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Worship. Connect.
Serve. Devote.

JOIN US on Sunday morning at church or via live stream as we worship the Lord with gladness:

8:30 am Traditional
11:00 am Contemporary
9:30 am 5th Sunday Blended Worship

Worship streams live from each worship space.

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

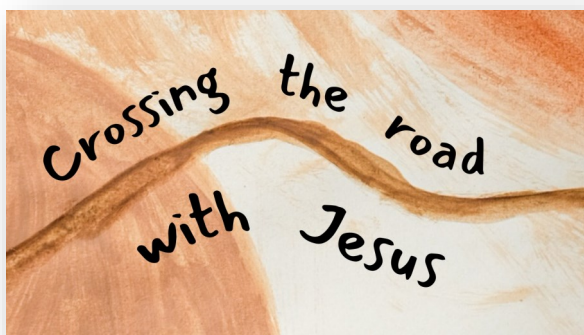


Connections

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First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown

April 9-16, 2023



Way of the Week #22: Rest and Reflect

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.

Ideas for Action (try to complete by 12 noon Tuesday): 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.



APRIL 9: EASTER SUNDAY ~ He Lives

- 6:30 am Sunrise Service
- 8:30 am Traditional Worship
- 11:00 am Contemporary Worship

Nursery care will be provided. There is no Children's Sunday School or Adult Spiritual Formation on Easter.

Easter Flower Deliverers Needed

The Deacons are looking for volunteers from our congregation to help deliver Easter Flower on Easter Sunday, **April 9th**. This is a wonderful way to show our love to some of our less mobile members and brighten their Easter Day. If you can help with deliveries, please contact Deacon Vicki Terry (vickittery633@gmail.com), Deacon Rachel Long (rchumney@gmail.com) or Deacon Gail Sorin (gandgsorin@comcast.net).



April 7: Good Friday Interfaith

12 Noon, FPC Courtyard
Community worship service

April 7: Good Friday Tenebrae

7:30 pm, Sanctuary

Easter Gift

Easter offerings may be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church or given securely online at fpcmoorestown.org/giving. Thank you for your generosity.



The church campus is **CLOSED**
Monday, April 10

Easter Flowers

Easter flowers that have been pre-ordered may be picked up on April 9 in both worship spaces. Thank you to **Steve Cashmer** and Floral Guild coordinator **Fran Green** for the Easter flower displays.

NEW: Spaghetti Dinner

Friday, April 21

6:30-8:00 pm (Miller Commons)

Dinner includes spaghetti, dinner salad, roll, dessert and beverage. A free will offering will be taken to benefit programs of Haiti Outreach Ministries. Keynote speaker will be Pastor Leon Dorleans, founder of Haiti Outreach Ministries. Pastor Leon will also be our guest preacher for worship on Sunday, April 23rd at both services.



Fifth Sunday April 30 for Cathedral Kitchen

Our April Fifth Sunday combined worship will be held at **9:30 a.m.** on April 30 and we have something special planned -- a churchwide service project for Cathedral Kitchen immediately following worship! Cathedral Kitchen is the largest emergency food provider in Camden, NJ, serving over 100,000 nutritious meals to homeless and food insecure people each year. Our Deacons will lead us in making sandwiches, decorating placemats and designing centerpieces for the tables at CK. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome! **Sign-up Genius link coming soon!**



Deacon Flower Deliverers

On the third Sunday of the month, our Deacons deliver flowers from worship to two individuals needing a lift from their church. *Deliverers are needed.* Would you like to help? Families welcome. Upcoming 3rd Sunday delivery dates are:

- **April 16**
- **May 21**
- **June 18**
- **July 16**

Please contact Deacon JoAnn Reynik at sew-crafty225@yahoo.com or 856.495.1337 cell if you can serve as a driver on these 3rd Sundays or as a Delivery Arranger (make the two smaller arrangements).

NEW: Ice Cream Social

Friday, April 14

6:00-8:00 pm (FHall)

Come and enjoy ice cream and learn about GTI Hope's ministry in India and Linda Jagiela and Debbie Heller's recent trip. Free will offering to support women's literacy programs in India. Host: Mission Committee



How Can You Serve Your Church This Year?

The Nominations Committee is currently seeking men and women of all ages to staff the three Boards of the church: Elders, Deacons and Trustees. [Fill out an online nominations form](#) or please contact Gil Warren, chair. A Congregational Meeting will be held to elect officers, and officer training will be held in May.

Couples Retreat

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Dormer House B&B ~ Cape May

May 19-21, 2023

Register on our [event page](#) or through the Church Center app

Spring Break

Kingdom Kids, Crossing Zone, Middle School Youth Group and Family Dinner will be OFF for Spring Break Wednesday, **April 5 & 12**.

