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SEEING AND SEEING!

To pick up any object, taking a good look should bring to mind things we do not presently see but we can know because of what we do see. Whatever the object is, it began in the mind of someone and then was designed and manufactured with a particular purpose in mind. Whether we are talking about something as simple as a comb or as complex as a computer, this is so. Still, there are those who would look at the world and universe in which we live -- with all its complexity and proper placement for the sustaining of life -- and declare it just came into existence all by itself as they deny the mind and power of God behind it. For me, it takes more faith to think all that is around us came about by chance than it does to reasonably believe in the God behind it all! It has been stated, "All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen." [Ralph Waldo Emerson]

Regardless of what goes on in this world at the hands of humanity, understanding God's ability to prepare a place to sustain our physical life, why would we ever doubt His ability to sustain us spiritually?

In his second letter to the church at Corinth Paul encouraged...

"For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked.

For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened -- not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. ⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5:1-7 ESV)

That faith is not blind faith, but faith based on the evidence of the works of God. Because of God's handiwork which speaks of Him (Psalm 19:1; Romans 1:19-20), we can have confident trust in what He has said He will provide. As the writer of Hebrews declared...

"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1 ESV)

Knowing God because of what we do see, let us live with assurance and conviction that we will see what we have not yet seen!

Have a great day SEEING BECAUSE WE HAVE TRULY SEEN!

- Carl Hanson

Our Prayer List

- 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 Snynn families.
- Welcome our new elders, Darrell Fry, Bob McDaniel, Brad Orser, Gary Chasteen, Dave Snynn & 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 CHURCH

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

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



WE CAN HELP these children by purchasing products from recommended companies (<https://foodispower.org/chocolate-list/>) and stop purchasing chocolate from manufacturer's who purposefully turn a blind eye to child abduction and labor laws. It will send a clear message to these corporate giants that will impact their profits and in turn, these companies will be forced to follow the laws of properly harvesting cocoa. As a result, this will have a major impact in the decrease of child abduction and the exploitation of child labor.

Thank you for your support!

May GOD bless our efforts and move in a mighty way for HIS glory ❤️

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 January 28, 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: Darrell Fry	Singing Bob McDaniel	Scripture: Darrell Fry	Prayer: Jon Powless	Communion: Fuzzy Volpitta	Offering: Fuzzy Volpitta
January 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 – 10:00 am		
Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com			January 21 st - Tithes & Offerings – \$ 2,430.00 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!

January 2024: Tammy White – 29, Myron David – 30.

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 New Song [#258 - Songs of Faith and Praise]

Verse 1

It thrills my soul To hear the songs of praise
We mortals sing below
And tho' it takes The parting of the ways
Yet I must onward go
I hope to hear throughout unnumbered days
The song earth cannot know
They sing in heaven a new song Of Moses and the Lamb

Chorus

I want to hear the angels sweetly sing (O hear the angels singing)
And to welcome me (To bid me welcome)
To those mansions fair (To mansions bright and fair)
O to hear glad harps sweetly ring (I want to hear the glad harps ringing)
Blending O so so rare (With voices blending rich and rare)
I want to see see the Master bring (O to see the Master bringing)
A precious life crown (Crown of life to me)
That I may own and wear (Yes to own and wear)
I want to hear Hear that mighty chorus sweetly sing
I want to hear Hear that mighty chorus sweetly sing
I want to hear Hear that mighty chorus sweetly sing
To hear it swell and ring

Verse 2

The greatest joy That I have ever known
Is praising Him in song
I know some day When I have older grown
My voice will not be strong
But if good seed For Jesus I have sown
With angels I'll belong
They sing in heav'n a new song Of Moses and the Lamb

Verse 3

The sweetest song That earth can ever boast
Was sung when Christ was born
Yet He who walked The Galilean coast
Sometimes was sad forlorn
He left the earth To send the Holy Ghost
To guide us till that morn
They sing in heav'n a new song Of Moses and the Lamb



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