

The Book of Ecclesiastes
The Cost of Selfish Ambition
Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:8 (pg.657)
Sunday, June 21, 2026
Pastor Matt Webster
Sermon Notes

1. Selfish Ambition Exploits Others (3:16-4:3)

2. Selfish Ambition Envy Others (4:4-6)

3. Selfish Ambition Empties Us (4:7-8)

For Further Discussion

- 1) How do you see selfish ambition harming people in our culture, workplace, community, or even within your own relationships?
- 2) In what subtle ways might you be tempted to use people as a means to an end—whether for success, convenience, recognition, influence, or personal comfort? What would it look like to love and serve those people instead?
- 3) Where are you most tempted to compare yourself to others? What areas of life (career, finances, family, ministry, appearance, possessions, accomplishments, etc.) tend to stir envy in your heart?
- 4) How does the Good News of Jesus reshape the way we think about success and satisfaction? What practical steps can help you cultivate contentment and gratitude rather than continually pursuing “more”?
- 5) How does Christ’s work free us from the need to prove ourselves, compete with others, or constantly seek more? What tangible ways can we use that freedom to serve others rather than use them?

Ecclesiastes 3:16-4:8

June 21, 2026



LIFE UNDER *the* SUN

ECCLESIASTES

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The Cost of Selfish Ambition

Welcome to Faith Community Church!

We are a family of followers of Jesus Christ who desire to honor God by applying His sufficient Word to all areas of life. We seek to grow in our love for Jesus and in our love for the people around us. Whether you're uncertain about faith or already a follower of Jesus, we invite you to become part of our family. [Click here](#) to fill out a Connection Card so we can get to know you better! Our pastors, elders, and deacons are available to meet with you. Make an appointment by calling the church office at 410-451-1220. Regular office hours are Monday- Thursday 9 am - 3 pm and Friday 9 am - NOON.

Spotify Playlist: Would you like to listen to the songs from recent Sunday services? Go to our **FCC Spotify Playlist** by [clicking here](#).

Faith Community Church

1306 Riedel Road | Gambrills, MD 21054

410.451.1220 | faithcommunity.net

Worship Service & Bible Study for all Ages 9 am

Worship Service, Nursery, Kidz Zone Pre-K-5th Grade 10:45 am

Follow Christ in Faith, Share the Gospel of Hope,

Unite in Love for God and One Another

This Week at Faith

Monday (6/22)

No Events

Tuesday (6/23)

Primary Election Day

Wellspring Training - 4 pm

Contact Sharon Greenip: Sharongreenip@wellspringlife.org

Wednesday (6/24)

Men's Online Bible Study - 9 am

Contact Dave Cole: davidcole3@verizon.net

Women's Bible Study - 10 am

Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net

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

Contact Brian Showler: bkshowler@gmail.com

MS Pool Party - 6:30 pm - No HS Meeting

Contact Matt Hemphill: matth@faithcommunity.net

Women's Bible Study - 7 pm

Contact Veronica Platt: women@faithcommunity.net

Thursday (6/25)

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

Contact Matt Hemphill: youngadults@faithcommunity.net

Friday (6/26)

No Events

Saturday (6/27)

Men's Bible Study - 7:30 am

Contact Ken Crane: walk@faithcommunity.net



Current Events at FCC

JOIN US!

PRAYER NIGHT & POTLUCK

 SUNDAY, JUNE 28 | 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



FAMILY GATHERING

JULY 12 | 6 PM

Celebrating God's faithfulness
in 2025/2026 and looking
ahead to 2026/2027.



FREE!

VBS KIDZ KAMP

ILLUMINATION STATION

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

ENTERING K-5TH GRADE

SCAN TO REGISTER!



FAITH

Upcoming Events at FCC

WORSHIP ARTS CAMP

Learn a musical in a week!

A NOT SO TERRIBLE PARABLE



JULY 26-31
SUNDAY-FRIDAY
5:30 - 8:30 PM



CHILDREN
ENTERING
2ND-8TH
GRADE



PERFORMANCE
JULY 31
6:30 PM

SCAN TO
REGISTER!



BUNCO!

Women's Ministry

FRIDAY, JULY 24TH | 6:45 PM

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH

• RSVP BY JULY 23RD •

Fun for all ladies
from young adults
to our senior sisters!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO
RESERVE YOUR SPOT,
OR EMAIL WOMEN'S MINISTRY:

women@faithcommunity.net



FCC FAMILY OUTING

JOSHUA

SIGHT & SOUND
THEATRES

IN LANCASTER, PA

OCTOBER 2 • 7:00 PM

ADULTS
\$85

CHILDREN
\$44



REGISTER
HERE



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Upcoming Events at FCC

Welcome
**HERBERT
STOCKSCHLAEDER III**

PASTORAL INTERN

This summer, Herbert will be serving as our Pastoral Intern, supporting youth and young adults, assisting with summer ministries, and working alongside our pastoral team.



NURSING HOME *Ministry*

2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
2-3 PM | Autumn Lake at Waugh Chapel

WAYS TO HELP

Music • Leading Singing • Sharing a Testimony
Visiting Residents • Set Up & Tear Down
Speakers • Special Talents



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& SIGN UP

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH MEMBERSHIP



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Deacon Reaffirmation

DEACON REAFFIRMATION

Please prayerfully consider Jon during
the three-week review period.

JUNE 14, 21, & 28



JON LUMAN

DEACON REAFFIRMATION

Members, our by-laws provide for deacons and elders to serve three-year terms and require them to be reaffirmed for successive terms. For the next three weeks, please prayerfully consider Jon Luman for the role of Deacon at Faith Community Church. If you have any questions or concerns, please approach Jon first, then the elders if unresolved.

Financial Update

Financial Update Fiscal Year (July 2025 - June 2026)

FYTD as of May 24, 2026

Projected Income	Giving	Surplus/Deficit
\$895,022	\$995,461	\$100,439

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

*Scanning the QR Code



Please remember with the new tax laws, some donors are choosing to support FCC using their retirement or brokerage accounts. **This allows them to reduce their tax bill while supporting disciple-making through the ministries of FCC.** Contact your financial advisor for detailed information.

FCC Leadership

Deacons

Brett Bujac
Adam Coleman
Caleb Gowan
Mike Hite
Jon Luman
Kevin Williams
Matt Zimmerman

Pastors/Elders

Steve Bond, non-staff
Ken Crane, non-staff
Cameron Dahl, staff
Chris Handel, non-staff
David Hansen, non-staff
Matt Webster, staff

FCC Staff

Matt Hemphill.....Student Ministry Coordinator
Amy McDougall.....Children's Ministry Coordinator
Kris Floyd.....Administrative Assistant
Liesl Kopp.....Communications
Herbert Stocksclaeder III.....Summer Pastoral Intern