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July 18, 2021

Serious Joy!

It has been noted that play is a serious thing for children; it is work. Among other things, it is through play that motor skills are developed, social skills for interacting with others are learned, as well as play being a means of working through anxiety and fear. Perhaps, though older, we still enjoy finding time to engage in play. Last week I found great joy in various types of interactions with teens at Delano Bay Christian Camp. Some of that was time at play while other was time in serious focuses.

C. S. Lewis noted, "Joy is the serious business of Heaven." [from "Letters to Malcom: Chiefly on Prayer"] This reminds me of Jesus' teaching of the lost sheep and the lost coin in Luke 15.

In each of these respectively we read. . . "Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."
(Luke 15:7 ESV)

And... "Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents." (Luke 15:10 ESV)

Just as sin and departure from God's Will is serious, so is the rejoicing in Heaven over each individual soul turning back to Him! The latter of these two references seems to be an indication of the angels witnessing the rejoicing of God Himself! As the father in the parable of the lost son celebrated the return of his son (Luke 15:22-24), such is the picture of God's joy in the returning of souls to Him!

Acknowledging the seriousness of sin separating us from God, let us maintain a penitent heart always drawing us in His direction. The humble returning gives rise to Heavenly joy! May we therefore remain serious about living to please God and thus give cause for serious joy in Heaven!

Have a great day ACKNOWLEDGING WHAT BRINGS HEAVENLY JOY!

- Carl Hanson



There will be a short Congregational Meeting this Sunday, July 18th to further discuss the future plans for the duplexes.

Gospel of Luke Class

The Bible Class on Luke, led by Trent Herbert meets on Zoom Sunday evenings at 6:00.

You can find the current study questions on our web site:

pococ.weebly.com/bulletins--newsletters.html

Our Prayer List

- Praise: Paula Hill's surgery went well. Please continue to lift Paula up in prayer for her recovery and follow-up.
- Karen Taylor has requested that prayers be lifted up for her son Aaron, his wife Angela and Aiden and any others who are not vaccinated for COVID19 and have recently been exposed to the virus.
- Shirley DeFord Kean has requested prayers for Rick and her uncle Jack who has COPD and is hospitalized.
- Bonnie Mitchell's niece will be coming to stay with her for a while in August. Pray for both of them that this will be a smooth transition.
- Continue to keep Nancy Davis in your prayers.
- Bonnie Mitchell's grandson has put in a transfer with his company to work at either Gig Harbor or Silverdale. Please pray that God's will be done wherever he thinks would be best and beneficial for him.
- Michelle Herbert's aunt Stella recovering from surgery.
- Carol Henry's son Steve dealing with chemo for the next three months.
- Please keep the Avery and Cormier families in your prayers as they travel to their new home in Georgia to begin the next part of their life journey.
- Sarah Benjamin's grandpa, whose name is Ed, is in a coma and not responsive. He was in a very bad state of health to begin with, but after he got coronavirus months and months ago, he never recovered to even where he was previously. Now he is bedridden and not responsive. Please pray that her dad would be able to visit him and that he can find God, and that God's will would be done.
- Pray for Len Lewis whose brother Ray Hoover passed away from complications due to Covid. He was living in the Philippines.
- Cindiann Bradburn and her family who recently moved across county and need wisdom and encouragement.
- Roger Taylor's sister Kathy, for comfort and peace; currently in Hospice.
- Jessica Zepf healing for her ankle
- Laura Fry's aunt Joyce who recently was diagnosed with cancer.
- Pray for all our graduating seniors.
- Praise that Pat Woodrow's ankle wound is healed.
- Bonnie Mitchell's son-in-law Tony DelBarto was recently diagnosed with heart failure and has an upcoming angioplasty procedure.
- Pray for all the campers and staff attending Delano Bay camps this summer.
- Pray for all our brothers and sisters that God will provide whatever their needs are.
- Praise that Pat Woodrow's ankle wound is healed.
- Darrell Fry's sister Myrna, is still having dizzy spells.
- That as a membership we make the decision God wants regarding the duplexes.
- Pray for our nation and all our leaders worldwide to help bring peace through prayer and God's guidance.
- Praise to God our father who never fails



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)		Fully Vaccinated?	
There WILL be “in-person” worship		If so...	
Watch live stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAKOYw7JOR9ZIQ		Masks are Optional	
Speaker: Vincente Huerta	Communion: Vincente Huerta	Scripture: Jon Powless	Prayer: Jim Snead

Classes		
Bible Classes Sunday: 9:30 - 10:15am	Adult: Auditorium James Greer	Children: Combined Class Downstairs
Luke Class Zoom Meeting: Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Call Laura Fry or 360-876-2604 for Zoom Meeting ID	
Ladies Prayer Group Zoom Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 am		
Prayer Meeting Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, 5:00 pm		

Happy Birthday!

July: Yvonne Lawrence – 16, Jori Hooper – 16, Peggy Hall – 19, Dale Sanders – 19, Sharon McDaniel – 23, Ricky McKennon – 23, Luke Orser – 25, Trent Herbert – 27

August: Tanya Howard – 1, Elijah Herbert – 2, Winnie Wilson – 2, Scott Hall – 6, Thias David – 12, Terry Bratcher – 17, Rodney Cormier – 18, Connie Greer – 20, Hanna Herbert – 22, Dave Snypp – 25, Shirley Olson – 30.

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

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.

Church Address:

Port Orchard Church of Christ
4135 Carr Lane SE
Port Orchard, WA 98366

July 11, 2021 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 888.00

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

Salvation
Requires a
Savior.



Jesus

Our Camps

Registration is now open for all camps.

We host and staff camps for students in 1st grade all the way until they graduate from High School. Learn more about each of our camps and how your camper can encounter Jesus there!

1st - 3rd Grade Camp

July 18th – 21st

4th - 6th Grade Camp

July 25th – July 31st

Young Teen Session - YTS (7th - 8th Grade Camp)

July 4th – 10th

Junior Teen Session - JTS (9th - 10th Grade Camp)

July 11th – 17th

Senior Teen Session - STS (11th, 12th, New Grad)

June 26th – July 3rd



[Delano Bay Christian Camp - https://www.delanobay.org/](https://www.delanobay.org/)

Note: There are camperships available if you have a child who would like to go to camp, but could use help with the funds. Contact Laura Fry

Father, Please

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Like a breeze, blowing soothing release
Love that has set my soul free, Father, please

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Father, Please Sweet Deliverance

Words and music: Kevin Percival © 1996
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“All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”

- John 14:25-27