

FCC NEWSLETTER

The Official Monthly Newsletter of Faith Community Church - New Richmond



TRUNK OR TREAT

October 28th, 2026

Our annual Trunk or Treat event here at FCC is coming up in just a few weeks! We would love to see our church family take part in the fun! Check out **page 7** of the newsletter for all of the ways you can get involved this year!

We will be collecting Pillows for Grace Place all month long! Pillows can be dropped off in the office, stacked in the entry on Sunday mornings, or you can bring them the night of Trunk or Treat so we can fill the trailer!

See more details **[HERE!](#)**

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LAND PURCHASE

For Faith Community Church

In 1 Samuel chapters nine and ten, we read of Saul being chosen and then anointed as king over Israel. This, of course, comes after Israel's sinful rebellion against God demanding to have an earthly king like all the other nations around them. The interesting part about this story is that Saul wasn't seeking to become king. He was simply out looking for his father's lost donkeys.

But God had other plans for Saul - plans greater than he probably ever imagined - plans for him to rule over, judge, and lead His people. And unbeknownst to Saul, plans that would prepare the way for David to become king and ultimately, to point beyond every human ruler to the King of all Kings, Jesus Christ.

Shortly after Saul was anointed, 1 Samuel 10:26 says "Saul also went to his home at Gibeah, and with him went men of valor whose hearts God had touched." Think about that - the sovereign King, the Lord over all creation, the Great I AM - God Almighty touched the hearts of these men of valor so that they would go with Saul. John Piper talks about this in his article God, Touch Our Hearts and reflects upon what a wonderful thing it is to consider that the Great I AM breaks into our hearts of stone and touches them. He softens them. He turns them away from ourself and unto Himself. Praise God for that touch!

Earlier this summer, God touched the heart of the owner of the land to the east of the property on which Faith Community Church sits. The landowner approached one of our members and asked if FCC would have any interest in purchasing the four acres at the corner of Paperjack Drive and 140th Street (the triangular shaped highlighted area shown on the map). While the elders considered and prayed over the proposition, God once again touched the landowner's heart and led her to agree to sell the property for \$8,000 - a significant value for land these days!



And while the elders approved the purchase and the papers were signed, God, in His sovereignty, later revealed that the elders put the cart before the horse, so to speak. According to Article 15 in the FCC constitution, the elders are to guide the process of property acquisition and disposition, but prior to making any legal agreement to purchase, sell, or otherwise dispose of property, the elders are required to present the proposal to those in covenant relationship at a meeting called for that purpose, and a majority vote of those present is required for approval of acquisition and disposition of property.

God revealed that a mistake had been made, and that it needed to be made right. So, a meeting was called on October 4th to follow the proper protocol. The land acquisition was presented to the covenant members of FCC and was followed by a vote to approve and keep the land or disapprove and sell the land. And once again, God moved in the hearts of His people to approve the purchase of the land with a unanimous 151-0 vote in favor of the purchase!

The Elders

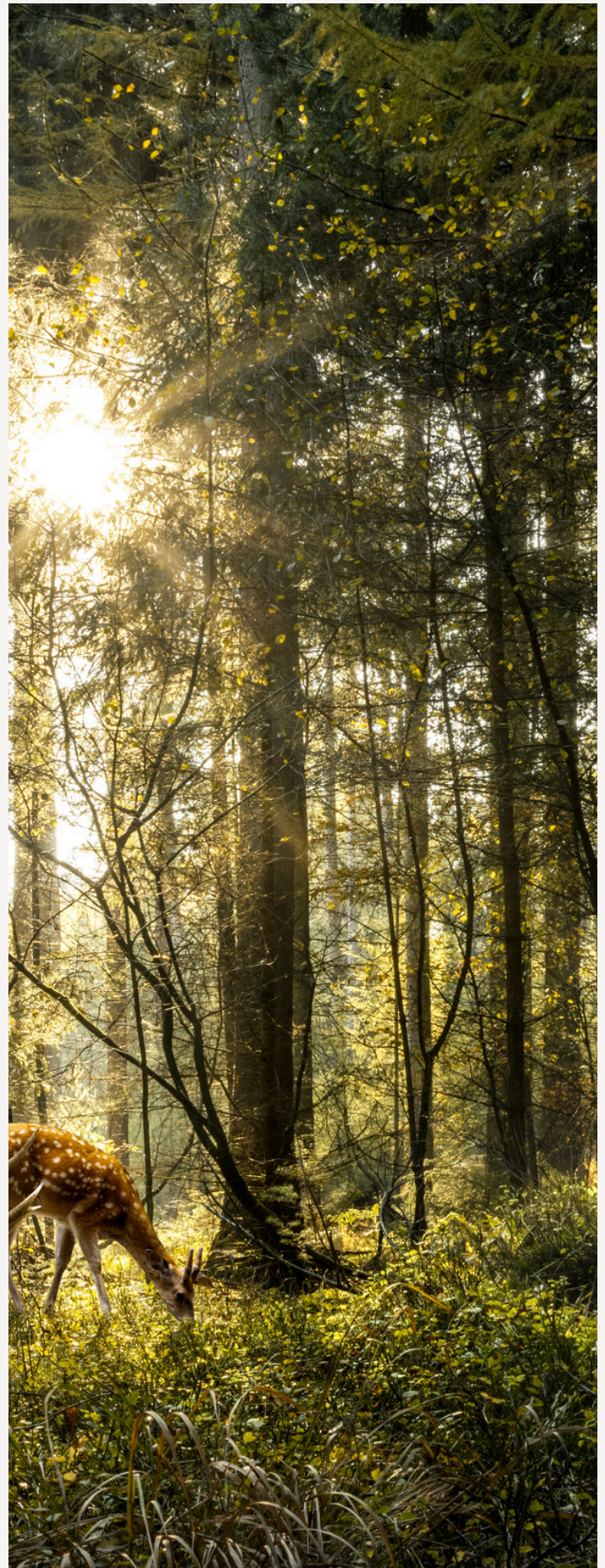
With that, the elders would like to thank the resident membership for the grace shown during this misstep. Your kind words and encouragement were truly a blessing to us! And now, we ask you to join us in praying over how God would have us utilize the additional four acres He's added to the FCC campus.

