# DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3	4	Special Women's Bible Study Session 9:30am - ELC	6	7 Equip Leader Lunch 12-1pm   WLC FLC Christmas Program 6pm	1 Christmas Spectacular Moore's Central Park at 6:30pm 8 Parents Night Out 6-9pm	9
10	11	12	Seniors on the Go Lunch 11am-12pm   Atrium	14	15	16
17 Christmas Gathering at 9 & 10:30am Finance Mt. 12pm - WLC	18	19	20 No Wednesday Activities	21	22	23
Two Services - 9 & 10:30am No Life Groups Christmas Eve Candlelight - 5:30pm - Atrium	25 Merry Christmas! Offices Closed	26 Offices Closed	27 No Wednesday Activities	28	29	30
31 One Service at 10:30am No Life Groups	1 Happy New Year! Offices Closed					

## **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**

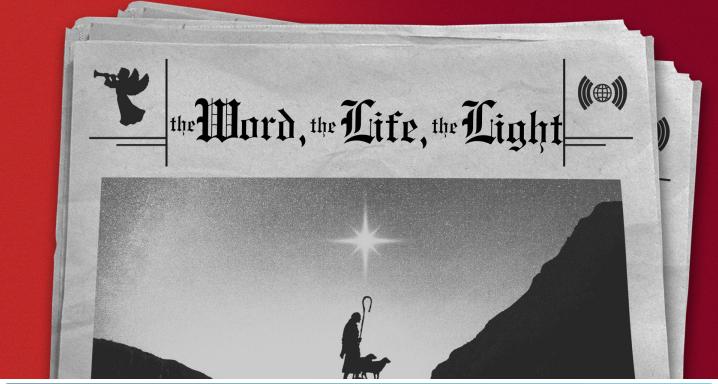
9:30am-11:30am Women's Bible Study

## **WEDNESDAYS**

10:00am - Midweek Bible Study 5:30-6:15pm: Dinner 6:30pm - Next Gen Ministry Choir & Adult Ministries



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# A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

# Jesus – The Word, the Life, the Light

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...In him was life, and that life was the light of men. John 1:1,4

As we journey toward Christmas and celebrate the coming of our Savior, we are going to look at the words of John, the disciple and apostle, as he explains the incarnation of Jesus. He desperately wants his audience to understand that in Jesus, we see the full deity of God on display. While both Matthew and Luke speak of Jesus' earthly birth, John wants us to understand the eternal nature of God, who took on human flesh to dwell among us. John tells us that Jesus is the Word that became flesh while also making sure that we understand that in Jesus, we see both life and light manifested.

On December 10th, we will look at what it means for Jesus to be the Word.

On Christmas Eve morning, we will look at Jesus as the Life and will end with a

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**

#### For the Future: Fill the Floor

Join us as we seek to raise \$347,115.00 by the end of 2023. We believe we can reach this ambitious goal when we all reach deep and consider donating the cost of one chair, \$365. Some may do more, and others may do less, but when we all do something, anything is possible. To learn more and give, visit firstmoore.com/fillthefloor

## "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 1,071,311.56. If you want to learn more and join us, visit firstmoore.com/forthefuture.

## **Christmas Spectacular at Moore's Central Park**

This is a free event with a special appearance by Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus, Christmas carolers, Tree Lighting, shopping at the Mini Merry Market, and Holiday fireworks sponsored by local businesses. It's a perfect way to begin the Holiday Season!

Food Trucks: Cutie Pies Concessions; Newmans Firehouse BBQ; Some Like it Tot; Cousins Maine Lobster; Chef Rays Street Eats and HTEAO

Our First Moore Worship Choir & Orchestra will be performing at this event. Enjoy the show! firstmoore.com/spectacular

#### **Equip Leader Lunch**

All leaders in the church are invited to meet on campus for lunch on December 7 from 12-1pm. Join us for training about leading life groups and making disciples! Register each month to get your free lunch at <a href="firstmoore.com/equiptraining">firstmoore.com/equiptraining</a>

#### Parents' Night Out

We will have childcare for infants through 6th grade, and there will be special needs care available on Friday, December 8, from 6-9pm at First Moore. The cost is \$5.00 per child (\$20 family max).

Your kids will have pizza and plenty of fun with other kids here at the church building. Register by Wednesday, December 6. <u>firstmoore.com/pno</u>

## **Dec. 17 - Christmas Gathering**

Join us at 9am and 10:30am as we will gather in the Atrium for a special time of worship with music from our choir, worship band, and others. There will be Life Groups on this Sunday.

## **Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24**

On Christmas Eve, we will have two services: 9am and 10:30am. We will not have Life Groups this Sunday.

## **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

On the evening of Christmas Eve, we will have a candlelight service beginning at 5:30pm. We hope you set time aside and join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior!

## New Year's Eve - Sunday, December 31

We will have one service at 10:30am, and we will not have Life Groups this Sunday.

#### **Welcome our New Facilities Director**

Jason Sharp is our new Director of Facilities here at First Moore. If you see him around the church building, be sure to say hello and welcome him to the new role! jason.sharp@firstmoore.com

## **Change is Coming**

With the Worship Center Remodel, we are also updating our church logo, signage, and room numbers around the building. In the next four to six weeks, you will begin to see changes occurring.

## Night to Shine - 2024

In February, our church is going to be one of the Tim Tebow - Night to Shine Host Sites. Night to Shine is an exciting night for people with special needs. Our church is honored to host this event, and there will be many opportunities to serve. More details to come in the future!



# SUNDAY MORNING STATS

	NOV 5	NOV 12	NOV 19	NOV 26	YTD
Life Groups	794	689	694	586	700
Worship Attendance	918	877	819	739	811
Offering/Tithe	\$77,621.35	\$59,064.06	\$57,511.35	\$46,248.59	
For the Future	\$29,237.00	\$44,651.50	\$21,992.00	\$9,555.00	



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candlelight Lord's Supper service on Christmas Eve night, where we will understand that Jesus is the Light that came into the darkness. I hope that you and your family plan on joining us this Christmas season as we focus on all that God has given us in Jesus.

For His glory and your joy,





# WEDNESDAY DINNER MENU

Join us for Wednesday night dinner from 5:30pm-6:15pm. 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.

December 6	December 13	December 20 & 27
Alfredos' Beef & Bean Burrito or Chicken & Rice Burrito Nachos with Queso Salad Dessert	Chicken Fried Steak/Gravy Steak Fries House Salad Cherry Cobbler, Pumpkin Pie	No Wednesday Night Meal or Services



# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

## **NOVEMBER 2023**

Tom & Ann Farrell (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, StephanieGaches, to begin the conversation. stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com