



NYE ²

December 30 | 1-9 pm

All Middle & High Schoolers invited for a day of movie marathons, Wii competitions, jackbox games and more. Contact Matt Hemphill for complete details:

matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com

DECEMBER 31ST
Special Service
 ONE SERVICE AT 10 AM
 FAMILY FELLOWSHIP WITH SPECIAL TREATS AT 9:30 AM

OUR MISSION AT FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH IS TO

follow CHRIST IN faith | share THE GOSPEL OF hope | unite IN Love FOR GOD AND ONE ANOTHER

WORSHIP | WALK | WORK | WITNESS | WELCOME

Giving Information



Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2023 - June 2024) YTD as of December 10, 2023		
Giving	Budget	Surplus/ Deficit
\$444,671	\$449,472	(\$4,801)

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

FCC Leadership

- Al Ashe.....Deacon
- Steve Bond..... Pastor/Elder
- Adam Coleman.....Deacon
- Ken Crane.....Elder
- Cameron Dahl.....Pastor/Elder
- David Hansen.....Elder
- Jon Luman.....Deacon
- Matt Zimmerman.....Deacon

FCC Staff

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

BEHOLD: A SAVIOR IS BORN
 LOVE: LET THERE BE LIGHT | LUKE 1:76-79

Dr. Brian Jenkins December 24, 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. Regular office hours are Monday-Thursday 9 am - 3 pm and Friday 9 am - NOON. 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 Ken Crane.

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 (12/24)

Special Christmas Eve Time of Fellowship - 9:30 am

Worship Service with full children's classes - 10 am

Candlelight Service - 4 pm

nursery available for 4 yrs. and younger

Candlelight Service - 5:30 pm

No nursery available

Monday (12/25)

Christmas Day - Office Closed

Friday (12/29)

Young Adult Fellowship - 6:30 pm

Contact Matt Hemphill: matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com

Saturday (12/30)

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

Contact Bob Crane: ettabilkaknm@icloud.com

FCC Youth: NYE² - 1 pm

Contact Matt Hemphill: matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com

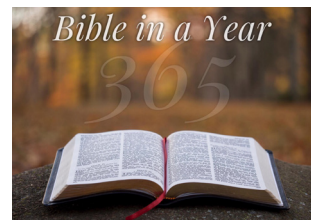
Sunday (12/31) New Years Eve

Special Happy New Year Time of Fellowship - 9:30 am

Worship Service with full children's classes - 10 am



Bible Reading Plan



As we've recently reflected on Psalm 1, we want to be people who meditate on God's Word like trees planted by streams of water, A daily personal Bible reading plan is a great way to do that! To support our growth as God's people together at FCC, we have one-year and two-year Bible reading plans available in the foyer. Consider picking one up if you don't have a plan for 2024 already!

End of Year Check Writing



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Due to IRS regulations, we will not accept checks dated December 2023 in January 2024

Please do not ask Brett Bujac, to violate this law

Baptism



If you are interested in being baptized, please contact Ken Crane @: mtelpub9@gmail.com

Upcoming Events



DECEMBER 29TH 6:30 PM

For details contact Matt Hemphill: matthewhemphill.p23@gmail.com

FAMILY GATHERING

January 7, 2024



We will be praying for the ministries of FCC and have an update from the pastor search committee.

LOVE: Let There be Light!
Luke 1:76-79 (pg. 1018)
Sunday, Dec 24, 2023
Brian Jenkins

Other points to ponder:

We've reflected on hope, peace, joy, and love during this Advent season. How are those themes related to the names that were given to Messiah by Isaiah the prophet in Is 9:6?

Wonderful Counselor	
Mighty God	
Everlasting Father	
Prince of Peace	

The Incarnation – a miraculous _____!

“For God so loved the world, that he gave
_____” (John 3:16)

Two other gifts (Luke 1:78,79) ...

In Jesus, we see ...

Our response (John 1:12, 1 John 1:7, Rom 1:21) ...

or _____ God's gift

Salvation – _____ gift of God (Eph 2:8-9)

Recall the description of hesed from the recent sermon series on Ruth:

Hesed– A Hebrew word whose meaning cannot be captured in one English word; a strong relational term that captures an entire cluster of concepts, all positive attributes of God — **love, mercy, grace, kindness, goodness, benevolence, loyalty, covenant faithfulness** — that quality that moves a person to act for the benefit of another without respect to the advantage it might bring to the one who expresses it. (Block, NAC)

Discuss with your family how to better apply the principles of hesed in your Christmas traditions (e.g., in attitudes, actions, activities) so that the wonder of the Incarnation will be even more meaningful.

What does it mean practically to “walk in the light”?

Think of other things that scripture tells us we see in Jesus.

Other examples: in Matt 2:6 we see Jesus as a shepherd, in Mark 10:45 as our redeemer, and in Luke 2:11 as our Savior.