

The Joy of Giving Up

Philippians 3:1-11

Sunday, July 13, 2025

Joyful Truth: Christian joy is only found by giving up temporary, worldly gains to pursue eternal, Godly goals.

I. The _____ (3:1-6)

- A. Paul commands the church to _____ for anyone who teaches that Christian hope is found in human effort.
- B. Guard the _____ from messages that add to the gospel.
- C. Guard your _____ from believing that God owes you for your effort.

II. The _____ (3:7-8)

- A. Paul emphatically tries to convince believers that any spiritual good in His life has _____ when compared to a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- B. If you want _____-confidence, _____ yourself to other people.
- C. If you want _____ confidence, _____ yourself to Jesus.

III. The _____ (3:9-11)

- A. Paul gave up everything for God's good gifts, and he wants the church to know—_____!
- B. Believers can experience the joy of giving up everything for Jesus because...
 - We gain His _____.
 - We gain His _____.
 - We gain His _____ for our life.
 - We gain His _____ of resurrection.

"He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose."

— Jim Elliot (1927–1956), American missionary and martyr who gave his life sharing the gospel with the Waorani people of Ecuador.



WORSHIP GATHERING

"Victory in Jesus (Christ Won the Victory)"

WELCOME & PRAYER

"By Faith"

"Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me"

PRAYER

"How Great is the Greatness of God"

MESSAGE

PRAYER AND COMMITMENT

CLOSING PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy Committee**, with input from the Pastoral Staff, has worked for over a year on proposed changes to the bylaws. All members are encouraged to stay informed and involved with these important and exciting decisions. Copies of the current bylaws, proposed bylaws, and highlighted changes are available today on the front pew. Schedule for needed meetings:

July 20 Quarterly Business Meeting - ballot vote (in the gym - Meal & Message)

September 28 Quarterly Business Meeting - ballot vote (in the gym - Meal & Message)

Save the date for the **church-wide work day** Saturday, July 19 from 7:30-10:30 a.m. Breakfast and a brief devotion will be provided. Sign up at the Welcome Center or see Brett Lunsford for more information.

Prepare your heart anticipating the **Lord's Supper** Sunday, July 20 during the morning worship services.

The next **Meal & Message** is Sunday, July 20 at 5:15 p.m. The menu for this night will be pizza, pasta, and salad. Everyone is encouraged to bring homemade ice cream. Have your ice cream in Boatner Hall between 4:50-5:10 p.m. if you want it in the contest. Prizes will be given to the winners. The quarterly business meeting will follow the meal. Childcare (4 and under) will be provided during the business meeting and presentation.

The following **deacon nominees** are to be voted on (by ballot, based on a majority vote) during the quarterly business meeting Sunday night, July 20: Tom Hendrich (non-ordained), Rickey Grissom, Thomas Roark, Bill Salters, and Skip Yeomans. Members may vote for one, some, or all of the men to serve as deacons. See deacon handout for more information about the nominees.

All ladies are invited to the **"Sweet Endings" Ice Cream Bar** Thursday, July 24 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Boatner Hall. Join the ladies for the final event of the 2024-25 Women's Ministry year as they look back at this year of Learning, Loving, and Living the Word. Enjoy some yummy, sweet treats also! Scan the QR code or sign up at the Welcome Center.



All senior adults are invited to **lunch at Berry's** in Florence Thursday, July 31. Meet at the restaurant at 11:00 a.m.

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

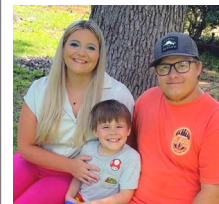
7/6/25

Weekly Budget Receipts	\$40,345
Weekly Budget Required	\$34,700
Giving over (under) budget	\$5,645
Global Impact	\$20
Construction & Renovation	\$20
Other	\$522
Total Received	\$40,907

YTD Budget Needed	\$936,907
YTD Budget Received	\$896,985

REJOICING OVER DECISIONS MADE

Last Week



Nic & Ashley Davis (Alexander)

Requesting Church Membership by Statement & Baptism

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

If you are interested in learning about becoming a member of Park Place or ready to request church membership, please call the church office, submit a blue membership request card (give to a staff member or place in a giving box in the sanctuary), or contact a church staff member. One of our staff members will be glad to meet with you to get to know you and to discuss "Membership Matters." Glory to God for the way He continues to add to the Park Place family!