

Mark Your Calendar



At the Ninth Hour

A LENT & EASTER MUSICAL JOURNEY



An FCC Easter Choir Musical

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

Messiah in the Passover

A CHOSEN PEOPLE MINISTRIES EXPERIENCE



Full Seder Passover Meal | April 6, 2023 @ 6:30 pm | Reservations Required | www.faithcommunity.net



BAPTISM

Resurrection Sunday, April 9, we will have a baptism. If you would like to be baptized, please contact Pastor Steve at: sabond256@gmail.com

Giving Information



Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30)
YTD as of March 19, 2023
March 26 information, not yet available

Giving	Budget	Surplus
\$666,504	\$646,000	\$20,504

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.
- * **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

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

Encounters

on the Road to the Cross

The Great Reversal and the Great Betrayal

April 2, 2023 * Luke 18, 19, 23

Dr. Stan Smith

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 Brian Jenkins 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.



This Week at FCC



Sunday (4/2)

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

Monday (4/3)

Ladies' Lunch Bunch - NOON - Ledo's Crofton
 Sue Hornberger grandmasue29@verizon.net
 NO AWANA: Trek & Journey
 Dave Jarvis: d2jarvis@verizon.net
 NO Men's Fraternity
 Chuck Phillips: icphillips57@gmail.com

Tuesday (4/4)

NO Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am
 Veronica Platt: womensministry@faithcommunity.net
 NO AWANA: Cubbies, Sparks & TNT
 Dave Jarvis: d2jarvis@verizon.net

Wednesday (4/5)

Men's Online Bible Study
 David Cole: davidcole2@verizon.net
 NO Women's Bible Study
 Veronica Platt: womensministry@faithcommunity.net
 NO Choir Rehearsal
 Don Fast: fast_da@verizon.net
 HS & MS Youth Group -7 pm
 Matt Hemphill: marchgutsandglory@gmail.com

Thursday (4/6)

NO Young at Heart
 Brian Showler: showlerbrian@gmail.com
 NO Women's Bible Study
 Veronica Platt: FCCwomensmin@gmail.com
 Messiah in the Passover Banquet (*Reservation Req'd*) 6:30 pm
 Office@faithcommunity.net

Friday (4/7) - Office Closed

Good Friday Time of Reflection Noon -2 pm & 5 pm - 7 pm
 Office@faithcommunity.net

Saturday (4/8)

Men's Prayer Time and Study of God's Word - 7:30 am
 Contact Bob Crane: ettabilkaknm@icloud.com

New ABS Classes



Three new Adult Bible Study Classes (ABS) are starting on April 16th! During the 9:00 am hour, we will continue to study the Book of John as we go through chapters 12-21. During the 10:30 am hour, the Heartbeat of a Disciple class will continue with part 2 and a third class will study selected Psalms.

Student & Children's Ministry



Power Camp (aka sports camp) June 26-30
 Kidz Kamp (aka vbs) July 10-14
 Worship Arts Camp August 7-11
 DETAILS TO COME SOON! YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS ANY OF THESE FUN-FILLED WEEKS!

Church-Wide Prayer Night

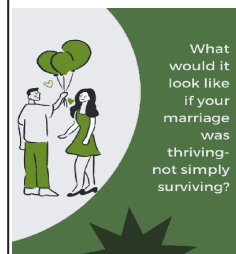


Faith Community Church April 23, 2023 @ 7 pm

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER

JOIN US AS WE COME TOGETHER TO PRAY FOR THE WORLD!

United Marriage Encounter



UNITED MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: On April 22nd, FCC will host a United Marriage Encounter Workshop from 9 am - 3:30 pm. Childcare is provided. This workshop is for all married couples, whether you have been married for 5 days or 50 years. Everyone wins when marriages get better and stronger. For complete details, contact Dawn Duran at dawnduran@protonmail.com.

Global Partner of the Week



DAVID & ANNETTE HAAG, MOBILE MODULAR MINISTRY: As retired Director Emeritus of Tri-M, David continues to provide guidance and advice to Tri-M, while continuing a ministry to First Americans that involves leadership training and medical services.

Women's Ministry



All Ladies Welcome

Ladies' Lunch Bunch
 April 3 - NOON
 Ledo's in Crofton (Rt. 3 S)

No Need To Sign Up - Just Come

Encounters on the Way to the Cross
The Great Reversal and the Great Betrayal

Luke 18, 19, 23

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To Ponder and Dig Deeper

The Great Reversal Part One (Luke 18:9-14, 18-30)

Pharisee

Rich Young Ruler

The Great Reversal Part Two

Blind beggar (Luke 18:35-43)

Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-9)

Jesus' Mission (Luke 19:10)

The Great Betrayal Part One (Luke 19:28-40)

The Great Betrayal Part Two (Luke 23:20)

- What does Pastor Stan mean by the Great Reversal?
- Tell about a time when you experienced the great reversal in your own life?
- What can we learn from the desperate persistence of the blind beggar in calling out to Jesus?
- Why do you think the story of the Blind Beggar is included in Matthew, Mark and Luke?
- What is the significance of the phrase "Son of Man?"
- Why were tax collectors so despised by the Jews?
- How did Zacchaeus show courage?
- Why did Zacchaeus did away so much of his money?
- Explain Jesus' mission in Luke 19:10 What does it mean to be "lost?"
- Why do you think Jesus prepared for a parade on the day He entered Jerusalem?
- Why did the people on one day shout praise to Jesus and then at the end of the week call for His crucifixion?
- What do you need to do to prepare for the Celebration of the Resurrection next Sunday?

