



APRIL

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--------|---------|--|----------|--|--|
| 2 Palm Sunday Night of Worship 6-8pm Atrium | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Good Friday Service 6:30-7:30pm Atrium | 1 Church Work Day 8 |
| 9 EASTER SUNDAY! Two Services 9 & 10:30am | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 Royal Splendor Women's Luncheon 11:00am |
| 16 Singles Luncheon Fellowship Center 12pm-1pm | 17 | 18 | 19 Finance Committee Meeting: 6:15pm | 20 | 21 Singles Dinner and a Movie 6:30pm | 22 Setup Gym for Family Meeting 10:00am |
| 23 Church Family Meeting 12:00pm | 24 | 25 | 26 Night of Prayer 6:15pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
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OFFICE HOURS

8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Thursday

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00am- Life Groups and Worship Gathering (Atrium)
Preschool LGs, Kids LGs, Student LGs
10:30am- Life Groups and Worship Gathering (Atrium)
Preschool Ministry, ARK Worship & Kids Worship

MONDAYS

10:00am-1:00pm Care Center-Food Pantry
5:30pm-7:00pm Care Center-Food Pantry

TUESDAYS

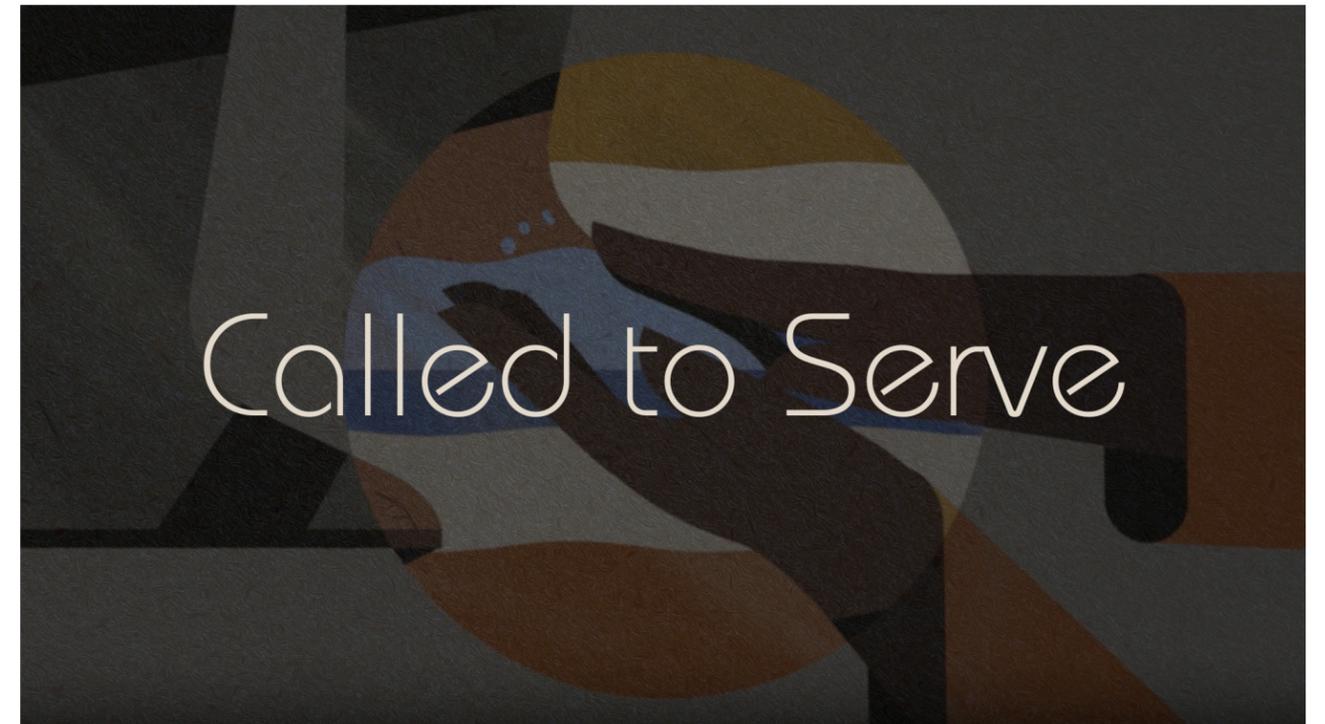
9:30pm-11:30am Women's Bible Study

WEDNESDAYS

10:00am - Midweek Bible Study
5:00pm - Dinner
6:15pm - Next Gen Ministry
Embrace Group Options
Adult Equip Group Options



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A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

CALLED TO SERVE

For I have given you an example, that you also should do just as I have done for you. – John 13:15

As we read through the Easter narrative in the Bible, we come face to face with the character of God. We see the compassion and mercy of God toward sinners. We see the holiness of God as it deals with the awfulness of sin. We see the heart of Jesus as He prays and cares for His disciples even as He approaches death. We see the humility of Jesus to lay down His life for the sheep and submit to the Father's will. We see the power of God that is able to overcome sin and death. We see the promise of God to send the Holy Spirit to His followers. At the same time that we see a God who rules and reigns over His kingdom, we see a God who serves His people.

This is evident in John 13, where before eating the Passover with His disciples and instituting the Lord's supper, Jesus washes His disciples' feet. This act was unheard of in Jesus' day. Foot washing was the duty of a servant, a child, or possibly a woman, but never a man; definitely not a respectable man like Jesus. Yet, in an act of total humility, He picks up a towel and a basin of water and serves His disciples by washing their feet. He was making a clear point. I am your Lord, but also a servant.

