

Procrustes was very friendly, but he may have been the worst host of all time. He invited all passersby on their way from Athens to Eleusis to stop and spend the night at his house. He even graciously offered them the use of his famous iron bed. There was only one problem: if the guest was too short, Procrustes would stretch them out until they fit his bed and if they were too long he would simply cut them down to size.

Of course there truly is no such thing as "one size fits all" in clothing or in congregations. We are such a diverse lot aren't we? In a healthy church we will find old and young, rich and poor, people with strings of degrees after their name and those without. We speak English, Spanish, Tagalog and Texan. We love spicy food and bland. Our diversity is our strength, but it can also become our greatest vulnerability. I truly fear those who would, like Procrustes, insist we all fit the same mould.

Think about the church in Corinth (chapter 1). Some people loved listening to Paul. He wasn't a trained orator and often talked too long (ask Eutychus), but the depth of his understanding has never been equaled. On the other hand, there were those who loved the "Eloquent Alexandrian" Apollos. Others were entranced by the sincerity and first-hand knowledge of Peter. How did they ever get along? It should

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come as no surprise that the Corinthians struggled in this area. What advice would you give them? I like this oft quoted maxim from Rupertus Meldenius (circa 1627):

"In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, in all things charity."

In truth tempered by love there is unity!

- John McKeel



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Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to visit Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since you took this step to join us for worship, we would like to extend to you a warm welcome. Wherever you are this morning, as we lift worship to God, we pray that you are able to leave feeling uplifted, convicted, or encouraged in your faith.

We seek to worship God like the first century church did, with a sense of awe and with a fear

Save the Dates!

Saturday 11/19 Celebration of Life for Pene Hammock

Tuesday 11/22 Thanksgiving Service at Woodinville Church of Christ.

Tuesday 11/22 Ladies Prayer Group

Saturday 12/3 Men's Breakfast

Sunday 12/11 Senior Saints Potluck



of the Lord. Some things we do might seem old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's glory.

You are not required to do anything weird or ostentatious. We hope that you feel free to join us in worshipping God to the best of your abilities. If you have any specific needs, we have a ministry staff that would love to connect with you. Ask the people sitting around you for names of the ministry staff and to point them out!

Once again, we are so happy to have you here worshipping with us and we hope this is a chance to worship God in a deep and meaningful way.

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Port Orchard News and Events

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Pulpit Preview- "Catch the Fire"

John McKeel will be sharing a sermon with us this upcoming Sunday. His Sermon will come from Acts 2:1-41. Service begins at 10:45, we hope to see you there!

Happy Birthday!

November has arrived, it's time to celebrate our November babies. If you see any of these following brothers and sisters make sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!

Trinity, Serenity Delay - 11/1. Brandon Zepf 11/2. Jessica Zepf 11/7. Dan Gross 11/15. Julie Snypp 11/21. Renny Woodrow 11/24.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michael DeShazo

Michael DeShazo shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message and would like to hear it, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com

Communion Bread Preparation

Below is current list of those who have already volunteered to make the communion bread for the upcoming months. If you feel this a place where you could serve, please speak with Connie Switzer.

Feb. -April. Carla Duffy May - July. Deloris Lawler

Serving November 20, 2016 :

Prayer Leader:	Dave Snypp	Communion Prep:	Warner Family
Scripture Reader:	Darrell Fry	Communion Cleanup:	Warner Family
Offering Thoughts:	Wayne Hammock	Praise Team:	Gene G., Rachel K., Connie
Communion Meditation:	Brad Orser		G. Kenny B.
Servers:	Gary C. & Tim D.	Sunday School & CW Helper:	
Ushers:	Terry B. & Brandon K.		Dale S. & Lori S.
Greeters:	Deloris L. & Lori S.	Fellowship Team:	
Nursery Attendants:	TBD		Donuts— Cindy Snead
Sound:	Lisa B. & Charlie H.		Coffee— Rick Velasco
Slides/Lighting:	Lori Sanders		Cleanup— Cindy Snead



Aug. - Oct. Connie Switzer Nov. - Jan. LaDonna Latham

Woodinville's Area Wide Thanksgiving Service

When: November 22 **Where:** Woodinville Church of Christ **Time:** 7:00 pm Please come at 6:30 for an extra half hour of singing.

Family Christmas Project

If you would like to help provide Christmas gifts for Oasis Youth, there is information posted on the church bulletin board outside in the foyer. You can also learn more about what the Family Christmas Project is at www.thecoffeeoasis.com/familychristmasproject

Pene Hammock Celebration of Life

There will be a celebration of life here at the church building this coming Saturday at 1 pm. Desserts will be served. Please contact Julie Snypp or Carla Duffy to discuss what type of dessert you would like to bring. Please continue to keep Wayne and the rest of the Hammock family in your prayers.

Kitchen Supplies

An order has been placed for paper plates, hot cups and napkins. There is a kitchen supply list attached to a clipboard down stairs in the kitchen. If you notice we are out of an item or are running low on an item, please write it on that list. Thank you!

Vaughn Family

The Vaughn family is in need of some help moving this Saturday. They want to start at 9 am. If you are able to help, please let them know.

Men's Breakfast

Host: Tacoma Church of Christ **When:** December 3rd at 8:00 am **Where:** Lakeview Church of Christ

Haddie Keagle's 6th Birthday Party

When: December 3rd Where: Port Orchard Church of Christ Time: 2pm

Our Prayer List

Healing for:

Isaac Benjamin Runell Mason- cancer (numbers coming down) Delores Brun - cancer David Latham

Encouragement:

Wayne & the Hammock family Eloise Gerard, Nikole Karn, Bret & Bryan Hollman

Other prayer requests:

Our leaders, Our church, Our deacons, Our members, Our country, Our homeless in the community Dj Magneson will be having a breast biopsy done on November 22nd.

October 13, 2016

Worship: 82 Class: 46 Offering: \$2,276.66 Goal: \$3,437.50

Psalms 107:8-9 (NIV)

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Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

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