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Graduating Seniors

Please congratulate the two young persons graduating this year from High School.

I am attaching their addresses if you wish to acknowledge them with a card.

Although we aren't having a congratulatory reception for them, we are as a church presenting each with their own Bible. Pray for Isaac and Chloe as they start a new chapter in their lives.



Chloe Jayne LaDeaux
4313 Chatterton Ave SW
Port Orchard 98367

Isaac Hollmann
4000 Coronet Pl. SE
Port Orchard 98366

Kitsap County has moved into phase 2 which allows religious services to be held inside of a building. We have reviewed the state document of guidelines and regulations. Many are quite cumbersome here are just a few of the highlights; we can sing but must have a face mask all the time and no praise team. Everyone must keep their masks on at all times, only 50 people at a time in the building.

We have determined that it is best for our worship to continue as Drive-In church for the next several weeks.

We have worked out the technical issues from last week regarding our FM radio transmitter. Its working great now!

We're not allowed to broadcast past the boundaries of our parking lot so you must actually be there in your car and tune your radio to 93.1 FM in order to hear the worship.

We thank you for giving us grace and patience as we work through all these technicalities !

Please, please come and join us this coming Sunday at 10:30 am you will be blessed!

If anyone needs communion supplies or song sheet printouts 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.

Gospel of John Bible Study

A Sunday evening Bible study is ongoing. It is a virtual study of the Gospel of John, using the Zoom app to study together. You can still join in; just call or text Ken Avery (360-689-6434) or Darrell Fry (360-710-8256). The class is using a study guide by Pastor Greg Laurie. The book is a free download and can be obtained at this link:

<https://harvest.org/resources/ebook/gospel-of-john-study-guide/>

The study begins Sunday at 6:00pm, but you should log in a little early.

Happy Birthday!

June: Judy VanLeuven – 11, Obidiah Herbert – 14, Lila Mason – 15, Dorothy Fletcher – 23, Miki Gross – 23, Kenny Benjamin – 24, Cathie Cates – 26, Pilita David – 26, Greg Warner – 29, René Powless – 29

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

Our Prayer List

Praises:

- On Thursday, May 28th, Nancy L. Davis confessed Jesus as Christ, the one and only Son of GOD, and was baptized, forgiven and walking free.....

2 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!



- Update from Virginia Chapman: Lynn's fibrillation is somewhat controlled now. Our thanks for all of you who have prayed and offered any help. Right now, we don't know of a need except the above subject wording, but it is so inspiring to have the offers.

We're thankful that there is no pain or even discomfort, just tired, frustrated, and reminding each other that God is still in control. Thank you for your prayers. We'll keep you updated...

We still love you, and feel part of the church family, tho' our health has not allowed us to be with you.

We got back from the hospital late Monday, and are quite exhausted from the tough 6 days/plus. His medication schedule is a hassle, and then another appt. Tuesday for his Macular Degeneration shot. Plus, a blood draw Wednesday a.m. early-early. There will be several of those to make sure one of the pills is doing its job. We will be taking a few days to hopefully recuperate, but still ask for prayers for Lynn's condition.

Yours in the work of His Kingdom,
Virginia & Lynn

-- Please keep both Lynn and Virginia in your prayers.

- Dale Sanders' father (Glen Sanders) had knee replacement surgery on June 3rd at 7:30 am MDT in Denver, Colorado. This was planned before the virus thing. Surgery went well. He is in his room. One of Dale's sisters is there to help him through the next few weeks.
- Stimulus money received by a member has been donated to help someone who would be unable to pay their rent due to the current situation. If you know of anyone who could use this blessing, please let Bonnie Mitchell know and she will pass it along.
- Please lift up Mark Riordan to our powerful and merciful GOD - details are already known to our Creator - Much thanks and love
- Daniel Tillman is recovering from brain surgery.
- Steve Smith is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Pray for our school children who will do online schooling for the rest of this school year. Pray for the children whose parents don't have the facilities to let their children do the online schooling.
- We need to continue to pray for those being affected by child abuse even more so with the Stay at Home that we have going on. It breaks my heart to think that this even goes on but when those affected can't escape to get the help - especially children who can get help through the schools.

