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## The Story of God

As Christians, we must have a working knowledge of the story of God. It is essential to questions of identity. We must know who we are and where we fit in the story. It is equally important that we be able to explain why the world is the way it is and what God is going to do about it. Knowing the story of God gives us hope. We long for the next chapter in the story. We also need to possess this knowledge so we can tell others. The story of God is good news, and everyone needs to hear it.


Although the Bible is a big book comprised of many smaller books and letters, the story of God can be summed up rather simply. There are six movements we should be able to identify. It begins with CREATION. God created and everything was good. After creation, the humans that were placed in the garden of Eden sinned. We refer to this as THE FALL.

The introduction of sin into the world explains why the world is the way it is today. Next, God calls Abraham and promises to make a great nation from his descendants. This is the story of ISRAEL. God has a plan to address the sin problem that is wreaking havoc on the world. Through Israel, comes the Messiah, JESUS. He is the Son of God and dies on the cross for the sins of the world and then overcomes death by being raised from the grave three days later. Jesus begins a new community of people called the CHURCH. These followers of Jesus are to continue his ministry on earth. Finally, Jesus will return one day to right all wrongs and the people of God will dwell with God in the NEW HEAVENS AND NEW EARTH. There will be no sin, death, sickness, etc. Everything will be as it should be. This is the story of God!

May we commit this story to heart so that we may be encouraged by it and share it with others. May it fill us with hope as we anticipate the return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus.

- Scott Elliott

*Just a  
thought...*



“For by Him all things were created,  
visible and invisible...  
and in Him all things hold together.”  
Colossians 1:16-17

[“How Many Stars?”](#)

# Our Prayer List

- 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. Asking for healing and a good outcome.
- LaDonna's sister-in-law Roselyn was to have her heart catheter today however the surgeon wasn't able to do the procedure. She is still in the hospital as on Monday the surgeons will perform a quadruple bypass surgery. Please lift Roselyn and her family in your prayers.
- Trent's mother is back in the hospital at St Anthony's. They are keeping her until Monday and will then transfer her to Silverdale. She is having a "cardiac episode". That is all they can tell the family at this point. She is in a lot of pain. Keep her and her family in your prayers.
- Virginia Chapman is home and recovering. A nurse, physical therapist and occupational therapist each comes once a week. The church family there is providing meals and they are getting a lot of visitors. Virginia and Lynn will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on Wednesday.
- Karen Taylor would like prayers for her friends Tina and Vern Raske who now have Covid. Pray also for Danelle and Charles who have Covid. She would like prayers also for her son Aaron & Angela who need to find new housing by August 15th.
- Yvonne Comar would like prayers for her son Jayson Corbin. God knows what he needs and also prayers he comes to the Lord.
- Shirley DeFord is requesting prayers for Amy's niece Billie Carlson. She is 8 years old and has bacterial meningitis.
- She was flown yesterday to Children's hospital in Seattle.
- Pray for her healing and her family please.
- My daughter Penny tested positive yesterday for Covid. Pray for her healing and that Tony, Kara, Chris and I don't get it.
- Roger Taylor's sister Kathy whom we have been praying about isn't expected to last through the night. The Taylor's would like prayers for Kathy and the family. Roger isn't at this time to be able to be there with her.
- Pray also for Roger and Karen Taylor as they deal with house repair issues.
- Please keep Bonnie's grandson Christopher, in your prayers for healing with his health issues and other things. God knows what Chris's needs are and my prayers that God will envelope him in his arms and help him through this time.
- Pray for our upcoming Kids Fun Fest / VBS that we will have on the following Thursdays to be a great success and we reach many of the children in the community to join us. July 14, 21, 28 and August 14th. If you have any children, grandchildren or know of any who might like to come, please let them know about this. Flyers are in the process and Trent is working on a link for registration.
- Pray for Janet McKinley, as her cancer has come back. Pray also for Larry.
- Virginia Chapman fell recently and broke her hip. Her surgery went well. She has been released to a rehab facility for at least two weeks. She had her first PT and was pleased. The doctor said she was lucky as it was a clean break but not completely through, so they were able to fix it with screws and it was below the joint, so no replacement is needed.
- Continue to pray for Obi Herbert for the healing of his eye.
- Please pray for Wayne Hammock. He has pneumonia and has been sick for a couple of weeks. He's on some antibiotics so we hope that will fix them up right away! He did say he misses us all!
- Karen Nance has a brain tumor. Thankfully it is benign. However, they are going to do surgery tomorrow is the prep for the surgery and if everything goes well, she will have the surgery on Monday morning. Please keep this precious sister in your prayers!
- Please continue to pray for Kelli and her children for all the changes going on in their lives and that God would bless the decisions they need to make it this time!

