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What If?

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What if God didn't take the time to bless us today,
because we didn't take the time to thank Him yesterday?
What if God decided to stop leading us tomorrow,
because we didn't follow Him today?
What if we never saw another flower bloom,
because we grumbled when God sent the rain?
What if God didn't walk with us today,
because we failed to recognize it as His day?
What if God took away the Bible tomorrow,
because we would not read it today?
What if God took away His message
because we failed to listen to its messenger?
What if the door of the church was closed,
because we did not open the door of our heart?
What if God stopped loving and caring for us,
because we failed to love and care for others?
What if God would not hear us today,
because we would not listen to Him yesterday?
What if God answered our prayers
the way we answer His call to service?

Many of our homebound seniors who we provide meals for never have any interaction other than our drivers who deliver their meals to them.

At Meals on Wheels Kitsap (MOWK), we are putting together holiday bags for all of them. Included will be Christmas cards signed by our volunteers and others who would like to participate.

I purchased 2 boxes of cards from Dollar Tree at \$1.00 each and am starting a new tradition on Thanksgiving Day to have my family help sign those cards. I also have some cards left over from previous years. Perhaps this is something you might want to engage your family in doing.



We know the seniors who receive the cards won't know who we are but to them it won't matter. Just knowing someone took the time to acknowledge them with a card does tremendous things to brighten what could be a very lonely and depressing Christmas. Many of them save and read the cards many times during the year.

I am requesting that if any would like to participate with us at Meals on Wheels, sign some Christmas cards and get them to me by December 7th. I will then take them to MOWK on the 9th when I will next be there.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-265-3266 or email me.

May this coming holiday season bring you many blessings of peace and happiness.

Bonnie Mitchell



Acts

Bible Class

Led by Trent Herbert

It took a bit to get through the gospel of Luke, but we made it! I have been blessed by the study and hope others were as well. We took the book and looked at the context, historical background, and the many characters to gain a better understanding of the Lord we serve. We start our next study in January, and we will dig into Luke's second volume, Acts. I hope that you will join us as we study the early church and men and woman that worked so hard and gave so much for the Church.

Our Prayer List

- Please lift up Margaret Meyers (who used to live in one of the duplexes), has been taken by ambulance to St Anthony's. Please also lift up her family. Her heart failure is getting worse so they are just going to keep her comfortable at the nursing home.
- Continue prayers for Darrell & Laura's great niece, Kelly. She is being transferred to a rehab facility.
- David Bedford is being cared for in a rehab facility following his three strokes.
- Cindiann and George Bradburn are having a hard time adjusting to their new life in Idaho.
- Pray for Barbara Chasteen for her recent surgery to remove the cancer on her leg.
- Tony DelBarto (Bonnie's son-in-law) is receiving palliative care at home.
- Tom Sibley is visiting this week with James & Connie Greer.
- Laura Fry's brother Colin and his wife are here visiting with their daughter Angela and with the Fry's.
- Praise that Ann Sullivan's biopsy was non-cancerous.
- Praise; Paula Hill has finished her treatment.
- Pray for Jim and Cindy who are traveling to see family.
- The Sunday school class is preparing to help with needs for the homeless. If you have a heart to help or ideas, please contact Laura Fry.
- Sharon McDaniel continuing to work with the doctors to ease her discomfort.
- Laura Fry's aunt Joyce: treatments for cancer ending and effects from radiation on the rise.
- Carol Henry Smith's son Steve treatment for his cancer.
- Praise God for all that he continually does to provide for our needs.
- Our medical personnel and also first responders and all they are dealing with because of the problems associated Covid.
- Our nation and leaders. Port Orchard Church of Christ and our deacons, our leadership team and brothers and sisters.

To submit a prayer request for the prayer list, contact Bonnie Mitchell at mitbem0519@gmail.com, or 360-265-3266.

**Darlene Woodrow's memorial will be held at our building on Saturday, December 11th.
There will be snacks in the foyer following the service.**

Hello, I lost a ring with a large emerald and small diamonds on Sunday, perhaps at church. If anyone comes across a ring like this at church, I would so appreciate if you could let me know.

Thanks so much, Sarah Benjamin

Men's Fellowship

Each Tuesday at 10:00am, a group of men meet together in the downstairs to visit, discuss various topics, and pray.

** Please Join Us **

Soup -n- Sing

Sunday, December 19; 5:00pm
Singing Christmas songs and Eating Soup
What could be better

** Please Join Us **

POCOC Web Site (<http://pococ.weebly.com>)

- Weekly Bulletin – Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristan Herbert and Roy Merritt. Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel - Previous recordings too: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URaKOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the video. Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.
- Pre-Covid audio sermons are also still online – Click on **Teachings**
- Current Event Calendar - Click on **News & Events**

Sunday Worship (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon)
(Children are dismissed after communion for Children’s Church)

Watch live stream or after our worship time:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URaKOYw7JOR9ZIQ

Speaker: Mark McLean	Singing: Bob McDaniel	Scripture: Levi Herbert	Prayer: Jon Powless	Communion: Mark McLean
9:30am Adult Class: Auditorium James Greer / Jim Snead			Children Class: Downstairs Combined Class	

Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID

Luke Class (Zoom) Sundays: 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting (Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 pm
Men’s Fellowship Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesday, 10:00 am	Ladies Prayer Group (Zoom) Tuesdays: 10:00 am

Tithes and Offerings

Since we are once again meeting inside the building, there is a collection box at the entrance to the auditorium. However, the other options are still available:

- 1) The collection box will be in the foyer.
- 2) Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.
- 3) Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address. We have a lock mailbox.

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December 5, 2021 – Tithes & Offerings – \$ 3,693.00

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

Happy Birthday!

December: Kelli Keagle – 12, Jedidiah Herbert – 17, Bonnie Mitchell – 18

January: Mark David - 2, Michell Herbert – 4, Pat Woodrow – 9, Landra Reinke – 12, Isaiah Zepf – 13, Karen Taylor – 18, Caleb Smith – 23, Tammy White – 29, Myron David – 30

Breath Of Heaven (Mary's Song)

Verse 1

I have traveled many moonless nights
Cold and weary with a Babe inside
And I wonder what I've done
Holy Father You have come
And chosen me now to carry Your Son

Verse 2

I am waiting in a silent prayer
I am frightened by the load I bear
In a world as cold as stone
Must I walk this path alone
Be with me now be with me now

Chorus

Breath of Heaven hold me together
Be forever near me
Breath of Heaven
Breath of Heaven lighten my darkness
Pour over me Your holiness
For You are holy
Breath of Heaven

Verse 3

Do You wonder as You watch my face
If a wiser one should have had my place
But I offer all I am
For the mercy of Your plan
Help me be strong
Help me be
Help me

“This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.”

Matthew 1:18-19



https://youtu.be/L8_475FKJWQ

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