- Pray for encouragement to all those who are tirelessly working to deal with the Covid-19 virus. Prayers that God will guide them.
- Continue to pray for our Deacons, Leadership Team, Our church family, Our missions, Families, Our nation and its leaders.
- Pray for those who will participate in the study of the Gospel of John which begins this Sunday at 6:00pm using the Zoom app.
- George who has Lou Gherig's; for his health and safety
- Whitney, granddaughter of the Byrd's for safety as a nurse dealing with treating patients with Covid-19
- Greg and Sandi Warner as they await the completion of their home renovation
- Greg and Sandi Warner for their son Michael
- Pray for all of the high school and college students who are not going to be able to graduate because of this virus. I know of two; Karen and Roger's grandson and Darlene's son, who is to graduate from college.
- Margaret Meyers' grandson, Ryan has been diagnosed with Covid-19. His mother Laurie will need to be quarantined with him for the next 14 days. Please keep them in your prayers.

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

Worship @ Home

Links for Church Bulletins, Sermons, & Worship

Port Orchard Church of Christ:

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

<http://pococ.weebly.com/teachings.html>

Central Kitsap Church of Christ:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/ckcocorg1/featured>

Bellevue Church of Christ:

<https://www.bellevuechurchofchrist.org/resources/sermonsbulletins>

Lakeview Church of Christ:

<https://www.lakeviewchurchofchrist.church/bulletins-2020/>

<https://www.lakeviewchurchofchrist.church/media/sermons/>

Puyallup Church of Christ:

<http://puyallupcofc.org/audio.html>

Max Lucado also publishes an "Online Church" on Facebook. This is a collection of videos of some of his weekly sermons.

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?ref=search&v=518183309102665&external_log_id=cc2ff9cd

[e8e2930b32b0c5e8f56c3750&q=max%20lucado](https://www.facebook.com/watch/?ref=search&v=518183309102665&external_log_id=cc2ff9cde8e2930b32b0c5e8f56c3750&q=max%20lucado)

Max Lucado – You Were Made for More

https://youtu.be/4phMf_PQ1u0

The Acappella Company:

<https://acappella.org/>

Acappella Praise & Harmony:

<https://acappella.org/praise-and-harmony/>

Children's Ministry, which I subscribed to, has sent me information to pass on with some Children and Adult activities - to make and color placemats using scriptures.

Feel free to check it out - good family activity.

www.childrensbulletins.com/covid19-childrens-activities-for-churches.

Bonnie

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.

Church Address:

Port Orchard Church of Christ
4135 Carr Lane SE
Port Orchard, Wa. 98366

May 31, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 820.00

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

May we help?

With so many of us sheltering in our homes as best we can, life and it's needs go on, such as trips for food, medications, etc. A young man in our congregation is offering his time to make grocery and pharmacy pickups and deliver them to your front porch. His time and expenses are being covered by a local businessman/member of our church so there is absolutely NO charge to you for this service. Take advantage of it and stay safe! Just like Jesus, the debt has already been paid!

Here's how it works:

If you have needs, do one of the following: Phone or text: 253-380-4806 (Lorri Celletti) or,
Email: mlcell@wavecable.com (Michael/Lorri Celletti)

Give your name and contact info, list of items needed, prescription pickup info etc.

Your items will be delivered to your front porch with a phone call to let you know they have arrived. Your receipt will be left in an envelope, then you can forward a check to the address on the envelope or call the above number to arrange payment when convenient.

There will be no personal contact between you and the person making the delivery. We want to keep everyone as safe as possible! If you should need financial assistance in procuring the items you need, please let us know. The goal is making sure everyone's needs are met until God conquers this virus. In the mean time, God bless all of you and stay safe!

P.S. You may also call 253-223-9095 (Bob McDaniel) if you have questions or are unable to get through on above contact info.