As I've reflected on God's sovereignty over all of this, God has reminded me that, while we weren't looking to purchase this land and didn't seek it out, He moved in the heart of the landowner to agree to sell it to us for a very reasonable price. And even through the mistake on behalf of the elder council, God has reminded me that He is sovereign over all things – including lessons learned through humility and the demonstration of unity and forgiveness shown through His people.

God constantly amazes me with what He is doing in the hearts of His people – and it brings me to my knees in thankfulness for all that He has done, is doing now, and has promised to do. Jesus is building His church – and the gates of hell will not prevail against it! Let's thank Him for His goodness and mercy and praise Him for touching our hearts...and sometimes the hearts of our neighbors.

How has God been touching your heart lately? What is He prompting you to do? Pray that God would touch all our hearts once again for His glory. Then follow His lead, abide in His presence, trust in His sovereignty, and go serve our Sovereign King in the strength that He supplies in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ!

**Your brother in Christ,
Paul Olsen, FCC Elder Chairman**



THE ONTOLOGICAL ARGUMENT FOR GOD

As I've prepared for our apologetics Sunday School class, I've gotten deeply mired in the Ontological argument; I'd like to invite you into the mire :-)

The ontological argument was developed by Anselm of Canterbury who lived around 1100. Basically what you end up with is that if it's even possible that God exists, then God does exist.

Before you read it you need to know ...this one is a dousy. It's really hard to grasp. It sounds like a trick. But many people today believe it's bullet-proof. And I think when you start to get it, it can cause you to worship. But there's a lot of fog to work through...so let's get started!

Possible Worlds

First we need to define a term: the term "possible worlds." A "possible world" is simply a way the world might have been. So in some possible world I might have had hair in my 30s. It's possible. Or in some possible world this church might have been named faith "Baptist" church. It's possible. But in no possible world can you have a round triangle. Or a married bachelor. Or a square circle. Those things are logically incoherent. They're impossible. A possible world doesn't mean there's actually another world out there. It's just a description of the way things might have been.

Who is God?

The argument is based on who Anselm taught that God is. Anselm said God is "that than which nothing greater can be conceived." If you could think of anything greater than this being, then that would be God. This being would be omniscient (having all knowledge), omnipotent (having all power). He'd be perfectly good.

And (here comes the crucial part)...he'd exist in every possible world. Because a being that exists in every possible world is greater than a being that exists only in one. But if he exists in every possible world, that includes the actual world. Which means God exists in the actual world. Which means God exists

The Argument

Here's the argument laid out more neatly. This is a modern version by Alvin Plantinga:

1. It is possible that a maximally great being exists.
2. If it is possible that a maximally great being exists, then a maximally great being exists in some possible world.
3. If a maximally great being exists in some possible world, then it exists in every possible world.
4. If a maximally great being exists in every possible world, then it exists in the actual world.
5. If a maximally great being exists in the actual world, then a maximally great being exists.
6. Therefore, a maximally great being exists. [1]

Now you're probably thinking "what on earth was that?" You may not find this at all convincing. Personally I find it downright confusing sometimes, then worshipful and amazing at other times!

What's really shocking is that steps 2-6 are basically uncontroversial. If premise 1 is true, steps 2-6 seem to necessarily follow.

The real debate is just with premise 1: "It is possible[2] that a maximally great being exists." To say that it is not possible is to say that God is like a square-circle, or a married bachelor. There has been no good reason to think that this is the case.

This argument is A-priori; it is prior to any external experience of the world. It's amazing because if it holds, it shows that we're led to God in the very act of thinking about Him. Just by thinking about his nature we arrive at his actual existence!

[1]. This is Philosopher Alvin Plantinga's version of the argument.

