

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20

Sunday, September 20	Newsletter Deadline	
	8:30 am	Contemporary Worship 143 Broad
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classrooms
	10:00 am	Contemporary Worship 143 Broad
	11:15 am	Traditional Worship Sanctuary
	12:30 pm	Christian Ed committee Room 222
	2:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Team Parlor
	3:00 pm	Combined Refresh Youth Hinman home
Monday, September 21	Preschool closed	
	6:30 pm	Missions committee 143 Broad
	7:00 pm	Scouts BSA Troop 1166-G Parlor
	7:00 pm	Scouts BSA Troop 166-B Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 22		
	6:00 pm	Cub Scouts Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 23		
	2:30 pm	Prayer meeting Library
	5:30 pm	WNT Fellowship Hall
	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal Choir Room

Thursday, September 24		
	7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal 143 Broad

Friday, September 25

Saturday, September 26		
	7:15 am	Men’s Bible Study 143 Broad

Sunday, September 27		
	8:30 am	Contemporary Worship 143 Broad
	10:00 am	Sunday School Classrooms
	10:00 am	Contemporary Worship 143 Broad
	11:15 am	Traditional Worship Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	MS Refresh Youth Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	Session meeting Room 300
	7:30 pm	HS Refresh Youth Fellowship Hall

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION		
David Rockness, Moderator		Mark Auten, Clerk
<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Robert Holman	Brent Curtis	Michelle Drodgy
Vic Petrenko	Philip Heilman	Nathan Glad
Susan Poore	David Handy	Dave Ramey
Johnny Robertson	Rachel van Harn	Nikki Robinson
Lynda Robinson	Trent Newell	Sue Stevens
Al White	Donna Welsh	Michelle Stissel

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The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff	dave@moorresvillefpc.org
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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis	The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates
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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
September 20, 2026 ♦ 11:15 AM
*Please stand as you are able.
Please turn off your cell phones or place them on “vibrate.”
Words printed in **bold** are said by the congregation.

PRELUDE	<i>My Father Watches Over Me</i>
Charles Gabriel, setting by Calvin Taylor	Greg Thompson - piano

WELCOME	Moses Camacho-Greer
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MOMENT FOR CONNECTION

CALL TO WORSHIP	Psalm 23
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Unison: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

INVOCATION

Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd, in the waters of Baptism you give us birth, and at your table you nourish us with heavenly food. In your goodness and mercy, lead us along safe paths, beyond the terrors of evil and death, to the house of the Lord where we may rest securely in you forever. Amen.



If you are visiting or looking for more information, scan the QR code below to get connected!

SERVICE TIMES?
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY?
BIBLE STUDIES?



CHURCH EVENTS?
CALENDAR?
INFORMATION ABOUT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!

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*HYMN OF PRAISE 623: *The Church of Christ in Every Age*
Tune: WAREHAM

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed* Moses Camacho-Greer**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;
born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate;
was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM: *Take My Life, Lead Me, Lord*
R. Maines Rawls, arr. John F. Wilson Chancel Choir

*Take my life, lead me, Lord, take my life, lead me, Lord,
Make my life useful to thee.
Take my life, lead me, Lord, take my life, lead me, Lord,
Make my life useful to thee.
Take my life, teach me, Lord, take my life, teach me Lord,
make my life useful to thee.
Oh, take my life, teach me, Lord, take my life, teach me, Lord,
make my life useful to thee.
Here am I, send me, Lord, here am I, send me, Lord,
make my life useful to thee.
Oh, here am I, send me, Lord, here am, I send me, Lord!
Make my life useful, make my life useful,
Oh, make my life useful to thee. Ever only, all for thee.*

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY Robbie Pearson

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT CONFESSION, AND LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 345: *Jesus Calls Us*
Tune: GALILEE

SCRIPTURE READING John 21:15-19

SERMON: *“Encounters with Jesus: Peter”* Dave Rockness

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 350: *The Summons*
(Will You Come and Follow Me)

Tune: KELVINGROVE

INVITATION

BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It*
Arr. by Mark Hayes Greg Thompson - piano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you a first-time visitor? If so, please make sure to check in at the welcome table in the church parlor after the service. We want to make sure you can connect and address any questions you may have about our church community.

