

"KEEP ALERT; STAND  
FIRM IN THE FAITH; BE  
COURAGEOUS; BE  
STRONG. LET ALL THAT  
YOU DO BE DONE IN  
LOVE."  
1 CORINTHIANS 16:13-14

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### WELCOME!

Welcome to the Flemington Baptist Church!  
We are enthusiastic about what God is doing  
with us and through us.

### WHO WE ARE

We are a fellowship of American Baptists  
who hear God calling us in our baptism to be  
committed members of the Christ-centered  
community, servants of the Word that gives  
life, and witnesses to a love that has  
overcome even the powers of death.

We are dedicated to glorifying God, and to  
bringing whole persons to a saving  
knowledge of Jesus Christ, to help them live  
creative lives of Christian discipleship in  
their homes and community.

We are a diverse group united by our  
common faith, recognizing that people  
experience, worship, and serve God in many  
different ways. Our aim is to be an inviting  
people, making room in our church family  
for those of many backgrounds and  
theological perspectives.

### HISTORY

Flemington Baptist Church is the oldest  
Protestant church in our community. The  
church's history on this site can be traced to  
1765. Since that time four church buildings  
have housed our lively congregation. The  
present beautiful colonial structure was  
dedicated in 1928.

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# FLEMINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

170 Main Street • Flemington, NJ 08822



## BE YOU. BE HERE. BELONG

## SUNDAY SERVICE

### Staff

Rev. Mayra Castaneda, Interim Pastor  
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our website

# Worship Service – May 5, 2024

11:00am

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## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

\*Congregation stands if able

**PRELUDE** Rodney Marfil

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Suzanne Harper

\***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 145:1-7 Don Harper

I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom. One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness. They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness, and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

\***HYMN** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” No. 60

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

### The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever Amen.

\***HYMN** “It Is Well with My Soul” No. 519

## WE RESPOND WITH SERVICE & OFFERINGS

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES, & OFFERING

The Words of Invitation to the Offering

The Offertory

\*The Hymn of Thanksgiving

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 808

\*The Prayer of Dedication

**ANTHEM** “Come Share the Lord”  
by Bryan Leech and Roland Tabell

## **CHILDREN’S MOMENTS**

Childcare is available for all children 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and younger. Following the Children’s Moments, children are welcome to exit the sanctuary and head to our nursery for the remainder of the service.

## WE HEAR THE WORD

**THE SCRIPTURE READING** Romans 11:33-36 & 12:1-2

<sup>33</sup> O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! <sup>34</sup> “For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?” <sup>35</sup> “Or who has given a gift to him, to receive a gift in return?” <sup>36</sup> For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

<sup>1</sup>I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God’s mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship. <sup>2</sup>Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

L: The word of God, for the people of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**THE MESSAGE** “Motivation in the therefore!”

Rev. Mayra Castañeda

## WE GATHER AT THE TABLE

COMMUNITY CARE OFFERING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you

**ALL: And also, with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**ALL: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**ALL: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Leader: Therefore, we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, forever praising you and saying....

**ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

L: Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.....

**ALL: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

#### **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

##### **WE LEAVE TO SERVE**

**\*HYMN**            “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”            No. 708

**\*DEPARTING BLESSING**

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

**\*\*Pastor Mayra is available for pastoral counseling. You can reach her at [fbcpastor@flemingtonbaptist.org](mailto:fbcpastor@flemingtonbaptist.org).**

#### **THANK YOU**

To our FBC Family...we just wanted to say thank you so much for your prayers, calls, texts, cards, etc. with the passing of our niece, Claire Weyand. We celebrated her life April 19<sup>th</sup> and she touched so many in her 23 years. Even in adversity, she graduated high school, college, danced and fought for inclusion for all. Claire will be remembered for her happy spirit. Our love, Steve and Cheri

**MAY BIRTHDAYS:** 5/1 – Eden Birdyshaw, 5/2 – Elizabeth Baker, 5/9 – Gianna Bass, 5/10 – John Reid, 5/12 – Oliver Trafford, 5/15 – Barbara Kerr, 5/28 – Jeff Hoffman, 5/31 – Jim Slovak

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES:** 5/17 – Jim & Donna Slovak (38 years)  
5/20 – Connor & Brett Healy (18 years)

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** – Youth Sunday

**Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** – Movie Night

#### **FAITH IN ACTION**

We are looking for volunteers to be at Flemington Presbyterian Church from **12:30-3:00pm TODAY**. There will be lunch served to volunteers! We will be making sandwiches, broccoli salad and fruit for approximately 60 people. They will be donated to Fisherman's Mark in Lambertville.

#### **HISTORIC FLEMINGTON TOURS**

On **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> from 11am-5pm** our church will be on the Historic Flemington Tour. We will need volunteers to assist with the event in the Narthex of the church and also at Jacob and Mary Francis grave site. Please reach out to Cheri Roth if interested.

#### **SHOP RITE GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER**

Gift cards are available to purchase each Sunday after worship. They do not expire or lose value and help support the FBC budget. Please contact the Church Office with any questions.

## LET'S DO LUNCH

The Dutch Treat Lunch gathering is back for the end of May. Please let Linda Krukovsky know if you are interested in attending.

## SIGHT AND SOUND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

We have reserved tickets for Sight and Sound's presentation of Daniel for 3:00 pm, November 23rd. Adult tickets are \$75 and children's tickets are \$42. We have reserved a few extra tickets for anyone interested in attending. We need to finalize payment in October and release any extra tickets. If you'd like to attend but transportation or ticket cost is an issue, please speak to Suzanne Harper.