[2]. For the super-nerds, we're talking about metaphysical possibility, not epistemic possibility here.

For Christ and His Bride,

Pat Nickerson
Associate Pastor

Recent Handout

How to Get the Most Out of a Sermon

Prepare your heart • Listen to the Word • Respond faithfully

1 Come well rested

Get a good night sleep the night before so you are fully awake and ready to receive all that God has for you.

2 Come well-read

Read the passage before the service.

Come prayerfully

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 - Pray for your pastor to be faithful.
 - Pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ to be encouraged.
 - Pray for the lost to be saved.
 - Pray for yourself to grow.

4 Listen discerningly

Acts 17:11, "Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so."

5 Listen eagerly

Matthew 4:4, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

6 Respond with meditation

Joshua 1:8a, "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it."

Respond with worship

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 - Nehemiah 8:5-6, "And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood. And Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground."*

8 Respond with obedience

James 1:22 (NIV), "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

9 Respond with discipleship

Ask yourself, "Who can I share this truth with?"

We are working our way through our current sermon series titled, "Why We Do What We Do". A few weeks ago, we distributed this handout for our church family! In case you weren't able to grab one, here it is!

Outreach Team

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES & CELEBRATIONS

Five Loaves

Serve at Five Loaves on the fourth Thursday of each month from 5:20 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., by helping guests select food. No heavy lifting required! Located at 144 W 3rd St, New Richmond, we ask you to meet and enter near the side entrance for prayer and directions. Our next distribution date is Thursday, September 24. If you would like more information, please email faithloves@homeforever.org



Grace Place

Are you a good listener and do you encourage others? We are looking for individuals to help lead "Faith and Encouragement" at Grace Place.

What is it? Grace Place is run by the Salvation Army and it is a transitional housing opportunity for people. We are spearheading an initiative to minister to guests at Grace Place by hosting "Faith and Encouragement" after the supper hour on week nights for about an hour. At Faith and Encouragement we have conversations and offer prayer. While having these conversations, we let the Holy Spirit guide our conversation about faith and the Gospel.

Are you available for Faith and Encouragement? Please click on **Faith and Encouragement at Grace Place** and complete the survey to express your interest.



Faith Loves

Faith Loves is an outreach ministry designed to **connect people with skills to those who need help**. The people needing help may be members of our church or your neighbors. Whatever skills and talents God has given you, God can use them.

Complete the **Faith Loves Helper Survey** to become a **Faith Loves Helper**.

Maybe you or someone you know is the person who's in need of help. Take the next step and send individuals to the **Need Help button** on our church website.



MOTORCYCLE RIDE

On Sunday, September 27th, some guys from our Faith Family hopped on their bikes and took off on the River Run! They enjoyed the scenery, shared a meal, and made it back just in time for Prayer and Worship Night! Want to join our next ride? Reach out to Chuck Olson **HERE!**



Trunk or Treat

TRUNK OR TREAT

Wednesday, October 28th

One of our biggest outreach opportunities of the year is just around the corner and we would love all hands on deck from our church family! Trunk or treat is always an exciting night around FCC with a spaghetti dinner, Fall themed movie on the big screen, trunks inside and out of the building, and hundreds of guests from the community! Here are some ways you can help:

Donate Pillows all month long!

Each year we donate pillows to a local Non Profit - Grace Place Salvation Army - to provide a new pillow for their new residents! Pillows can be brought to the church all month long! Our final collection night will be at Trunk or Treat!

Have a "Trunk"

(table or room inside, or table/trunk outside) to hand out candy! Come up with a fun theme, bring some candy, and enjoy being a part of the fun! Sign up [here](#)!

Donate items for our spaghetti dinner!

View the sign-up [HERE](#) for items we will need for the event. Non-perishables can be dropped off in the church office anytime this month! Other items can go in the Main Kitchen freezer/refrigerator when they are ready!

Help serve the night of the event!

We have opportunities to help in the kitchen, with parking, greeting our guests and more! **Sign-up** for the best fit!

PRAY

for this event to plant seeds in our community, and many are encouraged to return on a Sunday morning!

INVITE

We will have invite cards available in the foyer! Hand them out so your friends, family and neighbors can join the fun!



FCC YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Group Small Groups also will be busy this month working together to come up with themes, costumes and decorations for their own trunks! Please have your youth here on October 28th as soon as possible to get their trunks ready, send them each with 2 bags of candy, and plan to pick them up shortly after 8pm so they have a little time to help cleanup! They will have a chance to enjoy the Spaghetti Dinner throughout the night!

Check out the signup here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0948AEAE22A3FCC34-66347083-trunk#/>



Women's Ministry

FALL OPPORTUNITIES

GROWING TOGETHER MEET & GREET

All mentors and youth participating in Growing Together are invited to a Meet & Greet Potluck on Sunday, October 11, immediately following second service. Please bring a dish to share and come enjoy a time of connection as we begin the year together.



