

Welcome to Faith

Thank you so much for joining us at Faith Covenant Church this morning! Our hope is that during your time with us today you'll have an opportunity to connect with God's people, God's Spirit, and God's truth. If you have any questions, need any information, or if we can help you get connected here at Faith, please let us know by filling out your gigital connection card or by visiting our website at fc.corg. Thanks again and let's worship!

Print Bulletin

CONNECTION CARD

Sunday Worship - December 5, 2021 Messy Christmas - Messy Me Pastor James Bryde

Sunday Resources

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Congregational Meeting

As we continue to have a conversation about the best constitutional model at Faith we will be having a special Congregational Meeting on December 12, 2021 in between the first and second services. This meeting will make the conversation official but WILL NOT change our current constitutional model.

Connect a child to their incarcerated parent this Christmas



Purchase gifts online from our Amazon Wish List

Pick up tags at the Community Station

4FCC.ORG/ANGEL-TREE

Questions? contact Amanda Haelterman

Angel Tree

Each year we partner with Prison Fellowship to purchase presents on behalf of inmates who are unable to be home for Christmas. This year we have 56 families & over 130 kids.

How can you help?

 Purchase gifts by picking up a tag at the Community Station on Sundays or by shopping online via our Amazon list. Return gifts unwrapped by Wednesday, December 8th to the church or have them shipped directly to us

- 2. Join us Sunday, December 12th as we wrap all the gifts for the families after services. Pizza lunch will be provided.
- 3. Deliver gifts to families Saturday, December 18th starting at 9am from church.

Questions? Contact Amanda Haelterman

Shop the Angel Tree List



Upcoming Message Series

The 1st Christmas – a peaceful, joyful, picture-perfect season in history. Right? Not really. The 1st Christmas as it's recorded for us in the Bible was actually a mess! And yet God was present and working in the mess of that season. Join us at Faith Covenant Church as we discover how the God who was present and at work in the mess of the 1st Christmas is still present and at work in the mess of this Christmas.

December 5 / Messy Me December 12 / Messy Choices December 19 / Messy Lists December 24 / Messy Places

Invite Your Friends!

 $Help\ spread\ the\ word\ and\ invite\ your\ friends\ to\ join\ us\ for\ our\ "Messy\ Christmas"\ series.\ Click\ below\ to\ download\ properties and\ the properties are also below to\ download\ properties.$ social media graphics to share as you invite your friends to join us!

Social Media Graphics



City Covenant Hot Meal Program

 $\hbox{City Covenant Church is serving hot meals to over 150 people, four days a week, to their community in Detroit. On } \\$ the 2nd Tuesday of each month FCC delivers donated food and supplies.

December Donation Date: Tuesday, December 14, 2021

For an updated list of needed food and supplies, go to <u>4fcc.org/city-cov.</u>

- Drop-off donations at church by December 14 Porch pickups can be arranged with Lynne Wasiak
- Order items online at Gordon Food Service at the Orchard Lake/13 Mile Farmington Hills store for pickup on Tuesday, December 14 from 2 - 3pm.
- Give online directly to City Covenant HERE or at 4fcc.org/giving, choose "City Covenant Food Pantry".

Ouestions? Contact Lynne Wasiak

More Info





Christmas Eve Services

Join us for 1 of our 3 Christmas Eve Services on Friday, December 24.

Services will be held at 3:30pm, 4:30pm, and 5:30pm. Nursery will be provided for all services for children birth through 3 years old. Children age 3 and up are invited join their parents for the service.



Serve on Christmas Eve

On December 24 we will host multiple services to celebrate Christmas Eve!

If you would like to participate in a traditional Christmas Choir or help to musically lead contemporary Christmas Carols please contact Nicole at $\underline{\text{nicole.haglund@4fcc.org}}$ for details.



Church Membership

Have you participated in the CONNECT Class but not taken that next step to become an official member at Faith?

