JANUARY

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--------|---------|---|----------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | Embracing Generations 6-8pm (Gym & Atrium) | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| New Sunday Schedule Begins Life Group Leader Lunch & Training 12pm | 9 | 10 | Wednesday Night Activities Resume Special GriefShare Class | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Finance Comm. Meeting-12pm Connection Team Lunch & Training- 12pm Singles Luncheon | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| Family Dedication Sunday Church Family Meeting-12pm | 23 | 24 | Students United Rally @ Eagle Heights | 26 | 27 Students | 28 United |
| 29 Weekend | 30 | 31 | | | | |

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

WEDNESDAYS

10:00am - Midweek Bible Study

5:00pm - Dinner

6:15pm - Next Gen Ministry
Embrace Group Options
Adult Equip Group Options



NEWSLETTER

FIRST MOORE BAPTIST CHURCH





A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

Some things change, and some stay the same...

Change is inevitable. Even though we like things to stay the same and feel normal, change is constantly happening. Seasons come and go. Another year quickly goes by. The clothes you just bought don't seem to fit any longer. You get the picture. Change happens. Here at First Moore, we are in a season of change. Change has occurred for us all in several ways over the last couple of years. We were all caught off guard by the change a pandemic brought. During that time, you and I began a new relationship together as pastor and congregation. We have seen retirements happen and new faces replacing old ones on our staff. With new leadership comes new vision, direction, and new methods. It's all part of change. While change can be exciting, the problem with change is that it makes us uncomfortable, because we all like things to feel familiar. While we can be resistant to change, we must remember that it happens and is inevitable, because things never stay the same.

This year will be another one of change. We are beginning 2023 by meeting in the Atrium, which will be our place of worship until the remodeling of our Worship Center is complete. Starting, January 8th, we will meet in two services with two life group hours to accommodate the size of our church body. It will be a change. Not only will the venue be different, but you may not be sitting beside the people you normally do, or even be in the same service with them. That's part of change. While it is easy for us to focus on the negative side of change, there is a good side to it as well. Change often shakes us out of our comfort zone and leads us to try new things. Sometimes we find

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

New Year's Day Worship - Sunday, January 1st

We are going to kick-off 2023 with our first Worship Gathering in the Atrium at 10:30am. There will be no Life Groups but there will be Preschool Ministry for infants through 4's.

Embracing Generations Night

We are excited for another Embracing Generations Night on Wednesday, January 4 from 6:00-8:00pm. We will have Chick-fil-a sandwiches at 6:00pm and have several different activities for people to engage in from pickleball to board games. Meal is free is you RSVP by January 1 and \$5 per person with a max of \$20 per family after. RSVP at firstmoore.com/generations.

New Sunday Schedule - January 8

On Sunday, January 8, we will kick-off a new schedule for Life Groups and Worship on Sunday mornings. We will have two identical Worship Gatherings in the Atrium. There will also be two on-campus Life Group hours at the same time as the Worship Gatherings. More details available at firstmoore.com/lifegroups.

9:00am- Life Groups and Worship Gathering 10:30am- Life Groups and Worship Gathering

Wednesday Nights in January

Our full slate of ministries on Wednesday Nights will start on January 11. Dinner will be served from 5:00-6:00pm. Next Gen Ministry opportunities will begin at 6:15pm. There will also be Equip Groups and Embrace Groups for adults at 6:15pm.

Surviving the Loss of a Spouse - GriefShare

The event is a one-night class on Wednesday, January 11 at 6:15pm in rooms E206/207 and all are welcome to attend.

Life Group Lunch & Training

Adult Life Group Leaders and Directors are invited to join us for lunch and training after worship on Sunday, January 8 from 12-2pm. Please RSVP at firstmoore.com/training.

Connection Team Training

There is a great opportunity for people to serve on a Connection Team in 2023. If you are interested in serving or if you already are serving on a Connection Team please join us from training on Sunday, January 15 at noon. RSVP at firstmoore.com/connection.

Family Dedication

On Sunday, January 22 our Preschool Ministry will be hosting a special time for families to commit to raise their children in God's way. If you have you and your child(ren) would like to be a part of this special day please let us know at firstmoore.com/dedication.

Church Family Meeting - Sunday, January 22

We are excited to gather together after worship for a church-wide meal and our quarterly family business meeting. Our meal will be roast, potatoes & carrots, salad, roll, and dessert. We will be presenting and discussing our 2023-2024 proposed church budget at this meeting. Meal is \$5 per person with a \$20 family max if you sign up by January 15 and \$10 and \$30 after. Tickets available at firstmoore.com/familymeeting or at each Connection Hub.

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 \$502,354.78. If you want to learn more and join us, please visit firstmoore.com/forthefuture.

For the Future Banquet

We hope to present plans and a budget for the Worship Center Remodel on Sunday, February 5 at 5:00pm. Please save the date and pray for the Steering Committee as they works towards this important date.



SUNDAY MORNING STATS

| | DEC. 4 | DEC. 11 | DEC. 18 | DEC. 25 | YTD AVG |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| Life Groups | 705 | 690 | N/A | N/A | 609 |
| Worship Attendance | 888 | 809 | 727 | 634 | 772 |
| Offering/Tithe | \$80,856.47 | \$59,018.46 | \$83,157.15 | \$65,563.90 | |
| For the Future | \$4,631.00 | \$14,366.00 | \$7,294.50 | \$18,872.70 | |



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

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that the new is as good or better than the old. Change often opens us to new ideas and methods that yield greater results than the old ways we are used to. Change can lead us to meet new people who God may use in our life to change us to be more like Him. Rather than resist change, we need to embrace it.

I can almost assure you that this will be the beginning of more changes because that is how God tends to work. He is a God on the move and asks us to move along with Him according to His divine plan. He doesn't ask us to be stagnant, complacent, or remain stuck. He asks us to follow Him as He actively leads His people on the journey He has planned for us. Let me assure you, there are some things that won't change. We won't change our commitment to the Word of God. We won't change our commitment to preaching Jesus. We won't change our commitment to reaching people with the Gospel. We won't change our commitment to caring for each other. Methods, locations, times, and even people are all subject to change, but our commitment to what's important will stay the same. Let me ask you to cheerfully join me on a journey of change, knowing that, while some things will change, some things never will.

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.

| January 4 | January 11 | January 18 | January 25 |
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| EMBRACING GEN. Chick-fil-a Sandwiches Chips Bottled Drinks Ice cream | Jimmy Johns' Box Meal Salad Bar | Waffles Chicken Scrambled Eggs | Steak Fingers Fries Salad Bar |



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

DECEMBER 2022 Harper Wright (Baptism)

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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