

## *Make Every Minute Count*

*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil, therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is (Ephesians 5:15-17 ESV).*

Today I feel so limited in my ability as I seek to put into words the thoughts that now flood my soul concerning making the best use of the limited time we have on this earth. I pray that we will be filled with a sweet, sweet spirit of love, peace, unity and cooperation that will cause our hearts to overflow with a commitment to the Lord and His church that will be limitless. I pray all of us will come to know what the will of the Lord is for us. and be found doing it.

In making the best use of our time wisely, we must be careful not to forget about the abundant and awesome ways in which our God has blessed us. I love the song that says, "Count your many blessings, name them one by one, Count your many blessings, see what God hath done." As I look back over the years of my life I am made to realize that even though I have not always said or done that which is right according to his will, he has been so good to me. I am confident that as you reflect on your life, you will come to the same conclusion concerning your life. The greatest blessing of all is the privilege of being a part of the Lord's body, the church. As that grand old song proclaims, "God has blessed us with wealth untold".

Everything about us in this life is only temporary in nature, even our physical life. We are mortals and as such the day is coming when we will fold up this earthly tent and leave this world behind. We must be watchful, wary and cautious to guard our lives against every danger that threatens our eternal well-being. I pray that we will let the word of God fill our hearts, mold our thoughts and direct our footsteps every step of the way through this life (Philippians 1:27; Titus 2:1; Philippians 4:8; Proverbs 3:6; 2 Thessalonians 3:5). Make every minute count. Enjoy your life, every moment of it but as you do I pray you will know the vanity of not planning ahead for the day you will shed these earthly bonds (Heb; (9;27). Let us strive to number our days and apply our hearts to wisdom lest we take that last feeble step and go out into eternity to face our Lord in judgment unprepared (Psalms 90:12) Make every minute count--sounds like good advice to me,

I close this message with the Contemporary English Version of Eph. 5:15-17: *"Act like people with good sense and not like fools. These are evil times, so make every minute count. Don't be stupid. Instead find out what the Lord wants you to do."*

Charles Hicks

## POCOC Web Site

Note: Some additional files are now on the church web site, along with the weekly bulletin.

<http://pococ.weebly.com/weekly-church-bulletins.html>

- The worship song sheets for our Sunday worship service
- Newsletters from Trent Herbert
- Newsletters from Tristan Herbert
- Newsletter from Roy Merritt

### The Avery's have a new address!

907 Chambers St  
Steilacoom, WA 98388-3839  
360-689-6434 253-507-8051

Sunday Worship in the Parking Lot

July 26, 2020 – 10:30am

**Speaker – Trent Herbert**

Tune your radio to 93.1 FM  
You must be in the parking lot to tune in.

If you need communion supplies, please call the church or any of the SLT and we will get those items delivered to your door before Sunday. We have to do it this way as we are not allowed to pass anything out at the service. So please call; we will get whatever you need delivered to your door.

### Congregational Singing

“Singing is not for singers...  
Singing is for believers.”

– Keith Lancaster

## Happy Birthday!

**August:** Tanya Howard – 1, Elijah Herbert – 2, Winnie Wilson – 2, Scott Hall – 6, Thias David – 12, Terry Bratcher – 17, Rodney Cormier – 18, Connie Greer – 20, Hannah Herbert – 22, Dave Snypp – 25, Shirley Olson – 30.

**September:** Savannah Wilson – 1, Sydney Monk – 4, Deja Cormier – 5, Barbara Byrd – 9, Dave Lawrence – 13, Kayli Benjamin – 17, Eloise Gerard – 17, Charlie Fender – 21, Pam Woodrow – 25, Eunice Orser – 29.

## Tithes and Offerings

Several members have asked how to give their tithe to the Lord during this time. There are three options that allow me to enter your information in for tax purposes.

- 1) If you use on-line bill pay with your bank or credit union, set up a payee for Port Orchard Church of Christ. Your bank will mail your check for you. Other members have been doing this and it works well.
- 2) Mail tithe check to the Church. We have a lock mailbox.
- 3) Or drop the check in an envelope into our mailbox out front of the building.

### Church Address:

Port Orchard Church of Christ  
4135 Carr Lane SE  
Port Orchard, WA 98366

July 26, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 945.00

If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. - Gary Chasteen - (cell) 360 731-4104

## Our Prayer List

- Continue to pray for Dale Sanders' father, Glenn.
- Continue to pray for Dale's niece, Angie Demaray as she recovers from her liver transplant.
- Please continue to pray for Darrell & Laura's granddaughter Rachelle and grandson Daniel, and for Lisa as she cares for Daniel! Thank you all for your faithful prayers! - Laura and Darrell Fry
- Continue to pray for Lynn and Virginia Chapman.
- Remember the Warner's son Michael in your prayers.
- Pray for Frankie Gower who hurt her back.
- Pray for encouragement to all those who are tirelessly working to deal with Covid-19. Prayers that God will guide them.
- Continue to pray for our Deacon Leadership Team, Our church family, Our missions, Families, Our nation and its leaders.
- Pray for those who participate in the study of the Gospel of John on Sundays using the Zoom app.
- Rick Velasco would like prayers for Brad Bayliffe, who has leukemia. Also, for Rod Cunningham who has PTSD and has a lot of anxiety and is currently unemployed. Pray for these men, and for Rick as he ministers to them.
- Praise that Melvin, Barbara, Sammie and Brian's Covid-19 tests all came back negative.
- Landyn Clark is undergoing skin grafts for his legs using his own skin. It is very painful.
- Steve Smith is undergoing chemo and radiation treatments in preparation for surgery in September.

Note: If you have a prayer request or an update, please contact Bonnie Mitchell at [mitbem0519@gmail.com](mailto:mitbem0519@gmail.com)



If, at some point, our building is approved to open for worship services, but our attendance must be limited, would you rather worship inside the building or continue to worship in your vehicle?

Inside or Out? – send an email with your preference to

[churchpococ@gmail.com](mailto:churchpococ@gmail.com)