*As a congregation of followers of Jesus Christ here in Port Orchard, we too must come face to face with the results of racial hatred. We **must** advocate for fair and equitable treatment.*

The following letter from a fellowship of believers written and signed by many throughout our nation, was brought to our attention and we feel the need to share it with all of you.

Note: Some of the information in this letter may have changed since it was written.

- Spiritual Leadership Team

To Whom It May Concern: We, the undersigned ministers and leaders of local congregations of churches of Christ across our nation, are deeply disturbed by multiple reported acts of violence that have been perpetrated recently against unarmed African American men and women. These incidents have forced us to come face-to-face with the ever-increasing numbers and the results of racial hatred.

The undersigned are specifically calling for justice in the deaths of Ahmaud Arbery, Dreasjon (Sean) Reed, Breonna Taylor, and George Floyd.

Ahmaud Arbery, a young man shot dead by two men while jogging through a neighborhood just outside Brunswick, Georgia. While we acknowledge the arrests of the men implicated in this case, we are deeply concerned that it took two months coupled with a public outcry for the wheels of justice to slowly begin turning.

Dreasjon Reed, 21, was shot and killed by Indianapolis police who fired 13 bullets; most after he fell to the ground. This incident was streamed on Facebook, where one of the detectives can be heard taunting the dying Reed, saying, "Think it's going to be a closed casket, homie."

Breonna Taylor, a young lady who was asleep in her bed was shot 8 times and killed by law enforcement officers, who mistakenly entered into her home in search of a suspect who had already been brought into custody earlier that day. Breonna Taylor was a black EMT who had been working as an essential worker during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Most recently, George Floyd was falsely accused of resisting arrest before being handcuffed and pinned to the ground by an officer's knee. After multiple pleas for help and saying, "I can't breathe", the 46-year-old unarmed man died. Although the four officers have been fired, no formal charges have been filed. It has been reported by news outlets that one of the officers has been the subject of a dozen conduct complaints that resulted in no disciplinary action.

Police violence and selective enforcement are not so much flaws in American criminal justice as they are integral features of it. Our coalition is calling for all accounts of blatant racism, racial profiling, and police brutality to be addressed and for police officers to be properly regulated and, if necessary, prosecuted to regain the public's trust.

Rest assured, we will remain vigilant in addressing these issues and calling out these situations when they occur and will follow these cases, and others like them, to ensure that justice prevails. We join with the families in mourning the loss of these men and women's lives and surround them with prayers for comfort as we work diligently for a world free of racism.

We demand that the officer responsible for the death of George Floyd be arrested and charged with murder, and the officers who watched the murder of Mr. Floyd be charged with manslaughter because they neglected to render aid as a first responder. Likewise, in regard to the officers involved in Breonna Taylor's death, they should be arrested and charged for her murder, and any remaining charges to her boyfriend immediately dropped.

In regard to Ahmaud Arbery, we require a transparent legal process that serves as a contrast to the beginning stages of the investigation. We also acknowledge and agree with the assignment of an independent prosecutor, who has garnered our full support to bring this to a just conclusion. We also request a change of venue to ensure a fair and just trial.

Our concerns are not localized only to the tragedies mentioned above. Collectively, we call for every American of every ethnicity, to use their voice to decry the systemic racism that hunts down black and brown men and women. We agree, that no longer will we accept the hollow words of our caucasian counterparts without the investment of their actions concerning our fracturing. We expect for every believer and American, regardless of race, to recognize the value of black lives, and advocate for our fair and equitable treatment.

