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**Grow The Kingdom:  
I Will Pray, Invite,  
Serve, Give.**

Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into his presence with  
singing - Psalm 100:2

**9:00 a.m.  
Traditional Worship**

**11:00 a.m.  
Contemporary Worship**

**10:15-11:00 a.m.  
Education Classes**

Worship streams live from each worship space. Log on from any device to [www.fpcmoorestown.org](http://www.fpcmoorestown.org) or [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com). Services are also posted to our website.

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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 12-18, 2026

## Way of the Week 4: Always Encourage and Celebrate

(April 12-18, 2026)

**4. ALWAYS ENCOURAGE AND CELEBRATE.** Show gratitude and appreciation by regularly acknowledging the good works you see everywhere. Look for signs of spiritual growth and maturity among our members and staff. When you see it, point it out and rejoice. Pass on good reports that you hear about others.

### **Suggested Action Step from Gemini:**

The "Third Party" Affirmation: Make it a congregational habit that if you hear a compliment about Person A, you are "theologically obligated" to tell Person A within 24 hours.



## Church Has Left The Building (I Will Serve)

On **April 18-19**, "join hands" for our church-wide service initiative Church Has Left The Building, coordinated by our Deacons. It's going to be a great day of service. The morning's schedule will include:

- **9:30-10:00 am:** One abbreviated worship (Sanctuary)
- **10:15-12:00 noon:** CHLTB Service Projects, Fellowship Hall/Room 8, all ages
- [Sign up online](#). There is something for ALL ages.
- **11:30 AM:** [Deacons Chili Cookoff Fundraiser](#) (see Church Center event page), we need chili cooks!

There will be no nursery care or education classes that morning to allow children to join their families for service projects.

INFO: Deacon [Mike McNeil](#) at 609-351-0049 or [Alison Mackey](#) at 856-235-1688.

## [Church Has Left The Building Project List](#)

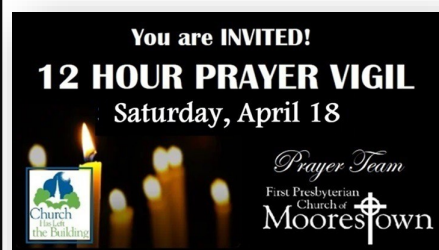
There are service projects for all ages! See our flyer. How would you like to serve? Choose from: (1) assembling college care packages, (2) preparing the Mustard Seed Cooperative Garden for 2026 growing season, (3) dropping off frozen casseroles; (4) assembling 1,000 Hygiene Kits; (5) making 125 sandwiches; and (6) various church clean-up jobs on our building and grounds. Join in! [SIGN UP ONLINE](#). For questions contact Deacon Mike McNeil at 609-351-0049 or Alison Mackey in the church office.

[April 18 Church Has Left The Building Prayer Vigil](#) – we will pray from 5:00 AM – 5:00 PM for the CHLTB event; sign up for your 30-minute prayer time.



**April 18-19**

**\$ Donations Welcomed**



## **Staff News**

Pastor Spencer is pleased to announce Session has approved the selection of **Spencer A. Domer** as our new Director of Music. A gifted conductor, music director and vocalist, Spencer comes to us from Muncie, IN where he serves on the music staff at High Street United Methodist Church and is completing double Masters of Music degrees in Choral Conducting and Voice Performance from Ball State University. [See the full letter from Pastor Stuart on our event page.](#)

## [See Joshua at Sight & Sound](#)

Watch the Bible come alive! Journey alongside the people of Israel as they navigate their new-found freedom in an unforgiving wilderness. Join us for a bus trip on **Thursday, May 7** to see "Joshua." Cost is \$150 and includes bus transportation, lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasboard, show ticket and driver gratuity. **No refunds or exchanges.** See our Church Center event page for details and [online registration](#). Payment due **April 24**.

## **Church Directory**

The updated church membership directory is available for pick up at the church in the Commons Lobby, Narthex, Miller Commons or church office. *One per family please.* Many thanks to graphic designer Barbara Duffy and Jan Martin for their work creating the 2026 directory.

