



August 2021

NEWSLETTER

FIRST MOORE BAPTIST CHURCH



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

The Household of God

It brought my heart great joy to gather together this last Sunday (July 25th) under one roof, at one time, as one body. To see our congregation united, witnessing new believers being baptized, and sharing in the Lord's Supper was truly a picture of who the church is. We are one people, united in Christ Jesus. We are called to gather together for the glory of His name, to build each other up, and to send each other out to proclaim His Gospel to the world. Sunday mornings are a grace given to us by God to give us a glimpse of heaven as we gather for the praise of His name. As I went home Sunday, I thought about all the pictures the Word of God gives us considering the church. Scripture tells us that we are both the Bride of Christ and the Body of Christ. In both instances, He is the head, and we are willfully submitting ourselves to His leadership. We are fellow citizens of His Kingdom where we are welcomed into the joyful presence of His rule and reign. There is one picture that I have clung to my entire life in the church. It is one of family. We are now members of the household of God. This picture strikes me because the Bible is also clear, that at one time we were enemies of God, subject to His judgment and wrath. Yet, now we find ourselves reconciled to God, able to call Him Father and enjoy the immense blessings of being His children because we have received adoption as sons and daughters. This means that we have a future inheritance awaiting us, but also have privileges of sonship now. It means we have brothers and sisters who too, have experienced this great salvation and are welcomed into His family. It means that church is more than a place we attend, serve, and maybe give some money to. It is a people, a family we belong to.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS STARTING ON AUGUST 18TH

DINNER STARTING AT 5PM
AGE APPROPRIATE MINISTRIES AT 6:15PM
FIRSTMOORE.COM/WEDNESDAY

We are so excited to offer a full slate of Wednesday ministry this coming semester. Our Wednesday nights are going to have a major focus on the family and next gen ministry but we will have something for everyone.

Meal– 5:00pm-6:00pm

We will be serving a hot and tasty meal each week. Cost will be \$5.00 per person with a family max of \$20. RSVP is preferred.

Next Gen Ministry– 6:15pm-7:30pm

We are excited to have different ministry experiences for preschool (6 weeks old to Kindergarten), Kids (1st-6th) & Students (7th-12th).

Adult Groups– 6:15pm– 7:30pm

Relationship by the Book: Married & Coeds led by Ron & Dr. Rita Murray

Whether a couple is newly married or has been married sixty years, whether a couple is enjoying a great marriage or is contemplating divorce, this practical six-session series will provide biblical “tools” that will strengthen and enrich participants with Christ-centered “awe-inspiring” behaviors and practices.

Women’s Group led by Shannon Sheesley

Women of all ages can join us for a study through the book of James.

Men’s Group led by Kelvin Locklear

Men of all ages can join us as we walk through the book “Wild at Heart” by John Eldridge.

Cancer Companions

Group for people that are dealing with cancer personally or in their family.

Survivors of Suicide

Group for people that are dealing with the pain of losing someone to suicide.

GriefShare

Group for people that are dealing with loss.

Worship Choir Practice– 6:30pm– 8:00pm

VBS Thanks

We had a great week of VBS in the Park this past week. We had nearly 200 kids registered, over 100 volunteers, and many gospel seeds were planted and watered. Thank you to everyone that served and who were a part of VBS in the Park 2021.

August Sermon Series

During the month of August we will be having a special emphasis on the church. We will all meet together in the worship center at 10:30am, with LifeGroups meeting at 9:15am. We will have to temporarily change where some LifeGroups meet during August.

I Am a Church Member Group Study

During the month of August our LifeGroups will be study Thom Rainer’s book “I Am a Church Member” together. This would be a great time to try a group out. Get a copy of the book in your LifeGroup, at the Connection Hub, or the Media Room.

Engage Opportunity– Fuse Soccer

We are planning to start Fuse Soccer toward the end of August. There will be a great opportunity to serve through this engage ministry by coaching, refereeing, and more. Please contact Sarika at Sarika.crosslin@firstmoore.com if you would like to serve in this ministry.

