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Christian Love

One modern idea that needs to die is that love means agreement. Such an idea cheapens love. One may love a person one day but then be forced to relinquish their love because of changed beliefs. If this is love, then every marriage would end in divorce because no two people agree on everything.

I love many people with whom I have disagreements. I deeply love my mother and grandmother, and yet there are things in which we don't see eye to eye. If love is agreement, I would have to end my relationship with the people who raised me and brought me into this world. This would be absurd. My relationship with my mother and grandmother is better because we do not always agree. I need their wisdom and counsel because I am not always right.

If love means agreement, people would likely lie to maintain their relationships with others. This is not love. Love is defined in 1 Corinthians 13 as that which "does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth." I want my friends and family to be honest with me. Love is telling the truth. Love is seeking the good of the other and this never involves lying.

Christian love is certainly not based on agreement. The words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount make this clear.

"Love your enemies... For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?" (Matt. 5:44, 46)

An enemy is someone with whom we disagree about something and yet Jesus requires us to love them. Evil people love the people who love them. There is nothing virtuous about loving a person who agrees with our every thought and desire. What is virtuous is to love the person with whom we disagree, to love the person who does not hold our beliefs. This is Christian love.

Love based on agreement will never change the world or make society better. What changes hearts and makes the world better is a love that says "I know what you believe and I disagree but I love you anyway." Christ displayed this kind of love and it is the love we are called to imitate.

"God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8)

- Scott Elliott



"Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord."

- Hebrews 12:14

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Sunday Worship for July 24, 2022 (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 Scripture: Communion: Speaker: Singing: Prayer: Trent Herbert Bob McDaniel Trent Herbert Wayne Hammock Dave Snypp 9:30am Adult Class: Auditorium Children Class: Downstairs The Life of Christ: Trent Herbert Combined Class Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID Acts Class (Zoom) Prayer & Praise Meeting (Zoom) No class for the rest of summer Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm Men's Fellowship **Ladies Prayer Group** Downstairs Fellowship Room (Zoom) Tuesday, 10:00 am Tuesdays: 10:00 am The Sing Thing – Thursday 6:00pm at the building If you like to sing, this is the place. We'll sing our favorite hymns & spiritual songs. This will also be a great time to learn (or help someone else learn)

Communion and Tithes & Offerings

Communion will again be available on the table at the front. Or you may pick up your communion supplies as you enter the auditorium. It contains both the juice and the bread.

to sing one of the harmony parts.

There are also a few options for giving your tithes & offerings:

- 1) The collection box is 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	July 17, 2022 Tithes & Offerings – \$ 1,360.00
	If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104

Happy Birthday!

July: Sharon McDaniel – 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, Connie Greer – 20, Hanna Herbert – 22, Dave Snypp – 25, Shirley Olson – 30.

Our Prayer List

- Jim and Patti Orser's 50th wedding anniversary is Thursday, July 21. Pray for continued blessings for them and also for Patti's health.
- Barbara Byrd possibly fainted early this week. Her blood pressure was low and she was somewhat dehydrated. She seems to be fine now. Continue to pray for her health.
- Frankie Gower is in St Anthony's while the medical staff determines the reason for bleeding possibly from her esophagus. A CT scan was taken. Pray for a good outcome and treatment if needed. Pray for Frankie to have peace and comfort and for the staff treating her.
- Sharon is scheduled for an MRI on the 19th of July. Pray for comfort and a resolution to her medical situation.
- Pray for Troy Hill's father, Glenn for test results to resolve the pressure on his brain.
- Pray for Sue Sullivan who has Covid.
- Pray for the healing of Sandi Warner's leg.
- Tammy White would like prayers for her cousins, Fred Martin, Martha Nash, and Sue Willis.
- Pray that Gary and Tammy have a safe flight home on Saturday.
- Pray for Roger Taylor and his family over the passing of his sister Kathy this past Saturday.
- Rick Velasco would like us to pray for his co-worker, Misty Nelson, who has a tumor and has a
 history of cancer in her family.
- Pray for a successful Kids Fun Fest/VBS that we are having on the following Thursdays; July 14, 21, 28, and August 14. We are praying as we reach out to the community. Volunteers are still needed just to help make sure the children are safe and we take care of any needs they might have. Please join us Monday at 11 am in the fellowship hall if you are interested in helping this mission. Let all your relatives and friends and neighbors with children know. Watch for the flyer.
- Keep the Lawrence family in your prayers grieving the passing of Yvonne.
- Continue your prayers for Karen Nance, Virginia Chapman, Janet McKinley, Tammy & Gary White, Tony DelBarto, Wayne Hammock, LaDonna's daughter, Laurie, and for all who have medical issues.
- Pray for those who are continuing to fix up the duplexes for occupancy.
- Pray for the people of Ukraine.
- Pray for our Deacons, Leadership Team, and our minister as they continue to work for the good of our Church.

CCDNW Christian College Day NW September 24, 2022

York University- Featured School Southwest Church of Christ, Tigard, OR

> More Information: http://ccdnw.org

End Of Summer BBQ at the Fry's!

Mark your calendar:

When: August 27th 1:00 PM

Where: 1468 Woods Rd E,
Port Orchard
(Darrell and Laura Fry's home)

All families and friends are invited!

More information to come!

Acts Class

The Sunday evening class just completed the book of Acts, so there will be a break for the rest of summer. Stay tuned for news about what will come next.

My God Called Me This Morning

Well, my God called this morning - Hey lordy oh
Well my God called this morning
Just a little while before day
Well my God called me this morning - Hey lordy oh
Let me tell ya, my God called this morning
Just a little while before day

Well I stopped and listened
How sweet the voice did sound
It sounded like a beat, beat, beatin' of an angels wings
I see him from the heaven coming down

And then I stood there and I steadied myself
I looked but I saw no one
Til I go away up in glory and I saw Gods darlin son
Let me tell you that the prayer wheel
Started turning and the Spirit of God
Set my soul a burnin'
and the prayer wheel turned over
and I moved one step on to glory
And I rose up a shoutin', shoutin' Lord God Almighty

Well, my God called me this mornin'
Just a little while before day
Well I heard the rumblin' thunder - Hey hey lordy
And I saw the sinners goin' under
Just a little while before day

Then I saw the zigzag lightning - Hey hey lordy Well I heard the hellhound barking Just a little while before day

Well now stop let me tell you
What my God said to me, he said:
If you want to make it to the Kingdom
You better stay on your bended knees - My Lordy
the prayer wheel started bumpin'
and the Spirit of God set my soul a jumpin'
and the prayer wheel turned over
and I moved one step on to glory
And I rose up a shoutin', shoutin' Lord God Almighty

Oh, my God called me this mornin'
Just a little while before day
My God called this mornin'
A little while, a little while before day





https://youtu.be/puXCisRM-kE

My God Called Me This Morning

Performed by Acappella (Released July 14, 2022)

Songwriters: Isaac Freeman, Wilson Waters, James Samuel Hill, Walter Settles, Dp, Willie Lawrence Richard.

Honoring The Fairfield Four (performing live – <u>click here</u>) (1992)

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