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Women's Ministry will be serving at Feed My Starving Children on Saturday, October 10. Please sign up [online](#) through the event page if you would like to participate.



JOY IN EVERY SEASON WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: October 16-17

Registration is open for our fall conference, Joy in Every Season: A Generational Journey in Christ, held October 16-17. The conference is free, and you may choose either the catered lunch option (fee applies) or bring your own lunch. Please sign up online through the event page.



LADIES TIME OUT

Seeking Childcare Sub

Join us for Ladies Time Out on Wednesday, October 21st from 9 - 11 am in the café. This is time for women to gather for fellowship and encouragement with their sisters in Christ. Coffee and childcare are provided! Ladies are encouraged to bring a breakfast item to share if able.

This month we are looking for a sub for one of our childcare volunteers! If you or your youth helper are interested in serving in October - or being on a sub list - please contact Brienna Schwartz at [218-330-8183](tel:218-330-8183).



JOY in
every
season

A WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

A GENERATIONAL JOURNEY IN CHRIST

OCTOBER 16TH & 17TH
FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

REGISTER ONLINE

Children's Ministry

NEW YEAR, NEW INFO

We have started our new school year in KidZone and we're off to a great start! Thank you to all of our summer teachers for investing in our kids over the last few months and giving our school year teachers a well deserved break! We are back to our school year curriculum as well. Have you ever wondered what each grade is studying on Sunday mornings? See program details below!



KIDZONE KICK-OFF

All of our KidZone volunteers start the year with an annual training and review of the updated Handbook; faithfully committing themselves to the mission and vision of Faith Community Church's KidZone. We HELP make (little) disciples who plant the church. We believe that parents have the primary responsibility in the discipleship training of their children and our goal in KidZone is to reinforce and support parents in their journey of raising up young followers of Christ by providing quality teaching and curriculum for kids and allowing parents the opportunity to grow in their own walk with Jesus through adult teaching and christian community. We consider this a great privilege and are devoted to serving our young families. Thank you to all of those who serve, and for all who entrust their children to us each week!



 NURSERY Ages 0-3 8:30 Service 10:10-45 SS Hr 11:00 Service	Nursery is offered for children ages birth through 3 yrs during both the 8:30 and 11:00 services and Sunday School Hour. The Nursery team is dedicated to providing a God-focused, happy, healthy, and safe environment for the children in its care. 8:30am 0-11 Month - Butterfly Room 1yr - 23 Month - Fish Room 2yrs - 35 Months - Barn Room 3yrs & 4yrs - Sensory Room 10:00am & 11:00am 0-23 Months - Fish Room 2yr - 4yrs - Barn Room
 SUNDAY SCHOOL 4k-3rd 10:00-10:45am	Sunday School is offered for kids 4K-3rd Grade during our Sunday School Hour: 10-10:45am. Using <i>The Gospel Project for Kids</i> curriculum, students look at the big picture of God's story—the story of redemption through Jesus Christ. Each week, kids follow a chronological timeline of Bible events, all the while learning how each story points to the gospel of Jesus Christ. 4K Kindergarten & 1st Grade 2nd & 3rd Grade
 THE FORGE ROOM E6	The Forge is for kids in 4th & 5th Grade during our Sunday School Hour: 10-10:45am in Room E6! There they use the <i>Forged: Faith Refined</i> curriculum to sharpen their worldview according to biblical principles. As preteens move toward their teenage years, this class will use the Bible to help refine their faith and prepare them to understand and interact with the world around them with a biblical worldview all while preparing them for the transition to our youth group. 4th & 5th Grade
 CHILDREN'S CHURCH 4k-1st 8:30 Service 11:00 Service	Children's Church is offered for kids 4K-1st Grade during both the 8:30 and 11:00 service. Students will participate in Kids Worship, Bible memorization, and Bible literacy along with fun activities corresponding to the day's Sunday School lesson from <i>The Gospel Project for Kids</i> curriculum. This will not be the Sunday School class, but a supplement for it. 4K, Kindergarten & 1st Grade

If you have any questions about Children's Church, Kristen Sprehn is our Children's Church lead and is a great resource for questions on the lessons, their content, and ways to continue the learning at home!
kristen.sprehn@homeforever.org

If you have any questions about Sunday School, Katy Everett heads up our Sunday School team and would love the chance to tell you more about what we're doing on Sunday mornings and how to connect our KidZone ministry with your ministry at home!
katy.everett@homeforever.org