Pray for Dave Lawrence and his sons as they grieve Yvonne.

Here is the address for those who wish to send cards:

Dave Lawrence  
12961 Madrona Rd SW  
Port Orchard, WA 98367

- Pray for Lori Warnke. She will be having brain surgery for an aneurism, but it has not yet been scheduled.
- Pray for our sisters Barbara Byrd and Charlotte Hahn.
- Always be mindful in your prayers for those who are lost, lonely, hungry, trafficked, depressed etc.
- Pray that we will walk with an Attitude of Gratitude for all God has blessed us with - especially His son Jesus.
- Continued prayers for the citizens of Ukraine and also pray for their enemy.
- Many blessings and thanks for all the work the Deacons, Minister, Leadership team, Missions do for us, for our nation and its leaders. May all of their decisions be God led.
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## Study Questions Acts Chapter 23-24

### Chapter 23

1. What was Paul's rebuke to group?
2. Why did change his opinion?
3. What did Paul say to divide the crowd?
4. What did the Pharisees want to do with Paul?
5. What did the Spirit way to Paul, where would he go?
6. What did the Jews plan to do?
7. How was Paul warned?
8. Where was Paul sent and with whom did, he travel?

### Chapter 24

1. Who came with the High Priest to speak?
2. What charges did they bring?
3. What was Paul's response?
4. What kind of knowledge did Felix have about the way?
5. How long was Paul in prison there?

### Judy Van Leuven

Please join us in celebrating 80 years for Judy Van Leuven.  
This Saturday, June 25th, 2pm  
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Please no gifts, but we would like to shower her with cards.  
We would like to receive the cards in advance if possible.

Thank you!

Cards can be mailed to:  
Judy Van Leuven  
c/o Tammy White  
13975 Crestview Cir NW  
Silverdale, WA 98383

Or handed in person to  
Tammy White or Tanya Howard.

### Church BBQ

July 4th on the 3rd  
At the church building

A great opportunity to hang out  
with our church family and visit,  
eat, play games, sing and...?

### 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!

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

- Weekly Bulletin – Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristen 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**

<p><b>Sunday Worship for June 26, 2022</b> (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed after communion for Children’s Church)</p> <p>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></p>				
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing: Darrell Fry	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Levi Herbert	Communion: Jon Powless
<p><b>9:30am Adult Class:</b> Auditorium The Life of Christ: Trent Herbert</p>			<p><b>Children Class:</b> Downstairs Combined Class</p>	
<p>Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID</p>				
<p><b>Acts Class</b> (Zoom) Sundays: 6:00 – 7:00 pm</p>			<p><b>Prayer &amp; Praise Meeting</b> (Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm</p>	
<p><b>Men’s Fellowship</b> Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesday, 10:00 am</p>			<p><b>Ladies Prayer Group</b> (Zoom) Tuesdays: 10:00 am</p>	
<p><b>The Sing Thing</b> – Thursday 6:00pm at the building If you like to sing, this is the place. We’ll sing our favorite hymns &amp; spiritual songs. This will also be a great time to learn (or help someone else learn) to sing one of the harmony parts.</p>				

### **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.

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	June 19, 2022 Tithes & Offerings – \$ 865.00
If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104	

### **Happy Birthday!**

**June:** Miki Gross – 23, Kenny Benjamin, Pilita David – 26, Greg Warner – 29, René Powless – 29.

**July:** Yvonne Lawrence – 16, Peggy Hall – 19, Dale Sanders – 19, Sharon McDaniel – 23, Luke Orser – 25, Trent Herbert – 27.