Fuse Soccer

We are excited to offer an opportunity for kids in Kindergarten through 6th grade to be a part of a soccer league this fall. Practices will begin the week of September 13 and the league will conclude on October 30. Each team will practice one night a week and play a game on Saturday. Cost is \$65 per child. Register your child at firstmoore.com/recreation.

FBC 101

Have you recently become a member of First Moore, are you interested in becoming a member, or do you have questions about membership? Join us for FBC 101 on Sunday, August 22 at 12:30pm. RSVP at www.firstmoore.com/fbc101.

Next Gen Amazing Race

Save the date. Sunday, August 29 in the afternoon.

Family Camp-Canceled

We will not be doing Family Camp in 2021. We will be evaluating our ministry calendar and discussing how Family Camp might be a part of our future plans.



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

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Family has always been important to me. My mom and dad made our family a priority. Renee and I strive to make our family a priority and hold our time together dear. My church has always been a part of my family and even after spending over twenty years as a staff member, is seen as more than a job but the people I am called to live my life with. It is why seeing First Moore as more than just some place we go for a Bible lesson, or some organization we support is of utmost importance. It is because we are part of the same family. Over the next five weeks, I pray that we will see that being part of the church is being part of the Household of God. It is being linked together by more than biology or similar interests. It is being intertwined by Christ and His Spirit for the purpose and glory of God. I ask you to join us as we unfold who the church is, why being invested in it is important, and what requirements and responsibilities we are to meet.

I look forward to seeing you at 10:30 each Sunday morning as we see what it means to be the household of God.

For His glory and your joy,
Pastor Charlie



SUNDAY MORNING STATS

	<u>July 4</u>	<u>July 11</u>	<u>July 18</u>	<u>July 25</u>	<u>YTD Avg</u>
LifeGroups	579	633	607	NA	568
Worship Attendance	767	704	755	872	685
Offering/Tithe	\$72,788.22	\$67,352.83	\$45,438.27	\$47,768.03	
Prepare the Way	\$4,362.00	\$3,581.00	\$3,107.50	\$3,370.00	



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

July 2021

Linda Battles (Baptism)
Candice Baxter (Baptism)
Greg Bodell (Baptism)
Francie Hinds (Baptism)
Nathan Huskinson (Baptism)
Adrianna Johnson (Baptism)
Jaxon Kiser (Baptism)

July 2021 (Cont.)

Jazmine Lunsford (Baptism)
Julia Lunsford (Baptism)
Lexi Merrell (Baptism)
Molly Morgan (Baptism)
Jacob Noble (Baptism)
Emma Norfleet (Baptism)
Allie Shaw (Baptism)

Interested in becoming a member?

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of First Moore please contact our Director of Connections, Stephanie Gaches, at stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com to begin the conversation.



CALENDAR

August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:15-All LifeGroups meet 10:30am-United Worship Service	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 9:15-All LifeGroups meet 10:30am-United Worship Service Noon- Singles Lunch	9	10	11 11:00am- Midweek Bible Study & Potluck Lunch	12	13	14
15 9:15-All LifeGroups meet 10:30am-United Worship Service Noon- Finance Committee	16	17	18 Wednesday Nights Kick-off 5:00pm Wednesday Evening Dinner	19	20	21
22 9:15-All LifeGroups meet 10:30am-United Worship Service Noon- FBC 101	23	24	25 5:00pm Wednesday Evening Dinner	26	27	28
29 9:15-All LifeGroups meet 10:30am-United Worship Service Afternoon- Amazing Race	30	31				

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ABOVE)

Office Hours

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

Sunday Schedule

9:15am All LifeGroups
 10:30am United Worship Service (In Worship Center)
 Preschool Ministry, ARK Worship & Studio 26

Mondays

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

Wednesdays

10:00am Midweek Bible Study
 6:15pm Wednesday Night Studies
 6:30pm Worship Choir Practice

Thursdays

6:30pm Celebrate Recovery