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# FCC NEWSLETTER

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The Official Monthly Newsletter of Faith Community Church - New Richmond



## LOVE

### **1 Corinthians 13:4-7**

*4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. 7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.*

Let us use these 28 days of February to invest in deeper relationships, carrying each other's burdens and reflecting the unconditional love God so freely pours into our lives.

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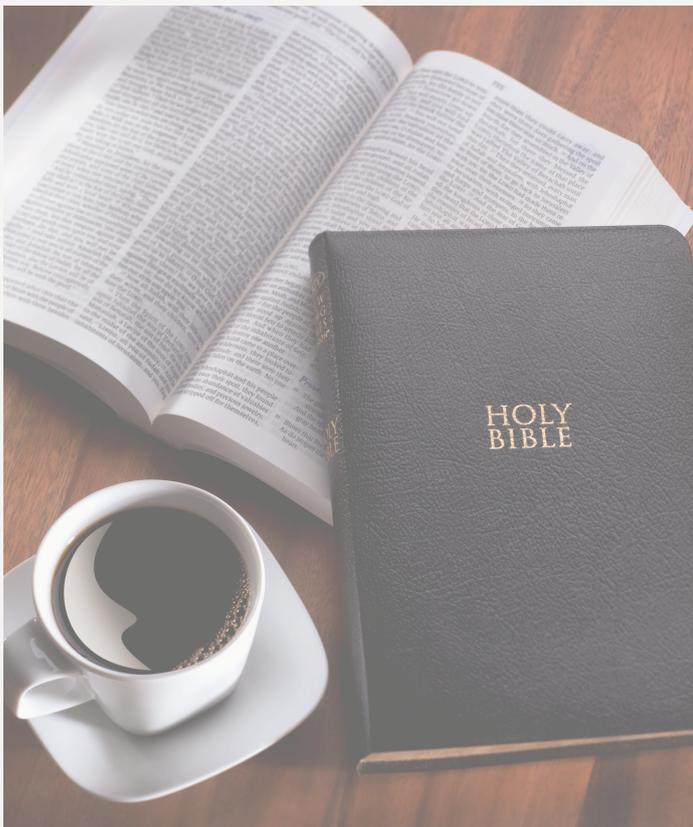
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## LOVE AND TRUTH

Dear Faith Family,

I recently read a helpful article from Greg Koukl, a well-known Christian evangelist and apologist, that I would like to share with you. I have greatly profited from Greg's ministry and books. His article engages with the question, What to Say When Challenged to "Love and Accept." It serves as a healthy corrective to common errors of thinking that Christians can fall into. Christians are called to love all people, but we are also called to speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15). And there is no conflict between real love and truth. In fact, Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 13:6, "it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth." I recommend this article for your consideration.

### Pastor Patrick



### What to Say When Challenged to "Love and Accept" Like Jesus

The college student's challenge was formed as a question: "Doesn't Jesus teach we should love and accept one another?" The query sounded innocent at first glance, and the answer seemed obvious, at least to most people. If you're asked this question, though, beware of naively affirming it, for two reasons.

First, there's likely a different issue lurking behind that question, as it was in this student's case. If Jesus taught love and acceptance, then why don't Christians—who allegedly follow Jesus—love, accept, and affirm those who are LGBTQ? If you quickly give the nod to the first question, you'll be skewered by the second one.

The challenge falters in part because genuine love does not require approval and acceptance of every behavior of the one loved—a point obvious to thoughtful adults and foundational to wise parenting. Indeed, in the most famous biblical passage on love—one frequently quoted even by non-Christians at weddings—Paul himself declared that love "does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth" ([1 Cor. 13:6](#)).

Note that for the apostle, homosexual practice was unrighteous. It was "contrary to sound teaching" ([1 Tim. 1:10](#)) and was, along with other vices and sinful sexual activities, a practice that disqualified partakers from entrance into the kingdom ([1 Cor. 6:9-10](#)).

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# Pastor Patrick

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Plus, transgenderism runs afoul of God's "very good" creation order: humans created by God as sexually binary, male and female, thus capable of fulfilling God's mandate to be fruitful and multiply (Gen. 1:27-28). This point was explicitly affirmed by Jesus himself (Matt. 19:4-5).

Consequently, no biblical understanding of love—and, therefore, no characterization of Jesus' view of love—could endorse, affirm, or approve of either homosexual behavior or transgenderism.

There's a second problem many miss, though. Contrary to popular opinion—and surprising even to me when I checked—Jesus actually said precious little in his public preaching about love in general, and he said absolutely nothing affirming the kind of "love and acceptance" being promoted in Jesus' name through the student's line of questioning.

Search your Bible concordance for all of Jesus' public admonitions to love that are recorded in the Gospels. You'll find only three directives: Love God, love your neighbor, and love your enemies. That's it.

The "great and foremost" commandment is "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." It's mentioned in some form in three exchanges—Matthew 22:37, Mark 12:30, and Luke 10:27.

