



August 2022

NEWSLETTER

FIRST MOORE BAPTIST CHURCH



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

Time for a Check-Up

When we began 2022, we did it with the idea of asking God to produce spiritual fruit in us. Luke 8:15 revealed that if we receive the good news of the Gospel with an "honest and good heart" and if we "hold on to it by enduring", we will "produce fruit." We then spent some time in Galatians 5:22-23 discovering what this fruit produced by the Spirit would look like. The list was clear; love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, goodness, and self-control would be the result.

We are beginning the eighth month of 2022, and the questions we need to ask ourselves are, "Do I see more fruit in my life today than I did eight months ago? What is the evidence that I have honestly received the Gospel and by the power of the Spirit, it is changing me?" It's probably time for us to have a spiritual check-up, allowing the Word of God to serve as the standard for spiritual growth and health and see how we are measuring up. From my perspective as your pastor, I am seeing signs of growth and health in our congregation. There is evidence of renewed unity, a heart for the Word, and a desire to serve others. There is an affection for God and for each other, as well as our neighbors and community. Joy is evident in times of worship, and I hear kindness in much of our speech. But, what about you as an individual? What evidence is there of spiritual growth in your life? If those who know you best were to take the qualities of a spirit-led life and use them as the guide to determine your spiritual health, what would their diagnosis be? Let us all allow God's Word and Spirit to lead us in a spiritual check-up and help us determine where we are in terms of spiritual growth and maturity.

For His glory and your joy,



UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Life Group Leaders Lunch and Training

As summer comes to a close and we prepare for a new season of ministry through our Life Groups, we are planning to have a lunch and training with all of our church's Life Group leaders on Sunday, August 7. Lunch will be provided by Qdoba and childcare is available. Sign up at www.firstmoore.com/discipleship if you are able to attend.

Backpack Community Outreach

Be a part of our church providing backpacks at the Lion Kick-off . Purchase a backpack and fill it with pencils, pens, paper, erasers, and Kleenex. Collection boxes are located by the elevators and donations should be received by Wednesday, August 10. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, you may do so by marking your gift "Backpacks" in person or online.

Embracing Generations Night

Join us on Wednesday, August 17 for a time of intergenerational fellowship, encouragement, and worship. The night will begin at 6:00pm in the Atrium with Fried Onion Burgers, Chips, Cookies, and Sodas. At 6:30pm, our preschool and elementary aged children will be dismissed to special programming, while those 7th grade and above remain in the Atrium for worship, teaching, and roundtable discussion. Cost for the meal is covered if you RSVP at www.firstmoore.com/generations by Sunday, August 14, and increases to \$5 per person with \$20 household max after.

Fall Women's Bible Study

Join us on Tuesdays from 9:30am-11:30am for a time of Bible study, fellowship, encouragement. This fall we will have one large group that will be walking through "Experiencing God" by Henry Blackaby. The study begins on August 23. If you have questions, or would like to request childcare, please do so at women@firstmoore.com.

FBC 101

Would you like to explore membership at First Moore? Join us for our FBC 101 Lunch on Sunday, August 28 at noon in the Fellowship Center. RSVP at www.firstmoore.com/fbc101 if you plan to attend.

Take Your Next Step Through Baptism

Are you ready take the next step of obedience in your faith by following in believer's baptism? We would love to talk to you about baptism as you seek to be obedient to the Lord. Begin the conversation at www.firstmoore.com/baptism.

Find Community in a Life Group

One of the ways that we grow and bear fruit in our lives is being a part of a godly community that can speak into our life in truth and love. At First Moore, a great way to find that community is through a Life Group. If you have not found a Life Group yet, check them out at one of the Life Group walls in the Worship Center Foyer or Connection Hub or go to www.firstmoore.com/lifegroups.

Follow Jesus by Serving

We believe that everyone who calls First Moore home is called to be a part of the action through serving. There are several ways that a person can serve at First Moore, from once a month to weekly, on Sundays, Wednesdays, Mondays and more. If you are interested finding your place to serve, go to www.firstmoore.com/serve or send an email to stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com.

For the Future Campaign

Toward the end of 2021 our church launched a stewardship campaign to help us accomplish some improvements to our church campus, which includes remodeling the Worship Center. Through the above and beyond sacrificial giving of the people of First Moore, we have been able to raise \$331,353.48. If you want to learn more and join us, please visit



SUNDAY MORNING STATS

	<u>July 3</u>	<u>July 10</u>	<u>July 17</u>	<u>July 24</u>	<u>YTD AVG</u>
Life Groups	477	670	572	632	607
Worship Attendance	804	783	798	732	798
Offering/Tithe	\$83,008.41	\$62,117.44	\$40,848.69	\$47,415.06	
For the Future	\$10,070.00	\$16,859.00	\$3,862.50	\$3,513.00	



WEDNESDAY NIGHT PREVIEW

At First Moore our Wednesday nights are focused three things: investing in the next generation, embracing hurting people in our community, and equipping adults in practical and theological training. As we begin a new semester of ministry on August 24, everything we do will be centered around those three things.

Wednesday Meal-5:00-6:00pm and Ministry Groups-6:15-7:30pm.

Next Gen Ministry

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

- W.O.W (Pre-K-1st) W138-139
- Kid's Weds Night Service-Kids Big Room
- Students Service—Student Center

Embrace Groups

- **Cancer Companions**– A group for people who are dealing with cancer personally or within their family.
- **ESL Class**- A class for those who desire to learn or improve their understanding of the English language.
- **Griefshare**- A group for people who are dealing with loss.
- **Survivors of Suicide Loss**- A group for those who are dealing with the pain of losing someone to suicide.

Equip Groups

- **August 24-September 7**– All adults will join John in the Atrium for Connector Training.
- **September 14**– We will begin three different Equip groups. A coed group, a men's group, and a women's group.
- **Servicio Entre Semana en Español**- Un tiempo especial de enseñanza y oración con nuestra congregación de habla hispana.

Worship Choir Practice– 6:30-8:00pm



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.

August 3
Summer
Break
No Meal

August 10
Summer
Break
No Meal

August 17
Summer
Break
No Meal

August 24
Soft Beef Taco
Chips, Salsa &
Queso
Spanish Rice
Taco Toppings
Dessert

August 31
Chicken
Tenders
Waffle Fries
Biscuit
Salad
Dessert



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

July 2022

N/A

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, at stephanie.gaches@firstmoore.com to begin the conversation.



August

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Noon-Life Group Leader Training & Lunch	8	9	10 10:00am Midweek Bible Study and Potluck	11	12	13 8:30am Deacon's Meeting
14 Noon-Singles Sunday Lunch	15	16	17 6:00pm- Embracing Generations Event	18	19	20
21 Noon-Finance Committee Meeting	22	23	24 Wednesday Evening Activities Begin	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Office Hours

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

Sunday Schedule

9:15am - All Life Groups

10:30am-Worship Service (In Worship Center)

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

6:30pm Worship Choir Practice

Thursdays

6:30pm Celebrate Recovery