

This Week at FCC



Sunday (3/5)

Adult Bible Study - The Gospel of John - 9 am - Act #1

HS & MS - The Gospel of John - 9 am - Rm #9

Adult Bible Study - Minor Prophets - 10:30 am - Act #1

Adult Bible Study - Heartbeat of a Disciple - 10:30 am - Rm #8

Small Group Pot Luck - 5 pm

Office@faithcommunity.net

Monday (3/6)

Ladies' Lunch Bunch - NOON - Ledo's Crofton

Contact Sue Hornberger: Grandmasue29@verizon.net

AWANA: Trek & Journey - 7 pm

Dave Jarvis: d2jarvis@verizon.net

Men's Day of Fasting and Prayer Night - 7 pm

Chuck Phillips: icphillips57@gmail.com

Tuesday (3/7)

Moms and Tots - 9 AM

Contact Raven Bethancourt: theravieleterz@gmail.com

AWANA: Cubbies, Sparks & TNT - 6:30 pm

Dave Jarvis: d2jarvis@verizon.net

Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am

Veronica Platt: womensministry@faithcommunity.net

Wednesday (3/8)

Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am

David Cole: davidcole2@verizon.net

Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am

Veronica Platt: womensministry@faithcommunity.net

Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm

Don Fast: fast_da@verizon.net

HS & MS Youth Group -7 pm

Matt Hemphill: marchgutsandglory@gmail.com

Thursday (3/9)

Global Partner Prayer Meeting - 7 PM

Contact Jon Luman: jonathan.r.luman@gmail.com

Women's Bible Study - 7 pm

Veronica Platt: FCCwomensmin@gmail.com

This Week at FCC (Con't)



Friday (3/10)

Prayer for our Global Partners - 9 AM

Contact Nancy Cole for location: supernan11@verizon.net

Spring Bible Conference - 7 PM

Contact the church office: office@faithcommunity.net

Saturday (3/11)

Men's Prayer Time and Study of God's Word - 7:30 am

Bob Crane: ettabilkaknm@icloud.com

Spring Bible Conference - 9 AM

Contact the church office: Office@faithcommunity.net

Adult Discipleship



Calling all men to join together for a day of prayer and fasting tomorrow, Monday, March 6. The challenge is to fast from food all day (for those who are able) and then to join together at 7 PM in the worship center for a time

of prayer. This time of fasting and prayer is for the LORD's divine hand in the selection of our next pastor.

Global Partner of the Week



GOOD NEWS JAIL & PRISON MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL:

Overseas, people who are incarcerated often face inhumane conditions like inadequate nutrition, environments with limited or no appropriate sanitation, housing with no heat/cooling or humidity/dampness controls, and limited medical care. FCC partners with the Good News Jail and Prison Ministry International to bring the hope of Jesus Christ to Malawi and Zambia.

Ministry Focus



Faith Community Church will present **Messiah in the Passover** on Thursday, April 6, 2023. **Messiah in the Passover** is a powerful visual demonstration of the Passover meal, depicting not only the drama of Israel's freedom from slavery in Egypt, but also the beautiful story of redemption from the bondage of sin through the atoning work of Jesus.

Thursday, April 6, 2023

6:30 p.m.

Reservation Required – [www.faithcommunity.net]

Cost: \$15/person - \$40 max per family (to offset cost for dinner; a love offering for Chosen People Ministries will also be taken)

Childcare available by reservation

Help Needed

Coordinating Team – to manage all the logistics

Cooks – you will be provided with all supplies and a recipe to prepare part of the meal that will be served to everyone

Kitchen Help/Coordination - help manage the serving plates and dishes for the tables on the night of the event.

