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**Don't Quit. Keep Playing.**

In 2 Corinthians 12 Paul declares, "For when I am weak, then I am strong." This seeming paradox is difficult for Christians to understand. We often think that we must be strong in order to be acceptable to Christ. But Paul tells us that when we acknowledge our weakness and lean wholly upon Christ, He covers the weakness of our lives with His strength. Thus, in weakness we are made strong.

A familiar story illustrates this point. The story is about Poland's famous concert pianist and prime minister, Ignace Paderewski.

A mother, wishing to encourage her young son's progress at the piano, bought tickets for a performance by a world-renowned pianist. When the night arrived, they found their seats near the front of the concert hall and eyed the majestic Steinway waiting on the stage.

Soon the mother found a friend to talk to, and the boy slipped away. When eight o'clock arrived, the spotlights came on, the audience quieted, and only then did they notice the boy on the stage, sitting at the piano, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."

His mother gasped, but before she could retrieve her son, the master appeared on the stage and quickly moved to the keyboard. "Don't quit. Keep playing," he whispered to the boy.

Leaning over, the great pianist reached down with his left hand and began filling in a bass part. Soon his right arm reached around the other side, encircling the child, to add a running obbligato. Together, the old master and the young novice held the crowd mesmerized.

In our lives, unpolished though we may be, it is the Master who surrounds us and whispers in our ear, time and time again, "Don't quit. Keep playing." And as we do, he augments and supplements until a work of amazing beauty is created.

So, instead of feeling overwhelmed by the needs of those in our community and world, let us have faith that God will take what we can offer and make it significant. No gift and no effort we make, no matter how small it may seem, is worthless. With the little we offer; God can do a lot.

- Roy Ice

*Just a  
thought...*

*"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."*

*Romans 15:5-6*

# Our Prayer List

To submit a prayer request for the prayer list,  
contact Bonnie Mitchell at [mitbem0519@gmail.com](mailto:mitbem0519@gmail.com), or 360-265-3266.

- Lift up Bob McDaniel who fell against the fireplace and is in extreme pain.
- Pray for Jon and Darrell who will be leading the service on Sunday since Bob won't be able to assist them.
- Please pray for Karen Taylor's daughter in law whose friend Dina Blackmore passed away unexpectedly.
- Pray for Angela (visitor) who is serving her parents, Stephen Reynolds receiving dialysis and mother in a nursing home. Pray for her parents also.
- Please lift up Bonnie's daughter Kara's co-worker and friend who has viral pneumonia and is very ill.
- Trent and Michelle who are driving back from Texas.
- Pray for Tristen whom they brought a reliable vehicle to him to assist him in his missionary work.
- 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.
- Pray for Jim and Cindy who will be traveling to see family.
- Pray for Tanya Howard and her friend Debbie's family. Debbie passed away on Sunday.
- Pray for Nancy Armenta's test results that were done for her kidneys.
- Sue Sullivan's husband Joe who is waiting for an appointment with the surgeon regarding the growth on his thyroid.
- Praise: Angela, the Fry's niece is now at home recovering.
- Karen Taylor's son Thomas and his wife Geri who have Covid.
- Sharon McDaniel continuing to work with the doctors to ease her discomfort.
- Yvonne Lawrence who is recovering from hip surgery and hopefully will move to Cottesmore for physical therapy on Thursday.
- Paula Hill currently having radiation. The blood clots will take 3 months to leave.
- Laura Fry's aunt Joyce treatments for cancer ending and effects from radiation on the rise.
- LaDonna Latham's daughter Laurie continued healing.
- Carol Henry Smith's son Steve treatment for his cancer.
- Melvin and Barbara Byrd and Charlotte Hahn in their new residences.
- James and Cindy Snead whose daughter Kirschon has Covid.
- Gary and Barbara Chasteen's dog Ziggy that her remaining time she is comfortable.
- Pat Hearn, niece of Charlotte Hahn, finishing up her cancer treatments this October.
- For Elizabeth who is homeless that God will inspire her to get the help that she needs.
- 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 the problems associated Covid.
- Our nation and leaders. Port Orchard Church of Christ and our deacons, our leadership team and brothers and sisters.

*... and pray for each other so that you may be healed.  
The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.*

– James 5:16 –

If your background check has expired, please take care of that. The list of expiration dates is on the bulletin board across from the office. Blank forms are also there and can be turned in to either Gary Chasteen or Jon Powless.

## **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) 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>				
<b>Speaker:</b> Jon Powles	<b>Singing:</b> DDarrell Fry	<b>Scripture:</b> Jon Powless	<b>Prayer:</b>	<b>Communion:</b> Dave Snyp
<b>Classes</b>				
		<b>Adult:</b> Auditorium James Greer / Jim Snead	<b>Children:</b> Combined Class Downstairs	
<b>Luke Class</b> Zoom Meeting: Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm		Call Laura Fry or 360-876-2604 for Zoom Meeting ID		
<b>Ladies Prayer Group</b> Zoom Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 am				
<b>Prayer Meeting</b> Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, 5:00 pm				

### ***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

October 17, 2021 – Tithes & Offerings – \$ 1,724.50

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

### **Happy Birthday!**

**October:** Laura Fry – 24, Sandi Warner – 25

**November:** Trinity Delay – 1, Serenity Delay – 1, Laura Beigler – 2, Brandon Zepf – 2, Jessica Zepf – 7, Brian Bungart – 15, Dan Gross – 15, Haidyen Jones – 21, Julie Snyp – 21, Renny Woodrow – 24, Haddie Keagle – 29

# Until Grace

## Verse 1

I knew I was broken but  
There was no one that I could tell  
Praying felt like I was  
Throwing pennies in a wishing well  
And I started believing  
I was cursed to carry this weight  
I was listing the reasons of why I should walk away

## Chorus

Until Grace called my name  
Oh I didn't know I could be free  
Until Grace found me  
Until Grace broke these chains  
Oh I didn't know I could be free  
Until Grace found  
Your Grace found me

## Verse 2

I might be looking  
At a future full of question marks  
But I don't have to have all of the answers  
If You have my heart  
In You I'm finding redemption  
A little more with every breath  
Brand new like the morning  
And I'll never forget that

## Bridge

You came like force of nature  
Knocked down every wall I made  
You rescued my soul when I thought  
There was no escape

Until Grace



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Watch and Listen to the song here...



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[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zt15EgCuYi8&list=RDzt15EgCuYi8&start\\_radio=1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zt15EgCuYi8&list=RDzt15EgCuYi8&start_radio=1)

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