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A Prayer for Unity

Adapted from YouVersion daily

“Take heart, I have overcome the world.” -- John 16:33

After Jesus spoke those words, He prayed for the future Church to “be united,” just as He and the Father were so the world would know Him. (17:20-23)

What is unity?

Unity means to be joined in purpose and passion, and involves exchanging our will for Christ’s will. Even though unity is difficult, Jesus seemed to believe it was necessary if the world was going to know Him.

When we cultivate unity in the body of Christ, we acknowledge that Jesus is in control and that His grace is sufficient to cover our differences.

Today, let’s seek God’s heart and ask Him to draw His Church together as one, so the world will believe in the One that God sent to unite us.

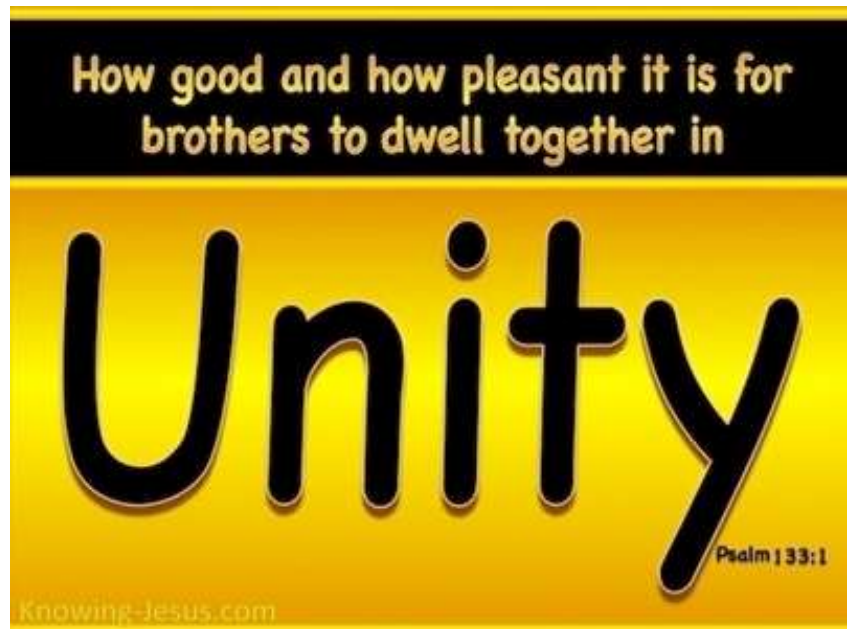
Jesus,

Thank You for overcoming the world. Because of that, we can experience unity with You. And because we can be united with You, we can experience unity with each other.

It’s by You all things are held together. As we seek to center our lives around You, help us to see all the ways You are at work in the world.

Draw us closer to Your heart so that we begin to see each other the way You see us. Would You encourage us to look out not only for our own interests, but also for the interests of others.

We want Your kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven, so unite us in purpose so that nothing keeps people searching for You from believing in You.



May we experience such perfect unity that the world will know that You sent us and that You love them unconditionally.

Come, Lord Jesus, and do in our lives what only You can do.

In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Our Prayer List

- I have a Praise, that the tests didn't show any problems with my heart. I am thankful to be out of the hospital. Having follow-up on Monday, 10/26 with my GP.
Prayers for a smooth move-in to our home. I am trying to just allow things to flow as they happen. No more huge scheduling and planning.
My son has heard that he is to receive an injection at Western State. He doesn't know when. He's planning to barricade himself in his room if he sees it coming. Prayers for this injection to happen for his benefit.
Love and hugs to all of you.
- Sandi Warner
- Melvin Byrd fell and had to have seven stitches on a cut above his eye. Continue to pray for him. Contact is Sammie Russell (509-845-1140).
- Dorothy Fletcher will be going into rehab in Bremerton for 7 to 10 days, and then if everything goes well, she will return home. Please continue to pray for her recovery.
- Prayers for Davi Armenta as she is recovering at Harborview from a gunshot wound.
- Tammy White's cousin Susan Willis recovering from cancer surgery.
- The hospital called Carol Henry Smith regarding her son Steve's surgery. They stated that the surgery went well. It wasn't the doctor who called so at this point they have no details; he doesn't want visitors so they won't know anything more until tomorrow. She thanks everyone for the prayers. Continue to pray for his recovery.
- Pray for all of those who are affected by Covid -19, either themselves or loved ones.
- Pray for our nation and all our leaders worldwide to help bring peace through prayer and God's guidance.
- Pray for those in India who are suffering from flooding and for Pulukari and his ministry.

Pulukari Bhaskar from the India mission has requested help to provide Bibles (25) and notebooks (100) for their Bible school which he has named Port Orchard Church of Christ Bible School.

If you would like to support this school by helping to provide funds for these Bibles and notebooks, please make your check out to Port Orchard Church of Christ, and note that it is for "India Bibles". The estimated cost of the Bibles is \$200 USD, and \$100 was received last Sunday.

Note: If you have a prayer request or an update, please contact Bonnie Mitchell at mitbem0519@gmail.com or call her at 360-895-0453

POCOC Web Site

- Weekly Bulletin - <http://pococ.weebly.com/weekly-church-bulletins.html>
- The worship song sheets for our Sunday worship service (uploaded on Fridays)
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristan Herbert and Roy Merritt.
- Recently Recorded Sermons - <http://pococ.weebly.com/teachings.html>
- Current Event Calendar - <http://pococ.weebly.com/news--events.html>

<p>Sunday Worship in the Parking Lot October 25, 2020 – 10:30am Speaker – Trent Herbert Tune your radio to 93.1 FM You must be in the parking lot to tune in.</p>	<p>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 it out at the service. So please call; we will get whatever you need delivered to your door.</p>
<p>Prayer: Darrell Fry</p>	<p>Communion: Bob McDaniel</p>

Happy Birthday!

October:

Jules Hooper – 22, Laura Fry – 24, Sandi Warner – 25, Jodi Hooper – 28.

November:

Trinity Delay – 1, Serinity Delay – 1, Laura Denault-Beigler – 2, Brandon Zepf – 2, Jessica Zepf – 7, Dan Gross – 15, Jaidyen Jones – 21, Julie Snypp – 21, Renny Woodrow – 24, Haddie Keagle – 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

October 18, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 1,125.80

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

Sunday Morning Worship

Our online calendar includes info about our Sunday Morning Worship:

<http://pococ.weebly.com/news--events.html>

You can also find the weekly Order of Worship and song lyrics, along with the weekly bulletins at:

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

The next opening for a preacher is January 10th. Let Jon know if you would like to preach that Sunday.

Everything is still open for the rest of the year for communion leader and prayer leader. These will be assigned based on our list of those who are willing to serve. If you would like to choose a date, please let Jon know.

Also, if you are

Note: Be sure to check the bulletin each week for Sunday morning assignments.

interested in preparing a lesson, but you are a little nervous about it, Trent has offered to help you

The Ladies Prayer Group meets online using the Zoom app.
The meeting starts at 10:00am on Tuesdays.
If you would like to participate, contact Laura Fry for login information.

with it. You may respond by email (churchpococ@gmail.com) or phone (360-876-2604). Leave a message if I'm not in the office. - Jon

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Almighty God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

Together with believers all over the world, we gather today to glorify Your Name.

You are the Creator of heaven and earth.

There is no one like You, holy and righteous in all Your ways.

We submit to Your authority as the King of the universe.

We pray with one voice to enthrone You in our hearts and to honor You before the world.

Lord God, You alone are worthy of our praise and adoration.