



DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 City of Moore's Christmas Spectacular 6:30-8:30pm
4	5	6	7 10am - Midweek Bible Study (Fellowship Center)	8 FLC Christmas Program I 6pm (Atrium)	9 Parents' Night Out 6-9pm	10
11	12	13	14 10am - Midweek Bible Study Christmas Lunch GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays- 6:15pm	15	16	17
18 Christmas Gathering 9am Breakfast 10:30 Worship No Life Groups	19	20	21 No Wed. Night Christmas Break	22 Campus Closed	23	24 No Christmas Eve Service
25 Christmas Worship 10:30am No Life Groups	26 Campus Closed	27	28 No Wed. Night Christmas Break	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

TUESDAYS

9:30am - 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
6:30pm - Worship Choir Practice



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A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

Christmas is about Reversing the Curse

The Christmas season is filled with many graces and blessings from our Lord. This is a reminder each year of the value of family as we gather together and share in our traditions of meals, movies, and gifts. Each family has its own unique way of celebrating and spending time together, and this time of year reminds us of the importance of the people God has blessed in our families.

There is the joy of gift-giving that not only lights up children's eyes as they unwrap their presents with eager anticipation but reminds us of the generosity of our Father in Heaven, who has lavished great gifts on us. In each gift given and received, we are reminded of the generous and sacrificial way that God has given all good things to us through Jesus.

There is the grace of the body of Christ as we gather together, singing songs of praise and telling all God has done for us in and through Jesus. There is something special about gathering together with the church and expressing our gratitude and joy over the goodness God has graciously shown us through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All of these things have significance because Christmas is ultimately about God reversing the curse of sin in our lives. From the moment mankind sinned in the Garden of Eden, the earth bears all the marks of the curse of sin. Just as God explained to the man and woman that the ground would be cursed with thorns and thistles, animosity would develop between the once happy couple,

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Moore's Christmas Spectacular

On Saturday, December 3, the City of Moore is having their annual Christmas Spectacular at the Central Park from 6:30pm-8:30pm. This will be a fun night and provide many opportunities the people of First Moore to connect with others in our community. Our Worship Ministry will take the main stage during the celebration.

Parents' Night Out

On Friday, December 9, our Preschool and Kids Ministries are hosting a night of childcare for infants through 6th graders at the church from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Cost to attend is \$5 per child with a max of \$20 per household. Register at www.firstmoore.com/pno by December 6.

Surviving the Holidays - GriefShare

Our GriefShare Ministry will be hosting a one-night event to help navigate the holiday season without a loved one. The event is on Wednesday, December 14 at 6:15pm in rooms E206/207 and all are welcome to attend.

First Moore's Christmas Gathering

On Sunday, December 18, our church family will have special day to celebrate the birth of Jesus. A pancake breakfast will be served in the Atrium from 9:00-10:00am. At 10:30am, we will worship together with special music from our Worship Choir, Band, Orchestra, and Next Gen Worship Arts.

Christmas Day Worship

On Sunday, Dec. 25, our church body will gather for worship at 10:30am. There will be no Life Groups but there will be Preschool Ministry for infants - 4's.

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

We are going to kick-off 2023 with our first worship service 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.

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 will be available soon.

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.

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 \$458,441.58. If you want to learn more and join us, please visit firstmoore.com/forthefuture.



A WORD FROM PASTOR CHARLIE

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childbirth would produce pain, and separation from God would exist. He also provided a glimmer of hope in the fact that one day, one would come that would reverse the curse of sin. That moment happened when Jesus was born. Isaac Watts penned it clearly in the 1700s when he wrote in the third verse of his famous hymn, "Joy to the Word":

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He came to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found.

May we be reminded this year that in the midst of all of our traditions and celebrations that Christmas is about far more than lights, gifts, and get-togethers. It is about God doing for us the impossible by coming in the form of a human and rescuing us from the curse of sin. Spend time with your families as they are a grace, enjoy giving and receiving gifts as they are reminders of God's generosity toward us, laugh and celebrate for we truly have reason to be joyful, but do not do so at the expense of understanding that Christmas is really about salvation from the curse of sin and without that baby born in a manger, there would be no man on a cross. Joy to the world, for indeed the Lord has come.

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.

December 7	December 14	December 21	December 28
Hamburgers Potato Salad Chips Baked Beans Dessert	Chicken Sandwich Waffle Fries Salad Bar Broccoli Salad Dessert	CHRISTMAS BREAK	CHRISTMAS BREAK



SUNDAY MORNING STATS

	OCT. 30	NOV. 6	NOV. 13	NOV. 20	NOV. 27	YTD AVG
Life Groups	650	698	595	610	581	638
Worship Attendance	768	813	822	608	774	774
Offering/Tithe	\$51,779.84	\$83,325.91	\$45,413.08	\$50,271.55	\$42,620.09	
For the Future	\$5,162.60	\$4,265.00	\$9,409.00	\$5,045.50	\$2,798.00	



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

NOVEMBER 2022

Daniel Huntley (Baptism)
Jennifer Huntley (Statement)
Troy Garcia (Statement)
Eva Vanegas (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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