## **Sunday Morning Check Ins**

REMINDER: 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.

## [Thinking of Joining the Church?](#)

Would you like to learn more about FPC Moorestown and possibly join the congregation? Great! You are warmly invited to attend the [Spring Inquirers' Class](#) to learn more about us and the Presbyterian Church as a whole. The two-part series features one class **Saturday, April 25**, and one class **Sunday, May 3** after the 11:00 a.m. service with elders to be received into membership. You are also cordially invited to join the Membership Team at Wednesday Night Dinner **April 22** (5:45-6:45 pm, Miller Commons) as their guest. [Sign up online](#) or RSVP with Wes Allen or Alison Mackey in the church office 856-235-1688.

## [Note from Nominations](#)

Your Nominating Committee is hard at work finding nominees for Elders, Deacons and Trustees to serve our church. Are you looking for new ways to become involved? We can help. Please pray about where you or someone you know may best fit and help Grow God's Kingdom. Use the [brief online form](#) or contact [Matt Livingston](#) or any member of the Nominations Team.

## **Congregational Meeting**

The Session has called a special meeting of the congregation, to be held **Sunday, April 26, 2026** following the 9:00 AM 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, 2026. The meeting will be available to view via live stream, however, votes may only be cast in person.

## Concert: West Jersey Chamber Music Society

Sunday, April 19

7:30 PM

First Presbyterian Church  
Season Finale: J.S. Bach – Master of  
Instruments and Voice

Tickets: [wjcms.org](http://wjcms.org)

## Boys Choirs Concert

The Philadelphia Boys Choir & Cantores Minores, Finland's oldest and most successful boys choir, will perform at First Presbyterian Church **Wednesday, April 29** at 7:00 PM. They will sing choir music selections from Mendelssohn, Brahms, Bruckner, and several other composers. Admission is Free.

## Special "Assist Her" Event

Join us on **Friday, April 17th** from 6:00-9:00 p.m. for a community event with In His Image Justice Coalition. The mission of IHIC is to mobilize the church and community to protect the vulnerable from human trafficking. There is no cost for the event, but all attendees are asked to register at <https://tinyurl.com/Assist-Her-2026> or through the QR code on our Church Center event page. Learn more at [freedom-fromtrafficking.com](http://freedom-fromtrafficking.com). Contact Susan Masiko or Gayle Payne.

## Coffee Hospitality Hosts

We are looking for a few more men or women to assist with the Sunday hospitality. People of all ages enjoy this time of fellowship to have a cup of coffee/tea or a bagel on their way to a Sunday School class, or before attending the contemporary service. We are serving and Growing the Kingdom! If you can help, contact Carol Wiggans at [jcwiggans@gmail.com](mailto:jcwiggans@gmail.com) or 267-496-0450.

## Grace Boutique

For the month of April, the Grace Boutique needs select items to restock its shelves. If you can, please donate any of these items (*Place them in baskets by Grace Boutique door.*):

- Deodorant for women
- Dove Soap bars
- Laundry Detergent (size 42 oz.)
- Socks for Women

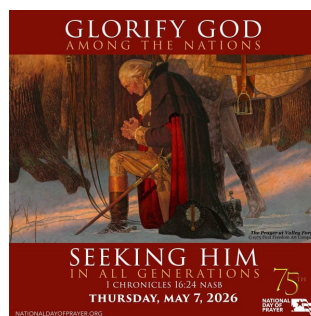
## April Dine & Donate

- ◆ Pour House ([great menu!](#))
- ◆ 124 Haddon Ave., Westmont
- ◆ **Thursday, April 23**
- ◆ **4:30 to 9:00 PM**
- ◆ Mention our Step by Step Pre-school at the time of ordering and the [Pour House restaurant](#) will donate 15% of your order to our school. Thank you!

## American Red Cross Blood Drive

Did you know that you can save a life? You can. Give at the Red Cross blood drive in Miller Commons **Friday, May 8** from 11:00 am-4:00 pm. Select the time that works best for you. Contact Debbie Heller at [dheller374@comcast.net](mailto:dheller374@comcast.net), 856-273-6838 or visit [redcrossblood.org/give](http://redcrossblood.org/give) and search for our location.