In the same way, you, who are my followers, should serve others. When He is done, He ends it with a command that they should do likewise. Here is a harsh reality: You will only be like Jesus once you learn to serve others.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

New Offering Envelope By Mail Process

We are making a change in how we mail out offering envelopes for people who wish to receive them that way. If you are interested in continuing to receive offering envelopes by mail or would like to start doing so, please contact Denise at 405-735-2530 or denise.frazier@firstmoore.com.

For the Future Campaign

Thank you for your above and beyond sacrificial giving to our "For the Future" campaign. We have been able to raise \$643,907.28. If you want to learn more and join us, visit firstmoore.com/forthefuture.

Church Work Day - Saturday, April 1

Our annual Church Work Day will take place on Saturday, April 1. This is a day where all ages come to the campus to help clean, pull weeds, trim hedges and trees, touch up paint, remove trash, freshen the flower beds, and whatever else that may need to be done. Helping on this day is a great way to build relationships and grow closer as a church body! If you have one hour, or all four hours, we'd be glad to see you there! Chick-fil-a sandwiches will be provided at 12:30pm for all volunteers.

Palm Sunday - Night of Worship - April 2 - 6:00pm

We will start Holy Week with Jami Smith leading our Palm Sunday - Night of Worship in partnership with our worship ministry. Jami is a worship leader, singer/songwriter, mother and wife. For more than 20 years, she has traveled the world using music as a tool to help people connect with the Lord. Many of her songs are regularly sung in churches and played on Christian radio. Childcare will be available for infants - 4 year olds.

Good Friday - April 7

Join us for a night of reflection as we remember the death and sacrifice of Jesus. We will gather around tables at 6:30pm in the Atrium for a time of singing, scripture reflection, and sharing of the Lord's Supper together. Childcare will be available for infants - 4 year olds.

Easter Sunday - April 9

We are having two identical services on Easter Sunday at 9:00am & 10:30am. We will offer Preschool Ministry (infants- 3's), ARK Worship (4's & K), and Kids Worship (1st-4th) during both services. Help us have room for all who wish to attend by signing up for your service at firstmoore.com/easter.

Royal Splendor Women's Event - Saturday, April 15

Our Women's Ministry is hosting a church-wide luncheon for the ladies of First Moore from 11:00am-12:30pm. Women will enjoy great fellowship, tasty food, and be spiritually encouraged. Cost to attend is \$10; please sign up online at firstmoore.com or at the East Connection Hub.

Church Family Meeting - Sunday, April 23

It is time for us to gather as a church to fellowship, celebrate what God is doing here, and take care of any needed church family business. We will begin with lunch at 11:45am in the gym. After everyone has finished eating, we will move back into the Atrium for our time of celebrating and family business. Go to firstmoore.com/familymeeting to view the menu, information, and to purchase meal tickets.

Night of Prayer - Wednesday, April 26

On Wednesday, April 26 at 6:15pm, all students (7th-12th) and adults will gather around tables in the Atrium for a time of worship and focused prayer. Our Preschool and Kids Ministries will be available for infants - 6th grade.

First Moore Kids Musical & Spotlight - May 3

Join us at 6:15pm in the Artium as our Kids Worship Arts perform a musical they have been working on. In addition, we will spotlight our Wednesday Kids Ministry as they share what they have learned this past year.

FBC 101 - Sunday, May 7

Do you have questions about membership at First Moore or are you ready to take your next step in becoming a member? Join us for lunch on May 7 at noon to learn more about membership. RSVP at firstmoore.com/fbc101.



SUNDAY MORNING STATS

| | MARCH 5 | MARCH 12 | MARCH 19 | MARCH 26 | YTD |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----|
| Life Groups | 738 | 703 | 738 | 712 | 634 |
| Worship Attendance | 780 | 703 | 817 | 831 | 793 |
| Offering/Tithe | \$86,479.38 | \$54,049.27 | \$47,726.42 | \$46,320.40 | |
| For the Future | \$11,622.00 | \$9,313.00 | \$14,247.50 | \$6,211.00 | |



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

(Continued from the front page)

By nature, we are takers, not givers. By nature, we want others to do for us and make much of us. Jesus again flips the narrative and says greatness is found in humbling yourself to do for others. One way to judge the health of a church is by the number of servants you have. Those who are looking for ways to give to others with nothing expected in return. Those who are willing to do for others rather than have done for them. Those who are willing to give up rather than demand to be given to. With that in mind, let me pose a question. Who are you serving? In what area can you point to that you are serving others? Do you serve your neighbors? Do you serve your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ? Are you serving in the context of the church? Let me encourage you to look for people and ways to serve.

In over twenty years of pastoral ministry, I've noticed that the most complaints come from people who serve the least, and the least complaints come from those who serve the most. I think there is a couple of reasons for that. The first one is that you don't have time to complain if you are busy working. The second is that the servant's heart tends to think less about themselves and more about others. Let me challenge you to be on the lookout for opportunities to serve. Don't wait to be asked but jump in and ask to be a part of serving where God is working. Opportunities are all around you, and you will find the more you serve, the more you will be like Jesus.

For His glory and your joy,



WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

Join us for Wednesday night dinner from 5:00pm-6:00pm. Cost is \$5 per person with a family max of \$20. You can sign up and pay for the meal each week online or through the Realm Connect App.

| April 5 | April 12 | April 19 | April 26 |
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| Chicken Tenders Potatoes and Gravy Salad Desserts | Steak Fingers Steak Fries Salad Dessert | Waffles & Chicken Syrup & Hot Honey Fruit Cup Orange Juice, Tea, Water | Hamburgers Waffle Fries Ice Cream Bars |



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MARCH 2023

Matthew Fain (Letter)
Makaela Fain (Letter)
Janet Robertson (Statement)
Larry Robertson (Statement)

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER?

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of First Moore, contact our Director of Connections, Stephanie Gaches, to begin the conversation.

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