

# Port Orchard Church of Christ



Jesus is Lifted

Jesus is Lord



Jesus is Lived

## Lubbock, Texas

It feels like cheating to name all the Herberts in such a short, word-limited summary of their work but I'm going to anyways: Trent, Michelle, Elizabeth, Tristen, Levi, Hannah, Elijah, Jedidiah, and sweet baby Herbert are in Lubbock Texas at Sunset International Bible Institute. Trent and Michelle are following parallel tracks in Bible and Elizabeth is completing her degree in Deaf Ministry. They will graduate this spring from their two year intensive program! Congratulations! Tristen and Levi actively participate in Leadership Training for Christ at their home church and Tristen is interested in pursuing AIM (Adventures in Missions) when he graduates high school.

The only verse in the New Testament I can think of that uses the word easy when it talks about our Christian walk is Jesus' reassurance that his yoke is easy and his burden light (Matt. 11). This promise to those who follow Jesus certainly didn't guarantee safety or comfort (Paul dead in Rome, Peter crucified upside down). But it does guarantee guidance and proximity. It is still a yoke however, with the implicit understanding that you are not in control of your path while you wear it. The Herberts have

shown us a beautiful example of choosing to follow where they believe God has led them even if it means leaving the most beautiful place on earth and going to... Texas. You should hear their story about camping and lightning and basically running for their lives from tumbleweed in a storm!

Our support of their family allows them to be in school full time and keep their focus on education until they graduate. It also supports SIBI which has wide-ranging options for education. A few things they offer are online Master's and Bachelor's degrees in Bible that enable evangelists to continue in their jobs while furthering their education. They offer AIM\* which empowers people of all ages, including gap year students between high school and college, with evangelism tools and then sends them to the mission field. They even have a solar powered device\*\*, as small as a dime-store paperback, which contains the entire curriculum for the school and several hours of hymns that they can provide to missionaries to help teach people all over the world.

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# Welcome Guests

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

We seek 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 names of the ministry staff 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.

## Save the Dates!

**Wednesday 03/21** *Pray, Pray, & Pray*  
**6:00-7:00 pm** *Numbers 6:24-26*

**Saturday 03/31** *Deacons Meeting*  
**8:00 am**

**Sunday 04/01** *9:30 am-Potluck*  
**Easter Service** *Breakfast*  
**10: 45/11:00** *10:15 am-Egg Hunt*

**Sunday 04/01** *Congregational*  
**After Services** *Meeting?*

**Sunday 04/22** *Merritts Visiting*

**Tuesday 04/24** *LifeLine Screening*  
**9:00 am-5:00 pm** *by Appointment*

## Serving March 25, 2018:

## Port Orchard News and Events

### Pulpit Preview

James Greer will be giving the sermon on Sunday. Worship Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

### Happy Birthday!

March: Ariana Avery-04, Charlotte Hahn-04, Lynn Chapman-05, Lydia Gerard-10, Brad Orser-12, Troy Hill-15, Mary Carter-23, Billy Hanson-23, Jim Furstenwerth-24, Darrell Fry-25, Faith Wichman-28, , JT Keagle-29, Lilly Harris-30, Mallory Hall-30, Roger Taylor-31

### Last Sunday

Vincente Huerta shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message, please visit the church website at [pococ.weebly.com](http://pococ.weebly.com) to listen.

### Wednesday Evenings

**What:** Pray, Pray, & Pray (Numbers 6:24-26)

**Where:** Port Orchard church of Christ Auditorium

**When:** Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Prayer Leader: Wayne Hammock

Scripture Reader: James Greer

Offering Thoughts: Brad Orser

Communion Meditation: Ken Avery

Servers: David Lawrence & Wayne H.

Ushers: Brandon Karn & Terry Bratcher

Greeters: Paula Hill & Sarah Hill

Prayer Partners: Terry & Lisa Bratcher

Sound: Forest Gerard

Slides/Lighting: Dale Sanders

Communion Prep: Rick Velasco

Communion Cleanup: Rick Velasco

Song Leader: Gene Gerard

Children's 9:30 Teacher: Bonnie Mitchell

Youth Worship: Jessica Zepf

Preaching: James Greer



### Tiny House Fact-Finding Team

If you are unaware, Kitsap County has approached our congregation to use our extra land for a Tiny House village for those in need of very low-cost housing. Anyone interested in this project is invited to participate in the Tiny House Fact-Finding Team. There will be a meeting this Sunday after services in the overflow area.

### Life Line Screening

**When:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018

**Where:** POCOC Fellowship Hall

**Time:** 9am-5pm

To schedule your appointment, please pick up a flier from the foyer or sign-up on the clipboard.

\*\*\*If you have not already signed up, **LifeLine Screening has offered discounts to 4 individuals.** The discount is good for 1 Individual Screening (worth \$70) **or** you can have a \$55 discount off any vascular screening package valued at \$129 or more. The screenings are as follows: carotid artery screening, abdominal aortic aneurysm, PAD (peripheral arterial disease) screening, osteoporosis risk assessment, atrial fibrillation screening. One package includes all of these screenings and the other package includes all of them except for the osteoporosis risk assessment.

### Merritts Visiting

Roy and Kathi Merritt will be visiting with us Sunday, April 22, 2018. Hope you can make it! Roy will be giving the sermon that morning.

## Our Prayer List

### Healing:

Baby Tommy

Those suffering from seasonal viruses & other infections

Jamin Mason

Craig, Rick's brother

Collette, Ashley's cousin

Those with chronic illnesses

### Encouragement:

Joseph B. for work

Eva, Laura's friend

Those suffering from addiction and their families

Ricky McKennon

Senior Saints

Praise for Initiative of the Teens in Organizing Easter Events: Brittany Pringle & Anna Harris

Prayer for Successful Potluck Breakfast

### Other:

Our children, church, nation, President Trump and ministries.

That God will bless our deacons with wisdom in reaching the many decisions they are entrusted with.

Direction of our congregation.

**March 18, 2018**

Worship: 92

Class: 44

Offering: \$4,335.50

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We have all known the Herberts to be enthusiastic and full of life in their many years being family with us. And now we see them full of knowledge and purpose. As the comedian Jim Gaffigan jokes, "The pig is an amazing animal. You feed it an apple, essentially garbage, and it turns it into bacon!" Not to compare our brothers and sisters to pigs but the Herberts are taking our support, a little bit of money, and turning it into lives that are equipped to teach and live out the life of Christ! What a return on investment! May we all take from their example and be students of Jesus so we are ready to give an answer for the hope that we have.



Church Family, I love you ALL! I grow up in this house of God. I will never let go of the beautiful memories we've all made here together. Keep smiling, everyone! Never give up! XOXO -Brittany Pringle

### 2018 High School Graduates

If you have a senior graduating this spring, please let sister Bonnie Mitchell or sister Carla Duffy know so that we can get our celebration preparations underway. We want to give our graduates a good send-off!

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*\*Read about Adventures in Missions at [www.sibi.cc/aim](http://www.sibi.cc/aim)*

*\*\*To know more about SIBI's solar-powered device, go to [www.sibi.cc/solar](http://www.sibi.cc/solar)  
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