Of course, loving God entails keeping his commandments. It doesn't make sense to say to someone who has legitimate authority over us, "I love you, but I'm not going to do anything you tell me unless it suits my own desires." That's not love. That's narcissism.

The second great commandment is similar to the first: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt. 19:19; Matt. 22:39; Mark 12:31; Luke 10:27). Loving ourselves, however, is not the same as blanket self-approval and self-affirmation. Clearly, not everything we do is ethical or good for us, so that couldn't be what Jesus meant.

Rather, since we consistently look after our own well-being—sometimes to a fault—we ought to do the same for others. C.S. Lewis called it "a steady wish for the loved person's ultimate good as far as it can be obtained." It's not an act of love, then—for others or for us—to accept, encourage, or celebrate morally self-destructive behavior.

In Jesus' third love command, he included even our enemies as "neighbors" to be cared for and shown goodness and mercy (Matt. 5:44; Luke 6:27). Curiously, when a lawyer asked Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus responded with a parable describing a virtuous Samaritan man caring for a wounded Jew—a person who was culturally his foe.

Jesus gave one other command to love, but it was not a public one. It was private, made to his disciples on their final night together. After washing their feet as an example to them of servant leadership, he gave them a "new commandment." He told them that—as a witness to others that they were his disciples—they were to love one another sacrificially just as he had loved them (John 13:34-35; 15:12-13). He also added, "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15).

So, don't be distracted by any "love" challenge to your biblical morality. According to Scripture, love always has a moral dimension. Love does not rejoice in unrighteousness, and it does not counter the specific intentions of God in creation. Genuine love always entails obeying the Father and obeying the Son (1 John 5:2). Jesus' entire instruction on love was simple. Love God completely, love your neighbor as yourself, and show love and benevolence towards your enemies. Within the Christian community, demonstrate faithfulness as Jesus' disciples by loving each other sacrificially. None of Jesus' love commands is consistent with approving behavior that God clearly identifies as sinful and destructive.

**Stand to Reason/Greg Koukl**  
**Click this [LINK](#) to the online article**

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# *From the Elders*

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## **COVENANT OPT-OUT PROPOSAL**

January 28, 2026

As you are most likely aware, the elders announced a proposal to amend the Faith Community Church Covenant, Statement of Faith, and Church Constitution in August 2025. These recommendations came after much prayer, counsel, discussion and consideration.

The recommendation to amend these documents was communicated via Sunday morning announcements, covenant member meetings, and email. Copies of the proposed changes were made available to all covenant members to review before the vote in an email that went out to all covenant members on August 28, 2025, and via hard copies available for pick up at the church office.

Additionally, the elders conducted a question-and-answer session on Sunday, November 2, 2025, to answer any questions regarding the proposed changes to clarify our church documents. The invitation to attend the question-and-answer session was communicated via Sunday morning announcements, covenant member meetings, email, and the October 2025 FCC Newsletter.

During the covenant member meeting that was held Sunday, December 7, 2025, the requirement of at least twenty-five percent of those in covenant relationship present during voting was met and the proposed changes to the Statement of Faith, and Church Constitution the Faith Community Covenant passed with a unanimous vote.

That said, the elders recognize not all covenant members were present during voting. If, for any reason, you can no longer commit to the Faith Community Church covenant, or if you no longer wish to maintain a covenant relationship with Faith Community Church, please notify any member of the elder council in writing prior to February 28, 2026, requesting removal from membership.

Any covenant member who does not contact the elder council in writing requesting removal from membership prior to the aforementioned date shall be recognized as agreeing with the approved changes and will maintain their covenant relationship with Faith Community Church.

We pray that the God of hope will fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Your brothers in Christ,  
The Elders

# Adult Sunday School

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Every Sunday from 10-10:45am**

Join us every Sunday between services for a time of fellowship and learning alongside your brothers and sisters in Christ. Here is the upcoming schedule, as well as our next class options!

**Feb 8<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday School (last day of session 3)

**Feb 15<sup>th</sup>:** Connection Sunday (stick around after service or come early for an extended time of fellowship. Light treats and coffee will be provided)

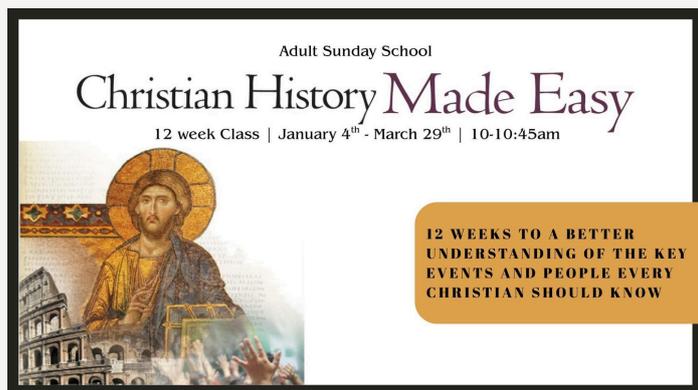
**Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> - Mar 29<sup>th</sup>:** Sunday School (Session 4)