## National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 7, 2026

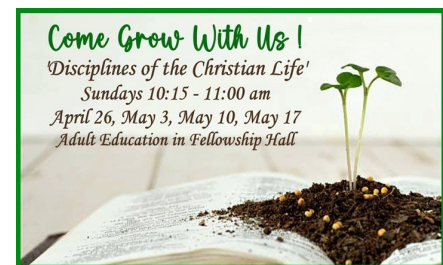


## Stocking the Blessing Box and Food Pantry

Drop any donations for the [Blessing Box](#) on the shelves in the Commons Lobby. The outside box is used by visitors in need every week by those facing food insecurity. The nonperishable food on the Commons Lobby shelves is used to stock the Blessing Box and is provided to attendees from the Grace Boutique who are here two times a month. This stock is depleted very quickly.

## Help out with a Meal Train

The Deacons have set up Meal Trains to support Dave and Sami Fauvell as they welcome new baby Lydia to their family. MealTrain.com is a free meal calendar tool to schedule deliveries easily. Log onto <https://mealtrain.com/l3qdm> or the [Church Center event page](#) to sign up to provide a meal. To be included on the [notification list](#) of other Meal Trains needed, contact Alison Mackey or Bobbi Voglesong.



## Calling 2026 Graduates

Please submit names of 2026 high school, college and post-graduates to Jan Martin in the church office by **April 26th** ([see online form](#)). We will honor our grads on **Graduate Recognition Sunday, June 14**.

**Spring Prayer Retreat  
June 16-19, 2026  
Holy Cross Monastery**

# FAMILY MINISTRY

## Alleluia! He Is Risen. He Is Risen Indeed!



Did you notice the amazing flowered cross at the front of the sanctuary on Easter? Easter is a special day as we remember all that Jesus has done for us through His sacrifice. He is ALIVE—and that gives us every reason to celebrate! Our children helped make Easter Sunday even more meaningful by creating flowers out of tissue paper, reminding us of the new life Jesus brings—not just today, but every single day.

Teens: Find Us on our FPC Youth Instagram



**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

**“But these [signs] are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in him you will have life by the power of his name.” - John 20: 31**

For Families and Children:  
**Holly Asciutto**  
856-235-1688, x116  
[hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org](mailto:hasciutto@fpcmoorestown.org)

Middle School and High School:  
**Evan Dempster**  
215-264-3448 call/text  
[evan.dempster@gmail.com](mailto:evan.dempster@gmail.com)



### Vacation Bible School 2026

*Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God*

June 29 to July 3, 2026

9:00 am - 12:00 noon

[fpcmoorestown.org/vbs](http://fpcmoorestown.org/vbs)

Calling all explorers entering Kindergarten through 6th grade (Fall 2026). Grab your gear and head deep into the jungle for a week full of excitement, discovery, and faith-filled fun! Just \$25 per child (\$20 each additional child)

- ◆ Swing into action with high-energy songs
- ◆ Create cool jungle-themed crafts
- ◆ Play wild games with new friends
- ◆ Discover amazing Bible stories to guide our adventure
- ◆ Enjoy tasty treats along the trail

[Registration Deadline: Friday, June 26, 2026](#)

### Kingdom Kids End of Year Party

Get ready to grab your pirate gear and practice your loudest “Ahoy, Matey!” as we celebrate the end of an incredible year in Kingdom Kids with a swashbuckling Pirate Party!

Join us for a fun-filled hour of adventure, games, and celebration as we wrap up the year together. You won’t want to miss it!

📅 Wednesday, April 29th

🕒 4:45–5:45 PM

📍 Fellowship Hall

### Crossing Zone End of Year Party

**Wednesday, May 6**

Regular meeting time 6:30-7:30 PM

Activity & Time TBD

Off Campus

### Teacher Appreciation Sunday

Sunday, May 17 (last day of Sunday School)