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**Good News**

Do you want the good news first or the bad news?

We have all probably heard this question before. It is always great when we receive good news. We despise hearing the bad news.

As we look at the minor prophets we see how over and over the prophets spoke both good and bad news. The prophets would call the people of Israel and Judah to repentance as they slowly became like the people around them, the outsiders. In some cases, God's people even turned their backs on their own God. Judah became distracted, gave their hearts over to other gods, and lost their focus. Micah calls judgment down on the people and calls them to repentance. It is a "yo-yo" of activity throughout the book of Micah as he calls down words of "warning and judgment" as well as words of "comfort and hope" on Judah.

It is a yo-yo we don't want to be a part of as people—or as God's people. The good news is that Micah ends the book with a message of hope.

"Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea." (Micah 7:18-19).

Isn't it great news that we serve a God who pardons sin and forgives transgression? Isn't it great news that we serve a God who shows mercy? Isn't it great that we serve a God who will hurl our iniquities into the bottom of the sea! Let this good news propel us to love our God with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. May it also propel us to go forth and love our neighbor as ourselves.

Go forth and share this good news!

Michael Williams

**Soup -n- Sing**

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

*\* Bring your favorite soup (cookies, too) and join us \**

# 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

- Praise God for all that he continually does to provide for our needs.
- Continue prayers for Darrell & Laura's great niece, Kelly. She is being transferred to a rehab facility.
- Many of you have met Darrell and Laura's brother and his wife Linda when they have visited with us in the past. Linda started having stomach and back pain a couple months ago and it had progressed to very severe pain and rapid loss of weight. She went in for a CT scan and blood work about a week ago and they got the results yesterday.

Linda has 2 masses on her pancreas 5 - 6.5 centimeters, nodules in lung and liver enzymes and the aorta has calcification. Linda has been given referrals to get biopsies done on her pancreas and liver. She is having difficulty with those medical offices to set up the referrals as she is unable to get in touch with the offices and the one pulmonologist is no longer taking patients. She is frustrated and weary.

Please pray that all of this testing can be done quickly, and that she will be blessed with good results and positive outcomes.

My brother-in-law Charles posted the following scripture on our Fry family web page after she shared her news today. We plan to pray for her, please join us in praying for our dear sister.

### Psalm 20:1-5

1 May the Lord answer you when you are in distress; may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.

2 May he send you help from the sanctuary and grant you support from Zion.

3 May he remember all your sacrifices and accept your burnt offerings.

4 May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed.

5 May we shout for joy over your victory and lift up our banners in the name of our God.

May the Lord grant all your requests.

- 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.
- David Bedford is being cared for in a rehab facility following his three strokes.
- Praise that CindiAnn and George Bradburn have signed a new contract and are getting the majority of their money back. They received a blessing to help them for the next 2 months. Please lift up a pray of praise for Cindiann and George and they children as they start to settle into their new surroundings.
- Pray for Barbara Chasteen for her recent surgery to remove the cancer on her leg.
- Pray for Bonnie's son-in-law Tony who will have a procedure to hopefully input a stent where there is a blockage. Pray for the medical team who is treating him and for Penny as she awaits the outcome.
- Praise that Ann Sullivan's biopsy was non-cancerous.
- 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.
- 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](mailto:mitbem0519@gmail.com), or 360-265-3266.

## **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](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**

<b>Sunday Worship</b> (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed after communion for Children’s Church)  Watch live stream or after our worship time: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ</a>				
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing: Darrell Fry	Scripture: Various Readers	Prayer: Troy Hill	Communion: Dave Snyp
<b>9:30am Adult Class:</b> Auditorium James Greer / Jim Snead / Trent Herbert			<b>Children Class:</b> Downstairs Combined Class	
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID				
<b>Luke Class</b> (Zoom) Sundays: 6:00 – 7:00 pm			<b>Prayer Meeting</b> (Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 pm	
<b>Men’s Fellowship</b> Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesday, 10:00 am			<b>Ladies Prayer Group</b> (Zoom) Tuesdays: 10:00 am	

### **Communion and Tithes & Offerings**

We are once again meeting inside the building, but we are still not passing trays row by row. Be sure to pick up your communion supplies as you enter the auditorium. It contains both the juice and the bread.

The collection box for your tithes & offerings is also available at the entrance to the auditorium.

However, the other options are still available:

- 1) The collection box will be in the foyer at the entrance to the auditorium.
- 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.

Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com	December 12, 2021 <b>Tithes &amp; Offerings – \$ 3,693.00</b>  If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104
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### **Happy Birthday!**

**December:** Jedidiah Herbert – 17, Bonnie Mitchell – 18, Wayne Hammock – 25, Gary White – 28, Jake Orser – 31, Randy VanLeuven - 31

**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

# How Many Kings?

## Verse 1

Follow the star to a place unexpected  
Would you believe after all we've projected  
A child in a manger  
Lowly and small the weakest of all  
Unlikeliest hero wrapped in His mother's shawl  
Just a child  
Is this who we've waited for 'cause

## Chorus 1

How many kings stepped down from their thrones  
How many lords have abandoned their homes  
How many greats have become the least for me  
And how many gods have poured out their hearts  
To romance a world that is torn all apart  
How many fathers gave up their sons for me

## Verse 2

Bringing out gifts for the newborn Savior  
All that we have whether costly or meek  
Because we believe  
Gold for His honor and frankincense for His pleasure  
And myrrh for the cross He'll suffer  
Do you believe  
Is this who we've waited for

## Bridge

Only one did that for me ooh  
All for me ah, ah, ah  
All for me all for you (4X)

## Chorus 2

How many kings stepped down from their thrones  
How many lords have abandoned their homes  
How many greats have become the least  
How many gods have poured out their hearts  
To romance a world that is torn all apart  
How many fathers gave up their sons for me

## Ending

Only one did that for me oh  
All for me all for you



<https://youtu.be/WTYe9sWYKdo>

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