**FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP**-is a spiritual development and mutual support group for men of any age that meets every Fri. at 7am in the Parlor. We typically select books by Christian authors as a springboard for discussion of how we can live out our faith. New members are welcome and encouraged to join! Questions, contact Tom Kulp at 609 707 4708.

## **SERMON NOTES:**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

## AT FIRST METHODIST CHURCH LOVE GOD~REACH PEOPLE~SERVE ALL

## **WEEK OF OCT 6-OCT 12, 2025**

WELCOME TO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH-Today we close our "Created for Connection" series, as we see how we join with the larger church on World Communion Sunday, celebrating our unity in Christ across nations, languages, and traditions. We welcome the Rev. Jana Purkis-Brash, Retired Elder in GNJAC, to bring God's Word as we gather at one table that spans the globe. In this worldwide feast of grace, we remember that no matter where you come from or what may burden you—you belong.

**COFFEE HOUR-** Please join us for a time of coffee and fellowship on Suns. at 10am in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy some refreshments and connect with others!

**FAMILIES WITH YOUNG KIDS-**The nursery in the Parlor is staffed by childcare volunteers. There are also Busy Bags filled with coloring pages in the back of the church for children who want to sit in the Sanctuary. Questions or to volunteer, contact Sarah Owens at <a href="mailto:sarahmowens13@gmail.com">sarahmowens13@gmail.com</a>.

**FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY**-Please place your donations under the coat racks at the Pleasant Valley Ave entrance- not in the hallway. Thank you for your generosity!

**KIDS' CHURCH-**Our Sunday School program has begun for students from Kindergarten-5th Grade in Room F102. Kids' Church takes place during our 9am worship service and includes music, prayer, study, and crafts.

**YOUTH GROUP-**is for students in 6th-12th Grades and typically meets on Sun. from 5-7:30pm for dinner, small group discussion, and games. Please pick up a flyer from the welcome table or reach out to <a href="mailto:ieremiah@fmcmoorestown.com">ieremiah@fmcmoorestown.com</a> for more information.

**YOUNG FOLLOWERS-**is for students in K-5th Grades and is held on Thurs. from 5-6:30pm. This program includes music, dinner, and activities. Please reach out to <a href="mailto:jeremiah@fmcmoorestown.com">jeremiah@fmcmoorestown.com</a> for more information.

**CRAFTS FOR GOOD-**We will meet on Tues., Oct. 14 in Room F105 from 1:30-3pm to craft for our various ministries. Please enter by the flagpole entrance and feel welcome to join us! Questions, contact Cindy Cope at <a href="mailto:cjcope1055@gmail.com">cjcope1055@gmail.com</a>.

**BIBLE STUDY CLASSES WITH PASTOR RICH-**The study of the Gospel of John runs from 7-8:30pm on Mons. through Nov. 17 via Zoom. The in-person class (in the Heritage Room) runs on Weds. through Nov. 19 from 7-8:30pm. This study will enable us to explore, understand, and apply scripture. Questions, contact Elite Law at <a href="mailto:elitewlaw@gmail.com">elitewlaw@gmail.com</a> or sign up in the Narthex.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY-Everyone is welcome to join us on Zoom on Mons. from 9:30-11am. We are studying the Bible from beginning to end. Questions, contact Peggy Koenitzer at <a href="mailto:paboblenz@comcast.net">paboblenz@comcast.net</a>.

**THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S GROUP-** is continuing our study of *Prayer, Does it Make Any Difference*, by Philip Yancey on Thurs. from 8:30-10am in the Parlor. Questions, contact Carol Talbot at 856 577 3051. Please join us!

**ESJ HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH SPEAKER-**On Sun., Oct. 19 at 10am in the Heritage Room we will have the opportunity to hear from Rev. Noe Gabriel Lopez, Director of Social Impact & Belonging for EPA & GNJ Conferences. Rev. Lopez will tell us about Hispanic culture and how to be effective advocates.

MINI MISSION FOR OCT.- We are collecting cat and dog food this month to donate to local animal shelters. Please leave your donations in the bin marked in the Narthex. Questions, contact Margi Morgan at <a href="margmorgan75@gmail.com">margmorgan75@gmail.com</a>.

**FMC ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE**-Join us on Sat., Oct. 25 at 1pm in the Chapel as we celebrate Spirit-filled ministry and the incredible ways God is working through FMC—locally, nationally, and globally! Together we'll give thanks, conduct important church business, and keep our mission moving forward. All are welcome—come be part of the vision!

**FOOD FOR THE ATTIC DINNER-**We are collecting food the morning of Oct. 26 that will enable us to cook dinner for the LGBTQ youth on Oct. 27. Please place your donations in the kitchen. A signup link will be forthcoming. Questions, contact Diane Dyson at <a href="mailto:dianemdyson@gmail.com">dianemdyson@gmail.com</a>.

**11AM USHERS-**We need two ushers to join the 11am team as current members are retiring. Please contact Carlos Mocelo at 856 778 0584 if you can serve.

**COPIES OF THE SERMON-**can be found on the Narthex table.



**ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION** – If you would like to make an electronic donation to FMC Moorestown, go to <a href="https://www.fmcmoorestown.com/give">www.fmcmoorestown.com/give</a> 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!