In Christ,

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Dr. Richard Price (Minister, The North Green St. Church of Christ - Tupelo, Mississippi)
David Watkins III (Senior Minister, Twin City Church of Christ - Texarkana, Texas)
Dr. Cleavon P Matthews Sr (Minister Bold Believers Church of Christ - Dayton, Ohio)
Delante J. Jackson (Senior Minister, East Chestnut Church of Christ - Fort Wayne, Indiana)
Dr. James B. Angus, Jr. (Otter Creek Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
Kenneth A Spence (Senior Minister, Camden Church of Christ - Camden, New Jersey)
Sean Richardson (Youth Minister, Bammel Church of Christ - Houston, Texas)
Jonathan L. Givens (Assistant to Minister, North Peoria Church of Christ - Tulsa, OK)
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Tradanius E. Beard (Ministering Evangelist, Northwest Church of Christ - Southaven, MS)
Joshua Jackson (Senior Minister, Rural Hill Church of Christ - Antioch, TN)
Laconia Therrio (Hospital Chaplain - Stamford, Connecticut)
Antwan D. Brown (Senior Minister, Azalea Drive Church of Christ - Charleston, SC)
William Jones, Minister North Greece Rd Church of Christ Rochester New York

white allies and community members:

Don McLaughlin (Preaching Minister, North Atlanta Church of Christ - Atlanta, Georgia)
Matthew D. Stidham (Preacher, East Side Church of Christ - Snyder, Texas)
Collin Packer (Lead Minister, Greenville Oaks Church of Christ - Allen, Texas)
Grant Azbell (Minister of Preaching, Senatobia Church of Christ - Senatobia, Mississippi)
Claire D. Frederick (Ministry Leader, All Saints Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
John Mark Hicks (Ministry Leader, All Saints Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
Brittany T. Paschall (Ministry Leader, All Saints Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
Richard T. Hughes (Ministry Leader, All Saints Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
Luke Nance (Family Minister, 4th and College Church of Christ - Cordell, Oklahoma)
Brad Blake (Meadowbrook Church of Christ - Jackson, Mississippi)
Mark Wiebe (Preaching Minister, Vandelia Church of Christ - Lubbock, Texas)
K. Rex Butts (Lead Minister, Newark Church of Christ - Newark, Delaware)
Jason Locke (Senior Minister, College Church of Christ - Fresno, California)
Christine Fox Parker (West End Church of Christ - Nashville, Tennessee)
Bobby Valentine (Minister, East Side Church of Christ - Antioch, California)
Emily Reed (Providence Road Church of Christ - Charlotte, NC)
Carlus Gupton (Professor of Ministry, Harding University - Memphis, Tennessee)
Kevin Huddleston (Director of Ministries, Arms of Hope - San Angelo, Texas)
Chris Dunning (Lead Minister, Newberg Church of Christ - Newberg, Oregon)
Christopher Scott Chesnutt (Santa Paula Church of Christ - Santa Paula, California)
Donovan Rillion (Long Beach Church of Christ - Long Beach, Mississippi)
Sean-Alex Smith (Worship Leader, Harding University Alumnus - Decatur, Alabama)
Jessica Knapp (Associate Campus Minister, Ambassadors 4 Christ - Tucson, AZ)
Becky Frazier (Missional Discipleship Minister, Otter Creek Church - Nashville, Tennessee)
Nathan Holland (Missionary - Angola, Africa)
Kevin Harrington-Bain (Student Minister, Highland Oaks Church of Christ - Dallas, TX)
Loren Wheat (Ministry Leader, Highland Church of Christ - Abilene, Texas)
Brandon Pierce (Senior Minister, Stamford Church of Christ - Stamford, CT)
Chris Altrock (Senior Minister, Author, Spiritual Director - Memphis, Tennessee)
Carie Whittaker (Children's Minister, East Cobb Church of Christ - Marietta, Georgia)
Patrick Ford (Minister, West Islip Church of Christ - West Islip, New York)
Drew Dixon (Minister, Federal Way Church of Christ - Federal Way, WA)
Matt Wolf (Pastor, St. Paul's United Church of Christ - Monee, Illinois)
Shawn Moore (Church of Christ preacher for 32 years - Ankeny, Iowa)
Adam Hill (Minister of the Word, Rochester Church of Christ - Rochester Hills, Michigan)
Summer Morris (Children and Family Minister, North Davis Church of Christ - Arlington, TX)