Set Up Team – to help with tables, chairs, and decorations

Clean Up Team – to help with tables, chairs, decorations and the kitchen



All Ladies Welcome

Ladies' Lunch Bunch

March 6th at NOON
Ledo's in Crofton (Rt. 3 S)

No Need To Sign Up - Just Come

Moms and Tots! Are you a mom to a newborn, toddler or preschool-aged children? Join us in Faith's Playroom for a time to chat **March 7th at 9 am** with other moms as the children play! Contact Raven Bethancourt for more details: 803-646-7713 theravieleterz@gmail.com




BAPTISM: On April 9th, **RESURRECTION SUNDAY**, we will have a **baptism as part of the morning service**. If you have trusted Jesus Christ as your Savior, we think it is a big deal and would love to celebrate your decision to follow Him. If you are interested in learning more about following Christ's command through believer's baptism, **contact Pastor Steve** at: Steve@faithcommunity.net

Giving Information



Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30)
YTD as of February 19, 2023

Giving	Budget	Surplus
\$621,789	\$595,000	\$26,789

Thank you for your faithful giving. Ministry needs continue and have increased in some areas. There are several options for giving.

- **MAIL** your check to the church office.
- **BILL PAY SERVICES** via your bank.
- * **TEXT GIVING:** Just text FAITHCC to **1-888- 364-GIVE (4483)**
- **OR** by dropping your tithe into the offering boxes by the doors as you exit the Worship Center.

Faith Community Church
1306 Riedel Road | Gambrills, MD 21054
410.451.1220 | faithcommunity.net
Sunday Services at 9 am & 10:30 am

Interim Pastor: Dr. Stan Smith
Executive Pastor: Steve Bond
Worship Pastor: Dr. Cameron Dahl
Children's Ministry Coordinator: Amy McDougall
Student Ministry Coordinator: Matt Hemphill
Church Secretary: Kris Floyd



Sermon Series on the Lord's Prayer
Elder Brian Jenkins
March 5, 2023

Lead Us Not Into Temptation **Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4**

Welcome to Faith Community Church! We are a family of followers of Jesus Christ who desire to honor God by applying His sufficient Word to all areas of life. We seek to grow in our love for Jesus and in our love for the people around us. Whether you're uncertain about faith or already a follower of Jesus, we invite you to become part of our family. Use the QR code to fill out a Connection Card so we can get to know you better!



Our pastors, elders, and deacons are available to meet with you. Make an appointment by calling the church office at 410-451-1220. After hours your call will be forwarded to one of our leaders who is on call for the week. This is for emergencies only. Our leader on call this week is Steve Bond. Regular office hours are Monday-Thursday 9 am - 3 pm and Friday 9 am-NOON.

Would you like to listen to the music we are using each week at home? Go to our Spotify playlist at: <https://spoti.fi/302jnty> or use the Spotify Code with your app.



**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil
Matt 6:13 (pg 900)
March 5, 2023
Brian Jenkins**

Temptation, testing, trials — peirasmos (Gk)

Does God lead us into temptation? **Matt 4:1, James 1:13**

Jesus was led by _____ into the wilderness
God cannot be tempted with evil; God tempts no one

God leads us _____ temptation. **1 Cor 10:13**

Am I aware of my vulnerability? **James 1:14-15, Matt 26:41**

A choice: Pain of self-discipline
... or pain of _____ (Burns)

Thorns or roses? **2 Cor 12:7-9**

Is my confidence in God? **John 3:14-17, Prov 18:10**

In prayer, do I _____ God, or do I _____ God?

Am I listening? **Ps 81:11-13**

Am I obedient? **Luke 6:47-49**

Tests and trials as _____

2 Cor 12:9 ... God's grace is sufficient
Heb 2:18, 4:14-16; Phil 3:10 ... we suffer with Christ
Phil 4:4-7; 1 Pet 4:12-13 ... rejoice and be glad
Rom 12:1-3 ... discerning God's will
2 Cor 1:3-4 ... encouragement for others

**Application
Questions to ponder or discuss with
your family, friends or small group:**

How are times of testing and trial opportunities?
How does God use struggles with temptation to bless us?

What does the Lord's Prayer tell us about the gospel?

