

Pastor Appreciation Sunday

*I thank my God upon every
remembrance of you.*

PHILIPPIANS 1:3

Adult Ministry

Class for All Adults

Sundays at 9:30 am in Room 201

Beginning **today, Sunday, September 7th** the adult Sunday school class began a new six week study led by Mark Bartlett: Dr. David Jeremiah's *"Everything You Need: Essential Steps to a Life of Confidence in the Promises of God"*.

Men's Ministry

Ministry Contact: John Demby
(Men@fbcmh.org)

Men's Weekly Bible Study:

Thursdays at 11:00 am in the Café

Current study: "Living Right in a Wrong World"

Women's Ministry

Ministry Contact: Amy Motley
(Women@fbcmh.org)

Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 9:30 AM

With Florence Williams

Ladies Saturday Morning Bible Study:

Current Study: the Book of Acts with Pam Ledeaux

Missions

Ministry Contact: Debi LeDeaux

October: Free gifts from the Missions Closet

It's a good time to look for Christmas gifts.

November: Thanksgiving Baskets - Let a Missions Team member know if you know someone without the resources to purchase a Thanksgiving meal.

Children's Ministry

Ministry Contact: Dorie Bartlet

doriemark5@gmail.com

Experiencing God through dynamic Bible learning
and engaging worship.

Sunday School 9:30-10:45

For Pre-school – 8 years old

4th-12th grades- with Pastor George & Tucker

Children's Church 11:00-12:15

(during Worship Service in the sanctuary)

Simply Loved

4 year olds -3rd graders

Young Adults' Ministry

We invite college students, singles and married couples (18-30 yrs) to meet with Pastor George and Tucker on Sunday, October 12 during the Fellowship Lunch to discuss starting this group again.

Church Library Opening



The new church library will be opening on

Saturday, October 18, 2025.

You are invited to the ribbon cutting ceremony to be held during our scheduled church meeting.

Come and look through some of the great faith-based topics covered in the over 1200 books now available for your reading pleasure. **Some of the topics include:**

Biblical Character Studies and Perspectives

Christian Doctrine

Biographies/Auto-biographies

Bible Commentaries & References

World Religions, Denominations, and Cults

Christian Fiction/Novels

Church Administration, Preaching, and Teaching

The Library Team: Louise Bibelheimer, Susan and Dennis Caffrey, Lasandra Johns, Mary Keller, Pam and Jim Lutz, Karen Osworth, Shirley Sapp, and Debi LeDeaux



Thanksgiving Gift Basket Donations

October 19 – November 9, 2025

The Mission Team will be collecting grocery store gift cards for Thanksgiving again this year. The donations will be used to create holiday food baskets for our church family and Timothy Christian Academy community. We're estimating that a grocery gift basket for a family of three or four will be approximately \$100. Larger families may receive \$150.

We're asking you to donate **\$10, \$20, or \$25 gift cards** from the following two grocery stores or provide cash so we can purchase the gift cards.

- Shop Rite
- Acme

Donations in **cards or cash** may be put in the offering plate in a separate envelope marked "Thanksgiving donation" or delivered to Pat in the church office. Collection will end on November 9, 2025 so that baskets can be prepared and delivered in time for Thanksgiving.

Thank you for your generosity.



**Title: “Working in the Same Direction
with the Same Goal!”**

Sermons can be heard live on our Facebook Live and YouTube.

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This Week's Announcements!

1. Help Needed Sunday Mornings

We are looking to hire a paid nursery worker from 930am-1230pm every Sunday at \$20 an hour. Of course a background check would be needed. It could be someone within our church or if someone knows someone they would like to refer.

- 2.** The Mission Team will be collecting grocery store gift cards for Thanksgiving again this year. Estimated cost to feed a family of 3 is \$100; larger families may receive \$150. We are asking of cards of \$10, @20, or \$25. We are asking for them by November 9. See insert in today's bulletin.

- 3. The new Church Library will be opening on Saturday, October 18. You are invited to attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and to look over the books available for borrowing. See insert in today's bulletin.**

A Note from Our Pastor

The month of October is loaded with activities in the church and outside of the church. I thank you for your prayers, for your presence and for your generous giving.

On Saturday, October 4, 2025 the ABCNJ Convention was held in Iselin, NJ The following people were our church delegates: Pastor George, Pam LeDeaux, and Michelle Richardson.

Sunday, October 12, 2025 - Fellowship Luncheon and Pastor's Appreciation Sunday. There will be baskets in the back of the Sanctuary for your cards and expressions of appreciation for Pastor George.

Saturday, October 18, 2025 – All Church Gathering

We would love to have as many people as possible to come to this meeting. It will start at 9:00 AM and conclude at 3:00 PM. We will have coffee and tea, breakfast food and a light lunch between 12:30 –1:00 PM. I envision it as that expression – Quo Vadis? Where are we going as a church? We will pray; we will listen to one another and chart some direction together.

To prepare for this meeting, we invite you to take the following items which will be located at the back of the sanctuary and read them, write your impressions/ comments and come up with questions.

1. Thom S. Rainer's book – *Autopsy of a Deceased Church – 12 ways to keep it alive.*
2. Senior Pastoral Candidate Church Information Package - *this was an assessment done by the Search Committee about the history of the church – 1-21. There are about 30 these additional pages, detailing the Mt Holly Community* and also the membership of our church.
If interested to read these additional pages, please check with the Pastor.

(Pastor's Note continued)

3. Seven Habits of a Healthy Church (2 different writings)
Sign-up sheet – In order for us to prepare adequately, please sign the attendance sheet that will be placed next to the books.

Sunday, November 1, 2026 – 225th Anniversary of FBCMH - 1801-2026

The first step in this celebration is to create a committee that will start thinking about this event. I want to create a history group of 5-7 people that will go through the materials that we have in the archives. We have the book Rooted in the Word 1801-1986, another notebook that goes to the year 2005 and lots of documents in the archives. I propose a meeting on Sunday, November 2, 2025, from 12:30 – 2:00 for those who are interested in working on the history committee. There will be other groups such as community advertisements, celebration program/banquet, etc.

As of last Sunday, I only have two volunteers have come forth to help me plan this once in a life-time celebration. We need more. Won't you give it some prayerful consideration?