You are invited to Holy Week at Faith Community Church

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TONIGHT APRIL 2 @ 6 PM - Come enjoy desserts, coffee, and the story of the last week of Jesus' life on earth. The last week of Christ's life on earth is the central drama of the Christian faith. Mark devotes over a third of his gospel to the events that begin with Jesus riding triumphantly into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and end with his suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection.

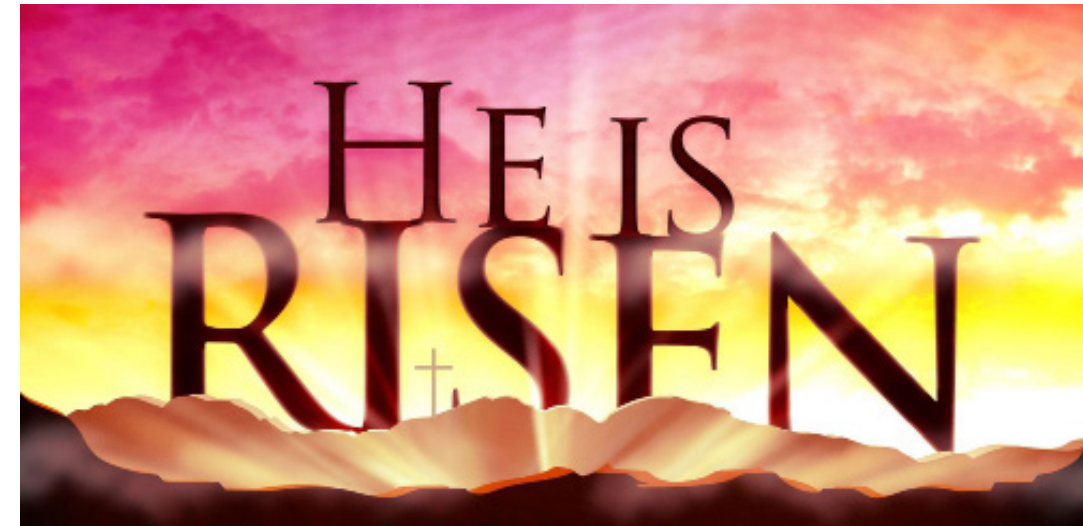
It is a story that plummets from exuberant celebration to the darkest depths of pain and betrayal, and then soars once again to the transcendent joy of Easter morning. It was the first account to be memorized and communicated by the followers of Jesus, and it remains the foundation of our faith today.

Messiah in the Passover April 6, @ 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$15 person/ \$45 family for dinner (a love offering will be taken for Chose People Ministries) Reservation Required (faithcommunity.net) Childcare available by reservation (ages 2 and under) **MESSIAH IN THE PASSOVER**, is an exciting demonstration showing how Jesus fulfilled the ancient feast of Passover. This presentation will be conducted by Mr. Derek Blumenthal of Chosen People Ministries. **MESSIAH IN THE PASSOVER** begins with the traditional Passover Seder meal. The speaker will explain the symbolic meanings of the various items of the Passover feast and relationship to the Last Supper that Messiah celebrated with the disciples, emphasizing the redemptive significance of the crucifixion. **MESSIAH IN THE PASSOVER** gives the Christian community insight into Jewish traditions so that the Jewish roots of Christianity can be better understood.



All are invited to stop by **Faith Community Church Friday, April 7** and spend time in quiet reflection in our sanctuary between the hours of **12 and 2 pm** and again between the hours of **5 and 7 pm**. A devotional booklet for a guided reflection and prayer will be available for you to use. There will be soft music playing and slides on the screen for you to reflect

upon. This is a time to reflect upon the sacrificial love that Jesus displayed by enduring the cross so that we might be reconciled with God. .



Resurrection Sunday
Sunday, April 9, 2023 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

All are invited to come celebrate the risen Lord. Jesus has conquered death and the grave and accomplished our salvation. We will celebrate this truth with uplifting hymns and songs of praise, hear a powerful message of victory from Pastor Stan, and celebrate the lives of those transformed by Jesus' love as symbolized through the act of baptism.

***FOLLOW** Christ in **FAITH** * **SHARE** the gospel of **HOPE**

***UNITE** in **LOVE** for **God** and one another

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