Kristen Sprehn



Katy Everett

Children's Ministry

NEW THIS YEAR

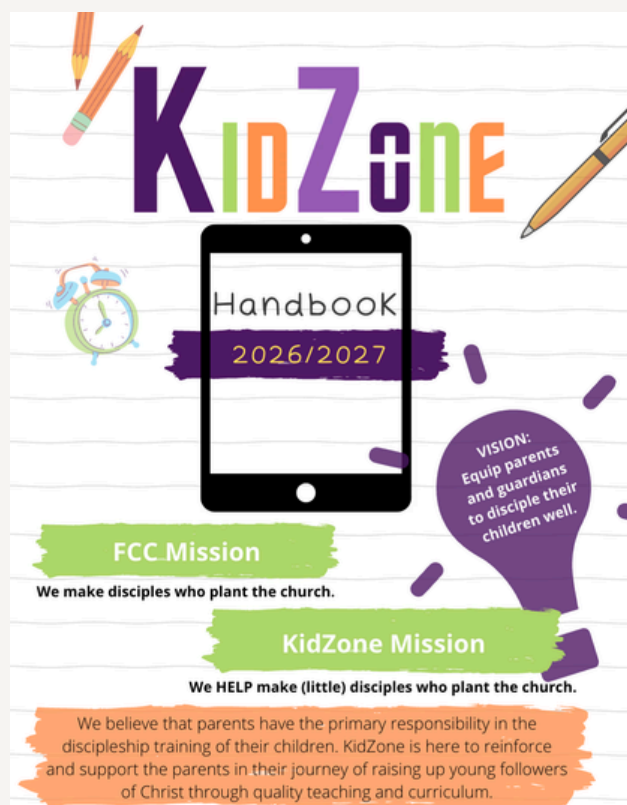
"Bible Skills & Drills" & "Missions & Memorization" Sundays

This year, KidZone will also be incorporating a couple of new initiatives to our Sunday mornings! Both Children's Church and Sunday School classes will now have a section of class time devoted to "Bible Skills & Drills". During this time, kids will work on memorizing six historically foundational "pillars" of the Christian faith. Each month they will focus on one "pillar", using songs, games, puzzles and flashcards to memorize. Prizes will be awarded once a month during our new "Missions & Memorization" Sundays. These Sundays will still contain their favorite monthly Missions lesson with Jan Hoffman but the rest of the class time they will now have the chance to review, and receive their prizes for, any of the six categories of memorization for the year. Parents, keep an eye out for more detailed information about this and resources to continue the memorization practice at home via email and the Facebook Parent Resource page soon!

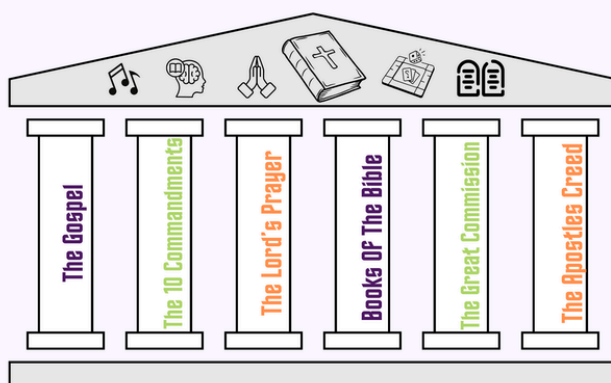
MISC

If you would like to review KidZone's policies and procedures and/or leader requirements and commitments, you can access the 2026/2027 KidZone Handbook [HERE](https://canva.link/hpm1k48b7untohq).

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And as always, if you have any questions about any of the programs in KidZone or need any prayer, support, or resources for your family at home, please don't hesitate to reach out to Bobbi Blanchard at bobbi.blanchard@homeforever.org



Sunday School

DO WE Need SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Consider what the data reveals about the impact of Sunday School on your family:

1. It Bridges the "Confidence Gap"

- The Stat: A landmark study by the Barna Group found that 86% of Christian parents admit their children learn spiritual concepts at church that they themselves do not feel equipped or know how to teach.
- The Impact: Sunday School is family education. While your children learn biblical foundations at an age-appropriate level, our adult classes equip you to naturally continue the faith conversation in everyday life and family worship.

2. It Builds a "Web of Faith" (Not Just a Thread)

- The Stat: The American Research Group data shows that roughly 70% of young people step away from the church during middle and high school. However, the #1 predictor of a youth staying grounded in their faith is having intergenerational relationships within the church.
- The Impact: Sunday School surrounds your children with a consistent team of trusted adult mentors and Christian peers. When the world tests their faith, they won't just rely on what Mom and Dad said—they will stand on the deep-rooted community at Faith Community and the Word of God that has been shared by them.

3. It Shifts Faith from Passive to Active

- The Stat: Children who regularly attend Sunday School are statistically twice as likely to read the Bible on their own and attend church consistently as adults compared to those who only attend morning worship.
- The Impact: In a worship service, children observe. In Sunday School, they participate. They open the physical Bible, ask honest questions, pray out loud for and with their peers, and learn how to navigate the highs and lows of life with biblical truth.

So, should we add Sunday School?

Sunday morning worship is crucial. Adding Sunday School can feel optional. But Sunday School and Small Groups are where our faith becomes personal and relational and that is especially true for children. In Sunday School they discuss Scripture with an adult besides their parents, ask questions, and build deep bonds with Christian peers. They develop a **Faith Community**.

Parents often report feeling isolated and ill equipped to disciple their kids at home. Parents are spiritually fed in adult Sunday School classes and become more confident in leading family worship and discussions during the week.