## SESSION 4 CLASSES

### Class 1: History Made Easy

Paul Olsen will be continuing through the second half of this 12-session study, "Christian History Made Easy". Dr. Timothy Paul Jones takes you through the most important events in Christian history from the time of the apostles to today. He brings to life the fascinating people and events that shaped our world. This isn't dry names and dates. It's full of dramatic stories told with a touch of humor. This series, based on Dr. Jones' popular award-winning book Christian History Made Easy, ties in spiritual lessons believers can glean by looking at the past, and shows how God was still working in his church despite all the ups and downs. Missed the first 6 weeks? No problem! We will love to have you join us!

### REGISTRATION LINK



### Class 2: Sojourners and Exiles

Join Pastor Patrick for his six week Sunday School Class called "Sojourners and Exiles." The goal of this class is to examine how Christians should think about the ethical challenges that we face in our culture; issues like life and death, sexuality, Christian nationalism, and what the Bible means by justice.

The title is taken from 1 Peter 2:11-12, "Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation."

We hope you can join us as we examine some of the hot button issues in our world today through a biblical worldview.

### REGISTRATION LINK



# Prayer

## P.R.A.Y.

(Note: This acronym has been widely used. I don't know who to credit for it)

### Praise

A good place to start any prayer is simply to acknowledge God for who he is and what he has done.

*Psalm 150*

*Praise the Lord!*

*Praise God in his sanctuary;*

*praise him in his mighty heavens!*

*Praise him for his mighty deeds;*

*praise him according to his excellent greatness!*

*Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!*

*Praise the Lord!*

### Repent

In Isaiah 6, as the prophet praised the Lord, he became aware of his own sin. In humility, he repented.

*5 And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"*

*6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. 7 And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."*

### Ask

With cleansed hearts, God invites us to speak our requests to him.

*Matthew 7:7*

Ask, and it will be given to you;  
seek, and you will find;  
knock, and it will be opened to you.

### Yield

*Romans 12:1-2*

*I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*



## PRAYER AND WORSHIP NIGHT

Sunday, February 22nd, at 6:00pm is our next opportunity to gather as a church for an hour of focused prayer. We invite the whole church to join us.



# Children's Ministry

## NEW YEAR, NEW BIBLES!

Sunday, February 22nd will be our student Bible Presentations for 2026! If you have not yet registered your 2nd grade student (or older student that hasn't yet received a personalized Student Study Bible from us) please do so now so we can get those Bibles personalized in time!

Click [HERE](#) to register!

## NEW YEAR, NEW HABITS!

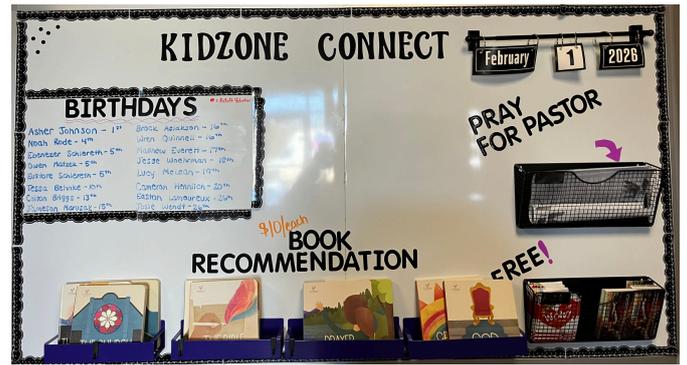
Have you been considering starting Family Worship at home but not sure what to use or how to get started? Did you start something new at the beginning of the year and it just isn't working well for your family?

Along with the purchase of our Sunday curriculum from the Gospel Project, we also have access to some great resources for your family to use at home! If you haven't noticed before, there is a QR code on the take home sheet your 4K-3rd grade student brings home on Sunday mornings. Check out these quick instructions from me on how to access some fantastic resources each week that correspond to the lesson your kids received on Sunday! This is a great opportunity to build on the concepts introduced in KidZone and reinforce them while doing your own Family Worship! Click [HERE](#) for more info!

## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

Have nursery aged kids? Check out the Book Recommendation on KidZone's Connection Board! This month, we are actually highlighting a series of board books called:

**Big Theology for Little Hearts**



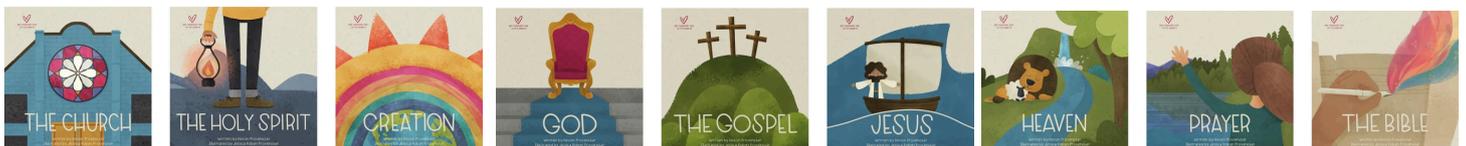
"Big Theology for Little Hearts will engage our children and launch us into teaching our little ones about our Lord." —Christopher W. Morgan, Dean and Professor of Theology, California Baptist University

Each book in the Big Theology for Little Hearts series introduces a big idea from the Bible with concise definitions and engaging illustrations to help young minds gain a foundational understanding of God's word.

