



# JAZZ CAFE

May 17th  
6:30 pm  
**Dessert & Drinks Provided**

LIVE Music

# SKATEBOARD

## DEMO & INSTRUCTION

**MAY 18th | 10 am - 1 pm**  
All ages and skill levels welcome! Sponsored by skateboardlife222

### Sports Camp 2024

To Register: [faithcommunity.net](http://faithcommunity.net)

Sign Up Today!  
June 24- June 28  
5:30 pm - 8 pm  
Kids ages 8-12  
\$75 for 1<sup>st</sup> child - Discounts for multiple children in the same family

## Giving Information

Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2023 - June 2024) YTD as of April 30		
Projected Income	Giving	Surplus/Deficit
\$790,899	\$755,418	(\$35,211)

Giving is a spiritual act of worship. If you would like to support the ministries of Faith Community Church and participate in worship through giving, there are offering boxes for cash/checks located on the wall next to the exit doors or you can scan the QR code and give online. And thank you for your gift. You make a difference!



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

### FCC Leadership

- Al Ashe.....Deacon
- Steve Bond..... Pastor/Elder
- Brett Bujac.....Deacon
- Adam Coleman.....Deacon
- Ken Crane.....Elder
- Cameron Dahl.....Pastor/Elder
- Chris Handel.....Elder
- David Hansen.....Elder
- Jon Luman.....Deacon
- Kevin Williams.....Deacon
- Matt Zimmerman.....Deacon

### FCC Staff

- Matt Hemphill.....Student Ministry Coordinator
- Amy McDougall.....Children's Ministry Coordinator
- Kris Floyd.....Secretary

# JESUS IS BETTER

Jesus The Better Mediator  
Hebrews 2:5 - 4:16

Dr. Cameron F. Dahl May 12, 2024

**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.



**\*FOLLOW Christ in FAITH**  
**\*SHARE the gospel of HOPE**  
**\*UNITE in LOVE for God and one another**  
WORSHIP | WALK | WORK | WITNESS | WELCOME



# This Week at FCC



## Sunday (5/12)

**Adult Bible Study: Genesis - 9 am Activity Room #1**  
**Adult Bible Study: This is US - 9 am Room 8**  
**Adult Bible Study: Genesis - 10:30 am Activity Room #1**  
**Young Adult Bible Study: Romans - 10:30 am Room 8**  
**Small Group Potluck - 5 pm**

## Monday (5/13)

**AWANA Trek and Journey - 7 pm**  
**Contact Dave Jarvis:** [d2jarvis@verizon.net](mailto:d2jarvis@verizon.net)  
**Men's Fraternity - 7 pm**  
**Contact Chuck Phillips:** [men@faithcommunity.net](mailto:men@faithcommunity.net)

## Tuesday (5/14)

**Mom and Tots - 9:30 am**  
**Contact Raven Bethancourt:** [theravieleterz@gmail.com](mailto:theravieleterz@gmail.com)  
**Young Adult Small Group - 6:30 pm**  
**Contact Matt Hemphill:** [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)

## Wednesday (5/15)

**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:** 301-343-6479  
**MS & HS Youth Group - 6:30 pm**  
**Contact Matt Hemphill:** [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)  
**Choir Practice - 7 pm**  
**Contact Don Fast:** [choir@faithcommunity.com](mailto:choir@faithcommunity.com)

## Thursday (5/16)

**Global Partners Prayer Meeting - 7 pm**  
**Contact Jon Luman:** [missions@faithcommunity.net](mailto:missions@faithcommunity.net)

## Friday (5/17)

**High School Game Night - 6:30 pm**  
**Contact Matt Hemphill:** [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)  
**Jazz Cafe' - 6:30 pm**  
**Contact the church office:** [office@faithcommunity.net](mailto:office@faithcommunity.net)

## Saturday (5/18)

**Men's Prayer Time and Study of God's Word - 7:30 am**  
**Contact Bob Crane:** [ettabilkaknm@icloud.com](mailto:ettabilkaknm@icloud.com)  
**Skateboard Demo - 10 am**  
**Contact the Church Office:** [office@faithcommunity.net](mailto:office@faithcommunity.net)  
**Middle School Treasure Hunt - NOON**  
**Contact Matt Hemphill:** [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)

# Children's Ministry Summer Team



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Help us fill 156 Volunteer Spots teaching our kids during the summer.

