

APRIL 2026

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 19 **Sunday Morning CHAT Bible Study** – CHAT stands for “Connecting Hearts Around Truth” and will be led by John Hummel. This week’s topic is “How To Be A Disciple.” Join us in the Parlor from 9:15am to 9:45am. ALL are invited and welcome to attend!
- 19 **Dedication of the Sally Jo Tibstra Learning Center** – Join us in the Moorings Presbyterian Preschool Courtyard as we unveil a new sign in loving memory of Sally Jo Tibstra. This will be after the Worship Service.
- 19 **Middle/High School Youth Group** – Middle School: 5:00-5:30pm Meet in Youth Room; 5:30-6pm Lesson; 6-6:30 Dinner; 6:30-7pm Open Gym; 7pm Home. High School 5:00-5:30pm Open Gym; 5:30-6:00pm Dinner; 6:00-6:30pm Lesson; 6:30-7:00pm Youth Room. For more info contact Gabriel Cintron at gcintron@mooringschurch.org.
- 21 **Presbytery Boundaries Training** – Will be held in Moss Hall starting at 6:00pm. This will be for Elders and Deacons.
- 21 **Women’s Evening Book Study** – Starts at 6:00 pm and is held in the Parlor. We are reading “Crazy Love-Overwhelmed by a Relentless God” by Francis Chan. Contact Mary Beth Schultheis at mbschultheis@comcast.net for info.
- 22 **Wednesday Women’s Bible Study** – Starts at 10:00am in the Board Room. Join us for a video study. The video study is JESUS IN ME, Experiencing the Holy Spirit as a Constant Companion, by Anne Graham Lotz, daughter of Billy Graham. All ladies are welcome. To sign up or for more information, contact Katie Giblin at katiegiblin@aol.com.
- 22 **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** – Starts at 7:00pm and is held in the Sanctuary. For more information contact Chris Dekker at cdekker@mooringschurch.org. New members welcome!
- 24-26 **Youth Confirmation Retreat** – Please be in prayer for the Youth who will be traveling to Riverside The Heart of The River. This retreat is more than a getaway – it’s a holy pause, a space for students to reflect, connect and listen for God’s voice. Contact Gabriel Cintron at gcintron@mooringschurch.org to register and for details.
- 26 **Sunday Morning CHAT Bible Study** – CHAT stands for “Connecting Hearts Around Truth” and will be led by John Hummel. This week’s topic is “The Benefits of Discipleship.” Join us in the Parlor from 9:15am to 9:45am. ALL are invited and welcome to attend!
- 27 **Mission Volunteer Day** – We will go to Guadalupe Social Services Soup Kitchen in Immokalee. Meet in the MPC Parking Lot at 8:30am. Please call Tim Miller at 734-502-0034 for more information.
- 28 **Men’s Bible Study** – Held in Classroom A&B, starts at 7:30am. This week’s topic will be “Enduring Faith and Changing Times.” Contact Steven Dear at stevenellisdear@gmail.com.
- 28 **Naomi Circle** – Meets in the Board Room starting at 10:00am. Contact Susan Burke at 240-393-5501 or susanburke992@gmail.com or Sybil McGennis at 239-261-7243 or sosybil@aol.com for more information.
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GENERAL INFO

Visitors Want to learn more about Moorings? Go to mooringschurch.org
Watch a Live Broadcast of the 10:00 a.m. worship service on your computer. Go to mooringschurch.org and click on Watch. Recordings are available on the same page shortly after the service ends.
Baby-Changing Stations are located in the men’s and women’s restrooms in Moss Hall.
Hearing Assistance Devices are available for worship There are headphones with an FM receiver for those with or without hearing aids. “Loops” are available for those who have the “T Switch” in their hearing aids.

WEEKLY EMAIL

Did you know we send a weekly email newsletter called "Moorings Matters" each Friday? It is full of news, event details and has all the latest info on what's happening at MPC. If you aren't already receiving it and would like to — please email Renee Beckner at executiveassistant@mooringschurch.org and she will sign you up!

GIVING

There are multiple ways to give at Moorings Presbyterian Church. If you feel led to give by God, are inspired by our worship services, or see Christ at work in our various ministries, please consider making a financial offering using this QR code. It’s simple: open the camera function on your phone and simply put the QR code into focus (don’t press anything yet). When you see a yellow rectangle with the web-link, press that yellow box and follow the instructions. God bless you for being a cheerful giver!



SCAM ALERT

It has come to our attention that some people have received scam emails that appear to be from our Pastor. Please know Pastor Steve Aguzzi will **NEVER** send an email asking you to purchase gift cards. Never. Not for any reason! If you are unsure or suspicious, please contact the Church Office directly at 239-213-5225 or Accounting at 239-213-5232. Thank you and stay safe!

CONTACT CARDS

We ask that everyone, members, visitors, regular attendees . . . everyone gathered here today to fill out the Welcome and Contact Cards found in your pew. This helps us register your attendance. There is also a place to include your prayer requests, update your contact information and to let us know how you would like to be more involved in the life of the church. Please fill out the card and place in the Offering Plate every week.



MOORINGS PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL
DEDICATION OF THE SALLY JO TIBSTRA LEARNING CENTER
A LIFETIME OF SERVICE, TEACHING, & LEARNING

Sunday, April 19
11 A.M.

The Moorings Presbyterian Preschool



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April 19, 2026 † 10:00 A.M.

MOORINGS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES.