Drew Baker (former Preaching Minister, Church of Christ at South Fork - Winston Salem, NC)
Rob Sparks (Minister, Fernvale Church of Christ - Fairview, Tennessee)
Joshua Ray (Preaching Minister, Springfield Church of Christ - Springfield, VA)
Shane Hughes (Preaching Minister, Highland Church of Christ - Abilene, TX)
Mark Manassee (Senior Minister, Culver Palms Church of Christ - Los Angeles, CA)
Sara Barton (Preaching Team Member, Camarillo Church of Christ - Camarillo, California)
Brent Roe-Hall (College & Young Adults Minister, Woodmont Hills Church - Nashville, TN)
Johnny Bond (Minister, Bastrop Church of Christ - Bastrop, TX)
Adam Metz (Minister, Alum Creek Church of Christ - Columbus, OH)
Shane Alexander (Preaching Minister, Robinson Church of Christ - Robinson, Texas)
Sara Cawood (Women's Sunday School Teacher, Kingston Church of Christ - Kingston, TN)
Jovan Barrington (Senior Minister, Littleton Church of Christ - Centennial, CO)
Ambrose Ramsey Minister and Shepherd, Tammany Oaks Church of Christ - Mandeville, LA)
Reid Hillin (Former Minister, Woodmont Hills Church & Current Bible Dept. Chair, Mount Dora Christian Academy - Mount Dora, FL)
W. Keith Brenton (Minister, Eastside Church of Christ - Eureka Springs, Arkansas)
Ghavinn Crutcher (Lead Minister, Elk Grove Church of Christ - Elk Grove, CA)
Matt Raines (Minister, New Beginnings Church - Amherst Ohio)
Aaron Metcalf (Minister, Westside Church of Christ - Beaverton, Oregon)
Jeff Brown (Lead Minister, Woodmont Hills Church - Nashville, TN)
Sheila Pettigrew Bost (Elder, Culver Palms Church of Christ - Los Angeles, CA)
Candace Nicolds (Senior Minister, Brookline Church of Christ - Brookline, Massachusetts)
Bob Palmer (Minister, Sulphur Well Church of Christ - Springville, TN)
Zachary Bryant (Life Coach and Spiritual Director, Nashville Rescue Mission - Nashville, TN)
Eric Hallett (former Minister, Glen Rock Church of Christ - Seven Valleys, PA)
Ben Fike (Senior Minister, Cole Mill Road Church of Christ - Durham, NC)
Henry Holub (Senior Minister, Northside Church of Christ- Spokane, WA)
Caleb Dillinger (Preaching Minister, Northland Church of Christ, OH)
Chuck Bearman (Ministry Leader, Meadowbrook Church of Christ - Jackson, MS)
Tara Wilhelm (Children's Ministry Teacher, 4th Ave Church of Christ - Franklin, TN)
Mike Miles (Preaching Minister, Livonia Church of Christ - Livonia, Michigan)
Christopher R. Hutson (Professor of Bible, Missions, and Ministry at ACU - Abilene, TX)
Clint R. Hikes (Worship Leader, Reynoldsburg Church Of Christ, Reynoldsburg, OH)
Jim Beck, Minister Malindi Kenya, Uzima Church; Mission Minister, Monterey Church of Christ, Lubbock, Texas
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Holly Racca (Children's Minister, Southern Hills Church of Christ, Abilene, Texas)
Jarrod Robinson (Minister of the Word, Southern Hills Church of Christ, Abilene, Texas)
Elizabeth Smith (a Children's Minister, Culver Palms Church of Christ, Culver City, CA)
Tiffany Dahlman, (preaching minister, Courtyard Church of Christ, Fayetteville, NC.)
Gil Vollmering, Jr, (Elder, North Davis Church of Christ, Arlington, Texas)
Chad Wheeler (Minister, Open Door Church, Lubbock,
Matt Pinson (Media, Highland Church of Christ, Abilene, TX)
Shannon Jackson (Preaching Minister, Van Alstyne Church of Christ, Van Alstyne, TX)

Asian-American allies

Zachary Luben (Youth & Family Minister, Culver Palms Church of Christ - Los Angeles, CA)

"...learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow."
-Isiah 1:17 NRSV