With each volume written to complement all the others, this series is designed to help children develop a cohesive framework of theology that includes God, creation, humanity, Jesus, and the gospel—allowing you to start having crucial conversations with your children as early as possible.

- One volume in a series of board books containing foundational theological truths for young children, building on the foundation of the previous books in the series
- Contains 10 spreads, each with one term, a simple definition, and a corresponding illustration
- Introduces Jesus as Savior, prophet, priest, and King
- Explains the meaning of terms such as atonement, incarnation, and resurrection

Take a moment to stop and page through them!



# Children's Ministry

## KIDZONE VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

Meet Tia Skidmore

### 1. How long have you been serving in Children's Ministry?

I have been serving in Children's Ministry at FCC since our family began attending church here, which is four years now!

### 2. Which position do you currently serve in?

I currently teach the 4K Sunday School class every week, which is so fun! I truly enjoy my kiddos!

### 3. Why do you think Children's Ministry is important?

Children's Ministry is important for so many reasons! There are actually entire books devoted to this topic, but when I think about my greatest desire for my students, it is that they would love God most of all, above all else. This is rooted in the greatest commandment.

*And He said to them, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment."* -Matthew 22:37-38

Why do we bring our children to church and teach them about God and to read the Bible? We want our kids to KNOW God. We want our children to be in complete awe of our holy God, come to saving faith through Jesus, and have a genuine relationship with God.

As a teacher, I am not just teaching a history lesson or telling a really good story (which the Bible is both), I am modeling what it looks like to love and have a relationship with God. Sunday mornings are opportunities for these children to come and be fed with God's truths and promises AND observe what it looks like to trust our Father, know Him personally, have hope grounded in Him, and follow Him daily. My prayer is that my love for God would be contagious for these children, so that they might desire to draw near and love God with all of their hearts, souls, and minds...which is the most important commandment.

### 4. What would you tell people that might be considering serving with our children/youth?

If you are thinking about serving in Children's Ministry, but haven't made that commitment yet, I would tell you to pray about it. Ask God how He wants to use you and your gifts for His kingdom, and then (the hard part) be obedient if the Holy Spirit is calling you to serve in this ministry. God created all of us for a purpose, and it is so awesome to be able to share your love for Jesus in hopes that you might have an impact on these children in their journey of coming to know and be in relationship with Christ!

### 5. Funniest child quote you've heard while serving:

I don't have many "funny" stories to share from serving the younger children... But, I do have many precious and gratifying moments from serving in Children's Ministry.

What a blessing to hear a small voice say, "Ms. Tia, seeing you in class is my favorite part of my week." Or, what about when a small child sees you and immediately runs up to give you a hug, with a huge smile across her face? In that moment, you feel like a famous athlete or actress who has just entered the building. As parents, don't we all wish our kids would listen better the first time? What a great and rewarding feeling when you've just taught a lesson about the only one (God) that can bring us true victory, and when you are wrapping up class, you ask your 4 year olds questions related to the lesson, and they excitedly and correctly answer you! Lastly, one of my favorite portions of class is getting to teach these kids how to pray! It's so sweet to hear their LITTLE hearts talking to our BIG God.

Serving in Children's Ministry is not only pleasing to God, but is a blessing to families and churches, and these children are a blessing to those who serve as well!



**BEHOLD, CHILDREN ARE A HERITAGE FROM THE LORD, THE FRUIT OF THE WOMB A REWARD. LIKE ARROWS IN THE HAND OF A WARRIOR ARE THE CHILDREN OF ONE'S YOUTH. BLESSED IS THE MAN WHO FILLS HIS QUIVER WITH THEM! HE SHALL NOT BE PUT TO SHAME WHEN HE SPEAKS WITH HIS ENEMIES IN THE GATE. -PSALM 127:3-**

# young adult ministry

## YAM

### Young Adult Ministry

February is an exciting month for FCC Young Adults, as we celebrate one full year of ministry! What a blessing this past year has been as we've worked to build a space where young adults can gather, connect with other believers at FCC, and form meaningful friendships. It has been so encouraging to see the group grow, not just in numbers, but in the depth of relationships, and I'm excited to see what the next year holds.

