

Port Orchard Church of Christ



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William “Les” Lewis

William “Les” Lewis passed away Dec. 23, 2018 in Houston. He was born July 21, 1934 in Cleburne to the late William Henry and Flossie Mae Lewis. Les retired after serving 38 years as a Senior Chief in the US Navy. He also worked as a tax preparer for 29 years, and was a member of the NAEA, NATP, and WATP. He was also a licensed funeral director and embalmer. He served as an elder at four different churches, and was a member of the South Main Church of Christ in Henderson, Texas.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters, Freda Padel and Earlene Anderson. Survivors include: his wife of 63 years, Len Lewis of Henderson; children, Margie Brown and husband Keith of Gary, Bill Lewis and wife Raquel of St. James, MO, Bob Lewis of Arlington, and Alex Lewis and wife Joely of Lincoln, NE; nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.



So few words to describe a man of God. During their last time here in Port Orchard I had the privilege of serving first as a deacon, then as an elder with Les. And I can tell you that there was a lot more to this Lord’s servant than most members got to see. Les was not perfect, and in fact described himself as a “dry drunk”, meaning that while he did not drink

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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!

Wed 1/2 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	<i>Meal and Herbert plans for Seattle.</i> <i>Prayer meeting .</i>
Saturday 1/5 8:00 am	<i>Men's Breakfast at Lakeview</i>
Saturday 1/5 8:00 am	<i>Deacon's Meeting at Building</i>
Sunday 1/6 After worship	<i>Monthly Congregational Meeting</i>
Sunday 1/13 After worship	<i>Potluck</i>

Port Orchard News and Events

Sunday Preview

Mark McLean will be giving the sermon this Sunday, "Born to Die" (Mark 15:25-39) . Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

December--Gary White-28, Jake Orser-31, Randy vanLeuven-31.
January--Pat Woodrow-09, Landra Reinke-12, Isaiah Zepf-13, Runell Mason-16, Karen Taylor-18, Forest Gerard-24, Michelle Herbert-24, Tammy White-29.

Meal and Mission Plans

Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 5:00 we will be serving a meal of soup, salad and bread while Trent Herbert will present to us their mission plans and introduce the team they are on. Prayer meeting will follow at 6:00.

Last Sunday

We had a lovely song and Scripture reading. While it does not record well, there are many other sermons if you visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com.

Serving December 30, 2018:

Prayer Leader: Wayne Hammock	Communion Prep: Barbara Chasteen
Scripture Reader: Mark McLean	Communion Cleanup: Rick Velasco
Offering Thoughts: Dale Sanders	Song Leader: Gene Gerard
Communion Meditation: Dale Sanders	
Servers: Brandon Zepf/Greg Warner	
Ushers: Rick Velasco & Dan Gross	Children's 9:30 Teacher: Laura Fry
Greeters: Greg & Sandy Warner	Youth Worship: Laura Fry
Prayer Partners: Darrell & Laura Fry	Preaching: Mark McLean
Sound: Isaac Benjamin	
Slides/Lighting: Lisa Bratcher	



Memory Verse & Daily Bible Reading

Those young people who are participating in this program do not have a memory verse this week but will continue to have Daily Bible Reading this week. A new schedule of memory verses will be dispersed next week.

IJM Fundraiser

There are spider ornaments on a tree in the foyer. Please leave a donation for IJM in the piggy bank and take home a spider. Suggested donation is \$1. The kids and tweens made these spiders as a fundraiser for IJM. Some of the spiders were sold at the sale last weekend where tweens made \$98 for IJM. Also, pick up a Christmas Spider legend card to go with your ornament!

Men's Breakfast, Port Orchard is Hosting

When: Saturday, January 5th, 8:00-10:00 am

Where: Lakeview Church of Christ, Tacoma

What: Men's breakfast for Delano Bay Christian Camp (cost \$4) followed by a devotional presentation by Dale Sanders.

Men's Meeting

Will reconvene in January on *Thursday* evenings.

Potluck

When: Sunday, January 13th, After Services

Where: POCOC Fellowship Hall

Office Closed - Church office is closed all of this week for a well deserved break for Kelli. Which brings up another item. This is the once or twice a year that Kelli allows Dale to do the bulletin. So blame him, not her! (Office will be open T and Th, January 1st and 3rd!)

Our Prayer List

Healing:

Carol Johnson, Kerri vanWyck, Chapmans, Dale Sanders

Encouragement:

Len Lewis and family (grieving Les Lewis passing), Caleb Smith, Those Affected by Tornado, All Children in the Memory Verse/Bible Reading program, Tiny Village Team

Traveling:

Whites

Other:

For those who fear the possible Tiny Cabin Village.

Our families, nation, President Trump and leaders.

Our ministries, Deacons & Congregation.

December 23, 2018

Worship: 88

Class: 42

Offering: \$3,815.02

alcohol, he had many of the personality disfunctions that an alcoholic would exhibit (due to past experiences). But Les knew Christ and was confident in His ability to make all things for good.

Following Christ's example, Les worked tirelessly to aid people in the congregation, and outside. He prepared many tax returns, refusing to accept a fee or even a gratuity from members. And, you may not believe this, but Les was often the "pro" voice in elder discussions about possible new ministries. While others (including myself) were questioning if we should try something, Les had the faith that if it were God's plan, it would work.

I miss the quiet times with Les, as he would talk about his past experiences. His coming into the shipyard in the spring and taking a ferry to Annapolis to find a worship service. Meeting a young lady that first week, going home with her parents for a meal. And her father (Willard Hoover) sitting him down and laying out the expectations if he were to become their son-in-law (and this was on the day they met!) It must have worked, because when Les's ship left the shipyard in the fall, Helen ("Len") elected to marry him, and go to his next duty station rather than attend college as previously arranged.

So many other things come to mind, but in the end Les wasn't perfect. He was FORGIVEN. And now he walks with God, basking in the glorious eternal Sonshine!

If you want to send a card or note to Len, the address is

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There is an on-line memorial you can sign or add a memory to, located at www.crawfordacrim.com/obituaries/Les-Lewis/#!/TributeWall



-Dale Sanders