Don't just go to church. Be the church. Join your **Faith Community**.

Invest in your family's spiritual future by making Sunday School a non-optional part of your weekend rhythm. There is a life-changing, age-appropriate class waiting for **every** member of your family this Sunday.

Classes begin at 10:00am

Grab a coffee, drop off the kids, and find an adult class that fits you!



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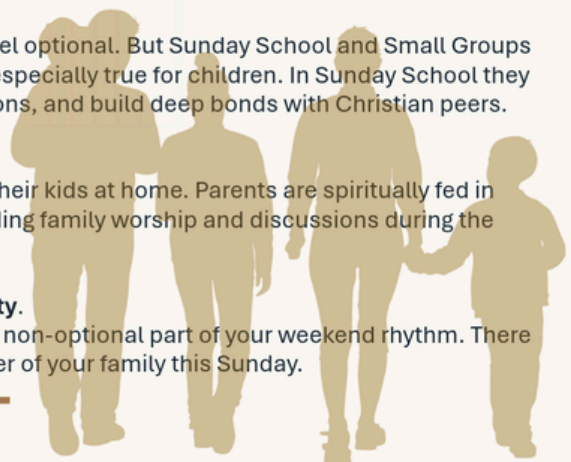


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Pat Nickerson pat.nickerson@homeforever.org



Ministries

FCC YOUTH GROUP

Every Wednesday Night

If your kiddos haven't attended youth group yet, it's not too late! We encourage all of the youth in grades 6-12 to come and check it out! There is food, fun, great teaching and meaningful small group time!

Middle School

- 6:00-6:30- Meal, Snack Shack Open & Free Time
- 6:30-7:00- Large Group Teaching
- 7:00-7:30- Small Groups (please pick your MS children up by 7:45pm)

High School

- 6:30-7:00- Meal & Snack Shack Open
- 7:00-7:30- Snack Shack Open & Free Time
- 7:30-8:00- Large Group Teaching
- 8:00-8:30- Small Groups

More dates and details can be found on the Youth Ministry [website](#)!

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

Meals:

We feed over 180 people every week! If you are interested in helping by donating items needed for each week, or helping serve the food, we would love it! Check out the signups below!

[CLICK HERE TO DONATE TO THE PANTRY!](#)

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP TO SERVE MEALS!](#)



COVENANT MEMBER CLASSES

If Faith Community Church is your home, and you want to become a Covenant Member with us, please register 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!

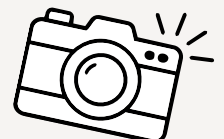
Our next orientation is on Saturday, October 24th from 9-11:30am in D3 here at Faith Community Church! Light snacks will be provided. We look forward to connecting with you!

[REGISTER HERE](#)



PHOTO SESSIONS

Are you looking to update your photo for the church directory? Sign up for a photo session on Sunday, October 18th with Alexandra Hedges! Your 15 minutes session will include a digital family photo with opportunities to add more! More information and sign up can be found here: [LINK](#)



SEASONED SAINTS

Starting September 9th!

You are invited to the October Seasoned Saints - Autumn Gathering on Wednesday, October 14th from 12-2pm. Please bring your own sack lunch and a folding outdoor chair. We will start at inside of church at noon to eat and play fall games, and then head outside by the firepit for dessert. Special thanks to the Bethkes and Jensens for hosting! Please **RSVP** and let us know if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

PRAYER MINISTRY

The Lord wants to talk with us,

1 Peter 5:7, "Cast all your cares on him because he cares for you."

Psalm 55:22, "Cast all your burdens on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken."

Consider this for your time with the Lord:
If you talked with the Lord,

- for 1 minute per hour, that equals about 12-15 minutes per day, OR
- for 3 minutes per hour, that equals about 36-45 minutes per day, OR
- for 5 minutes per hour, that equals about 1 hour-1 hour & 15 minutes per day.

Wow, only 5 minutes per hour equals a little over an hour per day of talking with the Lord! That's quite the accomplishment! Give it a try, while you're waiting at an appointment, picking up your children or on your daily walk/run/bike ride. The Lord really wants to talk with us!

If you're interested in serving in one of the Prayer Corners or on the Prayer Team, please seek me out if you have any questions.

Dallas Redlin
Deacon of Prayer

GRIEF SHARE

Facilitators Needed

"When sorrows surround you, let the Bible be your helper". -Charles H. Spurgeon

GriefShare is a gospel-centered support group for anyone grieving the death of a loved one, whether your loss occurred recently or years ago.

Each week we will watch a video that goes over grief related topics that features biblical counselors, pastors, and people that have lost loved ones. After the video as a group we go through some questions and discuss the video through conversation and encouragement.

Our new series started on Monday, September 14, 6:00 to 8:00 pm but you can join at any time. We meet weekly on Monday evenings at FCC in D rooms.

