

Port Orchard Church of Christ



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Knock-Knock

Who's there? Tank. Tank who? You're welcome! Knock-knock jokes are the worst, right, but you know what's really cool about a kid going through a knock-knock phase? Right before your eyes you watch them discover their language, learning and thinking about words, how they're used, what they mean, and how they can mean more than one thing. And it's all about words isn't it? I love you, I hate you: the power to heal or to devastate. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1) Words are important.

Door Knocking

We did some knock-knock recently and that's no joke. We used our words and the Word to meet and talk with our neighbors about their concerns for the neighborhood, concerns in their life, and concerns about a potential tiny village. On Wednesday Nov 7th six teams of two went out. We provided everyone who wanted and those not home with a postcard containing a link to an online survey that asked the same questions. We've received 4 online survey responses and knocked on 109 doors

speaking with about 70 of our neighbors. Neighborhood concerns included the lack of streetlights and sidewalks, speeding on Carr Lane, and lack of a traffic light at Converse. Regarding tiny villages, folks were concerned about what kind of people would live there, the safety of the village and the surrounding area, water quality, vandalism, and increased foot traffic. Of those willing to express an opinion, many were in favor and supportive of the village and there were also those who let us know they'd signed a petition against a village. Other discoveries included 3 households that shared someone was very sick in their home. We were blessed to be able to pray with them and our Wednesday evening prayer group continues to pray for them. There are also five Spanish-speaking households on Salmonberry between Carr Lane and Jackson. Words, they are important indeed.

Neighborhood Meeting

~500 postcards were sent to residences within a third of a mile around the building and at the meeting on Thursday, November 15th we hosted ~80 of our neighbors.

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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 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.

Save the Dates!

Friday 11/30 Kids & Tweens
4:30pm Baking for Ghana

Saturday 12/01 Deacons Meeting
8:00am

Saturday 12/01 Ghana Bake Sale at
9:00am-2:00pm Burley-Glenwood
Elementary

Sunday 12/02 Congregational
After Services Meeting

**Signup Sheet for
2019
Communion Prep. and
Cleanup has been posted in
the foyer.**

Serving December 1, 2018:

Port Orchard News and Events

Sunday Preview

Thomas Morse will be giving the sermon this Sunday. Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

December--Charles Nance-01, Cornell Stull-01, Nikole Karn-03, LaDonna Latham-03, Tristen Herbert-05, Sarah Benjamin-08, Elizabeth Herbert-08, Kelli Keagle-12, Erika Wheeler-12, Anna Cartwright, Jedidiah Herbert-17, Bonnie Mitchell-18, Lilli Bell-19, Darlene Woodrow-24, Wayne Hammock-25, Nancy Armenta-26, Gary White-28, Jake Orser-31, Randy vanLeuven-31.

Last Sunday

Brad Orser shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com to listen.

Congratulations, Hailey!

Our sister Hailey Denault was selected to be part of the WA Music Educators Association Junior All-State bands, choirs, and orchestra.

Prayer Leader: Jim Snead

Scripture Reader: Thomas Morse

Offering Thoughts: Darrell Fry

Communion Meditation: Dave Snyp

Servers: Brandon Z./Rodney Cormier

Ushers: Rick Velasco/Dan Gross

Greeters: Lori Sanders/Karen Taylor

Prayer Partners: Darrell & Laura Fry

Sound: Dale Sanders

Slides/Lighting: Isaac Benjamin

Communion Prep: Barbara Chasteen

Communion Cleanup: Rick Velasco

Song Leader: Gene Gerard

Children's 9:30 Teacher: Kelli Keagle

Youth Worship: Jessica Zepf

Preaching: Thomas Morse



Photos from the
Community Forum,
November 15th



Kids & Tweens Baking for Lake Volta

When: Friday, November 30th, 4:30-6:00pm

Where: POCOC Kitchen

Who: Kids & Tweens

What: We will be baking cookies (and perhaps making some crafts) for sale at the Burley-Glenwood Elementary School Holiday Bazaar in order to raise funds for International Justice Mission and their work in freeing child slaves at Lake Volta in Ghana. To see how much the Tweens and Kids have raised for Lake Volta go to <https://give.ijm.org/team/170471>

After our baking & packaging, we will be serving pizza for dinner.

Deacons Meeting

When: Saturday, December 1st, at 8:00am

Where: POCOC Auditorium Office

Who: Everyone!

Kids and Tweens Bake Sale

Please have your kid or tween work our table during this event on **Saturday, December 1st, from 9:00am to 2:00pm at Burley-Glenwood Elementary School's Holiday Bazaar (100 SW Lakeway Blvd, Port Orchard, WA 98367). He or she does not need to be there for the entire 5-hour period** and does not have to have been present at the baking on Friday. Sarah and/or Kelli will be there for the duration of the event. Bring a packed lunch or eat before or after you come.

Congregational Meeting

When: Sunday, December 2nd, After Services

Where: POCOC Overflow

Who: Everyone!

Our Prayer List

Healing:

Marlene Granburg, Frankie Gower's sister Linda, Sharon McDaniel

Encouragement:

All Children Participating in the new Memory Verse/Bible Reading program, All Church Family Members, Family Caregivers, Tiny Village Team

Traveling:

Averys, Cormiers

Other:

For those who fear the possible Tiny Cabin Village.
Our families, nation, President Trump and leaders.
Our ministries, Deacons & Congregation.

November 25, 2018

Worship: 81

Class: 41

Offering: \$2,152.22

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There were many concerns expressed about current issues in the neighborhood including drug use, safety, foot traffic, vandalism, and a string of burglaries that had occurred that morning. Expressed concerns about the village included drug use, safety, property values, vandalism, appropriate site choice, and walking traffic. There was a new panel member at this meeting, the Director of Public Health, and he assured the room that the water and septic concerns that have been raised are unwarranted and false and that a safe water and septic system for the village are not an issue.

Where We Are Now

The team is waiting on a meeting with the County and the non-profits who've committed to work with the village. The Kitsap Sun printed a well-informed article in their Sunday, November 18th edition. We have a link to this article on our website under the Tiny Village tab and encourage its reading. The team is committed to moving forward with the vision of the village as we presented it to the body. A clean and sober living environment for those in need of temporary housing who are actively moving toward permanent housing. As we continue to work,

and pray, and wait on God please pray with and for us, pray for our neighbors, and pray for God's glory in everything we do.

In Christ, The Tiny Village Team

Message from Our Teachers

Our Bible class young people are excited to invite the "whole congregation" to participate with them in gathering items to help those less fortunate stay warm this winter!

We have made a plan to gather **new** heavy duty warm socks for men, women and children!

However after contacting Helpline today there is so much more; yes they need socks to give away but **they tell us that they have no heavy coats, no waterproof jackets, no tents, no sleeping bags and they desperately need all of those things. Gently used or new!**

We had an amazing outpouring from our congregation to help keep people warm this year! Good job Bible school team!

We had 13 sleeping bags, 14 large white bags of socks and clothing, 2 big boxes of socks and shoes, and 3 extra large black bags of coats and warm clothing donated so a far!! It could barely fit in the car.

Thank you all who have given. Let's keep it up. Let's keep blessing people by keeping them warm this winter!

God bless you!

