
Port Orchard Church of Christ



The Inspiration of Spiritual Initiative

Arise from the dead... —[Ephesians 5:14](#)

Not all initiative, the willingness to take the first step, is inspired by God. Someone may say to you, "Get up and get going! Take your reluctance by the throat and throw it overboard— just do what needs to be done!" That is what we mean by ordinary human initiative. But when the Spirit of God comes to us and says, in effect, "Get up and get going," suddenly we find that the initiative is inspired.

We all have many dreams and aspirations when we are young, but sooner or later we realize we have no power to accomplish them. We cannot do the things we long to do, so our tendency is to think of our dreams and aspirations as dead. But God comes and says to us, "Arise from the dead..." When God sends His inspiration, it comes to us with such miraculous power that we are able to "arise from the dead" and do the impossible. The remarkable thing about spiritual initiative is that the life and power comes after we "get up and get going." God does not give us overcoming life— He gives us life *as we overcome*. When the inspiration of God comes, and He says, "Arise from the dead..." we have to get ourselves up; God will not lift us up. Our Lord said to the man with the withered hand, "Stretch out your hand" ([Matthew 12:13](#)). As soon as the man did so, his hand was healed. But he had to take the initiative. If we will take the initiative to overcome



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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.

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Save the Dates!

Tuesday 2/21 Ladies Prayer Group

Wednesday 2/22 Wednesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday 3/1 Wednesday Night Bible Study

Saturday 3/4 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 3/5 Congregational Meeting

Sunday 3/12 Senior Saints Potluck



Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— Counting the Cost

James Greer will be preaching a sermon this upcoming Sunday. Worship Service begins at 10:45, we hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

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

Virginia Chapman, Israel Cormier - 2/2. Tammy Avery - 2/5. Laura Gerard - 2/7. Carla Duffy - 2/8. Deloris Lawler, Melvin Byrd - 2/9. Ken Avery - 2/10. Jennifer Delay - 2/14. Katrina Coley - 2/15. Rachel Karn - 2/18. Bette Widman, Zari Cormier - 2/19.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dale Sanders

Dale Sanders 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

Serving February 19, 2017 :

Prayer Leader:	James Greer	Communion Prep:	Barbara Chasteen
Scripture Reader:	Rodney Cormier	Communion Cleanup:	Reinke Family
Offering Thoughts:	Jim Snead	Praise Team:	Gene G., Rachel K., Kenny B., Connie G.
Communion Meditation:	Ken Reinke	Sunday School & CW Helper:	Delay Family
Servers:	Brandon Z. & John B.	Preaching:	James Greer
Ushers:	Wayne H. & Dave S.		
Greeters:	Paula H. & Sarah H.		
Nursery Attendants:	TBD		
Sound:	Dale Sanders		
Slides/Lighting:	Kelli Keagle		



Margret Meyers

Margret Meyers would love to have women visitors.

Ben Mason

Please keep Ben Mason in your prayers as he will be undergoing surgery tomorrow at the University of Washington. He will be undergoing surgery to get an artificial heart.

Bette Widman

Our dear sister Bette Widman passed away yesterday. Funeral/Memorial plans have not been made public at this time. Please keep DJ. Magneson and Charlotte Hahn in your prayers.

Wednesday Night Class

Starting February 22nd at 6 pm we will be having Wednesday night class here at the church building. Please join us for worship and a bible study!

Life Line Screening

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings will be in our community on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at The Port Orchard Church of Christ. Ultrasound screenings to Identify risk factors for Cardiovascular disease include; Carotid Artery (plaque buildup-a leading cause of stroke), Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (an enlargement or weak area in the main blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the rest of the body), Peripheral Arterial Disease (hardening of the arteries in the legs), a Heart Rhythm Screening (an EKG to detect Atrial Fibrillation-irregular heartbeat) and an Osteoporosis Risk Assessment for men and women. Being proactive about your health by knowing your risks helps you and your doctor address problems early.

Register online TODAY at www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle and receive your "Community Circle" discount and your Preferred Appointment!

Our Prayer List

Prayer requests:

Healing:

Ben Mason
DJ Magneson
Daniel (Frys Grandson)
Dave Dowlen
All those suffering from the flu and colds

Other:

Prayers for our Church, Deacons, Ministries, First Responders, Our Leaders and the President.
Seth & Sarah Cartwright
Greg and Sandi Warner(loss of Sandi's mother)

Encouragement:

Delores Brun
Tim Duffy
Runell Mason

February 12 2017

Worship: 57

Class: 28

Offering: \$3,085.00

Goal: \$3,437.50

Psalms 31:23-24 (NIV)

Love the LORD, all his faithful people!
The LORD preserves those who are
true to him, but the proud he pays
back in full. Be strong and take heart,
all you who hope in the LORD.

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