PRELUDE *Prelude and Fugue in G Major* J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Steve Aguzzi

INTROIT *God Himself Is With Us* Joachim Neander

God himself is with us; let us now adore him, and with awe appear before him.
God is in his temple; all within keep silence, prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
Him alone do we own as our God and Savior; praise his name forever.
God himself is with us; hear the harps resounding!
See the crowds the throne surrounding!
“Holy, holy, holy,” hear the hymn ascending, angels, saints, their voices blending!
Bow your ear to us here; hear, O Christ, the praises that your church now raises.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Kirstin Lynde

One: Crowds gathered, hungry for hope.
All: We come with our own hunger for God’s healing.
One: Christ looked with compassion on every need.
All: We open our souls to His mercy.
One: Some came with curiosity, others with faith.
All: We bring our whole selves before the Lord.
One: Jesus meets us at the water’s edge.
All: He calls us deeper into discipleship.
One: Let us worship the One who heals and restores.
All: With open hearts, we praise His name.

***HYMN 268** *Crown Him With Many Crowns* DIADEMATA

***CONFESSION OF SIN**
Compassionate Lord, we confess that we often come to You with shallow curiosity rather than true discipleship. We seek quick comfort instead of lasting transformation. We hide our wounds and resist Your healing presence. Forgive our reluctance to trust Your compassion. Draw us from the edges of faith into deeper commitment. Make room in our souls for Your restoring love, that we may follow You with sincerity, courage, and joy. Renew us by Your mercy and lead us in Your way. Through Christ, Amen.

***MOMENT OF MEDITATION** *Make Me a Clean Heart* George Thalben-Ball

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND EXPRESSION OF PEACE**
(Please turn toward your neighbor and with hands from heart express peace).

***RESPONSE TO GOD’S GRACE** (for all to sing)
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Give praise to his name. Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. *(refrain)*

WORD FOR CHILDREN Gabriel Cintron

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S PRAYER Rev. Dr. Steve Aguzzi
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.

OFFERTORY *Rise Up Singing Praise* Dale Wood

Refrain: Rise up singing praise to our God and our King, with hearts full of gladness for every good thing!
The sunshine and rainbow, the river and sea,
the meadow and forest, the blossom and tree,
The field and the harvest, the rainfall and snow;
We thank you, our God, for the gifts you bestow. *(refrain)*
The world gives us beauty, but God gave it birth;
In love God created all good things on earth.
How precious the raindrops from mountain to shore;
God’s food on the table—the crumbs on the floor. *(refrain)*
For gifts from God’s bounty to us here below,
We can’t gather rainbows, but thanks we can show
With lives that are grateful, from hearts filled with praise,
With love for our God who has blessed all our days. *(refrain)*

***DOXOLOGY** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him, above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and, Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Rev. Dr. Steve Aguzzi

***HYMN 792** *There Is a Balm In Gilead* BALM IN GILEAD

SCRIPTURE (Page 814) Mark 3:7-12

SERMON *Soul Windows: A Multitude by the Lakeside*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles’ Creed
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.

***HYMN 263** *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name* CORONATION

***BENEDICTION and THE AMEN**

POSTLUDE *Fantasy on Psalm 98* Wim Magre

*Please stand as you are able.

TODAY’S MUSIC

We are grateful to Dr. John Stansell for offering as our prelude Johann Sebastian Bach’s *Prelude and Fugue in G Major*, BWV 541. This vibrant and celebratory work reflects the brilliance of Bach’s mature style, with the Prelude featuring lively, flowing passagework and a sense of joyful momentum. The Fugue that follows is notable for its graceful, dance-like character, weaving together voices with clarity and elegance. Together, they form a work of both technical mastery and uplifting spirit, inviting us into Easter season worship with energy, beauty, and praise.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PARTICIPANTS

Minister of Word and Sacrament: Rev. Dr. Steve Aguzzi
Musicians: Dr. Chris Dekker, The Chancel Choir, Dr. John Stansell
Liturgist: Kirstin Lynde
Acolytes: William Amato, Madison Faramo
Cross Bearer: David Kolde

YOUTH

Nursery: opens at 9:45am in the Nursery.
Sunday School: Children (Pre-K through 5th grade) may proceed to Sunday School following the Word for Children. After worship Pre-K may be picked up in the nursery and K-5th may be picked up in the Gym.
Middle & High School Youth will go to Youth Room.

FLOWERS

Flowers In The Sanctuary The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Paula and Dave Bupp to the glory of God and in honor of their wedding anniversary.

To donate flowers in the Sanctuary, please contact Renee Beckner at executiveassistant@mooringschurch.org.

HEAL & PRAY

Please pray for the family of Gwen DeWitt who passed away in January. Gwen’s Celebration of Life Service will be on Friday, April 24, 2026 at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary with a reception to follow in Moss Hall. The MPC congregation is invited to this service.

Prayer concerns are added to the bulletin upon request to Renee Beckner at executiveassistant@mooringschurch.org. Include any prayer request on the back of the Welcome/Contact Cards in the pews. Or you can submit a request online at mooringchurch.org/prayer. Hospital Admissions-If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, please let us know by calling (239) 261-1487 so we can notify our care ministers.

MISSIONS

St. Matthew’s House The Missions Outreach Committee is requesting donations of food and clothing for St. Matthew’s House. Please place your items in the bins outside of Moss Hall. Items needed: Canned goods (tuna, chicken, veggies, beans, gravy) dry goods (beans, rice, cereal, pasta, Mac & cheese), pasta sauce, salad dressing, peanut butter and jelly, and diapers.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | MAY 3, 2026

In accordance with the Book of Order and MPC’s bylaws, we are holding a called meeting of the congregation after the worship service on Sunday, May 3rd, for the purpose of electing Elders, Deacons and Nominating Committee members as they are recommended. All Elders and Deacons will be examined by the Session for the purpose of assuring that said officers are spiritually prepared, adhere to the essential tenants of the Reformed Tradition, and meet the Constitutional Requirements (G-2040.2).