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SEEKING WHAT WHERE?

Recently reading through Luke's Gospel, I was reminded of the words spoken to the women who came to the tomb on the first day of the week. Seeing the stone rolled away and finding the tomb empty, we read. . .

“While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.”” (Luke 24:4-7 ESV)

Consider the words, “Why do you seek the living among the dead?” The tomb was a place of death and Jesus was no longer dead. This was not the place to find Jesus. As we consider the tomb would not be the place to find life, where is it that we are seeking life? Is it in the world, or is it truly in Christ? Are we trying to make a life from the things of the world; what the world values or offers as its principles and standards for living? Or are we seeking life in what relates to Jesus and the life He came to provide?

We must understand there is the possibility through self-indulgence that one can be dead, even while living. (i.e. 1 Timothy 5:6) And some are clutching what they think is life while missing that which is truly life. (note 1 Timothy 6:17-19) Therefore, we need to look to the Author of life to find the life He came to provide. (i.e. John 5:24; 10:10) Is there a sense in which we have been looking for life in the wrong places; seeking it from among the dead? Or are we truly looking to the living Lord to find life in its truest sense both physically and spiritually?

Let our resolve be that of Peter's where we read. . .

“Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.’” (John 6:68-69 ESV) Life! Jesus is it! (John 14:6) In Him it is found. (John 1:4) Through our knowledge of Him we can find all that pertains to life and godliness. (2 Peter 1:3) Jesus has the words of eternal life leading to the assurance of it! May our seeking continue to be in all that relates to the truth in Him pertaining to life presently and eternally!

Have a great day SEEKING LIFE IN “THE LIFE”!

- Carl Hanson

Our Prayer List

- Pray for Neda Herbert, who is receiving heart treatment.
- Continue to pray for Nancy Armenta's sister Ida's recovery.
- Pray for Alyssa, our new Sister in Christ.
- Pray for Jon Powless' foot. His foot surgery is scheduled for Friday, April 5th .
- Pray for Jon & René's granddaughter, Makayla, who is recovering from ACL surgery.
- There are a lot of illnesses currently in our area. Pray for quick healing for all those who are suffering, and for safety for all those suffering in the cold weather.
- Pray for our Deacons and their families: Josh Bedford, Dan Gross, Roger Taylor, Fuzzy Volpitta, and Gary White. Floyd Whitlock, Cisco Velez.
- Pray also for our Elders and their families: Gary Chasteen, Darrell Fry, Bob McDaniel, Brad Orser, Dave Snypp & Greg Warner. Pray also for Trent and the many missions within our congregation as we work toward God's plan for us.

PRAYER

is the fastest thing on earth...
it reaches God before you even say it.
That's powerful.

“Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus._

– Philipians 4:4-7

Dear Lord, speak to me. Live in me and instruct me. Guide me and help me to honor You, so that when the world sees me, they ultimately notice You. Amen

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the desired video.

Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.

Sunday Worship April 7, 2023 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (No Children's church this week.) Watch live-stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ					
February Servers – Brian Bungart Elijah Herbert Dan Gross Terry Bratcher					
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing: Bob McDaniel	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Greg Warner	Communion: Dave Snynn	Offering: Floyd Whitlock
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 – 10:00 am		
Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com			March 31, 2024 - Tithes & Offerings – \$ 4,074.00		
			If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104		

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:

The collection box is in the foyer at the entrance to the auditorium.

Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.

Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address below. We have a lock mailbox.

Happy Birthday!

April 2024: Jim Snead – 6, Jacob Hammock – 10, Brandon Karn – 10, Rick Velasco – 13, Misty Hammock – 15, James Greer – 17.

May 2024: Isaac Benjamin – 2, Gary Chasteen – 3, Julia Karn – 17, Barbara Chasteen – 25.

Listen to Our Hearts

Verse 1

How do you explain
How do you describe
A love that goes from east to west
And runs as deep as it is wide
You know all our hopes
Lord You know all our fears
And words cannot express
The love we feel
But we long for You to hear

Chorus

So listen to our hearts
Hear our spirits sing
A song of praise that flows
From those You have redeemed
We will use the words we know
To tell You what an awesome God You are
But words are not enough
To tell You of our love
So listen to our hearts

Verse 2

If words could fall like rain
From these lips of mine
And if I had a thousand years
Lord I would still run out of time
If You listen to my heart
Ev'ry beat will say
Thank You for the life.
Thank You for the truth.
Thank You for the way.



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