

**Send in your photos!** We are collecting photos of Joel through the years for a slide show at the celebration. You are invited to upload your favorite photos into an online album using the link on the [Church Center event page](#).

### 2025-2026 Rooms & Dates

Staff is meeting **July 29** to review the church calendar for the first six months of the year. Please submit any dates for fall events, concerts, committee meetings, and building room requests to the church office by **July 22** (moved from July 15).

### Congregational Meeting

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown, NJ, called a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, **June 15, 2025** following the 9:00 AM worship service in the sanctuary. The purpose of the meeting was to elect the following to a term of office beginning immediately:

- Elder Jenny Legath
- Elder Debbie Heller
- Trustee Cara Dempster
- Trustee Brett Couvillion



### Youth Committee

The Discipling Children and Youth Committee is seeking church members of ALL ages who are willing to share the love of Christ with our young people. Please contact [Cheryl Gaskill](#), chair of the committee, to discuss the opportunities to use your gifts in this life-changing ministry.

***Couldn't attend Strawberry Festival this year?  
Financial donations most gratefully accepted***



***Looking for audio and visual operators; see our Church Center event page to learn how you can help***

### News from the Garden

The Mustard Seed Cooperative Garden is starting its 2025 growing season and we have an opportunity for you to help with the garden! **We welcome harvesters!** Just show up in the evening (Sundays, Wednesdays and/or Fridays) from 7-8 pm-ish to pick the produce and store it in the church kitchen. We will start on **Sunday, June 15th** and go through the end of August. If you can continue into the fall, that would be great, if possible. The produce grows through October. Thank you—we really appreciate your help! [See our event page.](#)



### Joel Krott Retirement Celebration

**Sunday, July 27, 2025**

**9:30 a.m. Combined Worship (Sanctuary)  
Reception to follow in Miller Commons**

Joel Krott, our director of music, will be retiring on Sunday, July 27 after 53 years in music ministry. That day, we will gather for Combined Worship to celebrate Joel and his years teaching and leading our choirs and serving as organist. Worship will be at **9:30 a.m.** in the sanctuary, followed by a reception in Miller Commons.

Please read a letter from Pastor Stuart regarding Joel's July retirement. You may bring cards or notes for Joel that day and also write one in the Commons Lobby as well.

### Summer Prayer Opportunities

- ⇒ The **Thursday Evening Prayer service** (live stream) is on summer hiatus returning in September.
- ⇒ This summer, join the Prayer Committee for a time of fellowship and prayer for **Thursday Evening Prayer on the Porch**. Come pray on the second and fourth Thursdays at 7:00 pm. on the Van Camp Porch. In case of inclement or hot weather, we will meet comfortably in the Lounge. Contact Pam Engle.

- ◆ June 26
- ◆ July 10 & July 24
- ◆ August 14 & August 28

### Summer Schedules

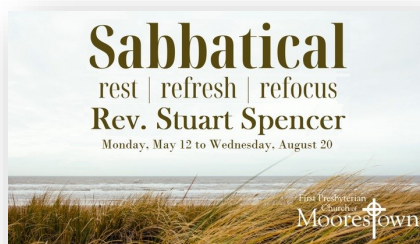
- ♦ *Connections* prints every two weeks in the summer months.
- ♦ There is no Session meeting in July.
- ♦ Worship hours remain 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM in the summer. Children's Sunday School and the Thursday Prayer Service are on hiatus until September.
- ♦ Worship is combined on **July 27** (Retirement Celebration) and **Aug. 31** (Labor Day).

### Couples Retreat Rescheduled for Fall

Attention couples! Come to an engaging retreat in Cape May, NJ **October 17-19**. Cost of \$450 per couple includes breakfast, two nights at the Dormer House B&B, group sessions with Dr. Paul Booker, and dinner Saturday. **Take advantage of our Early-Bird Special of \$400/ couple by June 30.** See [event page](#).

### Grace Boutique

Mission Committee volunteers are needed to help staff the public hours of **2<sup>nd</sup> Tues: 11:30 am-2:00 pm** and **3<sup>rd</sup> Wed: Noon-2:30 pm**. Please contact Debby G. at [misions@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:misions@fpcmoorestown.org). Monetary donations encouraged so we can buy in bulk and restock shelves each week. Demand is HIGH. The store provides items unavailable through assistance such as diapers, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, paper towels, toiletries, tissue boxes and more. Please give via Venmo or check and note "Grace Boutique" in the memo field.



### Sabbatical Presentation

On **Sunday, August 31**, Stuart Spencer will present a review of his 16-week sabbatical to the congregation. That week is a combined worship Sunday due to the Labor Day weekend, so the presentation will follow the **9:30 a.m.** Worship.

### Sunday Morning Check Ins

Each time you attend in person or watch on your device, **please check in** to register your attendance using the Church Center app or pew pads.

### Fall Prayer Retreat October 14-16, 2025

### Adult Sunday Series

*Drop In and Discuss*

Sundays 10:10-11:00 am-ish  
Lounge (summer location)

### PW Missions

In August the annual Seeds of Hope Undies Sundays collects socks, underwear and PJ's for Back-to-School donations. The entire church is urged to contribute and we will deliver donations to the Camden headquarters. Watch for more information this summer.



**Church office closed  
Friday, July 4**

### Clerk of Session

The Session extends its heartfelt appreciation to **Ann McBride**, who has capably served as its Clerk of Session for nearly 6 years beginning in August 2019. This month Session welcomes incoming Elder **Rev. Kathy Eagles**, who has agreed to step into this critical administrative role. *Thank you Ann and Kathy.*



**Drop any donations for the Blessing Box on the table in the Commons Lobby. The box is being used by visitors in need every week**



**See our event page for ways to provide items for the reception or to upload pictures for a slideshow**



# FAMILY MINISTRY



## Super fun summer children's and youth activities



### NEW: Exciting Youth Group Activities

Rising middle schoolers (grade 7-8) through high school (grades 9-12) are invited to come chill at the church Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Meet up with your friends and make new acquaintances. We can't wait to see you. **Contact:** Cheryl Gaskill

- ◆ Wednesday, July 16: Paint Night @ Church
- ◆ Wednesday, July 30: Pool Party @ Delgados
- ◆ Wednesday, August 13: Lawn games @ Church
- ◆ Wednesday, August 20: Movie night @ Church

**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

*And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. - Acts 2:2-4*

For Families and Children:

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Middle School and High School:

**Cheryl Gaskill**

856-904-3056 call/text

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### Family Water Fun Night

Come on out **Wednesday, July 16**, from 6-8 PM for an exciting evening filled with water activities. Stay and play for the duration or just cool off and leave -- it's up to you! Feel free to bring your parents, siblings, and friends along to this family friendly event. Remember to pack your swimsuit, water shoes, towel, and a change of clothes. We look forward to seeing you!

This is a free event but we would like to know who is coming to plan, so please register on the [Church Center event page](#).

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with Vacation Bible School: *True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World*. What a fabulous week!



### Save The Date!

**Bike Rally Night**

**Friday, September 26**

6:30-8:00 p.m. (Church Parking Lot)