

Dates to Remember

The church office will be closed  
January 19, 2026 in honor of  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Faith Community Groups

Sign ups LIVE 1/19 through 2/1



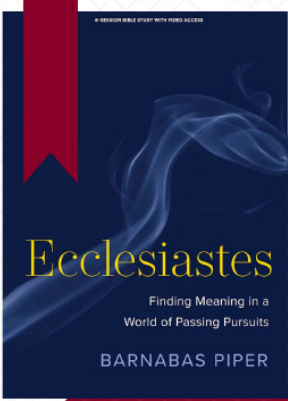
Scan the QR code to register

NEW STUDY!

MEN'S FRATERNITY

Starting January 19th  
Time: 7 pm - 9 pm

Contact: Steve Bond [sabond256@gmail.com](mailto:sabond256@gmail.com)



Giving Information

Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2025 - June 2026)  
FYTD as of January 4, 2026

Projected Income	Giving	Surplus/Deficit
\$525,339	\$589,806	\$64,467

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

Ways you can give:

- \*Dropping your tithe in the offering boxes (located by the doors as you exit the worship center)
- \*Via our website [www.faithcommunity.net](http://www.faithcommunity.net)
- \*Via our app or scan the QR code



Please remember with the new tax laws, some donors are choosing to support FCC using their retirement or brokerage accounts. **This allows them to reduce their tax bill while supporting disciple-making through the ministries of FCC.** Contact your financial advisor for detailed information.

FCC Leadership

Deacons

Brett Bujac  
Adam Coleman  
Caleb Gowan  
Mike Hite  
Jon Luman  
Kevin Williams  
Matt Zimmerman

Pastors/Elders

Steve Bond, non-staff  
Ken Crane, non-staff  
Cameron Dahl, staff  
Chris Handel, non-staff  
David Hansen, non-staff  
Matt Webster, staff

FCC Staff

Matt Hemphill.....Student Ministry Coordinator  
Amy McDougall.....Children's Ministry Coordinator  
Kris Floyd.....Administrative Assistant

THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

MATTHEW 13:1-23

JANUARY 18, 2026

Pastor Matt Webster      Humble Listening & Lasting Faith

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. 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 by scanning the QR code.



Faith Community Church  
1306 Riedel Road | Gambrills, MD 21054  
410.451.1220 | [faithcommunity.net](http://faithcommunity.net)  
Worship Service & Bible Study for all Ages 9 am  
Worship Service, Nursery, Kidz Zone Pre-K-5th Grade 10:45 am



# This Week at FCC



**Sunday (1/18)**  
Adult Bible Study: Galatians - 9 am - Act. Rm #1  
Adult Bible Study: Matthew - 9 am - Rm #8

**Monday (1/19)**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Office Closed  
Men's Fraternity- 7:00 pm  
Contact **Chuck Phillips**: [men@faithcommunity.net](mailto:men@faithcommunity.net)

**Tuesday (1/20)**  
No Events

**Wednesday (1/21)**  
Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am  
Contact **Dave Cole**: [davidcole3@verizon.net](mailto:davidcole3@verizon.net)  
R.O.M.E.O (Retired Old Men Eating Out) 11:30 am  
Contact **Brian Showler**: [bkshowler@gmail.com](mailto:bkshowler@gmail.com)  
MS & HS Youth Group - 6:30 pm  
Contact **Matt Hemphill**: [matth@faithcommunity.net](mailto:matth@faithcommunity.net)  
Choir Practice - 7 pm  
Contact **Don Fast**: [music@faithcommunity.net](mailto:music@faithcommunity.net)

**Thursday (1/22)**  
Young Adult Small Group - 6:30 pm at Pastor Dahl's house  
Contact **Matt Hemphill**: [youngadults@faithcommunity.net](mailto:youngadults@faithcommunity.net)

**Friday (1/23)**  
Ladies' Bunco - 6:45 pm  
Contact **Veronica Platt**: [women@faithcommunity.net](mailto:women@faithcommunity.net)

**Saturday (1/24)**  
Men's Bible Study - 7:30 am  
Contact **Ken Crane**: [walk@faithcommunity.net](mailto:walk@faithcommunity.net)



# FCC News



STUDENT MINISTRY

## WINTER RETREAT

AT NEW LIFE BIBLE CAMP

FEBRUARY 13TH-16TH

6TH-12TH GRADE

\$100 PER STUDENT

SCAN TO REGISTER

Middle School & High School Students

## CENTRIFUGE CAMP

JUNE 29 - JULY 3

Total Cost \$430, Deposit \$125  
Scan the QR to register and reserve your spot!

Questions: Contact Matt Hemphill [matth@faithcommunity.net](mailto:matth@faithcommunity.net)

FREE!

## Online Blended Family Workshop

Sundays 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
Beginning September 7th

Faith-based solutions for everyday living!  
Led by Jim and Jacquie Vegh, Missionaries with FamilyLife, a ministry of Cru.

Questions? Contact Jim and Jacquie: [jacquie.vegh@familylife.com](mailto:jacquie.vegh@familylife.com)

# Women's Ministry



## BUNCO!

Women's Ministry

January 23 | 6:45pm @ FCC

RSVP by January 22

Scan the QR Code to reserve your spot, or email women's ministry: [women@faithcommunity.net](mailto:women@faithcommunity.net)

Fun for all ladies from young adults to our senior sisters!

Learn practical Bible study skills to grow in understanding and application of God's Word

## Women's Tools for Bible Study Workshop

Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
or  
Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30am  
Childcare available

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER OR EMAIL: [WOMEN@FAITHCOMMUNITY.NET](mailto:WOMEN@FAITHCOMMUNITY.NET)

## NEW STUDY!

for Women 18+

3 CLASSES AVAILABLE:  
Tuesday and Wednesday 9:30 am  
Thursday Evening 7 pm

Childcare is available for the Wednesday class with advanced registration.

Scan to Register!

Beginning Tuesday, February 3rd

**The Book of Matthew**  
**Humble Listening & Lasting Faith | Matthew 13:1-23 (pg.972)**  
**Sunday, January 18, 2026**  
**Pastor Matt Webster**

\*\* The Parable - v.1-9

\*\* The Purpose - v.10-17

\*\* The Point - v.18-23

**For Further Discussion**

1) When you hear the phrase “He who has ears, let him hear,” what do you think Jesus is inviting—or warning—us to do? Which part of this parable have you heard most often in the past? Which part do you tend to overlook?

2) Which soil do you most easily recognize in your own life right now? Why? Have you ever seen yourself move from one “soil” to another over time? What contributed to that change?

3) In the parable, some people respond with joy but fall away under pressure. What kinds of pressure most commonly test faith today? Jesus names the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches as threats. Which of those feels more dangerous for you personally—and why?

4) What does humble hearing look like in practice—not just on Sundays, but throughout the week? What are some subtle ways we can hear the Word often but listen poorly?

5) How does this parable point us to the Gospel—specifically to what Jesus gives and how He keeps His people when our hearing and perseverance are imperfect?