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Did You Think To Pray?

There are a few things that I all but refuse to leave my house without. I almost always carry my cell phone, my wallet, a pocket knife, a small flashlight, and a pen. Without this gear, I almost feel as though I'm not fully clothed. They have become a nearly essential part of my life, yet there is a tool that is much more important than any of those items that I leave behind far too often. Prayer is something that is more useful than any other tool conceivable by man but is overlooked far too often. We sometimes sing a song in worship that contains these lyrics within its verses:

Ere you left your room this morning, Did you think to pray?
When you met with great temptation, Did you think to pray?
When your heart was filled with anger, Did you think to pray?
When sore trials came upon you, Did you think to pray?

This song gives us an example that we should consider. Is prayer as important in our lives as it should be? We know that the greatest men in the Bible had great prayer lives. David wrote many prayers in the Psalms, Jesus prayed before many of His major life events, and Paul prayed numerous within his writings. Prayer is meant to be a daily outlet for us to commune with God, but so many times it becomes an emergency backup.

A verse that might help keep things in perspective for us might be Proverbs 15:29 which says, "The Lord is far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous." God wants to hear from His people often, not just when we need something. No matter what is on our minds, God wants to hear about our worries, our blessings, our lives, and so much more.

Philippians 4:6-7 says, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." We are told to bring everything to God in prayer for a reason. When we do this, we will be blessed. Nothing can be more calming and peaceful than laying the burdens of this life at the feet of the master. As I work on this myself, I hope everyone that reads this will examine their prayer life and make sure that it is where it needs to be.

— Jack Moore

Our Prayer List

- Michael is a new member of POCOC and a new Christian. He sent the following request for the prayer chain: "I have some health issues that I have been dealing with for quite some time. I have an appointment on Thursday and I am hoping the doctors are on the same page as me with some new medical information that I just received, it would make my quality of life so much better and the recovery time is minimal compared to the other options I was given. It should also pretty much eliminate the constant pain that I am in. So please ask for prayers for me and a healthy and speedy recovery!!! Thank you and God Bless!!!"
- Besides Michael's request please pray for him to have faith and trust in abundance in his new adventure with God.
- Praise God that Bittany Pringle is home from the hospital. She is feeling better, but still needs healing, so continue to pray for her.
- Pray for safe travels for Peggy Hall and her mother, Ruth. They are embarking on a cruise together.
- Charlotte Townsend, a classmate of Jon Powless from high school, had a leg amputated in 2020. She had her other leg amputated this week. pray for her healing.
- Jon has also asked for prayers for himself. His neuropathy pain is sometimes overwhelming. This week is one of those times. Pray for his healing.
- There are a lot of illnesses currently in our area. Pray for quick healing for all those who are suffering.
- Pray for all those suffering in the cold weather. Pray for safety for all during the inclement weather.
- Pray for those who are grieving the passing of their loved ones; the McDaniel, Celletti, Chasteen, and Snypp families.
- Welcome our new elders, Darrell Fry, Bob McDaniel, Brad Orser, Gary Chasteen, Dave Snypp & Greg Warner. Pray daily for them as they take on this leadership role. Pray also for their wives and families.
- Pray for our future deacons and their families.
- Pray also for Trent as he continues to preach the Word to us.
- Pray for all of the ministries in this congregation and those who work so hard for their success.
- Pray for our church, that God will lead in the direction He has planned for us.
- Pray for our children and their classes and groups.

CHOCOLATE TASTING EVENT
AFTER MORNING WORSHIP

February 4th 2024 (downstairs in the kitchen/dining area)

Please participate in trying chocolate that does NOT tolerate
the exploitation of child labor.

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

- To find our most current Bulletin, Order of Worship, & Worship Leader Schedule, Go to <http://pococ.weebly.com/> then click on Bulletins & Newsletters.
- Current Event Calendar - Click on News & Events.
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel - Previous video recordings, too: 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 February 4, 2023 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children's church this week. – Dismissed after communion to go downstairs) Watch live-stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URaKOYw7JOR9ZIQ					
January Servers – Brian Bungart Elijah Herbert Dan Gross Terry Bratcher					
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing Jon Powless	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Greg Warner	Communion: Dave Snyppe	Offering: Floyd Whitlock
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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			January 28th - Tithes & Offerings – \$ 1,990.00 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:

- 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!

February 2024: Christopher Hill – 7, DeLoris Lawler – 9, Fuzzy Volpitta – 12, John Casely – 28.

March 2024: Brad Orser – 12, Troy Hill – 15, Darrell Fry – 25, Roger Taylor – 31.

The Lord's Prayer
Praise & Harmony Singers

Our Father which art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy name
Thy Kingdom come
Thy will be done on earth
As it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts
As we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom and the power
And the glory forever

Amen. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer
Vocal Majority

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