

September 7, 2025



Welcome to Fellowship!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun. Sept. 7 ForeRunners Connection
- Sun. Sept. 7 PLACE Class begins
- Sun. Sept. 7 Foundations Class begins
- Tues. Sept. 9 Tuesday Morning Bible Studies
- Wed. Sept. 10 Wednesday Night Bible Studies
- Wed. Sept. 10 Student Ministry
- Wed. Sept. 10 Children's Ministries - all ages
- Wed. Sept. 10 GriefShare begins
- Thurs. Sept. 11 Mom LIFE begins
- Thurs. Sept. 11 ForeRunners Field Trip to Clifton
- Sat. Sept. 20 Men's Breakfast

Need Assistance?

Visit the South Foyer Welcome Desk and our friendly Welcome Team will be glad to answer any questions or help you find the information you're looking for!

Need Coffee?

Visit our Café in the North Foyer. Our Hospitality Team is ready to serve you!

Need Prayer?

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Every heart longs for joy, but so few truly experience it. In his Letter to the Philippians, the Apostle Paul reveals the key that unlocks lasting joy, and he shares it right in the opening verses. This morning, we'll discover the joy of knowing Jesus in the journey of life.

Grant Kaul, Senior Pastor

The Key That Opens the Door to Joy
Philippians: The Journey of Joy in Christ
Philippians 1:1-11

How can a person truly come to know joy?

Our fellowship in the gospel leads to experiencing and expressing joy in Christ.

How does fellowship in the gospel bring joy to believers?

Fellowship in the gospel brings the following experiences of joy in believers:

1. Gratitude to God

1:1-5

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the gospel: the “good news” that by grace God forgives and redeems all who are broken over their sin and trust in Jesus Christ – believing in His perfect life, substitutionary death, and resurrection. Through this salvation, He grants them eternal life and calls them to follow Him as disciples in His kingdom.

2. Confidence in God

1:6

3. Love for people and their growth

1:7-11

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**Take
Next
Steps**



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My personal application of this passage:

Questions for individual study, small group Bible studies, and LIFE Groups:

1. Who has God placed in your life to strengthen your relationship with Christ, and how might you express gratitude to God for them and encourage them this week?
2. How are you growing in your fellowship in the gospel, both in your personal relationship with Jesus Christ and with fellow believers, as emphasized in Philippians 1:5?
3. In what areas of your life do you need to renew your trust in God's ongoing work, and how does Philippians 1:6 give you confidence in Him and a joy in Christ?
4. Why is it important that believers grow in their ability to love others, as we see in Philippians 1:7-8? In what ways are you learning how to love like this?
5. Can you share a few ways you are growing in knowledge and discernment, and how this is expressed in your decisions, relationships, and priorities (see vv. 9-11)?
6. How do you see God producing the "fruit of righteousness" such as Spirit-led attitudes, God-honoring actions, and Christ-centered relationships (see vv. 9-11)?



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