YAM had a great January! On January 9, we hosted a Mission: Possible night, where contestants participated in a series of challenges throughout the evening. It was a night full of fun, shenanigans, and lots of laughter. On Sunday, January 18, we gathered for lunch at China House, enjoying delicious food and sweet fellowship as we caught up with one another and discussed what we learned at church that morning.

Looking ahead to February, we will be hosting a game night on February 6 at 6:30 p.m. in the FCC Cafe. On February 22, we will gather for lunch at Culver's in New Richmond following second service. We'd love for you to join us!

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of FCC Young Adults. We are grateful for all God has done so far and are excited to see how He continues to lead in the months ahead. Whether you've been coming for a while or are brand new, you are always welcome - invite a friend and come join us!

Are you interested in helping plan events or co-leading? Send me an email at [kathryn.turner@homeforever.org](mailto:kathryn.turner@homeforever.org), and I would love to connect and chat more!



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FRI FEB 06** **GAME NIGHT**  
6:30-9 PM | FCC CAFE  
BRING A SNACK AND A FRIEND AND ENJOY SOME FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

**FRI FEB 22** **LUNCH BUNCH: CULVER'S**  
12:30 PM | NEW RICHMOND CULVER'S  
JOIN US FOR LUNCH FOLLOWING SECOND SERVICE!

**FRI MARCH 06** **MOVIE NIGHT**  
7-9:30 PM | FCC ARMORY  
BRING A SNACK AND HANG OUT WHILE WE WATCH A MOVIE (TBD)!

**SUN MARCH 22** **LUNCH BUNCH: NOT JUSTA CAFE**  
12:30 PM | NOT JUSTA CAFE - NEW RICHMOND LOCATION  
JOIN US FOR LUNCH FOLLOWING SECOND SERVICE!

MORE DETAILS AT [WWW.FCCNR.ORG/YOUNGADULTMINISTRY](http://WWW.FCCNR.ORG/YOUNGADULTMINISTRY)



## GLOBAL MISSIONS

### Operation Christmas Child... Bringing the Gospel to the Jungle

Travel along with Operation Christmas Child gift filled shoeboxes to the remote Chapra communities to deliver Good News and the first printed Scripture resource in their language. While translation of Gospel materials and the logistics were being planned, God was preparing the hearts of the Chapra people. [CLICK HERE](#) to see more!

*"How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" Romans 10:14*



Masorashi, leader in the Shoroyacocha Village of the Chapra people in Peru.  
Photo courtesy of Samaritan's Purse

### Vida Real Church & School Celebrate January Anniversary

Vida Real (Real Life) Evangelical Church in San Pablo La Laguna, Sololá Guatemala celebrated its 20th Anniversary in January!



Twenty years ago, God planted a seed in San Pablo La Laguna. It was not born of great resources or with imposing buildings, but with faith, obedience and a clear calling - bring His light to this place.

Vida Real celebrates not only the years, but the faithfulness of God.

Vida Real Church is not just a place; it is a light that keeps on shining in San Pablo La Laguna. To God be all the glory for what He has done, for what He is doing, and for what He will do in the future.

As Vida Real Church School registered students in January for the 2026 school year, they anticipate surpassing 150 students!

### Information shared by Vida Real



**Humble  
Beginnings**



**Vida Real Church  
God's light on a hill in San Pablo**

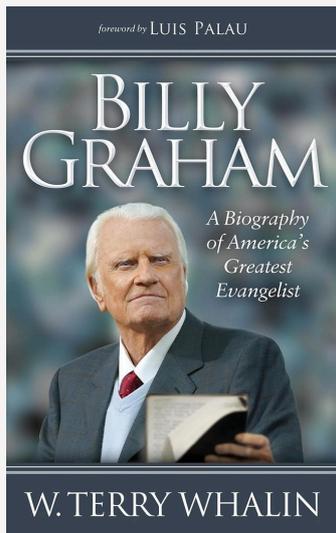
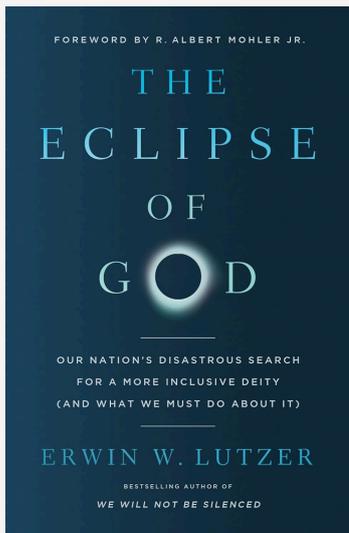
# Women's Ministry

## MONTHLY BOOK CLUB

### Third Saturday of Every Month

Book Club: After taking the month of December off to enjoy the holidays, we are starting back really slowly with the book entitled, "The Eclipse of God" by Erwin W. Lutzer. This book is amazingly relevant for the times we are in. We hope you can join us on February 21st at 10am in the Cafe.

