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The Journey of Life

Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being (Genesis 2:7).

Today we are on a great journey that began the day we were born and will end the day we die. During the course of this journey I fear we often take so many things for granted such as health, happiness, beauty, success, and time itself. It is so easy to become so involved in the affairs of this life that we fail to take into account that our life is a gift from God; he is its author. I pray that all of us will follow the heeding of Psalms 90:9-10 to number our days and apply our hearts to wisdom because it matters not what our age may be, young, old or in between, all too soon we will fold up this earthly tent and fly away. We can live our days on this earth in a shabby way or we can live our days in a victorious way. That decision God leaves up to us (Joshua 24:15; Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 6:16-19; Hebrews 5:8-9).

The book of Psalms begins with a powerful thought, "How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in his law, he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields it fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers (Psalms 1:13). Without a single doubt, I believe that the greatest pleasure and satisfaction we can find comes from keeping, to the best of our ability, the commands of our Lord as revealed to us in his word.

By allowing God's word to fill our hearts, mold our thoughts and guide our lives we will be enabled to live our lives victoriously here and ultimately gain the greatest victory imaginable, eternal life with God and the redeemed of all ages. I am convinced that the word of God hidden in our hearts will make us wiser than any foe we encounter on this journey of life and that includes the devil himself (Psalms 119:11; Psalms 119:97-98; Eph. 6:10-17; James 4:7-10; 1 John 4:4).

As a child of God, we have anchor for our souls and that anchor is a hope that springs eternal in us because our sins are forgiven and we have a peace within that passes all understanding (Hebrews 6:18-19; Colossians 1:12-14; 1 John 2:12; John 14:27; Philippians 4:6-7) and the promise of one day having a house not made with hands (2 Cor. 5:1; John 14:1-3). It is great to be alive on this journey of life but, my friends, the best is yet to come. To God be the glory!

Charles Hicks

Our Prayer List

- Davi Armenta (Michelle Herbert's niece) is recovering from a gunshot wound at Harborview. She
 was told last week that the bullet went through her spine and she wouldn't be able to walk
 again. She will have some upcoming surgery for her voice box to fully restore her voice to normal
 and further surgery down the road for her esophagus to restore to normal size. She is able to drink
 water and had some applesauce. Continue to pray for complete healing.
- Roger and Linda Fry's grandson, Michael. He has a cyst on the brain and other symptoms. His
 wife is seeking a second opinion regarding treatment of the other symptoms. They will be going
 ahead with surgery for the cyst.
- Daniel and Lisa as Daniel prepares to go home to be with our precious Father. For the Fry family as they minister to Daniel and Lisa. Grant them peace and comfort on this leg of Daniel's journey.
- Karen Taylor will be going to Oak Harbor on the 25th to be with her daughter, Donyel Hussey who will be having a hysterectomy on the 28th. Pray for Donyel and her healing and for the skill of the medical team.
- Praise for Deloris Lawler's son –in-law Bob Groves whose heart is ok and didn't have to have an
 invasive procedure done.
- Tammy White's cousin Susan Willis was informed that her uterine cancer has now spread through her blood stream, lungs and liver. They are awaiting a 2nd opinion before doing any surgery.
- Carol Smith's son Steve will need a few more tests however he will have the liver surgery at the end
 of October.
- Pray for our school children, teachers and those having to be home schooling their children due to COVID 19.
- Pray for our elderly seniors, our church family, our Deacons, Spiritual Leadership Team, missions.
 Pray for healing for our Nation and defeating Satan.
- Pray for all those who are fighting the fires, working in the medical field, our military, our nation and its leaders. For those who have lost so much during Covid19 and the Wildfires.
- Please continue daily your prayers for those in India who are suffering from lack of food and others still confined due to Covid –19.
- I received a message from Rebanette Weir this evening regarding her husband Mike. They were a
 huge part of our church when we first came here 40 years ago! Mike is having some issues and is
 currently in St Josephs in Tacoma. He has lost some right side physical ability they have done a CT
 scan and cannot find evidence of a stroke. He is hopeful to get into a neurologist tomorrow and try
 to determine what is going on. Please keep Mike and the family in your prayers! Laura & Darrell
 Fry
- Keep Jessica in your prayers, she will be having several tests this week, the doctor is thinking it may be a gall bladder issues. Please pray for answers and solutions.
- Pray for Amy, she is having some health issues and works for Brad Orser.
- Pray for Zach a very dear friend of young Brandon and our family he is having some issues and is
 in the hospital in New Mexico.
- Pray for God's love to abound in this world. Pray for all of us as we seek His will in all things. May
 we become strong members of God's army to help all who come into our lives. Let us all stand up
 for those that are treated unjustly, we are all children of God.

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

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.

POCOC Web Site

Note: Some additional files are 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 (uploaded on Fridays)
- Current newsletters from Roy Merritt, Trent Herbert, and Tristan Herbert
- Recently Recorded Sermons
- Current Event Calendar

Sunday Worship in the Parking Lot

September 27, 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 it out at the service. So please call; we will get whatever you need delivered to your door.

Prayer: Brad Orser Scripture: Bob McDaniel Communion: Darrell Fry

Happy Birthday!

September:

Pam Woodrow – 25, Eunice Orser – 29.

October:

Tim Duffy – 4, Kristi Hall – 4, Bob McDaniel – 8, Lisa Bratcher – 13, Cindy Snead – 17, Brittany Pringle – 19, Paula Hill – 20, Jules Hooper – 22, Laura Fry – 24, Sandi Warner – 25, Jodi Hooper – 28.

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

September 20, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 5,233.00

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

Sunday Morning Worship

In order to improve our worship planning, I will be filling in the calendar with those who will volunteer to help lead our Sunday morning worship services. This will help eliminate the "last minute" requests to find someone to serve each week. It will also help you by giving you more time to prepare.

If you don't already know, our online calendar includes info about the Sunday Morning Worship:

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

You can also find the weekly Order of Worship, along with the weekly bulletins at: http://pococ.weebly.com/weekly-bulletins.html

Here is a list of the slots that still need a volunteer.

For the remainder of the year, we need a preacher for Oct 11, Oct 18, Nov 15, Nov 22, Dec 13, Dec 20 & Dec 27.

Everything is still open for the rest of the year for communion leader and prayer leader. These will probably be assigned at some point, but if you are willing and want to choose a date, please let me know.

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

- Jon



Empowering Faith Women Speaker CYNTHIA EVANS Cynthia is a christian author, national and international speaker. President of the Titus 2

A virtual ladies hosted by Northwest Mission RSVP: Text Michelle Herbert 253-509-8769 for your zoom link

Hope Love

October 3, 2020 9:15 am -1:00 pm



Delano Bay Christian Camp exists to encounter the good news about Jesus the Christ to further his kingdom.

20 September 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Delano Bay Christian Camp has received your generous contribution and we thank you. The kitchen has been restored and is once again in working order. The structural damage to the roof, wall, and floor has been repaired. New sheetrock and paint are in place with appliances and equipment returned to their proper places. In addition, with a generous donation from the sponsors of the Men's Breakfast, new flooring has been installed. It truly is amazing and you helped make that possible!

Please continue to keep the camp as well as the Board in your prayers always, but especially now as we navigate these difficult times during Covid-19. Thank you again for your support and we look forward to opportunities for you and yours to experience the blessings of Delano Bay Christian Camp.

In Christ,

Your Delano Bay Christian Camp Board

Kitchen Repairs Complete







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