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"Piglet?" said Pooh.

"Yes?" said Piglet.

"I'm scared," said Pooh.

For a moment, there was silence.

"Would you like to talk about it?" asked Piglet, when Pooh didn't appear to be saying anything further.

"I'm just so scared," blurted out Pooh.

"So anxious. Because I don't feel like things are getting any better. If anything, I feel like they might be getting worse. People are angry, because they're so scared, and they're turning on one another, and there seems to be no clear plan out of here, and I worry about my friends and the people I love, and I wish SO much that I could give them all a hug, and oh, Piglet! I am so scared, and I cannot tell you how much I wish it wasn't so."

Piglet was thoughtful, as he looked out at the blue of the skies, peeping between the branches of the trees in the Hundred Acre Wood, and listened to his friend.

"I'm here," he said, simply. "I hear you, Pooh. And I'm here."

For a moment, Pooh was perplexed.

"But... aren't you going to tell me not to be so silly? That I should stop getting myself into a state and pull myself together? That it's hard for everyone right now?"

"No," said Piglet, quite decisively. "No, I am very much not going to do any of those things."

"But - " said Pooh.

"I can't change the world right now," continued Piglet. "And I am not going to patronize you with platitudes about how everything will be okay, because I don't know that.

"What I can do, though, Pooh, is that I can make sure that you know that I am here. And that I will always be here, to listen; and to support you; and for you to know that you are heard.

"I can't make those anxious feelings go away, not really.

"But I can promise you that, all the time I have breath left in my body... you won't ever need to feel those anxious feelings alone."

And it was a strange thing, because even as Piglet said that, Pooh could feel some of those anxious feelings start to loosen their grip on him and could feel one or two of them start to slither away into the forest, cowed by his friend, who sat there stolidly next to him.

Pooh thought he had never been more grateful
to have Piglet in his life.



Our Prayer List

- Prayers for safe travels for Gary and Barbara.
- Wayne Hammock is requesting prayers for Diante's family for comfort and peace. Diante's uncle Chris whom we were praying for recently passed away.
- Jon Powless' friend, Wayne (not Hammock) was in a car accident on Monday and broke both of his wrists. Pray that he will heal quickly and still be able to do his work with that kind of injury.
- Pray for Fuschia Gaskin as she recovers at home from her recent surgery.
- Continue to pray for recovery for Heather Velez's brother Chris Chilton, who had surgery to remove a kidney.
- Cisco's father had a heart attack. Pray for his recovery and for his upcoming surgery.
- Frankie is home in very good shape. She will be living with her daughter Lisa in Olalla. Visits can be arranged.
- Pray for protection from this new round of Covid.
- Continued prayers for the Celletti and McDaniel families.
- Pray for Brooke Armenta and Nancy Armenta who are waiting while the medical staff figures out what treatment they can do for each of them.
- Pray for our schools (the administration, teachers, and students) for a safe and productive year.
- For all those who are struggling, pray they may find peace.
- Prayers for Bruce and Debbie Sharp's son Adam who has brain cancer.
- Pray for Rebanette, who is not doing well.
- Brian Bungart's aunt (his mom's older sister) passed away. Pray for the family.
- Angie asked us to pray for her family.
- Prayers for all those who are suffering from chronic pain and illnesses.
- Pray for our ministries that God will lead us and our leaders.
- Praise God for all he is doing for this church; our spiritual and physical blessings and our needs.



We hope that all of you will be able to join us for 5th Sunday Singing on October 29 at 5:00 P.M. The theme for the potluck to follow the singing is autumn, of course. So, Lakeview will be responsible for Fall and Winter soups and drinks. Sister churches are being asked to bring desserts and bread rolls. Thank you!

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Sunday Worship October 22, 2023 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed for Children's Church after communion) Watch live-stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ					
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing Bob McDaniel	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Jim Snead	Communion: Jon Powless	Offering: Jon Powless
For the latest worship leader schedule, click this link: http://pococ.weebly.com/uploads/2/6/7/2/26721665/worship_leaders.pdf					
October Servers – Brian Bungart Elijah Herbert Dan Gross Terry Bratcher					
9:30 am Adult Class: Auditorium Led by Trent Herbert			Children Class: Downstairs Two Classes: children and pre-teen		
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID					
Men's Fellowship Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am			Ladies in the Word Upstairs Overflow Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am		
Bible Class & Prayer Colossians (in person or on Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm			Ladies Prayer Group LaDonna's home Thursdays 10:00 am		
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			If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104		
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Communion and Tithes & Offerings

The bread and fruit of the vine will be served during our communion time. You also 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.

Happy Birthday!

October: Paula Hill – 20, Laura Fry – 24, Sandi Warner – 25.

November: Laura Beigler – 2, Brandon Zepf – 2, Jessica Zepf – 7, Brian Bungart – 15, Dan Gross – 15, Julie Snypp – 21, Renny Woodrow – 24.

Lean On Each Other

Everybody's got to know there is someone
when the world comes crashing down in the pouring rain,
and they can't stand the pain,
Everybody's got to feel there's someone
when the life they thought they had, well it passed them by,
and they just want to die.

Where do you go? What do you do
when you think there's nothing left to lose?
Well, you know in your heart
that's what we've been put here for.

We got to lean on each other,
We got to help each other be strong,
We got to learn from each other,
We got to help each other along,
We got to lean on each other,
Nobody's meant to make it alone,
Together we'll lean on the Father,
Together we'll lean on His Word.

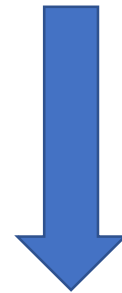
So, if your world is ever falling apart,
If you ever need someone else you can talk to,
we'll be right there for you,
Just remember all of the words Jesus said,
Remember the things He did out of love for you,
all 'cause he wanted to.

Wherever you go, whatever you do,
All the promises Jesus made were true,
There is hope in his plan that, together, we can stand.
(chorus)

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We got to help each other along,
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Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.

- Isaiah 40:28-31