Now is a great time to fill out a membership application and start the process of becoming a member. You can fill out a membership application here: $\frac{4fcc.org/membership}{2}$

If you have any questions, please let Pastor James know. You can call/text (517-648-4506) or email (pastorjames.bryde@4fcc.org) him.





College & Young Adults Holiday Party

Date: Saturday, December 18

Time: 7pm

Location: Neals' Home (24300 Locust Street, Farmington Hills)

Time to celebrate the end of the semester with a Holiday Partyl All Faith Covenant college students and young adults are welcome to attend. Dinner, games, fun, & fellowship! Spread the word!!

Click HERE to RSVP by Wednesday, December 15.

Questions? contact Lynne Wasiak or Lauren Wasiak

RSVP



Pajamas & Pancakes

On Sunday, December 26 we will be celebrating *Pajamas & Pancakes Sunday*. From 9:30-10:30am we'll enjoy a pancake breakfast together followed by church at 11:00am. Kids of ALL ages are welcome to wear their favorite PJ's to breakfast and church.



Join a Growth Group

Looking for a growth group to get plugged into? You can check out the available growth groups 4fcc.org/groups.

If you would like to talk with someone about finding the right group for you, you can swing by the Community Station and talk to a representative from the Growth Commission on Sunday, November 21st or email Pastor James,



Take home a CAN FOR CHANGE lid & label





Fill with change and return to church on

Sunday, Dec 5

Quiet "paper" money also accepted

COVENANT WORLD RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT

4FCC.ORG/COVENANT-WORLD-RELIEF



Covenant World Relief

One of our Advent Lights opportunities is to help support the work of Covenant World Relief & Development, which is the humanitarian arm of our denomination. In the past year, CWR&D has been active in 45 countries on 5 different continents in relief and development efforts. Of the \$1.74 million sent in support of CWR&D's mission, over a third of that last year went towards COVID relief.

You can support CWR&D either through a one time gift, or as a family throughout the month of November, participating in the "Can for Change" drive, which gives you some daily tasks to develop an attitude of thankfulness and giving. Our CWR&D can and offering collection day will be THIS SUNDAY, Sunday, Dec 5.

Gratitude Calendar & Other Details



Advent Lights

Serving & Giving Through the Holidays

Advent Lights makes it simple for you to make a difference this holiday season. Be it in person or from a distance make sure you're part of one of the many different opportunities to do good this holiday season. Through gifts, meals, giving, singing and more our church has the opportunity to share the true meaning of Christmas with over 1000 people here in Metro Detroit and across the globe.

Operation Christmas Child / Oct 17 - Nov 14
Covenant World Relief / Nov 7 - Dec 5
City Covenant Church / ongoing
CARES in Farmington Hills / ongoing
Japanese Outreach / Nov & Dec
Life Challenge / Nov 24 & 25
Kingdom Kookie Elves / Dec 4
Angel Tree / Dec 12 & Dec 18

There are 3 ways to sign up for a volunteer opportunity:

- 1. Comment on your Connection Card
- 2. Contact the church office
- 3. Contact the project point person directly

More Information





Faith Covenant CARES for Farmington Hills

CARES in Farmington Hills is a local food pantry & resource center for the local community. We are partnering with them to provide needed items for their pantry. Each month we will collect these items and deliver them to CARES. (sponsored by BnB / Boomers and Beyond)

For **December** we are collecting:

- Dollar Store 4-roll packs of toilet paper

Drop off donations in the bin outside of the Fellowship Hall.

Questions contact Suzy Grecu or Carol Barrett



Join the Faith Kidz Team

Faith Kidz is growing! Fall teaching opportunities are available! Help is needed for the Welcome Desk, check-ins & teaching.

<u>September - December Online Sign Up</u>

If you want to hang with our awesome kids, please contact Pastor Laura today!



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Join our Facebook group! Search for FAITH COVENANT COMMUNITY.