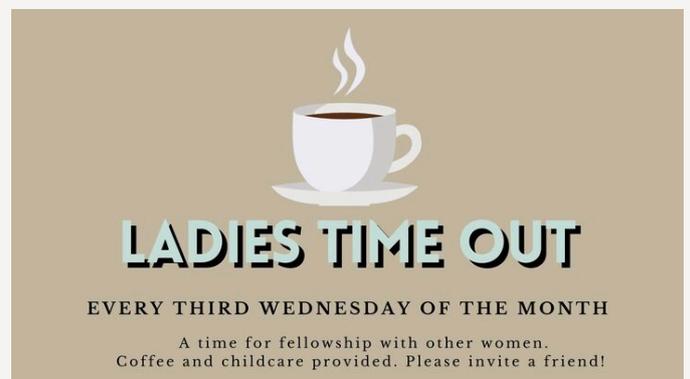
If you want to get a head start on our March book, we will be reading "Billy Graham: A Biography of America's Greatest Evangelist" by W. Terry Whalin. There are a limited number of copies of both books available in our FCC Bookstore.



## LADIES TIME OUT

### Join Us in the Cafe

Ladies of all ages and stages are invited to gather at LTO for fellowship, encouragement, and Christ-centered connection. We meet every third Wednesday from 9-11am. Bring a breakfast item to share if you're able. Coffee and childcare are provided (please bring a water bottle for your little ones). Questions? Contact Brienna Schwartz. Our next gathering will be on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>!



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The FCC Women's Ministry exists to equip women to be disciples who plant the church.

🌐 Visit our website here:  
<https://www.fccnr.org/womensministry>

✉ Email Stephanie Langer here:  
[stephanie.langer@homeforever.org](mailto:stephanie.langer@homeforever.org)

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<http://fccnr.org/womens-ministry-blog>

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<https://www.facebook.com/FCCWMnr>

## SECRET SISTER at Faith Community Church

Our Secret Sister blessings have begun! Over 30 ladies in our church have been assigned a "Secret Sister" to anonymously bless over the next few months. There's nothing like the love and encouragement from a sister in Christ to keep us warm during the remaining months of winter. We're all very excited to see what God will do with this ministry in the coming months!

If you are participating, be sure to Save the Date for our great Reveal Brunch on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am.



# Ministries

## GRIEF SHARE

### Monday Nights at 6pm

Our church offers this 13-session, Christ-centered grief support group program to individuals seeking help, encouragement and hope in recovering from the deep hurt of loss. Each week when we meet we watch a video that features practical advice, guidance, and encouragement from experts in grief recovery and from people who've experienced the loss of a loved one. After the video we have a time of group discussion where individuals can share, ask questions or just listen.

Our present series began in January and we will have sessions every Monday at 6:00pm through April 6. We meet in the D rooms at FCC. Participants are invited to join at anytime. You can register on the church website or at [GriefShare.org](http://GriefShare.org). For more information contact Rita Baker, Cal Gale, or Bryan Stangl.

Our God is doing amazing things as we share our grief journeys with each other.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 says,  
*"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God."*

## FCC YOUTH GROUP

### Every Wednesday Night

Youth are invited to join us every Wednesday Night for Youth Group! MS is from 6-7:30pm and HS from 7-8:30pm. We also serve a meal for all of the kids every week from 6-7pm.

The youth are invited back for Sunday School on Sunday mornings back in KidZone from 10-10:45! We hope they can join us!

### Youth Meals

Our whole Youth Group LOVES the meals on Wednesday Nights! If you are willing to donate to our youth food pantry, or help serve a prepared meal for over 130 kids on a Wednesday night, we would appreciate it!

Pantry Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

Check back often as it is always being updated.

Serving Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

## MEN'S MINISTRY

### Men's Retreat March 6-7

Men (High School and older) are invited to join us on March 6-7 for a Men's Retreat at the IRBC in Ventura, Iowa! Men from First Baptist Church in Forest City, IA, Faith Community Church in New Richmond, WI, and Grace Church in Algona, IA are all invited to come together for a weekend to pursue Christ as men of God.

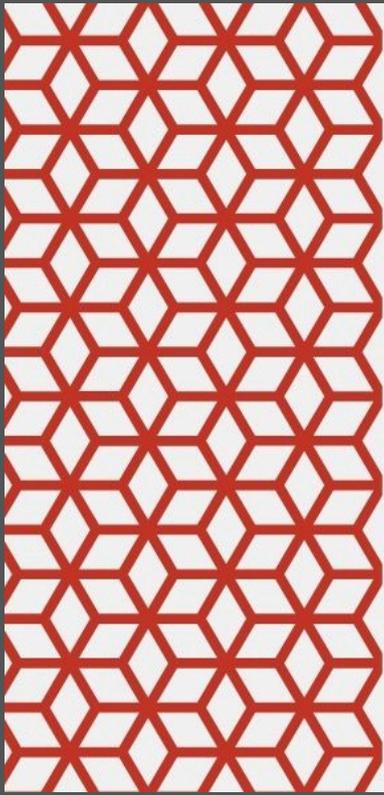
Cost is \$85/person and this will include lodging, activities, meals and the conference! Registration will close on February 16<sup>th</sup> so please register [HERE](#) as soon as you can!

