

Life Group/Personal Study

Week 7: Philippians 23:1-11

READ the passage together. Philippians 3:1-11

PONDER . What phrase does Paul repeat three times in v2 of the ESV
_____ Why do you think that it?

1. Why do you think Paul repeatedly reminds the Philippians of joy? (v1)
2. Paul lists his religious accomplishments and then considers them trash in comparison to knowing Christ. What are you tempted to place your confidence in besides Christ alone? (success, morality, being likable, politics, etc.)
3. Pastor Shawn said, "Our greatest assets can become liabilities if we hold onto them thinking that God owes us because of them." Where do you see that temptation in your own life?
4. The sermon described joy as a river flowing from God that carries believers home. What practical habits help you stay aware of God's joy during ordinary life?
5. What was the most "impactful moment" for you at FCC this week? (examples: during corporate worship, communion, a connection with the Spirit during the message, etc.)

PRAY. Thank God for the righteousness that comes through faith. Confess places where self-reliance has replaced dependence on Christ and ask God to deepen joy rooted in the Gospel.

ACT. In Philippians 3:1, Paul commanded the Philippians to rejoice. How do you plan to rejoice this week? Who can you invite into your experience of joy?

faith community CHURCH

MAY 24, 2026

PASTOR SHAWN CLARKE

Call Church Office at 360-354-0536 for any needs.

FCC Wireless PW: Psalm119:9

Sermon notes & audio are uploaded weekly to the website
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SCAN ME

FCC Weekly Announcements

Offering: \$10,402

Average: \$13,176 / Budget: \$14,592
Drop boxes at the back of the sanctuary and in the gym

Youth: Jr. High and High School

For Info contact Lane Garcia

(406) 370-6472

Wednesday nights

6:30-8:15pm



Young Adults (18-25yrs):



Meet Sundays @ 6:30pm

FCC Ministry Center

Contact Gerrit or Elaine

Kamp (646) 342-3144



Events Coming up in May & June
Details in Spirit of Faith email:

May 25 Memorial Day

June 7 Leland's Update 9am

June 7 Graduation Sunday

June 10 Women's Summer Walk 6:30pm

June 15-19 VBS Prep Week— see Melany

June 21 Communion

June 21 Father's Day

June 22-26 VBS 9:30-11:45am

June 24 Women's Summer Walk 6:30pm

June 26 VBS Hot Dog Lunch @ noon

June 28 VBS Sunday!!!

****SAVE THE DATE****

Summer 2026

July 9-12 FCC Bryce Creek Campout

Aug 1 Mariners Baseball Game Day

Missions of the Month

**Faith & Learning
International**



**Emre Karaali
- Turkey**

Children's Ministry

Melany Moyer

(360-303-1044)



Nursery, Children's Church,
Sunday

School and AWANA

****Snacks Provided****

LET'S GO CAMPING



**FCC Bryce
Creek**

Campout

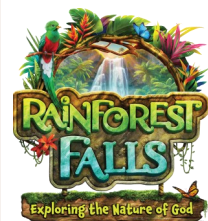
July 9 - 12

Info coming

May 31.



**Leland's will be here Sunday, June 7
@ 9am to give a ministry update.**



VBS

June 22-26

Register NOW

Volunteers

needed

See Melany



Philippians 3:1-11 **Turning Scales Into Catapults**

Finally, my brothers, **rejoice in the Lord**. To write the same things to you is no trouble to me and is safe for you. – Philippians 3:1

- Joy originates in God and it flows from God. (John 15:11; Heb. 12:2; 1 Tim. 1:11)

Q. What can we trust in to make us right with God?

A. Only the Gospel. (Jesus + nothing)

- There is only one way to approach a holy God to be accepted by Him. We must be holy. (Psalm 24:3-5; Phil. 3:2-4).

Our accolade and achievements... (5-6)

...can't compare with those of Christ (7-11).

- Doing religious things religiously and boasting in our upbringing or abilities is utterly inadequate.

- *“But look for Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else...” - Lewis*