Couples Night Out at the historic Union League of Philadelphia; **May 20, 2022** — 6-10 pm. Cost per couple is \$325 and includes a four course meal and guest speaker. Join us for a much needed night out, connect with other couples, and strengthen your relationship and faith. Overnight accommodations are available for an additional \$265 (includes breakfast Saturday) - for rooms contact the Inn at the Union League (215.587.5570). **Speaker information soon!** [Register on our event page.](#)

2022 Strawberry Festival

Friday, June 3, 2022

6:00-9:00 p.m.

OUTSIDE on church grounds

Power of Prayer

Submit an online prayer request to the Prayer Committee. Visit the new prayer page on the website at <https://www.fpcmoorestown.org/prayer> to share your prayer request with the prayer team.

PW Mission Donations

- Presbyterian Women are collecting **white cotton socks** for the Christian Caring Center. A collection box will be in the Commons Lobby thru Easter.
- Items are also being collected by PW for **hygiene kits** for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. [See our event page for a list of items.](#)

VBS Registration OPEN

June 27- July 1 ~ 9:00 am-noon

Children entering Kindergarten through entering 6th grade (FALL 2022). *When registering, enter child's current grade for 2021-22.*

Cost: \$20 per child

\$15 for second child

DEADLINE: JUNE 15, 2022

At *Make Waves* VBS, kids will discover what they do today can change the world around them. *Make Waves* is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few activities that help faith *flow* into real life.

TEENS (Student leaders in 7th grade and older) AND ADULTS: Interested in becoming a VBS volunteer? WE NEED YOU! Please contact [Angie Slane](#) in the church office at 856.235.1688, x124. **SEE PAGE 4**

Chick Fil A Spirit Night
for Step by Step Preschool
Tuesday, April 19 (5-8 pm)
Centerton Square

Live Stream Operators

Help us preach the digital gospel! We are looking for individuals high school or older to learn our live stream operation. **We will train! We need you!** Harris Ransom departs for college this fall and we need to secure tech operators to continue our live stream. Contact Jan Martin in the church office.

Have you remembered the church in your will?

FAMILY MINISTRY

There is no children's Sunday School on Easter (April 17)



Sunday, April 17: NO CREDO confirmation class or High School Youth Group

Wednesday, April 20: NO Kingdom Kids, Crossing Zone or Middle School Youth Group

AIDE WANTED: The Children's Ministry program seeks an energetic, Christ centered, kid loving, creative [part time aide](#) to assist with Vacation Bible School, Wednesday night programs, and other events with our vibrant children's program. Hours vary as needed and remuneration is negotiable. If you are interested please reach out to Earl Gage at egage@fpcmoorestown.org. This is an ideal position for someone that wants to help children experience the love of Jesus and God's big story, have fun while serving our community, but cannot commit to regular employment. No benefits with this position.

Kingdom Kids: Grades K-3
Wednesdays 4:45-5:45 pm
Crossing Zone: Grades 4-6
Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm
Middle School: Grades 7-8
Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 pm
High School: Grades 9-12
Sundays 6:30-8:30 pm

Sermon Series Memory Verse

Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!
- Luke 18:38

For Families and Children:

Holly Asciutto

856-235-1688, x116

hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org

For Families and Youth:

**The search is underway for a
new youth director**

Children's End of Year Inflatable Parties

Wednesday, April 27
(outside on church grounds)

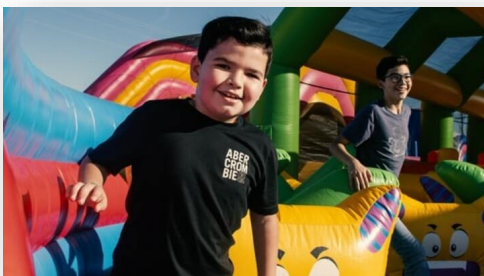
[Kingdom Kids:](#) 4:45-5:45 pm, \$10

[Crossing Zone:](#) 6:15-7:30 pm, \$10

Please use fpcmoorestown.org/events to register your child today! For questions contact Holly Asciutto at 856.235.1688, x116 or hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org or Angie Slane at aslane@fpcmoorestown.org or x124.



REGISTER today: VBS June 27-July 1, 2022



2022 Graduate?

Do you know of a 2022 graduate? Please submit names of those high school, college or post-grad graduates from our congregation to [Jan Martin](#) in the church office. We will honor our grads on Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 15 during both services.