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**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](http://www.fpcmoorestown.org)  
or [YouTube](#) or [Facebook](#).

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

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Connections and upcoming  
events? If not, contact the  
[church office](#).

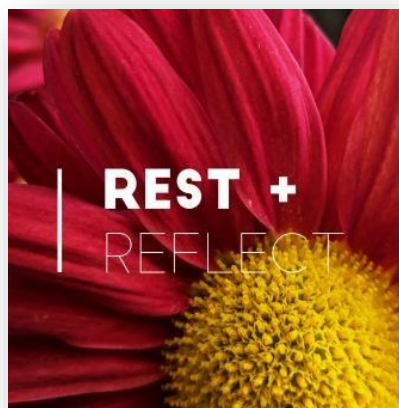


# Connections

**FPC**   
Moorestown

**First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown**

**April 24-30, 2022**



## Way of the Week 22 (April 24-30)

**22. REST AND REFLECT.** Make time in your week to step back from work, school, and stressful demands. Since Christ has freed us, we no longer have to be obsessively driven. Take a walk, play, nap, meet up with friends, share a meal, or just take some time in solitude.

**Read:** Genesis 2: 2, 3; Matthew 11: 28; Mark 2: 27; Isaiah 30: 15

**Ideas for Action:** Can you make your Sunday more of a Sabbath day of rest for you and your family? Connect with God using worship music. Unplug from the devices for part or all of the day. Seek the joy of the Lord in Creation. Eat a meal together. Be silent with God and pray. Prioritize wholeness and rejuvenation in Christ.

## **CREDO Confirmation Class Prepares**

**TODAY:** On Sunday, April 24, CREDO students who wish to become members of the church will present their Statements of Faith to Session following the 11:00 a.m. service. CREDO is FPC Moorestown's confirmation class for high school students, which has met weekly during the Sunday School hour. These interactive sessions help confirmands engage their faith, wrestle with difficult questions, and reflect on what it means to be a member of the church.

Students select and meet with an adult mentor of the church who is actively involved and engaged in the ministries of the church and denomination.

During both services on Sunday, May 1, we will pray for and welcome our CREDO students who have elected to join the congregation.

## **Congregational Meeting Sunday, May 1, 2022**

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 votes 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

## **Blood Drive Here May 13**

First Presbyterian Church and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive on (lucky) Friday, May 13th. Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today to donate your gift of life. Someone will be glad you did.

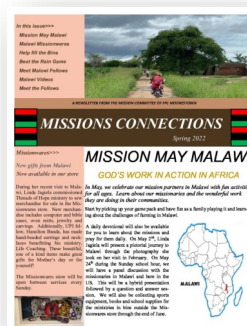
### **Drive Details:**

- **Site:** First Presbyterian Church
- **Address:** 101 Bridgeboro Road, Moorestown, NJ, 08057
- **Room Name:** Miller Commons
- **Date:** Friday, May 13, 2022
- **Time:** 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **Blood Program Leader Name:** Debbie Heller

To sign up contact Debbie Heller at 856-273-6838 or [dheller374@comcast.net](mailto:dheller374@comcast.net), or visit [redcrossblood.org/give](http://redcrossblood.org/give) and enter "First Presbyterian Moorestown."

## **Coming: Mission May**

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



### **Incoming Officers**

Incoming elders, deacons and trustees will be installed and ordained on Sunday, May 29 at our 9:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday worship service. Examination by Session will be at the May Session meeting on May 24. Stay tuned for the schedule for officer training in May.

## **May Inquirers' Class**

Individuals interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly joining the congregation are cordially 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

### 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](http://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 DATES:**

**Graduate Recognition  
Sunday, May 15**

**Teacher Appreciation  
Sunday, May 22**

### 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, May 17 (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

## Last day of children's Sunday School: May 22



Vacation Bible School June 27-July 1, 2022

**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](mailto: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.

## Sermon Series Memory Verse

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

For Families and Children:

**Holly Asciutto**

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[hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org)

For Families and Youth:

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

**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

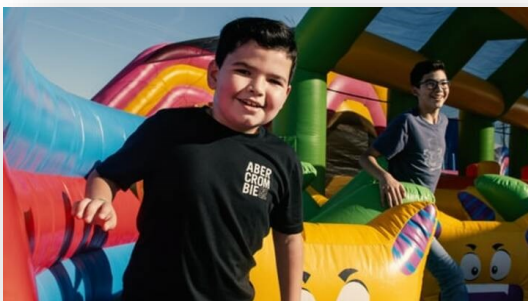
## Children's End of Year Inflatable Parties

**Wednesday, April 27**  
(outside on church grounds)

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

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

For questions contact Holly Asciutto at 856.235.1688, x116 or [hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org) or Angie Slane at [aslane@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:aslane@fpcmoorestown.org) or x124.



## Come Volunteer for VBS

**ADULTS AND TEENS:** Come use your special abilities to help kids discover important truths through activities that connect with the day's Bible Point and Bible Stories. Volunteer with a friend, co-worker, or family members while building your faith and relationships. You'll have the opportunity to share time smiling, laughing, and serving while spreading His message of love to His kids ages 5-12. Every volunteer will be part of an experience to change kid's lives forever, encouraging creativity and faith discovery.

## 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.