

YOUTH GROUP HOAGIE SALE-The Youth will be preparing delicious hoagies (Turkey and Italian) for pick-up on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 9, This fundraiser will help support the 2025 ASP Mission Trip and other youth activities throughout the year. Hoagies will be \$10 each and can be ordered by visiting the Youth Table in back of the sanctuary after services or by emailing jeremiah@fmcmooretown.com. FMC Youth are forever grateful for the support from our AWESOME congregation!

FROM THE MISSIONS COMMISSION-Faith Promise giving is considered “*the extra mile of giving*” that goes above and beyond your stewardship pledge. Faith Promise comprises specific financial commitments to missionaries and monthly mission programs that rely exclusively on your generous gifts. In the next week, look for a mailing from the Mission Commission. FMC makes an impact to Reach People and Serve All locally, both nationally and globally, with our gifts.

Next Sun., Jan. 26, we will have combined worship at 10am. Michael Landis from the Neighborhood Center will be our guest speaker. Please remember to fill out and return your Faith Promise pledge cards during this service. There will be a Celebration Luncheon in Fellowship Hall directly after the service. All are welcome! Please join us for a time of fellowship.



ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION – If you would like to make an electronic donation to FMC Moorestown, go to www.fmcmoorestown.com/give or scan this QR code to connect to our digital giving page. Please consider giving generously to support the ministries of FMC that impact communities locally and globally!



WHAT'S HAPPENING
AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
LOVE GOD~REACH PEOPLE~SERVE ALL

WEEK OF JANUARY 20-JANUARY 26, 2025

Welcome to FMC!-We're grateful that you're here to worship our Lord, because at FMC, ALL BELONG! Sometimes we have a lot of misconceptions about what purpose is. Finding our purpose in life is about discovering who God has uniquely created us to be and how our own gifts can serve others in any given moment. Pastor Gina will share another powerful Word in our Preaching Series: ON PURPOSE.

COFFEE HOUR-please join us from 10-11am in Fellowship Hall!

NURSERY-Our nursery is available during both the 9am and 11am services. Additionally, it is staffed with childcare volunteers for the 9am service. Parents are invited to drop off their children with our volunteers or are welcome to stay in the Parlor with their children. Busy bags will be available for use in the Sanctuary. Questions, please contact Nursery Coordinator Sarah Owens at sarahmowens13@gmail.com.

REMINDER-2025 COMMITMENT CARDS STILL BEING COLLECTED-The Way of Generosity continues as people are prayerfully submitting their pledge cards to support Christ's ministries through FMC. Every commitment makes a difference as we plan and unleash God's vision for 2025. You can email, mail, drop off your card to the church office or place it in the collection plate.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MLK DAY-The office will be closed tomorrow, Mon., Jan. 20 for the holiday.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP-FMC will lead a Youth + Adult mission trip with Appalachia Service Project (ASP) from Aug. 3 - Aug. 10, 2025. This trip will find us completing home repair projects for deserving families in Jonesville, VA. To learn more or register to attend, please contact Jeremiah Appleton at jeremiah@fmcmoorestown.com.

YOUNG FOLLOWERS-Our young students' ministry (K-5th grades) meets on Thurs. from 5-6:30pm at the church for choir, dinner, activities, and dessert. Please connect with Jeremiah for more info: jeremiah@fmcmoorestown.com.

COAT COLLECTION-The Missions Committee will be running a coat drive for Seeds of Hope during the month of January. Used or new coats can be donated to help the homeless and needy get through the winter ahead. Coats can be brought to the Narthex. Questions, contact Allan Estrin at arestrin@comcast.net.

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP-is studying the book of Acts. Please join us from 8:30-10am on Thursdays in the Parlor for study, sharing, and prayer. Questions, contact Carol Talbot at 856 577 3051.

EUREKA BOOK CLUB-Will meet this Tues., Jan. 21 for dinner at 6pm (please bring your own) in the Parlor. We will discuss *Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom* by Ilyon Woo. This Pulitzer prize-winning biography tells the story of a young couple's courageous journey to freedom. Questions, contact Patti Walz at revwalz@gmail.com.

MLK BLANKETHON-Please join Crafts for Good and My Abba's Hands tomorrow in Fellowship Hall between 10am-3pm. We will be making blankets for our homeless neighbors. For no-sew blankets, please bring 2 yards of 60" fleece, fabric scissors, and a ruler. For sewn blankets, you will need 4 yards of 42" flannel as well as your sewing machine and supplies. Questions, contact Cindy Cope at cjcope1055@gmail.com.

FEB. ESJ SPEAKER-Feb. is Black History Month and we will have Richard Gray as our speaker on Sun., Feb. 16 at 10am in the Heritage Room. Mr Gray is the Director for Communities and Schools Partnership at the Center for Collaborative Education in Boston. He will speak on the history of the West End Community Center in Moorestown and the effort to preserve its legacy. ESJ will also be sponsoring a Field Trip to the African American Museum in Phila. on Sun., Feb. 23. Details will follow.

BIBLE STUDY ON JAMES-Pastor Rich begins a six-week study that will begin meeting this week- on Mons. on Zoom from Jan. 20 through Feb. 24 and on Weds. at 7pm in the Heritage Room from Jan. 22 through Feb. 26. This study will provide important insights into wisdom and instruction for Christian living. We will discuss faith and works, staying faithful under persecution, patience, the importance of taming the tongue and the power of prayer. For information, please contact Pastor Rich at richhendrickson58@gmail.com.

SUPPER CLUBS-sign ups will begin on Sun., Jan. 26 in the Narthex. Dinners for clubs will be held in Feb., Mar., and April. Contact Candy Sell with any questions at 609 502 9652 or candyhsell@aol.com.

MINI PROPERTY DAY-will be held next Sat., Jan. 25 from 8am-noon. Please join us as we continue to work to make our facility clean and beautiful!

CA WILDLIFE FIRE DONATIONS-We pray for and grieve with those affected by the devastating wildfires in CA. We also pray for the first responders bringing aid and relief. The UMC is on the ground supporting those efforts. There are 2 ways to give financially to help those in CA through the UMC:

- 1) UMCOR "US Disaster Relief Fund" at www.fmcmoorestown.com/umcor.
- 2) California-Pacific UMC Conference's "Los Angeles Fires Recovery Fund" at www.fmcmoorestown.com/ca-wildfires. Both funds directly help those affected in CA both short- and long-term.