More information and registration can be found on our website:

<https://fccnr.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3401820>



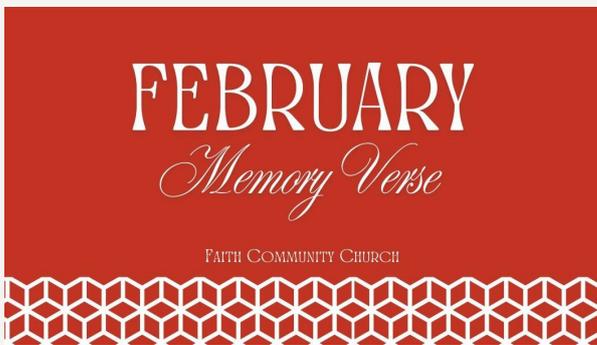
# Verse of the Month



## ROMANS 14:7-8

**7** For none of us lives to himself,  
and none of us dies to himself.

**8** For if we live, we live to the Lord,  
and if we die, we die to the Lord.  
So then, whether we live  
or whether we die, we are the Lord's.



### MEMORY CARDS

Our new memory verse card is available in the foyer for you to take home and use as a tool to help you memorize this month's scripture! They are located on a table as you exit the church. Hang them on your mirrors, tuck it in your wallet or your phone case, put it by the door... keep it handy to look at and memorize whenever you can!

### VERSE LOCKER

Looking for a new and useful way to learn your memory verse each month? The Verse Locker App is a great option!



Download the App  
[LINK HERE](#)



Choose your verse and edit as needed.



Start to memorize



Blur out more and more words until you have it memorized!

### Want to catch up?



Head to our **website** to see all of our verses from the year!

# Merch Shop

## CHURCH MERCH

Store Closes March 3rd

FCC Is excited to have a Merch Shop through our local store, Moore Imprints, for you to order some new FCC gear! Place your order online by March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and we will have your items available for pickup here at the church by March 18th! Here is a sneak peak of that we have available! Click [HERE](#) to be taken to the Merch Store!



# happenings

## WINTER FUN DAY

We had a great turnout for our Winter Fun Day here at FCC! There was food, fires, great conversations and lots of fun in the snow! Thank you to all who helped put this event on and to those who attended!



## ELDER PLANNING MEETING

Our Elders met in January for their annual Elder Planning Weekender where they spent time in prayer, fellowship, recapped 2025 and created goals for the year ahead!



## CHILD DEDICATIONS

Congratulations to our families who participated in Child Dedications last month. We consider it a great privilege to walk alongside your families to help raise your children in the Lord.



## COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEAL

FCC had the privilege of hosting the Community Outreach Meal for Everyone in January! Our awesome team served over 100 people from the community!



coming up

## COVENANT MEMBER MEETING

**Sunday, February 15th at 5pm**

Covenant Members are invited to join us for our next quarterly gathering. These meetings provide the opportunity to hear what is going on both currently and in the future with our ministries, hear from leadership, and spend time in fellowship with your church family. Bring a dish to share and join us at 5pm!

## COVENANT MEMBER CLASS

**Saturday, March 7th at 9am**

If Faith Community Church is your home, and you want to become a Covenant Member with us, please register [HERE](#) and we will get you connected to the next steps of completing your journey.

This class gives us the opportunity to provide a deeper understanding of what the Bible says about membership, and also to go over FCC's mission, vision, and doctrinal beliefs. Beyond information, these sessions give you the chance to meet with church leaders and fellow newcomers, creating a supportive community where you can be known and cared for. While this class is a required step to becoming a member, you can decide what your next steps are after attending! We encourage you to check it out!

Our next orientation is on Saturday, March 7th from 9-11:30am in the Armory room here at Faith Community Church! Light snacks will be provided. We look forward to connecting with you!

## SEASONED SAINTS

**Monday, February 9th at noon**

Seasoned Saints will be gathering next Monday, February 9th for their monthly luncheon. Everyone is invited to bring their favorite Hors d'oeuvre to share with the group! This is a great opportunity to connect with other seniors in our church family. We hope you can join us!

Last month was "Soup de Jour" and we would like to congratulate Deb Jensen for winning the Golden Ladle Award with her Roasted Cheesy Cauliflower Veggie Soup! Also a special thank you to Bobbi Blanchard for coming in to talk with our seniors about ways they can disciple their grandchildren.

If you aren't already receiving reminder emails, please sign up to join the group [HERE!](#)



## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**Thursday, February 26th**

Faith Community Church is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, February 26th from 12-6pm! If you are able, sign up [HERE](#) for a time slot to donate!

