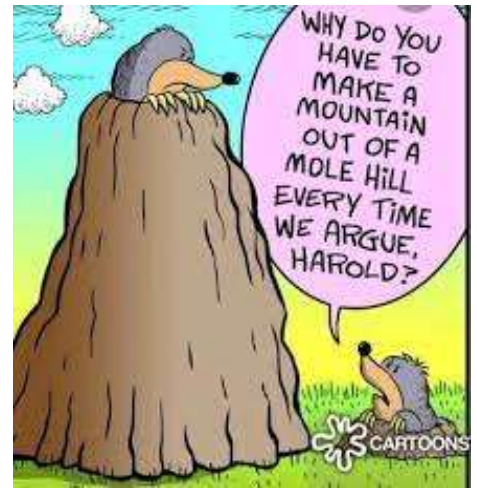


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**MOUNTAINS AND MOLEHILLS!**

Though mountains are much larger, molehills can still trip one up if not careful. As we think of the comparison between the two, we understand how some people make mountains out of molehills; they view a challenge or problem as being bigger than it actually is. This is something we each have probably done ourselves at times. Our comparisons in life are not always right because we sometimes view things from the wrong perspective.

Someone has said, "Do you measure reality by the size of the problem, or do you measure the problem by the size of your God?" (original source unknown)



The challenges of life are real; they are a reality. We are not to be surprised that they arise. (i.e. Ecclesiastes 5:8; 1 Peter 4:12-14)

However, we must remain mindful of how we size them up. Remember how Saul and his army were in fear because they viewed Goliath in comparison with themselves. (1 Samuel 17:4-11) It was David who had it right when he compared Goliath to God (1 Samuel 17:37), knowing the battle was the Lord's. (1 Samuel 17:45-47) To what are we comparing the Goliath's of our life?

When it comes to molehills, we can take a shovel to clear them, but Jesus noted even mustard seed size faith can move a mountain. (Matthew 17:20) It all has to do with looking to God and trusting Him to see us through the adversities and challenges of this realm. We've got them because He has us!

In one of the psalms we read. . .

"The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne. Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around. His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles. The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, before the Lord of all the earth." (Psalm 97:1-5 ESV)

God reigns! He continues to be Sovereign over all! He is bigger than our challenges. It is when we keep our focus on God that the mountains in our life will begin to melt away. Therefore, rightly viewing God as the real giant compared to our Goliaths, may we continue sizing up life's varied situations in comparison with His Sovereign power!

Have a great day TRUSTING THE MASTER OF THE MOUNTAINS!

- Carl Hanson

## 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**



<b>Sunday Worship for September 18, 2022</b> (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed for Children’s Church after communion)  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: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Greg Warner	Communion:
Servers:	Gary Chasteen	Rick Velasco	Brian Bungart	
<b>9:30am Adult Class:</b> Auditorium The Life of Christ: Trent Herbert		<b>Children Class:</b> Downstairs Combined Class		
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID				
<b>Acts Class</b> (Zoom) No class for the rest of summer		<b>Prayer &amp; Praise Meeting</b> (Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm		
<b>Men’s Fellowship</b> Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am		<b>Ladies Prayer Group</b> (Zoom) Tuesdays - 10:00 am		
<b>The Sing Thing</b> – Thursday 6:00pm at the building We’ll sing our favorite hymns & spiritual songs. This will also be a great time to learn (or help someone else learn) to sing one of the harmony parts.				

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

The bread and fruit of the vine will be served during our communion time. You still have the option to 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 below. We have a lock mailbox.

Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com	September 11, 2022 Tithes & Offerings – \$ 3,051.00
	If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104

### **Happy Birthday!**

**September:** Kayli Benjamin – 17, Charlie Fender – 21, Pam Woodrow – 25, Eunice Orser – 29.

**October:** Tim Duffy – 4, Kristy Hall – 4, Bob McDaniel – 8, Lisa Bratcher – 13, Brian Bungart – 15, Cindy Snead – 17, Brittany Pringle – 19, Paula Hill – 20, Laura Fry – 24, Sandi Warner – 25.

# Our Prayer List

- Pray for Trent Herbert's mother who is currently hospitalized as the medical staff determines where the pain she is experiencing is coming from.
- Tammy White would like prayers for her cousin Kathy Johnson who has been diagnosed with leukemia. She also has Lupus.
- LaDonna's daughter, Lori has surgery for her brain aneurysm scheduled for September 15th. Pray for a successful surgery and complete recovery.
- Pam Woodrow tripped over an electrical cord and broke 2 fingers and a few ribs. Pray for complete and quick healing.
- Jon Powless has an MRI scheduled on September 15th. Pray for good results.
- Tony DelBarto was removed to Cottesmore for Rehab on Monday. Pray for his complete recovery and healing. Pray the VA application for assistance in changes in their home to accommodate his disabilities can be approved in a timely manner for when he is able to come home.
- Continued prayers for our brothers and sisters: Barbara Byrd, Frankie Gower, Sharon McDaniel, Karen Nance, Virginia Chapman, Janet McKinley, Tammy and Gary White, Troy Hill's father Glenn, with different issues.
- Pray for the workers who are fixing up the duplexes. And praise God for their dedication.
- Pray for the people of Ukraine. Pray for our Deacons, Ministerial Team, Leadership Team as they work for the good of our church.



There will be a shower for  
**Beautiful Beginnings  
Learning Center.**

The Guest of honor will be *Heather Velez*.  
Hosts will be *Billie Hanson* and *Michelle Herbert*.  
The location will be the POCOC church building.  
**September 25, 2022 at 5:00 pm.**  
She is registered with Amazon.

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/PTR7NN6BTX9D/guest-view>

# Stand In Faith

## Verse 1

Can't escape disappointment  
Can't avoid the delay  
But I don't have to make feeling down and defeated  
The place that I stay  
Gonna rise to the moment  
Gonna speak to the waves  
Gonna push back the doubt  
That keeps dragging me down when I can't find a way

## Pre-Chorus

Don't need to see it (eyes on You)  
To believe it (for my breakthrough)  
Before You even move or make a way

## Chorus

I will stand in faith (eyes on You)  
Walk by faith (for my breakthrough)  
Live by faith (before You move)  
I believe I believe I believe  
Stand in faith (eyes on You)  
See by faith (for my breakthrough)  
Receive by faith (before You move)  
I believe I believe I believe

## Verse 2

It's a season for healing  
It's a season for change  
To see miracles happen  
That no one can fathom as heaven invades  
And it's more than a feeling  
And it's anchored in praise  
And when it's the darkest  
It reaches the farthest and opens the way

## Bridge

This is how blind men get their sight  
This is how dead men start to rise  
This is how small things multiply  
Nothing's impossible  
Nothing's impossible  
This is where oceans have to part  
This is where light cuts through the dark  
This is where I see who You are  
Nothing's impossible  
Nothing's impossible

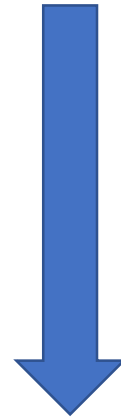
## Interlude

Stir my faith  
Stir my faith

## Ending

**I will stand in faith**

SONG  
OF THE  
WEEK



<https://youtu.be/ZIREaGBN4Jw>

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