

The Book of Matthew
Matthew 17:24-27 (pg.978)
Sons Freed to Sacrifice
Sunday, May 17, 2026
Pastor Matt Webster
Sermon Notes

I. Sons enjoy the privilege of freedom.

II. Sons adopt a posture of sacrificial surrender.

III. Sons trust the gracious provision of their Father.

For Further Discussion

Identity:

- 1) Jesus says, "Then the sons are free." What burdens do Christians still tend to carry as though they must earn God's acceptance? How does knowing you are accepted as a child of God in Christ change the way you approach obedience?
- 2) Where are you most tempted to forget your identity in Christ? Failure? Performance? Comparison? Shame? People-pleasing?

Posture:

- 3) Why is it important that a sacrificial posture flows from sonship rather than toward sonship?
- 4) Jesus had the right to refuse payment, yet chose humility and restraint. Why is it often difficult for us to surrender our "rights"? Are there freedoms, preferences, or comforts you may need to willingly lay down for the spiritual good of others?

God's Provision:

- 5) Have you ever experienced God providing for you while walking in costly obedience? Where might God currently be calling you to trust Him before you can see the provision?
- 6) What does this passage teach us about the character of Jesus? What is one concrete way you can reflect the posture of Christ this week?

This Week at Faith

Sunday (5/17)

Adult Bible Study - Hebrews - 9 am - Activity Room #1

Adult Bible Study - Matthew - 9 am - Classroom #8

Prayer Night - 6 pm - Activity #1

Contact Jim Avery: jim.h.avery@gamil.com

Monday (5/18)

Men's Fraternity - 7:00 pm

Contact Paul Sabota: men@faithcommunity.net

Tuesday (5/19)

Moms & Tots - 9:30 am

Contact Raven Bethancourt: momandtots@faithcommunity.net

Wednesday (5/20)

Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am

Contact Dave Cole: davidcole3@verizon.net

R.O.M.E.O (retired old men eating out) - 11:30 am

Contact Brian Showler: bkshowler@gmail.com

MS & HS Youth Group - 6:30 pm

Contact Matt Hemphill: matth@faithcommunity.net

Thursday (5/21)

Young at Heart and Renewed - 11:30

Contact Brian Showler: bkshowler@gmail.com

Young Adult Small Group - 6:30 pm - The Dahl's House

Contact Matt Hemphill: youngadults@faithcommunity.net

Friday (5/22)

No Events

Saturday (5/23)


Men's Bible Study - 7:30 am


Contact Ken Crane: walk@faithcommunity.net

Upcoming Events at FCC

JOIN US TONIGHT

PRAYER NIGHT & POTLUCK

 SUNDAY, MAY 17 | 6 PM

 FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

Come enjoy a relaxing evening of prayer, fellowship, and food.

Please note: childcare will not be provided



BRING A POT OF SOUP to share

OR



A TRAY OF SANDWICHES to share



DRINKS & DESSERTS provided



QUESTIONS? | Jim.h.avery@gmail.com



MOMS & TOTS

playgroup ♥



MAY 5TH & MAY 19TH
9:30-11:00 AM



FAITH COMMUNITY
CHURCH PLAYROOM

QUESTIONS? CONTACT RAVEN
momandtots@faithcommunity.net

Just show up!

FOR MOMS WITH NEWBORNS, TODDLERS & PRESCHOOLERS ♥

FAITH

May 31st

Nursery & Pre-K Classes Only

NO classes for grades K-12th

(Please sit with your parents in the worship center)

NO Adult Bible Study

FAMILY WORSHIP

Upcoming Events at FCC (con't)

R.O.M.E.O.

(Retired Old men Eating Out)

Men, if you are retired and would like to connect with other retired men at FCC, join Brian Showler each Wednesday at 11:30 am in the Cafe. Bring a bagged lunch and enjoy some laughter and fellowship!



Young at Heart

1st and 3rd Thursdays
11:30a - 1:00p

We gather to encourage each other, laugh together, and reach out to seniors in our community



YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Meets every Thursday @ 6:30 pm in various locations.
Contact Matt Hemphill for address.
youngadults@faithcommunity.net



Upcoming Events & Other News



FREE!

VBS KIDZ KAMP

ILLUMINATION STATION

JULY 13-17 | 5:30-8:30 PM

ENTERING K-5TH GRADE

SCAN TO REGISTER!



FAITH



Save the Date
July 26-31
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Faith Community Church
1306 Riedel Road
Gambrills
410-451-1220
Faithcommunity.net

Details coming soon! Keep an eye on our website!



GREETINGS

HI

HELLO

WELCOME

HOWDY

GLAD YOU'RE HERE

Email Holly by scanning here!



Greeters and Welcome Team Help Needed.
Contact Holly Webster by scanning the QR code

Financial Update

Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2025 - June 2026)

FYTD as of May 3, 2026

Projected Income	Giving	Surplus/Deficit
\$836,651	\$919,257	\$82,606

Thank you for your faithful giving. Ministry needs continue and have increased in some areas. There are several options for giving.

Ways you can give:

*Dropping your tithe in the offering boxes (located by the doors as you exit the worship center)

*Via our website www.faithcommunity.net

*Via our app or scan the QR code



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Steve Bond, non-staff
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Matt Webster, staff

FCC Staff

Matt Hemphill.....Student Ministry Coordinator
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