

Time together

Time together is so vitally important. As I think about the last three years here some of the most formative moments have been spending time with people. Time spent with mentors, with peers, with the congregation for potlucks and meetings.

The time spent together formed a close bond. Some of Tiffany and my best friends were formed here. Advice that will shape our marriage, our future parenting, was given over coffee or a meal with individuals from this church.

I was describing to someone recently the immediate benefits of growth groups. To me one of the most immediate benefits is the scheduled time together. A space to make new connections and form closer bonds.

This last weekend we were out with the teens for a retreat at Ocean Shores and while there we read through the book of Ephesians. As we read it one thing became apparent to me. We should be people who live a life of love. (Eph. 5: 1-2.)

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That being the case we simply cannot be alone. We cannot do it alone. Love is not a singular emotion, action or feeling. It is totally based on connection, time, camaraderie.

This week as you are thinking and contemplating what God is calling you to do I would suggest you find some time and hang out with a friend. Go for a walk, take a hike, watch a show, read a book and discuss it, go fishing, go for a drive, the chances and activities are endless. The only non-negotiable is that you have to be with someone for a bit.

I truly believe God will bless you as you seek community and a life of love. May you find the time and the prerogative to spend some time with those around you.

Deacons:

Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to try out Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since 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 names and to point them out! old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to you took this step to join us for worship, I would know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's

> 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

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 5/22 Car Wash Fundraiser

Tuesday 5/24 Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday 5/25 Youth Group

Sunday 5/29 Family Worship Day

Monday 5/30 Memorial Day

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— Acts 6: Stephen Chosen

This week we will be hearing a sermon from Acts chapter 6 focusing on the story of Stephen.

Happy Birthdays!

May has arrived! Flowers are blooming, sunshine is shining and the days are staying lighter a little longer each day! With summer just around the corner let us take a moment to celebrate this months many birthdays!

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

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Meals Needed

Bonnie Mitchell, along with Pene Hammock and Judy Van Lueven will be coordinating the temporary providing of meals on occasions when they are requested. Upon receiving the request , we will coordinate with the family to ascertain their needs – length of time, dietary restrictions etc. Once this has been determined through various means of communication we will contact the families here at POCOC for those who would like to participate with providing the meals.

There are some of you who want to always provide a meal, some who choose not to and some who would like to do so occasionally. Please email me if you fall in any of those categories and I will make a list which will be confidential.

Serving May 22, 2016:

Prayer Leader: Trent Herbert Communion Prep: Sanders Scripture Reader: Cody Rousseau Communion Cleanup: Bratchers Offering Thoughts: Gene Gerard Gene Gerard Praise Team: Communion Meditation: Ray Switzer Tiffany Rousseau **Greg Warner**

Servers: D. Snypp & T. Bratcher Ushers: W. Hammock & J. Bickle

Sound: Chris Hill

Sunday School & CW Helper: Greeters: Greq & Sandi Warner N/A

Nursery Attendants: TBD Fellowship Team:

Donuts— Connie Switzer Coffee— Ray Switzer

Slides/Lighting: Jacob Hammock Cleanup— Connie Switzer







This is a great ministry and can be an opportunity to serve others. If you have any questions, please be sure and call:

Bonnie Mitchell 360-895-0453 (h) 360-265-3266 (c) Pene Hammock 360-871-9678 Judy Van Lueven 360-692-0361

Nursery and Communion

Thank you to all who served in the nursery and preparing and cleaning up communion this year!

Are you gifted with little kids? Would you like to serve somehow but don't know where to start? We have just the place for you! We need for more people to sign up for doing the nursery and communion prep/clean-up for 2016. There are only a few slots left for Communion, so if you feel like you are willing and able, please sign up in the foyer for the next opportunity on our community board. We will be printing a new Nursery sign up soon!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wilson Baby Shower

There will be a baby shower for the Wilsons on June 12th during the usual time for the senior saints potluck. Everyone is invited! If you are interested in being a part of the group gift then speak with Tiffany!

Car Wash Fundraiser

There will be a carwash fundraiser to help with building the new playground! All proceeds will be going towards the new toy, new fencing, and facelift of the playground area! We would love for as many as possible to be part of helping with the car wash! If you would like to be involved there is a signup sheet in the foyer or you can contact Tiffany. Carwash is scheduled for the 22nd of May.

Our Prayer List

Healing for: Gary Chasteen, David Latham, Doloris Brun, Jodon Mason, Ben Mason, Karen Taylor.

Kara Mitchell's lumpectomy, that it shows no signs of cancer.

Eunice Orser and her family as they mourn the loss of her mother.

Ladies Retreat and those attending, that the Holy Spirit will be present and active.

Guidance for our deacons as the make decisions regarding our family and church.

Cody and Tiffany as they prepare to start a new journey in their lives.

Josh and Savannah that their baby continues to grow healthily and that Savannah is able to stay healthy.

Deja Cormier as she is adapting to life with a third child, that she and her kids will be healthy and safe.

Prayer for our homebound and infirm as they are unable to attend worship and fellowship with the family.

Prayers for our church as it works through Growth Group materials and seeks to grow in love, faith, and hope.

May 15, 2016

Worship: 83 Class: n/a Offering: \$4,410.01 Goal: \$3,437.50

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