You're Invited to Our Fall Picnic! Make plans to join your church family for our annual Fall Picnic on **Sunday, October 18**, following the 11:15 a.m. worship service. We will meet at Cornelius Road Park in Mooresville for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fall fun. All are welcome—members, guests, families, and friends. Please bring a side or dessert to share.

Give the Gift of time: Our Sprouts ministry urgently needs volunteers during the 10am service. Currently we have several Middle School volunteers who serve weekly and we feel they are in a place where they need to continue to grow, learn, and mature in their faith through Sunday School classes. We are looking for high school and adult volunteers to step in to serve 1x every other month! We need 8 people who are willing to serve 1x every 8 weeks. If you are willing to gift your time to our young children please contact melissaf@moorevillefpc.org as soon as possible. Our goal is to have our Middle Schoolers back in Sunday School classes by September 13th!

Opportunities to Sing Your Faith: Chancel Choir is a diverse group that loves to sing and serve in FPC Music Ministry; however, we're also a small group with singers who aren't able to be there every Sunday to sing so we need additional singers. Here are several options:

Full-Time Commitment: For singers who would like to join Chancel Choir and are available to attend weekly rehearsals and sing as many Sundays as possible. Rehearsals are at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room following WNT.

Short-Term Commitment: The Advent/Christmas season is a great opportunity for singers who would like to sing during this special season. Rehearsals for Advent/Christmas begin on September 30 at 7:30 p.m. immediately following WNT. We will practice for 30 minutes, and as we approach Advent and Christmas, rehearsal time will be extended. You may also choose to sing only for our Christmas Program/Worship on Sunday, December 13 at 11:15 am. I invite you to prayerfully consider singing with Chancel Choir full time or for the Advent and Christmas season. Contact: Robbie Pearson, Interim Director of Music, robbie@moorevillepc.org; 704-560-9978.

Wednesday Night Together (WNT) – Coming Soon – Fall 2026:
Wednesday Night Together returns this fall beginning September 9! Join us each Wednesday evening as we gather for fellowship, dinner, discipleship, and programs for every generation. Whether you've been coming for years or are looking for a place to connect, WNT is a great opportunity to grow in your faith and build relationships within our church family.

Fall Schedule

- September 9 – Kickoff Night of Dinner and Classes
- Weekly gatherings through November 18
- No WNT: November 25 (Thanksgiving Week)
- October 14 – Worship Night
- December 2 – Worship Night & Semester Close

Evening Schedule

- 5:30 PM – Dinner together (suggested donation: \$6/person, \$25 family maximum)
 - 6:20–7:30 PM – Adult classes & Bible studies, children's ministry, youth ministry, and childcare *(Fall offerings are posted on the church website.)*
- **Note:** *There will not be music time offered this semester.*

This Fall's complete list of offerings, class descriptions, and registration information will be available soon on the church website. We hope you'll make Wednesday nights a part of your fall rhythm as we grow together in Christ.

PRAAYER CONCERNS

Please contact the church if you, a family member, or a friend faces illness, hospitalization, bereavement, or some other concern. Please do not assume the church office knows. **Prayer concerns will remain for six weeks. If you wish people to remain longer, please contact the church office and ask to have the period extended.** If the concern is confidential, please let us know and we will honor your wish for privacy. Names in **bold** indicate new concerns.

Members in Hospitals, Care Facilities, or Homebound

Joyce Johnson	Jean Chislaghi	Peggy Rogers
Dot Nelson	Mary Mason	

Members of the Church

Justin Foulke	Barbara Hinson Family	Family of David Howie
Bill Morrow Family	Jeff Stonestreet	Christon Carlson
Family of Barbara Newton	Family of George Brawley Jr.	Family of John Neely
Family of Marshall Crouch	Family of Franklin Holshouser	Lorra Lee Holshouser
Larry & Celia Putnam		

Friends of the Church - Donna Moore Lane (daughter to Barbara Moore, and sister to Nancy Davidson, Jackie, and Danny Moore); Adam Hill & family (friend to Christon Carlson)

Emily Procik	Brock & Casey McNabb	Seth Snodgrass
Jeri Laud	Louis Vargas	Barbara Weyer
Jim & Sharon Veley	Joyce Gilland	Donna Lane & family

Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army	Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC	LT Dylan Powell, USN
Major Ben Peacock, USAF	Alix Davis, USN	LTC Rodney Tatum
Maj. William Matheny, Army	James Regan, USN	Karen Regan, USN
Michael Regan, Army		