Think of other ways we can prepare for temptation
or testing. **1 Sam 12:9, Ps 119:11**

Share with others how triumph over temptation
has strengthened your faith.

Identify ways we are led into temptation.
Some examples (from Spurgeon):

Withdrawal of grace (boasting — **Ps 81:11-12**)
Providence (money — **Prov 30:7-9**)
Physical conditions (sickness — **Prov 3:7-8**)
Mental health (depression — **Ps 139:11-12**)
Relationships (friends — **Prov 13:20**)

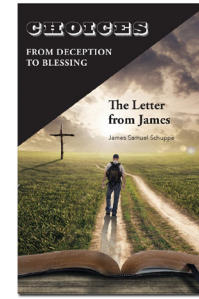


Al Ashe and his wife Dianell joined Faith Community Church in 2020 when they moved from Oahu Hawaii. Al has been involved in several ministries at Faith including Adult Bible study, Men's Fraternity, Pastor Search Committee, Saturday Morning Bible Study, and Communion Services, "We love hearing God's Holy Word and being with our extended family at FCC.

Al and Dianell have a blended family that includes five sons. Al works in Washington DC supporting the Naval Sea Systems Command as an Information Systems Manager; Dianell is the owner of the Spoiled Dog Bakery which specializes in creating delicious homemade dog treats and is also involved in the Women's Ministry at Faith.

We are considering Al Ashe for the position of deacon at FCC. Our constitution gives these instructions: Deacons assist the elders in serving the church body in specific areas of service that are determined by the needs of the church. These needs may be permanent or temporary in nature. Deacons are recognized as qualified by the elders and examined by the congregation who participate in the selection process as outlined in the By-Laws. The qualifications of deacons are set forth in 1 Timothy 3:8-13. These qualifications indicate a man's present testimony within and outside the congregation. The qualifications are high but are no different than the testimony expected by God of all believers.

The candidate is presented to the congregation and members shall prayerfully consider the candidate for three weeks. Anything which could disqualify a candidate should be presented first to the candidate, and if necessary to an elder as required by Matthew 18:15-16. The elders will respond to any question or concern. Upon completion of the review period, the elder board will present the candidate to the congregation for affirmation and installation with the following statement: "After prayerful consideration, we acknowledge Al Ashe as a deacon. We promise to pray that he may be Spirit-controlled. In confirming this man, we know of nothing that would disqualify him from his service to the church."



SPRING BIBLE CONFERENCE

With James Schuppe

March 10-12, 2023

James Schuppe Washington Bible College & Capital Bible Seminary Professor and author of *Choices: From Deception to Blessing: The Letter From James*

March 10-12 Spring Bible Conference with Dr James Schuppe Choices: From Deception to Blessing: The Letter from James

We make hundreds of choices each day. We talk ourselves into things, and afterward we justify our choices. We make choices without knowing all the facts or having the correct facts, or we are emotionally influenced in a situation. James the apostle is convinced that too many people make bad choices because they start with a wrong view of life. Instead of living in blessing and peace and wholeness, people live in discouragement, disappointment, and death. Judas was one of James' good friends. Judas shows us the horror of living in deception, continually making choices with half-truths, partial information, and the world's view of what is going on.

The Choices Conference will be a pastoral view on this often misunderstood book of the Bible. It will offer a close look at what it means to make good choices and what blessings come from wise choices that lift us out of standard, deceptive religious thinking. The world gives us lies, and James gives us wisdom so we can make choices that lead to blessing.

Dr. James Schuppe is a graduate of Washington Bible College and Capital Bible Seminary. He worked as a Bible instructor at the Washington Bible College for twenty-three years and at Liberty University for seven years. He served as a pastor in Virginia and Maryland before retiring to West Virginia in 2012.

Schedule:

Friday evening, two sessions for 7p - 9p

Saturday morning, two sessions from 9a -12p

Sunday morning, final session during the Worship Service