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# Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

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## Teaching kids to fly

I saw a picture this week that really made me think. I wish I could figure out how to show each of you, but a word picture is the best I can do. It is of a father and he is tossing his daughter in the air. Most people hear this and think of the game parents play all the time when they lift their daughter in the air and say something like, "wee!", but this isn't the case. The girl is probably five feet above him. She is airborne.

The comment thread is what really caught me. People on every side of the "morality" of tossing your kid an insane height had left a comment. The truly interesting part is where this dad and friend of his talk about trust.

The friend of the father talks about how his child looks like she trusts him and has a certain look of joy when he plays that game with her. The father who threw her three stories up writes that his daughter has implicit trust when HE is the one tossing her.

It caught my attention because of the look on her face in the picture. She is about 12 feet in the air, her hair is going crazy, her dress is all flowing, and she is smiling from

ear to ear, clearly laughing very hard. Dad is looking up at her totally focused and smiling full of confidence. I couldn't help but think about the idea of trust and how God desires our trust.

How often do we use the metaphor of father and child for God? How often do we talk about the trust we need to have in Him? As I looked at that picture, the joy and happiness, I just couldn't help but smile thinking about how I should feel in relation to God.

This week my prayer for you is that you know the child-like trust in God that this little girl is experiencing with her father. May we remember how it is to laugh and face something seemingly dangerous and crazy with reckless abandon. May we remember the feeling of God sending us through the valley and not giving any notice any of the danger because we trust and only see our God.

May you know the joy, the exhilaration and the laughter that comes from walking with our Lord.

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# Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to try out Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since you took this step to join us for worship, I would like to give you a warm welcome to our congregation. Wherever you are this morning, as we lift worship to God, I pray that you are able to leave feeling uplifted, convicted, or encouraged in your faith.

We seek here to worship God like the first century church did, with a sense of awe and with a

fear of the Lord. Some things we do might seem old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's glory.

You are not required to do anything weird or ostentatious. We hope that you feel free to join us in worshipping God to the best of your abilities. If you have any specific needs we have a ministry staff that would love to connect with you. Ask the people sitting around you for their

names and to point them out!

Once again, we are so happy to have you here worshipping with us and we hope this is a chance to worship God in a deep and meaningful way.

*Cody Rousseau*

## Save the Dates!

**Sunday 5/17** Coffee Oasis Dinner

**Tuesday 5/19** Ladies Bible Study

**Wednesday 5/20** Girls Bible Study

**Thursday 5/21** Little Dresses Group

**Friday 5/22-25** Memorial Day Camping

**Tuesday 5/26** Ladies Bible Study

**Wednesday 5/27** Girls Bible Study

**Friday 5/29** Youth Group

## May Nursery Needs

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

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Sign up in the foyer; see Lisa Bratcher for instructions.

## Serving May 17, 2015 :

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## Port Orchard News and Events

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### Pulpit Preview— Romans 4: Tired Faith

This week we will be reading from the fourth chapter of Romans. We will be discussing the role faith plays in our justification, and the way God views our faith based on Paul's writings. Prayerfully continue reading from Romans and listening for the urging of the Holy Spirit as you interact with God.

### Happy Birthdays!

This month we have our next set of birthdays! If you get the chance catch these members this month to offer a happy birthday!

2nd- Isaac Benjamin. 3rd- Gary Chasteen. 5th- John Bickle, Virgil Lowe. 9th- Brandon Delay. 17th- Julia Karn. 25th- Barbara Chasteen. 26th- Levi Herbert. 28th- Gene Gerard. 31st- Sarah Hill.

Please wish these wonderful family members a warm happy birthday, God has truly blessed us with each of you, and we are so thankful for each of you! Happy birthday!

### Campsite Information

Memorial Day is fast approaching! With its arrival we will be having our camp-out extravaganza, there is some information you need to know yet.

**Where:** Twin Harbors State Park (site G1)

**When:** folks can arrive as early as Thursday(5/21), check-out Monday(5/25).

If you require more information please contact Ken Avery.

Prayer Leader: Dale Sanders

Scripture Reader: Cody Rousseau

Offering Thoughts: Trent Herbert

Communion Meditation: Ken Avery

Servers: Trist. Herbert & T. Bratcher

Ushers: B. Karn & B. Zepf

Greeters: Dale & Lori Sanders

Nursery Attendants: TBD

Sound: J. Hammock

Slides/Lighting: Myron David

Communion Prep: T. Avery

Communion Cleanup: Hill Family

Praise Team: Lead: TBD

Fellowship Team: Donuts— Connie Switzer

Coffee— Ray Switzer

Cleanup— Connie Switzer



## Ladies Bible Study

If you are a lady who attends our church and you haven't yet attended the bible study put on by LaDonna Latham Tuesday mornings at 9:00 yet, please consider adding this to your weekly schedule. This is a wonderful morning event held at the church building. It is a good chance to build deeper relationships with some of the women at our congregation, to learn about the bible, to pray and share, and mostly to have community. If you need information about this please contact LaDonna.

## Girls Bible Study

Calling all teen girls! If you haven't made it to be part of the bible study put on by Lisa Bratcher and Tiffany Rousseau yet please plan to get involved. This is a wonderful group centered around bible study, group discussion, prayer, and support. Both Lisa and Tiffany are doing a wonderful job hosting this study and would love to have you be part of it.

If you are a parent of a teen girl, and you would like for your daughter to be involved contact Tiffany or Lisa. Rides can be arranged if needed, and they are more than welcome to join.

## Little Dresses

The next meeting for the sewing group is coming quickly! Mark down the 21st of May in your calendar if you wish to come and help with the little dresses for little girls! The meeting will be at the church building from 10-2. If you would like to go please rsvp with Sandi Warner or Jo Vaughn so they can plan supplies and jobs for each of you! So far 40 dresses have been made!

## Coin Drive!

Coin cans are in! If you wanted a can please pick it up from the lobby on your way out this week! Remember that donations to Mountain States Children's Home directly benefit the children being ministered to there. Cans will be collected in August so make sure to grab your can today! Let's band together and contribute to their wellbeing! May God bless you as you seek to bless His people.

## Nursery and Communion Sign-ups

**We need for more people to sign up for doing the nursery and communion prep/clean-up.** Both of these jobs are absolutely crucial to have filled for our church. If you feel like you might be able to serve in some way on these different spots please put your name down. We need to make sure we don't have empty slots on these sheets as soon as possible!

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## Our Prayer List

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### Pending Surgeries

Lucille Lowe's Son  
Bryon Bungart- Dan Gross' Son

### Healing

**Darlene Woodrow** healing after her surgery, prayers they got all the cancer.

**Pam Woodrow** healing after her accident and surgeries.

**Tanya Howard & Tammy White's father**, for discomfort breathing

**Margaret Meyers** for her surgery on 4-21

**Yvonne Lawrence** for Stress and back pain

**Isaac Benjamin** for continued healing and health, and to overcome fear.

### Greg Chasteen

**David Lawrence co-workers** from Japan dealing with cancer and kidney problems now back in the states.

### Our Church, Missionaries and Nation

## May 10, 2015

Worship: 82

Class: n/a

Offering: \$2,497.38

Goal: \$3,437.50

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### **Men's Group**

The next men's meeting will be on the 3rd Wednesday of May. Plan to be there on the 20th of May at 6:00PM. We ask that you bring a food item for sharing. The host for the next meeting will be Wayne Hammock, for any needed information please contact Wayne.

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