Any adult in need of hope and encouragement after the loss of a loved one is welcome to participate. Invite others you know who might benefit from these Christ centered meetings. Register on our church website or go directly to GriefShare.org for more information and free videos. There is no fee.

Also you can contact Rita Baker ([801-699-1709](tel:801-699-1709)) or Bryan Stangl ([763-245-9891](tel:763-245-9891))

If you feel like you are being God is leading you to join our staff in this ministry of encouraging others we would appreciate hearing from you soon. Training is available.

Psalm 46:1

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble



RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN

DONATE TODAY!

FCC is doing a campaign to raise the roof on 2 church plants. Each one is a cost of \$5,000 and will be built to add walls, windows and doors as funds become available in the future.

Any donations above and beyond the cost of the two church plants will be used by Pastor Edwin Onen to further his ministry - possibly handheld listening devices containing the Gospel Message and Bible for those that cannot read or write. We were able to raise some funds this weekend at our Mission Meal, but encourage our church family to still contribute if you are able! Thank you for helping support this exciting project!

GIVING LINK



GLOBAL MISSIONS

In 2025, Pastor Edwin Onen and his leaders identified the Aloto South Village in Latanya, Kitgum District, as an area for a future church plant. They began house-to-house evangelism, and within just a few months, held their 1st church service under a tree on some borrowed land. That first Sunday, 28 people were baptized. Because of the gift of a Bible as a child, the landowner then felt the desire to donate that land to the Aloto church plant. With the donation of land, building a church is the next step so that the Sunday service attendees may worship out of the rain and scorching sun.

Pastor Denis and his wife actually live in a nearby village and travel to Aloto South village for their ministry work and Sunday worship services.



Another church plant was birthed in Okol Likol Village, Mucwini East, the birth village and childhood community of Pastor Edwin. Mucwini is a spiritually dark place with 2 practicing witch doctors. Pastor's grandmother, Rojalba Lalai, was overcome with emotion with a real church coming to her village! She never thought a church would come in her lifetime. With tears in her eyes and extreme joy in her heart, Rojalba donated two acres of her land to hold services and build a church.

Pastor Daniel Mugisa is leading the Alive Community Church plant in Rojalba's village of Okol Likol. On June 21, the first day of church services launch, 20 people came to faith and were baptized. We continue to pray for a breakthrough over demonic influence and for believers to know God deeply.

Having land, the villages of both Aloto South and Okol Likol, are ready for church buildings. Is God calling you to help raise the roof? For now, the church buildings will be sturdy poles and a metal roof - built with the intension of walls, windows and doors as the financial funds become available.



Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child Impact Stories



Panama City, Panama:

11-year Old Overcomes Leukemia and Now Teaches *The Greatest Journey*

11-year-old Maykel received a shoebox and began our discipleship program, *The Greatest Journey*. During this time, he was diagnosed with stage 3 leukemia and doctors warned he wouldn't live many more days. The discipleship teacher came to visit him and continued his lessons in the hospital. The teacher prayed with him and his family continually and he was miraculously healed! He now teaches *The Greatest Journey*!



Nigeria:

Idol Worshipers Become Evangelists Through Operation Christmas Child

"The danger zone." That's what people called a community in Nigeria where people pledged allegiance to witchcraft and idolatry. For years, Pastor Peter* had sown Gospel seeds in this difficult area but, it seemed, with little effect. A fledgling church existed, though it struggled. That all changed, however, when he partnered with Operation Christmas Child to bring 150 gift-filled shoeboxes to the boys and girls living in the danger zone. When Ruby, the daughter of a shrine leader, received a shoebox gift, it prompted her whole family to start coming to church! Pastor Peter started *The Greatest Journey* lessons with some of the shoebox recipients. Since then, idolatry practices have dropped off and 100 children now attend Sunday school. "Thank God for Operation Christmas Child," he said. "The church work was made easy through the boxes."



Kenya: One Answered Prayer Prompts 20 Children to Attend Church

On her way home from school, Setian, 9, used to pick up stubs of pencils on the ground so she could do her homework. Her parents could not afford to buy her new ones because they were unemployed. Setian attended an Operation Christmas Child outreach event where she heard the Gospel and prayed for what she needed before opening her shoebox gift. Inside, she found pens and pencils! Setian told her parents about Jesus. They accepted His salvation by faith and began attending church with their daughter. Setian also shared the Gospel with her friends, and today 20 other children are coming to church as a result of her invitations.

Georgia: Scripture Memory Cards Lead a Family to Follow Christ

Giorgi, 11, scattered little square green cards all over his home. Each card containing a Bible verse and an illustration from *The Greatest Journey* discipleship workbook helped him to stand at his graduation and easily recite all 12 verses highlighted in the course. "I love all the stories about Jesus, and it was easy for me to find a place for each memory card in my house," Giorgi said. "I had a great journey through Bible stories every day at home." As Giorgi shared the lessons from *The Greatest Journey* with his family, they began to attend church together with him. Today, each of them follows Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD KICK-OFF COMING SOON!

