

Dates to Remember

save the date



Operation Christmas Child

Pack a Shoebox!

Start Date:
10/26/2025

Return Date:
11/16/2025

Questions? Contact Ron & Iva Grahek rongrahek@verizon.net

Work With Our Missionary Aaron Rosa
At the Harbor House Community in Annapolis with a

BIG DAY!

NOVEMBER 15TH | 10 am - 2 pm

Scan Here To Register to Help



FCC is providing food.

We need: grillers, popcorn makers, snow cone makers etc.

Contact Steve Bond to volunteer to help:
sabond256@gmail.com

It is going to be a lot of fun! Stay tuned, details coming!

DROP N' SHOP

SATURDAY
NOV
22
4PM-8PM

Parents of Faith Community Church can leave their kids with the FCC youth to do some last minute shopping, take a nap, or go on a date.

Contact Matt Hemphill with questions.
matth@faithcommunity.net

Giving Information

Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2025 - June 2026)
FYTD as of October 26, 2025

Projected Income	Giving	Surplus/Deficit
\$330,769	\$330,129	(\$640)

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

*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

Skeptics and a Final Sign

November 2, 2025

Pastor Matt Webster

Matthew 12:38-42

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

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 (11/2)
Adult Bible Study: Galatians - 9 am - Rm #9
Adult Bible Study: Matthew - 9 am - Rm #8
Children's Christmas Play Practice - NOON - Activity Rm #1
Global Partner Prayer Meeting - 5 pm - Rm #2
Contact Jon Luman: jonathan.r.luman@gmail.com

Monday (1/3)
Ladies' Lunch Bunch - NOON - Ledo's Crofton
Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net
Men's Fraternity - 7:00 pm
Contact Chuck Phillips: men@faithcommunity.net

Tuesday (11/4)
Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am
Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net

Wednesday (11/5)
Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am
Contact Dave Cole: davidcole3@verizon.net
Women's Bible Study - 9:30 am
Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net
R.O.M.E.O (retired old men eating out) - 11:30 am
Contact Brian Showler: bkshowler@gmail.com
HS & MS Youth Group - 6:30 pm
Contact Matt Hemphill: matth@faithcommunity.net
Choir Practice - 7 pm
Contact Don Fast: music@faithcommunity.net

Thursday (11/6)
Young at Heart & Renewed - 11:30 am
Contact Brian Showler: youngatheart@faithcommunity.net
Young Adult Small Group - 6:30 pm - FCC
Contact Matt Hemphill: youngadults@faithcommunity.net
Women's Bible Study - 7 pm
Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net

Friday (11/7)
Youth D-Now - 6 pm
Contact Matt Hemphill: matth@faithcommunity.net

Saturday (11/8)
Men's Bible Study - 7:30 am
Contact Ken Crane: walk@faithcommunity.net
Youth D-Now - 10 am
Contact Matt Hemphill: matth@faithcommunity.net

Upcoming Events



Young at Heart & Renewed Special Speaker



Young at Heart and Renewed

November 6th | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Bring a friend and your favorite snack to share!

Featured Speaker

Jerry Osuna of Nico's Bagels and Brunch

NOVEMBER 7-8

DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND

Tell Me Your Story

All middle school students are encouraged to attend our discipleship weekend where we will learn together how to think through and communicate our personal testimonies of faith.

Contact Matt Hemphill for details: matth@faithcommunity.net



MEN'S CHILI COOKOFF

November 17 @ 7 pm in Activity Room #2

Bring a medium sized crockpot of chili (enough for everyone to sample) and see who we crown the Chili Champion!

If making chili isn't your thing, that's ok, bring some cornbread.

Scan the QR code to register.





Shoeboxes and More!



Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a world-wide Gospel outreach ministry. In October and November, people across the country will pack shoeboxes with hygiene items, school supplies, small toys and other age-appropriate gifts. Those shoeboxes are shipped worldwide to missionary teams who then host shoebox distribution parties where the Gospel is presented in the child's own language. For those children seeking to commit themselves to Jesus Christ, a 12-week follow-up discipleship program is available.



How to Pack a Shoebox: Operation Christmas Child 2025 kicked off **October 26th** and runs through **November 16th**. School supplies, hygiene packs, and assorted shoebox fillers are available for purchase in Activity Room #1. You can get the latest information on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/FCCOCC) for this year's campaign, share tips, good deals on shoe box items, or just stay up to date on OCC news. **Contact Ron or Iva Grahek at rongrahek@verizon.net** with any questions.



Thanksgiving cards for our missionaries are ready for you to pick up! Already stamped, all they need is your personal touch. Stop by the rack in the cafe' and get **1 or more**.





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BECAUSE OF
Bethlehem

Ladies, let's prepare our hearts this Advent season by focusing on the manger and reviving wonder and connection to Christ. Two class options with 4 sessions starting **Tuesday evening November 11th, 7:00-8:30 pm** or **Wednesday morning November 12th, 9:30-11:15 am**. Childcare available with advance notice. Register at: women@faithcommunity.net

Skeptics and a Final Sign
Matthew 12:38-42 (page 972)
November 2, 2025
Pastor Matt Webster
Sermon Notes

- Demand of the Skeptic

- Declaration of the Savior

For further reflection:

- 1) Why do you think people often demand more proof from God even after hearing or seeing enough to believe? Jesus calls the generation “evil and adulterous” for asking for a sign. What does that reveal about the heart posture behind skepticism?
- 2) What kinds of “signs” do people today still expect from God before they will trust Him? How does the resurrection serve as God’s “final sign” to a skeptical world?
- 3) How does the resurrection continue to shape your confidence in God’s Word and promises today? What practical ways can you “be prepared to make a defense” for the hope within them (1 Peter 3:15) without becoming defensive or arrogant toward skeptics?