



JAZZ CAFE

August 18 | 6:30 pm – 9pm

LIVE Music

Dessert & Drinks Provided

FCC Homeschool Umbrella Meeting

August 27 @ NOON
Room #7

Contact Elizabeth Milley for details.
eamilley@startmail.com

Sunday, September 3, 2023

PROMOTION SUNDAY & SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF!

PLEASE MOVE YOUR CHILD UP TO THEIR NEXT GRADE WHEN CHECKING INTO KIDCHECK!!! WELCOME BACK OUR FULL TIME CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM!!! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SERVED ON OUR SUMMER TEAM!!!



Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30) YTD as of August 6, 2023		
Giving	Budget	Surplus/ Deficit
\$79,007	\$112,883	\$(33,883)

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)
- By dropping your tithe into the offering boxes by the doors as you exit the Worship Center.
- * OR on our webpage: www.faithcommunity.net

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

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

Tell Me a Story

The Parables of Jesus

Prodigal Son(s) | Luke 15:11-32



Deacon Adam Coleman August 13, 2023

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 David Hansen. 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/3o2jnty> or use the Spotify Code with your app.



This Week at FCC



Sunday (8/13)

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

Adult Bible Study - Jeremiah and Lamentations - 9 am & 10:30 am Act #1

Tuesday (8/15)

Women's Event with Naomi Hale - 10 am

Contact Veronica Platt fccwomensmin@gmail.com

Wellspring Training - 6 pm

Contact Wellspringlife.org

Young Adult Small Group - 6:30 pm

Contact Matt Hemphill: marchgutsandglory@gmail.com

Wednesday (8/16)

Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am

Contact David Cole: davidcole3@verizon.net

MS & HS Youth Group

Contact Matt Hemphill: marchgutsandglory@gmail.com

Thursday (8/17)

Young at Heart and Renewed - 11:30 am

Contact Brian Showler: showlerbrian@gmail.com

Friday (8/18)

Jazz Cafe' - 6:30 pm

Contact the Church Office: office@faithcommunity.net

Saturday (8/19)

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

Bob Crane: ettabilkaknm@icloud.com

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Sunday Adult Bible Studies



Jeremiah and Lamentations, ABS Study at 9AM & 10:30 am - Although Jeremiah's message to his country was bleak, it was far from being hopeless. Even in our darkest moments, God's plan is always for **His glory, our redemption, and our future life with Him.**

Small Groups at FCC



SMALL GROUPS: Small Group Potluck Fellowships are held in **Activity Room #1 at 5-6:30 PM** every other Sunday. Our next meeting is Sunday, **August 20th.** Contact David Hansen for details dgh10@albion.edu

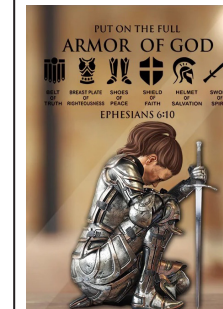


THE YOUNG ADULT GROUP meets at **6:30 pm** each month on the 2nd Tuesday (Amy & Brian Jenkins house) and the 4th Tuesday (Pastor Cameron & Mary Beth's house) for a time of food, fellowship, Bible study, and just good ole' fun! Our next meeting is this **Tuesday, August 15th.**

For directions to each location please contact Brian Jenkins at rbjenkins5@gmail.com or Pastor Cameron at camerondahl@bellsouth.net

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Women's Ministry Event



Ladies event with Missionary, Naomi Hale, daughter of Bob and Robin Crane: Please join us in **activity room #1 on August 15th at 10 am** for a time of food and fellowship before Naomi shares about her family's ministry in Poland which includes working with Ukrainian refugees. She will speak on the theme of "daily putting on the full Armor of God" and answer questions about their ministry. This event is open to all women and teens. Invite a neighbor or family member. **Childcare is available for elementary age and under.**

This Week's Global Partner



Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)

is an evangelical, international, and independent organization. The purpose of CEF is to evangelize boys and girls with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to establish (disciple) them in the Word of God and in the local church for Christian living. The primary programs of CEF are Good News Clubs, 5-Day Clubs, and After School Clubs. Other ministries include camps, fairs, open air evangelism, correspondence courses, teacher training, and ministries to churches. CEF also has an extensive literature ministry.



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The Prodigal Son(s) Questions for further reflection

A parable is an _____ story with _____ meaning

Context for the parable:

Jesus was _____ with tax collectors and _____.

Jesus told them two stories:

About _____ and _____.

Prodigal Son(s)

The younger son didn't _____ the father,

he loved the father's _____.

The older son didn't _____ the father,

he loved the father's _____.

There are two ways people try to use God:

_____ and _____.

Think about the last few times you have been really upset: mad, frustrated, or sad. While it is okay to feel mad, frustrated, or sad (Jesus certainly did!), ask yourself some "why" questions about the intensity of your feelings. Ask God to help you sort through those feelings. **Is it possible that some of the intensity you felt is because something you loved more than God was threatened, hurt, or taken away? Ask God to help you see in what ways you love God's stuff more than you love God.**

In the parable, the father sat on the porch waiting for his son to return. As soon as he appeared, the father was able to run to him and forgive him. Forgiveness is HARD. Clearly that father had already done the work of forgiveness in his own heart before the boy appeared on the horizon. **Is there anyone who has hurt you, and has not yet repented? Have you done the work of forgiving them in your own heart?**

Read Luke 15:1-10, the setup and the stories preceding the Prodigal Son(s). **What do these stories teach us about the heart of God?**

Is there someone in your life who appears to be way holier than you, someone who appears to have it all together? Man looks on outward appearance, but God looks at the heart! They need Jesus just as much as you do! **Pray that God would protect them from the trap of relying on their own goodness.**