Verse of the Month

REVELATION 5:9

“Worthy are you to take the scroll
and to open its seals, for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed people
for God from every tribe and language
and people and nation.”



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!

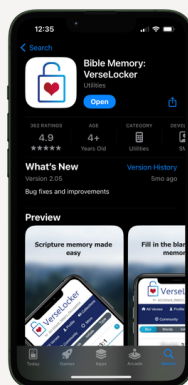
VERSE LOCKER

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

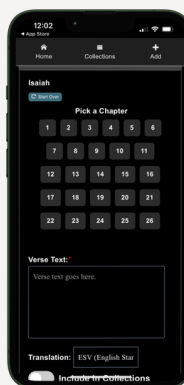
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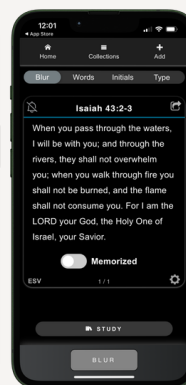
Head to our **website** to see all of our verses from the year!



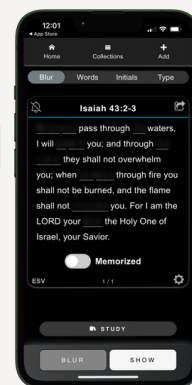
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the App
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Choose
your verse and edit
as needed.



Start to
memorize



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

THANK YOU

Your generosity and faithful recurring giving provide the financial resources necessary for Faith Community Church to continue the mission of making disciples and provide the classes, events, and opportunities towards that mission. Thank you!

GIVE ONLINE

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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.



The Treasure Principle

Mathew 6:19-21
"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."

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 August

(000s)	Actual	Budgeted
Giving	73	70
Operating Expenditures	67	67

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2026

- 1st:** Men's Bible Study: 6:30pm
Worship Practice: 6:30pm
- 2nd:** n/a
- 3rd:** Men's Bible Study: 7am
Men's Cornhole and Chili Night: 4:30pm
- 4th:** Prayer: 7:45am
Worship: 8:30am & 11am w/ Baptisms & Communion
Sunday School: 10-10:45am
Mission Meal: 1pm
- 5th:** GriefShare: 6-8pm
WM Hebrews Bible Study: 6-7:30pm
- 6th:** Staff Meeting: 9am
- 7th:** Men's Bible Study: 6-7am
FCC Youth Group: 6-8:30pm
- 8th:** Men's Bible Study: 6:30pm
Worship Practice: 6:30-9pm
- 9th:** Elder Planning Session 5:30pm
- 10th:** Men's Bible Study: 7am
Elder Planning Session: 8am
Feed My Starving Children Event (offsite): 1pm
- 11th:** Prayer: 7:45am
Worship: 8:30am & 11am
Sunday School: 10-10:45am
Growing Together Kick-Off Brunch: 12:30pm
Outreach Team meeting: 12:30pm
- 12th:** Diana Marsh Visitation: 2pm
Diana Marsh Funeral: 3pm
GriefShare: 6-8pm
WM Hebrews Bible Study: 6-7:30pm
- 13th:** Staff Meeting: 9am
Elder Meeting: 6pm
Counseling Team Meeting: 6:30pm
- 14th:** Men's Bible Study: 6am
Seasoned Saints: 12pm
FCC Youth Group: 6-8:30pm
- 15th:** Men's Bible Study: 6:30pm
Worship Practice: 6:30-9pm
- 16th:** Women's Conference: 6:30-8:30pm
- 17th:** Men's Bible Study: 7am
Women's Conference: 9am-4pm
- 18th:** Prayer: 7:45am
Worship: 8:30am & 11am
Sunday School: 10-10:45am
Family Photo Sessions (Register Online)
- 19th:** GriefShare: 6-8pm
WM Hebrews Bible Study: 6-7:30pm
Ministry Team Meeting: 6:15pm
- 20th:** Staff Meeting: 9am
Elder Meeting: 6pm
- 21st:** Men's Bible Study: 6-7:30am
Ladies Time Out: 9-11am
FCC Youth Group: 6-8:30pm
- 22nd:** 5Loaves Serving: 5:30pm
Men's Bible Study 6:30pm
Worship Practice: 6:30-9pm
- 23rd:** n/a
- 24th:** Men's Bible Study: 7am
Covenant Member Class: 9am
- 25th:** Prayer Time: 7:45am
Worship: 8:30am & 11am
Sunday School: 10-10:45am
Prayer & Worship Night: 6pm
- 26th:** GriefShare: 6-8pm
WM Hebrews Bible Study: 6-7:30pm
- 27th:** Staff Meeting: 9am
Elder Meeting: 6pm
- 28th:** Board Of Trustees Meeting: 6pm
Men's Bible Study: 6-7:30am
Trunk or Treat: 5:30-8pm
- 29th:** Men's Bible Study: 6:30pm
Worship Practice: 6:30pm
- 30th:** n/a
- 31st:** Men's Bible Study: 7am

CONNECT

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!

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