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## HE FOUND THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT ON

Thomas Keith Roberts

In the middle of a battle with the Philistines, Jonathan (son of King Saul) dipped the tip of his staff in a honeycomb and, “raised his hand to his mouth and his eyes brightened.” (1 Samuel 14:27 NIV) He got the rush of strength he needed to keep him from collapsing in front of the enemy.

In the middle of your battle with fear and disease, dip your spirit in the honey of God’s words:

“The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.” (Psalm 19)

“How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!” (Psalm 119:103 NIV)

Try this powerful dose of honey: “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” - Jesus (Matthew 11:28-30 NIV)

## VBS 2020

We will be having an Outdoor VBS August 10 -14, from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the church grounds. The content will be aimed at kids 11 through teen. However, younger kids who can sit through a 45 - 60 minute lesson are welcome. :)

The topic is the reality and deity of Jesus, and we will have an outdoor camping theme.

We will have to cancel VBS if public health guidelines interfere. We also will not be making VBS public this year because of the pandemic.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer, contact Jon or Kelli or Sarah.

## 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 - June 28, 2020 – 10:30am

Speaker – James Greer

Tune your radio to 93.1 FM

You must be in the parking lot to tune in.

If you need 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.

We are going to try to host one camp this year.

**Modified Senior Teen Session**

# Finding Jesus in a Pandemic



Registration is now open (Thursday, June 11, 2020) for a Modified STS!

[More Info & Registration](#)

This camp will be open to upcoming Seniors and Graduating Seniors (classes of 2020 and 2021). Camp dates will be July 20th-25th. We will only have 30 spots available (priority goes to the class of 2020).

***Based on the phased re-entry plan from the State, the DBCC Board believes that we will be able to host a camp in late July. We hope to provide an awesome camp where we can encounter the good news about Jesus the Christ to further his kingdom with our graduating seniors one last time before they move on in their lives to whatever God has in store next.***

***Because of the phased re-opening restrictions, we may not be able to facilitate this camp at all: If Pierce county has not entered phase 3, we will not be able to do MSTs. If, however, we are in phase 3 by July 20th, we will do everything we can to get our campers out to Delano.***

Please continue to pray for our camp, our local churches, and the mission of bringing the gospel to the ends of the Earth.

Mailing Address: [Delano Bay Christian Camp, 812 Stamford Rd SW, Lakebay, WA 98349-9678](#)

## **Gospel of John Bible Study**

This 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:** 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

- Pray for Nancy Davis' brother-in-law; Jerry passed away. Please keep their families in your prayers.
- Update on our granddaughter Rachelle and grandson Daniel

Rachelle's original and hopefully final plan is to fly to Houston tonight (Monday) and then on to Honduras tomorrow. However, Honduras is tightening up controls on the towns and there is some speculation that they prohibit travel between towns which would prevent John from driving the 5 hours to the airport to pick her up. They hope to have updated information before she begins her trip home. Of course, if she is going to get stuck, we all agree she needs to stay in Prescott longer which her Mom Lisa would love!

Daniel had some bad days with the feeding tube and had to have a new one put in, he seems to be doing well with that currently and we are hopeful this will continue.

Please continue to lift up our daughter Lisa as she cares for Daniel!

Thank you all for your faithful prayers!

Laura and Darrell Fry

- Continue prayer for Lynn and Virginia Chapman.
- Steve Smith is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Remember the Warner's son Michael in your prayers.
- Karen Taylor's daughter, Donyel is awaiting the results of a biopsy of a cyst on her ovaries. Pray for a successful report.
- Karen Taylor is requesting prayer for her daughter Angela who is still having some difficulty with pain.
- Karen's friend Virginia Latham is recovering from her broken jaw.
- Pray for Frankie Gower who hurt her back.
- Rick Velasco will be getting an appointment for a neurologist for his varicose veins. He has some other issues with his body also. Pray for him to have some comfort and get the right treatment.
- Sarah's (from The Warming Center) daughter and her husband took in a foster child two years ago and had to give the child back to the family. Pray for all those involved and that this is a good thing.
- 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 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.

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

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.childrenbulletins.com/covid19-childrens-activities-for-churches](http://www.childrenbulletins.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

June 21, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$2,439.00

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](mailto: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 meantime, 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.