Severe Blood & Platelet Shortage! Donors urgently needed. Come to give blood by Feb. 28 and receive a \$20 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice from Red Cross.

# Giving

## GIVING

Your generosity and faithful giving help Faith Community Church continue the mission of making disciples, and provide the classes, events, and opportunities towards that mission. Thank you!

## GIVE ONLINE

[fccnr.org/give](http://fccnr.org/give)

Our online giving platform, Tithe.ly, is easy-to-use and will allow you to make both one-time and recurring gifts with a credit/debit card or ACH transaction from your checking account. You can create your Faith Community Church online giving account in Tithe.ly by clicking [HERE](#). If you need additional help, the steps are outlined on our donor instruction page by clicking [HERE](#).

For more information, visit our Giving page or contact our support team at [giving@homeforever.org](mailto:giving@homeforever.org).



### The Treasure Principle

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Mathew 6:19-21

### Other Ways to Give: LINK

**In Person:** Drop cash or check in the offering box located in wall by each door going into the worship gathering.

**Mail check to:** Faith Community Church  
1040 Paperjack Drive  
New Richmond, WI 54017

**Bill Pay:** Set-up your gift using your bank or credit union's automatic bill pay service, with payment directed to Faith Community Church at the address above. Most bill pay services allow you to set-up a recurring payment so your tithe and offering can continue uninterrupted.

**Tithe.ly App:** With features like easy recurring giving and QuickGive, it's never been easier to give. Download the tithe.ly app on to your mobile device. If you have already created an online giving account just 'Sign In' on the app with your account credentials. Otherwise click 'Create Account' and follow the prompts. When asked to find your church, entering FCC's street address "1040 Paperjack Drive" works best.

**Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity!**

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### Month of December

| (000s)                 | Actual | Budgeted |
|------------------------|--------|----------|
| Giving                 | 94     | 80       |
| Operating Expenditures | 72     | 73       |

# Calendar of Events

## FEBRUARY 2026

- 1st:** Prayer 7:30am  
Worship with Communion at 8:30am and 11am  
Sunday School 10-10:45am
- 2nd:** GriefShare 6-8pm
- 3rd:** Staff Meeting 9-11am
- 4th:** Men's Group 6-7am  
Women's Bible Study 9-10:30am  
Youth Group 6-8:30pm  
Women's Bible Study 6-7:30pm  
Elder Meeting 6:30-8pm
- 5th:** Worship Practice 6:30pm-8:30pm
- 6th:** YAM - Game Night 6:30-9:30pm
- 7th:** Men's Group 7-8:30am
- 8th:** Prayer 7:30am  
Worship at 8:30am and 11am w/Baptisms  
Sunday School 10-10:45am  
Outreach Meeting 12:30pm
- 9th:** Seasoned Saints 12-2pm  
GriefShare 6-8pm
- 10th:** n/a
- 11th:** Men's Group 7-8am  
Women's Bible Study 9-10:30am  
Youth Group 6-8:30pm  
Women's Bible Study 6-7:30pm
- 12th:** Worship Practice 6:30-8:30pm
- 13th:** n/a
- 14th:** HAPPY VALENTINES DAY  
Men's Group 7-8:30am
- 15th:** Prayer 7:30am  
Worship 8:30am and 11am w/New Members  
Coffee Hour 10-10:45am  
Covenant Member Meeting 5pm
- 16th:** GriefShare 6-8pm
- 17th:** Staff Meeting 9-11am
- 18th:** Men's Group 6-7am  
Ladies Time Out 9-11am  
Women's Bible Study 6-8:30pm  
FCC Youth Group 6-8:30pm  
Elder Meeting 6:30-8pm
- 19th:** Worship Team Practice 6:30-8:30pm
- 20th:** n/a
- 21st:** Men's Group 7-8am  
Women's Book Club 10am-noon
- 22nd:** Prayer 7:30am  
Worship 8:30am and 11am  
(Bible Presentations 2<sup>nd</sup> Service)  
Sunday School 10-10:45am (Session 4 Begins)  
Prayer and Worship Night 6-7pm
- 23rd:** GriefShare 6-8pm
- 24th:** Staff Meeting 9am
- 25th:** Men's Group 7-8am  
Women's Bible Study 9-10:30am  
Mission Team Meeting 5pm  
Youth Group 6-8:30pm  
Women's Bible Study 6-7:30pm  
Elder Meeting 6:30-8pm
- 26th:** Red Cross Blood Drive 12-6pm  
Board of Trustees Meeting 6pm  
Worship Team Practice 6:30-8:30pm
- 27th:** n/a
- 28th:** Men's Study 7-8:30am

## GONNET

### We are the Church.

Join us every Sunday morning at 8:30am or 11:00am for in person services, and continue your knowledge of God and the Christian life by participating in our Sunday School hour from 10am-10:45am - All Ages are Welcome!

Stay up to date with what's going on and follow us on Facebook, or catch up on services you have missed on our YouTube channel!



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