

## FCCO Mission Statement

### FOLLOW. LOVE. SHARE.

Our purpose is to glorify God by  
**following** Jesus,  
**loving** God and others, and  
**sharing** the Gospel.

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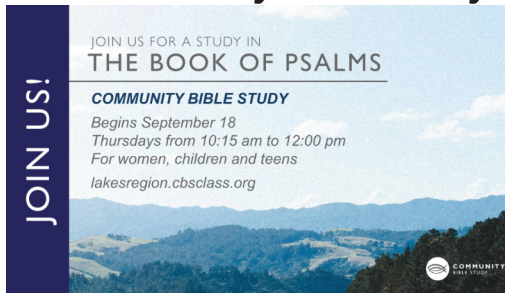
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## looking ahead...

### Community Bible Study - Begins September 18



Come experience what happens in people's lives when they discover God through the study of His Word, the Bible. This year we will be studying the book of Psalms. Thursday mornings at FCCO for women, children and teens. More information and register at [lakesregion.cbssclass.org](http://lakesregion.cbssclass.org).

### Men's Retreat - September 19-20

Men, we've got an incredible opportunity to step away from the busyness of life and gather with other guys from FCCO for a powerful 24-hour retreat that's sure to recharge your soul! Our guest speaker, Sam Hollow, will lead us through the theme of Biblical Manhood.



### Co-Pastor Q&A Lunch - Sept 21 or Oct 19

#### Co-Pastor Q&A Lunch

September 21 & October 19



At our congregational meeting in July, the elders announced a proposed transition for Dan and Marc to become co-lead pastors. If you missed that meeting or have questions, please join us for one of two upcoming luncheons (September 21 or October 19). A vote to formalize Dan and Marc as co-lead pastors is planned for November 2.

### Starting Point - Begins October 19

Are you curious about the Christian faith, new to it, or reexamining what it means to have a relationship with God? We'd like to invite you into a conversational group environment called Starting Point to explore faith, ask questions, and experience community. More information is at [www.firstossipee.org/events](http://www.firstossipee.org/events).



September 7, 2025

9:00 & 10:30 AM

### Welcome & Highlights

Sue Bolton  
Pastor of Caring Ministries

### Call to Worship

### Bringing Our Praises

Joy of the Lord  
Yes I Will  
Run to the Father

### Prayer

### Digital Detox Debrief

### Receiving His Word

Forbearance  
Colossians 3:12-17 (Page 1834)  
Dan Mitchum  
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### Responding to His Word

Forgiven

### Blessing

"God blesses those who  
work for peace,  
for they will be called the  
children of God."

Matthew 5:9 NLT



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## this week...

### The Gathering - Begins Today at 9:00 am!



Beginning September 7  
Sundays at 9:00 am, Room C/D

We aim to build a community where we grow together, learn God's Word together, and walk together through life. The Gathering will meet weekly on Sundays at 9:00 in Room C/D and is open to all adults and high school students. This fall, we will begin studying the gospel of Luke, followed by the book of Acts. More information

### Trail Life - Begins Tomorrow at 6:30 pm!

Trail Life is a Christ-centered program in a structured outdoor environment where boys are engaged in real-world challenges and learn character and leadership in a practical, hands-on manner. Trail Life meets Mondays at 6:30 in the dining room, and is open to all boys ages 5-18. Learn more at [www.firstossipee.org/events](http://www.firstossipee.org/events).



### Joy Seekers - Friday at 10:30 am!

## JOY SEEKERS

Widow's Ministry

...for the joy of the Lord is your strength." Nehemiah 8:10

Friday, September 12  
10:30 - Noon  
FCCO Library



Joy Seekers is a ministry that helps widows connect while discovering the love and purpose God has planned for them as they journey through this next season of life. If you're a new widow or one who is still traversing the healing process of widowhood, please join us on the second Friday of each month from 10:30-noon in the library.

### Hannaford Proceeds Support Dinner Bell!

For the entire month of September, when you purchase a \$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger Bag at Ossipee Hannaford, \$1 will be donated to FCCO's Dinner Bell! The bags must be purchased at the Ossipee location only during the month of September.



## fall kickoff...

### Join a Growth Group



Growth Groups are the primary way we develop Christ centered friendships at FCCO. These groups of 10-14 people meet weekly in the home or at church to share life together as they study Sunday's sermon. Join today at [www.firstossipee.org/events](http://www.firstossipee.org/events).

### Celebrate Recovery - Open Share & Step Studies

Join us every Tuesday for Celebrate Recovery! These groups are a safe, welcoming space for anyone navigating hurts, habits, or hang-ups. Additionally, Step Studies will begin in September. Please register if you'd like to join a weekly Step Study group. [firstossipee.org/celebraterecovery](http://firstossipee.org/celebraterecovery)



## Milestone Class for Parents

September 14, 9:00 am

Faith Milestones



### Milestone Class for Parents - Next Sunday!

Parents and grandparents, mark your calendars for our next Milestone Class on September 14 at 9:00am in Room A/B. Faith Milestones offer a roadmap to follow as you navigate your child's spiritual development in partnership with the church. Parents of younger children will learn about salvation, first bibles, and communion. Parents of older children will hear from our new Pastor of Next Gen Ministries, Joseph Wasson, about the vision and theme of Student Ministries this year. Please register by September 10 at [www.firstossipee.org/events](http://www.firstossipee.org/events)

## at a glance...

### Sunday, September 7

- 9:00AM Worship Service  
The Gathering (Room C/D)  
Student Ministries (Grades 7-8)  
Kids' Ministries (through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)
- 10:30AM Worship Service  
Kids' Ministries (through 4<sup>th</sup> grade)
- 7:00PM AA (book meeting)

### Monday, September 8

- 6:30PM Trail Life (Dinning Room)
- 7:00PM AA

### Tuesday, September 9

- 7:30AM Lakes Region Men's Fellowship
- 6:00PM Celebrate Recovery

### Wednesday, September 10

- 6:00PM Student Ministries (Grades 7-12)
- 6:30PM Growth Groups

### Thursday, September 11

- 7:00PM Young Adult Ministry (Cafe 58)
- 8:00PM AA

### Friday, September 12

- Church Office Closed
- 10:00AM Outdoor Adventures
- 10:30AM Joy Seekers Widows Ministry
- 10:30AM Al-Anon

### Saturday, September 13

- 9:30AM GriefShare Support Group
- 4:45PM Dinner Bell

church center

Download the app!

Scan the QR code to get started and connect with the life of FCCO.

Event registrations, calendar, online giving, church directory, and more, all in one place.