Camp J-Burg

Sign ups are OPEN for Camp Johnsonburg Summer Camp **July 16-21**, grades 2nd-12th. Check out this incredible "Sacred Place, Open Space." See our [event page](#) and pick up literature at church.



**Youth Choir Retreat
April 28-30**

**Youth Concert is coming
Sunday, May 7th**

Garden News

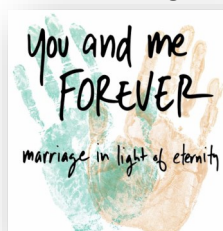
Sundays, April 16 & April 23 at 12:30 p.m. We will plant beets, carrots, lettuce and radishes in the garden beds. Strawberries too. You may want to bring a trowel and gardening gloves. Toni will bring the seeds and some seedlings that she has started at home to share with our garden. [See our event page.](#)



Adult Spiritual Formation 9:45-10:45 am Sundays

SIGN UP from the Church Center app on your phone, or our online Events Pages:

- ♦ **NEW: You and Me Forever** study will meet **April 16-June 11**. Marriage is great, but it's not forever. It's until death do us part. Then come eternal rewards or regrets depending on



how we spent our lives. The \$25 registration includes one copy of the book and workbook. Should you need additional copies of either the workbook or book you may add them during registration. [Register online](#) or through the Church Center app. Hayes Rm.

- ♦ **The Book of Acts** study will explore some of the most important events in Christian history and apply them to the 21st century. Class is team-taught by Lorenzo Eagles, Lissa Herman, and Wes Allen. **FH A, ends May 21; No class April 9.**

Spring Inquirers Class

April 19, 22 & 23

NEW: Are you interested in learning more about FPC Moorestown and possibly joining the congregation? The Membership Team would love to meet you! You are invited to attend the Spring Inquirers Class **April 19, 22 & 23**. [See our event page](#) and Church Center app for more information, or call the church office at 856.235.1688.



Spring into action

[BLOOD DRIVE](#)

Friday, May 12

1:00-6:00 pm

Miller Commons

Give the gift of life

2023 Graduates

Do you know of a 2023 graduate? Please fill out a [brief form](#) to submit names of those high school, college or post-grad graduates to [Jan Martin](#) in the church office.

National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4

The Prayer Committee will be presenting a Prayer Vigil in recognition of the National Day of Prayer **May 4**. Watch for a Sign Up Genius and see more information and resources [on our website](#). This year's theme is "Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much."

Vacation Bible School

June 26-June 30

**Stellar: Sign Jesus' Light
(Registration is OPEN)**

FAMILY MINISTRY

No Children's Sunday School on Easter (there will be Nursery Care)

REMINDER

Spring Break Schedule: OFF Wednesday, April 12

Kingdom Kids, Crossing Zone, Family Dinner
and Middle School Youth Group are on break!



Attention Middle Schoolers —

REMINDER we are OFF Wednesday, April 12th for Spring Break. Youth group will end for the year on **Wednesday, April 26**. We'll see you at youth group!

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: contact John
Roberts, interim director

Sermon Series Memory Verse

Later, as Jesus left the town, he saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at his tax collection booth. Come, be my disciple!" Jesus said to him. So Levi got up, left everything and followed him.
- Luke 5: 27, 28

For Families and Children:

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SIGN UP: End of Year Inflation Parties Wednesday, April 26

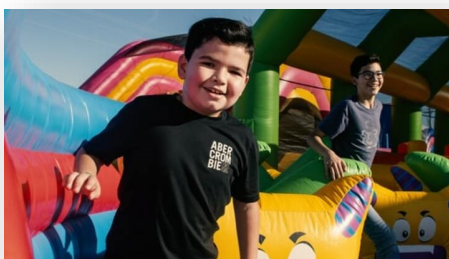
SIGN UP by April 19 for our End of Year Parties for Kingdom Kids and Crossing Zone. We will close out the year in style for grades K-6th. Register online or right through the Church Center app:

Kingdom Kids (K-3rd); 4:45-5:45 pm

[See event page/sign up for Kingdom Kids](#)

Crossing Zone (4th-6th); 6:15-7:30 pm (NOTE TIME)

[See event page/sign up for Crossing Zone](#)



Sunday School

There is NO Sunday School on April 9, Easter.
Sunday School resumes on Sunday, April 16th.

Fifth Sunday

On the Fifth Sunday April 30 (combined worship), there will be children's Sunday School and Nursery Care. Sunday School will meet at **9:30 am during worship**.



SIGN UPS ARE OPEN: VBS 2023 June 26-June 30 (9:00 am-Noon)

Registration is OPEN for [Vacation Bible School: "Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light"](#) for children entering Kindergarten through entering 6th grade (FALL 2023).

When registering, please enter your child's **CURRENT 2022-2023 grade**. Cost: \$25 per child (\$20 for additional child)

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: June 14, 2023