## WINDOW PROJECT UPDATE

The window project has been completed, to include the sanctuary windows and doors around the building. **We thank everyone for the generous donations to get this project completed.**

As many of you know, we added on the sanctuary windows at a special price of **\$6,600** while they were here painting the annex windows. **To date we have collected \$2,810.** If you would like to make a donation towards the Sanctuary windows, please send in a check to the office with "Sanctuary Windows" in the memo.

## MEMORIAL DAY HOT MEAL PROGRAM

We are excited for our Memorial Day Hot Meal Program that will be held on **Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**.

- If you would like a meal, please contact the church office at 908-782-3721
- Monetary donations can be made one of two ways to support the program:
  - Mail a check to the church and put "Hot Meal Program" in the memo
  - Give online at:  
<https://onrealm.org/FlemingtonBapti/give/now>
    - Choose "Hot Meal Program" in the dropdown
- To volunteer or donate meatloaf or cookies, scan this QR code:



## YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

The Catechist Commission is announcing that it is once again "Scholarship Season" at FBC! FBC youth members that will be attending post-high school institutions and that are participating at FBC Church are invited to apply for the 2024-2025 school year. Applications will be available in the plexiglass case outside of the church office. Please note that applications to be considered must be completed and returned on or before **May 9, 2024.**

## SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

The Catechists and kids are teaming up with Sleep in Heavenly Peace - Rochester, NY Chapter to provide beds to kids who sleep on floors. This is a program in the United States that is 10 years old with 380 chapters throughout the USA. The Rochester Chapter has been in existence for 4 years and this year will deliver their 1000th bed! We will be selling \$10 paper quilt squares to raise money to donate for our spring project. Our goal is to collect \$500 to purchase bunk beds including mattresses, sheets and pillows. We will also have instructions to make tie blankets for families to put together for anyone interested in making one. Many of the children of these programs do not have blankets or pillows much less a bed. Please see web links below for more information. Any questions, please see Christine, Colleen or Cheri.  
weblinks:

**Returning the Favor with Mike Rowe**

**CNN Heroes All-Star Tribute**

**NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt**

## AED/CPR TRAINING

We are looking for individuals who would be willing to take an AED/CPR course in the near future so that we have several people who are able to administer CPR and are trained in using one of our AEDs in case of an emergency. If this is something you would be willing to do, please contact the office to be added to the list and we will coordinate a date. [fbcoffice@flemingtonbaptist.org](mailto:fbcoffice@flemingtonbaptist.org)

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth Sunday School for children is open for those ages three to 8<sup>th</sup> grade every Sunday at 9:30 AM in the upstairs classrooms. This year the 10 Commandments is the overarching focal point as we learn about the Bible stories through books and videos, crafts, songs & music, discussions, and some games. This year we are offering a once a month “Breakfast Club” to teenagers to be held at neighboring cafes. Breakfast meetings will be posted separately. Youth Sunday School and the Breakfast Club will conveniently run at the same time as the Adult Sunday School class. All are welcome to come join us!

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Sunday School program switches gears in our study of the book of Exodus as we will be viewing the new Netflix series “Testament: The Story of Moses” for the remaining Sunday School sessions this year. This series includes reenactments of some of the most famous bible scenes using the latest special effects and expert commentary from the three Abrahamic faiths to really make the message come alive. We will pause the video periodically to allow discussion on our faith and how these messages affect us as members of FBC and how we represent Christ in the world. We meet each Sunday at 9:30 in the Parlor. Hope to see you there!

## FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION:

We are collecting the below items for the Flemington Food Pantry. Please place donations in the box underneath the mailboxes.

THANK YOU!

- Cooking Oil
- Instant hot oatmeal
- Canned pineapple or peaches
- Cream soups (chicken or mushroom)
- Beef/vegetable soups
- Dried beans (1-2 lb bags)
- Shaving cream
- Skin Lotion
- caffeinated coffee/instant coffee
- Diapers size 4, 5 or 6
- Sanitary Pads
- Adult hygiene wipes
- Salad Dressing
- Lower Sodium Soup
- Crackers (saltines/wheat thins, etc.)
- Family sized pasta or rice side dishes
- Scalloped potato mix
- Disposable razors
- Dish Soap
- Toilet Paper (2 ply)
- Baby Formula -yellow Enfamil powdered form
- Tampons
- Baby wipes
- Food Store Gift Cards

## *Prayer List*

- Sarah Williamson’s infant great grandson, is having brain surgery on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> to remove water now that his pneumonia is over. Please pray for healing following the surgery.
- Carl Wild – Praying for Carl as he fights bone marrow leukemia.
- Boyden Stretch, currently having health issues.
- Tara (Renee’s aunt) who is fighting an aggressive form of cancer.
- George – Lois’ friend who had a stroke is now home and recovering.
- Marvin – Lois’ 91 year old friend who fell and broke bones. He is home now with a full time caregiver. Prayers for healing.
- Tom – Lois’ 91 year old brother is having some health issues.
- Prayers for Cheri and Steve’s family, whose niece, Claire passed on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Prayers specifically for Cheri’s sister, Linda and her husband David as they go through this time of grieving.
- Jack, Cheri’s uncle who fell and was in ICU after skull surgery is not home!
- Lorelei (Sue’s daughter) who has some medical concerns.
- Ted (Jim S’s brother) who had a cardiac issue
- Wendy, Sue G’s friend is in much pain from bone deterioration in her spine.
- John, Kira’s father, has been in and out of the hospital.
- Thanksgiving for the many ways the church building is used weekdays and weekends
- Thanksgiving for all the children and their many activities
- Thanksgiving for families who’ve traveled and are now safely home
- Thanksgiving for answers to prayer

