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## A White Pastor's Prayer

DAVE FREDERICK | YOUR TURN | 8:04 am PDT July 11, 2020

Heavenly Father,

You have said that we are to weep with those who weep, that we are to treat others as we ourselves would want to be treated, and that we are to love our neighbors as ourselves.

You have said that what is good and what you require of us is to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly before you.

You have said that being in Christ is what matters, not one's nationality or race or education or social position, and that Christ is equally available to all.

You have told us to pray "your kingdom, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" and have given us a beautiful glimpse of heaven in Revelation where people from every race and language and people group and nation are part of your glorious eternal plan.

And...you have said that faith without action is worthless. It is no faith at all to say that I believe these things without truly living them out. It merely amounts to cheap words.

Heavenly Father,

Forgive me. My actions have not been a reflection of your truth. My actions have not demonstrated faith, but fear. They have not shown empathy, but apathy.

I have never deliberately shown bias against my black brother or sister. I do not think I could be called prejudiced. I have always spoken against injustice and called for equality.

But, I have not wept with those who weep. I have not sought to identify with and understand and feel the fear and humiliation and hurt experienced on a daily basis by my black brothers and sisters.

I have never had to have a conversation with my sons about what to do and how to act when they are stopped by the police. I have never questioned the "whitewashing" of our American history or the absence of African American or Native American heroes in our school books.

I have been content to build relationships but not really increase in understanding of what it is like to grow up black or brown or yellow in the United States of America. I have been deluded to believe that racism is only in the South and that every advantage to me is also available to everyone else equally where I live and work and worship.

Forgive me Father. I have allowed myself to be blinded by my own desire for comfort instead of being willing to identify with and do something about the very real fears and injustices experienced by my brothers and sisters. I have been like the priest in the story of the Good Samaritan, who made a wide detour away from the wounded man on the road to Jerusalem rather than risk personal injury himself.

I have been content to speak rather than act when your word tells us we should lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters, and questions our love for God if it is only with words or speech and not with actions or in truth.

Father, forgive me. Show me how to love like Jesus loved. Help me to love my neighbor – all of them – as myself. Help me to weep with those who weep. Help me to fight injustice, to love mercy and to do it all while walking humbly before you. In the Name of Jesus, Amen.

*Dave Frederick is the founder of Coffee Oasis, an organization that provides services to homeless youth in Kitsap County, and a pastor at the Refuge Church in Bremerton*

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## 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

Sunday Worship in the Parking Lot

July 19, 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.

### Happy Birthday!

**July:** Yvonne Lawrence – 16, Jori Hooper – 16, Peggy Hall – 19, Dale Sanders – 19, Sharon McDaniel – 23, Ricky McKennon – 23, Luke Orser – 25, Trent Herbert – 27, Pilita David – 26

**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.

### 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 mail box.
- 3) Or drop the check in an envelope into our mailbox out front of the building.

July 12, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$1,290.00

### Church Address:

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

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

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

Inside or Out – send an email with your preference to

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

# Our Prayer List

- Continue to pray for Dale Sanders' father, Glenn. Dale is with him now in Colorado, and plans to return home on Sunday.
- 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
- Judith Eastman, the great grandmother of one of our former hockey players wishes prayers for her grandson, Landyn Clark, who is now at Shriners Hospital in Boston for treatment. Please lift up this young child and all of his family and loved ones. He is 9 years old; was playing with his cousin Friday and got into some acid used to clean chrome on trucks, burned very badly on both legs, some on arms. He was life flighted to Boston Shriners Hospital. He has 4th degree burns on both legs, still having severe pain. His mom is with him and other family are there as well, of course with Covid-19 his company is limited to just parents. We would appreciate all the prayers; he is still in critical condition. We hope to know more about his treatment this week. He will need grafts at some point but can't do them yet. Thank you for your prayers - Bonnie
- Continue to pray for Lynn and Virginia Chapman.
- Steve Smith is undergoing chemotherapy.
- 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 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.
- Bonnie is traveling to Ocean shores with fanfamily this weekend for their annual get together. Please pray for them to have a hedge of protection around all of them from Covid-19, to have safe travels, sunshine and a great and blessed time. Bonnie will be monitoring prayer chain emails while she's gone.

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

## Warming Center

**Monday, July 20, 2020**

Breakfast Menu

French Toast, Scrambled Eggs & Ham

Needed:

Texas Toast (3 loaves)

Eggs (3 doz.)

Sliced Ham (approx. 30 slices)

Lunch Menu

Baked Parmesan Chicken

Chunky Potatoes

Needed:

Potatoes, 10# bag

3 Boxes Onion Soup Mix (Lipton or generic)

Corn or Beans (#10 Can Please)

**Wednesday, July 22, 2020**

Breakfast Menu

Scrambled Eggs & Ham

Needed:

Eggs (3 doz)

Diced Ham (approx. (1 lb.)

Lunch Menu

Chicken Patty

Chunky Potatoes

Needed:

Mozzarella Cheese (3 blocks) - Cucumber (2)

Spaghetti Sauce (2 jars) - Small Tomatoes (small tub)

Salad (2 family sized bags) - Croutons (small bag)