72 Spots Filled      84 spots still available

See Amy McDougall and let her know you'd love to help!

## 3 on 3 Basketball



**3 on 3 Basketball Open Tournament**

Beginning May 24 @ 6 pm-8 pm

Contact Dwayne Woodard:  
[dwaynewoodard@hotmail.com](mailto:dwaynewoodard@hotmail.com)

## Churchwide Hike



**Churchwide Hike: Saturday, May 25 at 11 AM** –Meet in the lobby at Patuxent Research Refuge, South Tract: 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, Laurel, MD 20708.

We'll hike the Cash Lake & Fire Road Trails. Bring a light backpack with water, a sandwich, snacks, and a simple first aid kit. We will stop for lunch. **We will hike rain or shine.** All are welcome, men and women of any age. **Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult family member.** Contact Charles Barksdale: (443) 400-9130 or [charles.barksdale@gmail.com](mailto:charles.barksdale@gmail.com).

# Youth Group



## High School Mystery Game May 17th ~ 6:30 pm - 9 pm

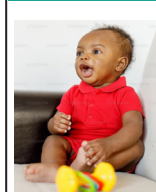
All high school students are welcome to participate in an escape room scenario right here at FCC. Can you solve the mystery before time runs out? Contact Matt Hemphill for details: [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)

## Middle School Treasure Hunt May 18th ~ 12 pm - 3 pm

All middle school students are welcome to join in the hunt as they search for treasure within the halls of FCC! Contact Matthew Hemphill for details: [matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com](mailto:matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com)



## Nursey Help Needed



The nursery is looking for more adults to care for our youngest members while their parents attend church. Commitment is one Sunday service per month. Scheduling is very flexible. We also are in need of adult substitutes. Please join us in showing God's love to these little ones! Contact Carolyn Meesuk [cmeesuk@gmail.com](mailto:cmeesuk@gmail.com).

## This Week's Global Partner



**Since 1948 Village Missions** has been keeping country churches alive in North America by developing spiritually vital churches in rural areas. Our missionaries

place pastors in rural churches and help those churches get back on their feet.

**Jesus Is Better: A Survey of Hebrews**  
**Jesus the Better Mediator**  
**Hebrews 2:5 – 4:16 (p. 1188-1189)**  
**Sunday, May 12, 2024**  
**(Mother's Day)**

**FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION**

Review

Author    Audience    Assumptions    Architecture

Goals:

1. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_
2. Remain \_\_\_\_\_ despite \_\_\_\_\_!

Jesus is a Better Mediator because . . .

He is \_\_\_\_\_ and He is \_\_\_\_\_ (2:9)

He \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ so that  
He could \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (2:9-10)

He is an \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ (3:1)

He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ (3:3-6)

2nd WARNING! (3:12-19)

\_\_\_\_\_ not to \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ one another \_\_\_\_\_  
Have \_\_\_\_\_ in our \_\_\_\_\_

A \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_! (4:1-14)

Will you hold fast your confession . . . Jesus, Son of God?  
(ref. Matthew 16:15-16)

**Personal Application**

What are some steps you can take to remain faithful in the face of persecution? Is there anything keeping you from taking those steps?

What are some of the promises of God to which you cling, especially in difficult and anxious times?

Which arguments for Jesus as the better mediator give you the most comfort and encouragement? Which are most confusing?

**Communal Application**

"The priestly service of the community is their adherence to their confession (v 1), through which they have expressed their confidence and hope based on Jesus' faithfulness as high priest in the service of God. "  
(ref. Hebrews 3:1)

What does it look like for the community of faith to adhere to their confession?

What does it look like to exhort one another every day? (Hebrews 3:13)

**Personal Application**

What do you think about the theology of rest outlined in Hebrews 4? Are you holding fast to the promise of God's rest? What would it take for you to begin practicing the rest that God offers?

**Missional Application**

Hebrews 4:1 says that we should fear lest anyone should fail to enter God's rest. How can we help others be assured that they will enter God's eternal rest?

Have you made the confession that Peter made in Matthew 16:16 – "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."? If not, would you consider this confession that Jesus is the Son of God and trust Jesus to be your Savior and your Lord?