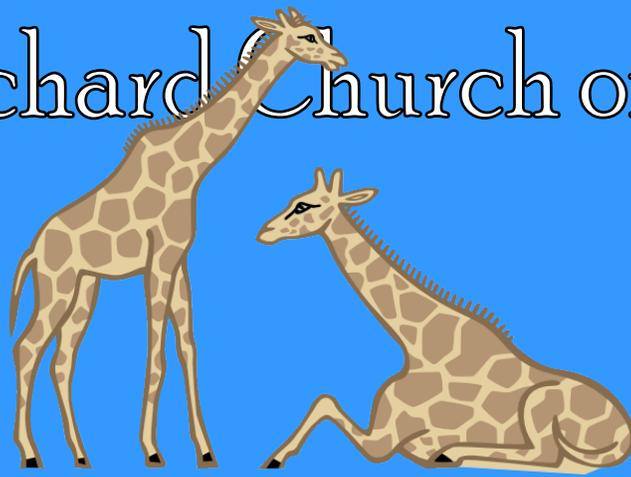


Port Orchard Church of Christ



• Jesus is Lord • Jesus is Lifted • Jesus is Lived •

Message from Avery Stafford

To the Port Orchard Church of Christ,

I am sending this letter of encouragement to you in hopes that you receive it in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from someone who deeply loves you and is spiritually rooting for you. Though I live and worship three hours south, I will always consider you my family and my home.

Let me remind you of what you already know. You are the recipients of a great legacy of faith. Men and women, lovers of God and the good news of the Gospel, faithfully endured to assure that subsequent generations would capture that same love and distribute the Gospel to the people of south Kitsap county and beyond. I was privileged to hear several "faith stories" from one of those Christian pioneers—my brother in Christ Willard Hoover. He often described what Malcolm Gladwell calls a "tipping point" for the Annapolis Church of Christ. With limited financial resources, dwindling attendance, and their pro-

verbial backs to the wall, they were confronted by two daunting options: close the doors of the church forever or fully engage a movement of faith well beyond their ability to produce and their capacity to succeed. This was their "tipping point". Willard was honest about their fear and apprehension. And yet, they were convinced that the Gospel of Jesus Christ was greater than the risk they would take if they stepped out in faith. They never expected to purchase the Carr Lane property— but that was exactly what they did. Their Moment of faith with God sparked a congregational Momentum of faith that led to a Movement of the Gospel in Port Orchard. Today, you are the recipients of this great legacy. More than that, you possess that same extraordinary, other-earthly faith. God is calling each of you, as the stewards of such spiritual legacy, to do what will be uncomfortable and risky. He is calling you to be brand-new work that is beyond your ability to produce and your capacity to succeed. He is calling you to be the Port Or-

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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 cen-

ury 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!

Wednes *Prayer*
6:00pm

Saturday 06/29 *Deacons Meeting*
8:00am

Sunday 06/30 *Congregational Meeting*
After Services

August 26-30 *God's Word:
Digging for Answers
VBS*

Serving June 16, 2019:

Port Orchard News and Events

Sunday Preview

Bob McDaniel will be giving the sermon this Sunday. Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

June—Judy vanLeuven-11, Obidiah Herbert-14, Lila Mason-15, Dorothy Fletcher-23, Miki Gross-23, Kenny Benjamin-24, Cathie Cates-26, Pilita David-26, Greg Warner-29.

Last Sunday

Celebration of our 2019 High School graduates was conducted last Sunday. If you would like to listen to sermons from other dates, go to pococ.weebly.com/teachings.html

Sunday Nights

When: Starting April 14th at 6:00pm

Where: POCOC Auditorium

Topic: *1 Corinthians*

Prayer Leader: Brad Orser

Scripture Reader: Bob McDaniel

Offering Thoughts: Jamin Mason

Communion Meditation: Michael Celletti

Servers: Brandon Zepf/Greg Warner

Ushers: Rick Velasco & Dan Gross

Greeters: Deloris Lawler & Sarah Hill

Prayer Partners: Ken & Tammy Avery

Sound: Lisa Bratcher

Slides/Lighting: Tanya Howard

Communion Prep&CleanUp: Rick Velasco

Praise Team: Kenny Benjamin, Mike Celletti, Jamin Mason, Bob McDaniel, Lorri Celletti, Eunice Orser

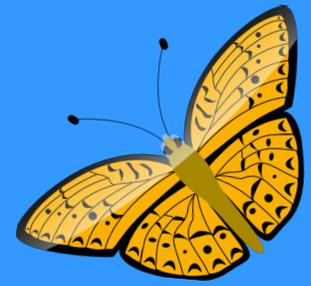
Children's 9:30 Teacher: Bonnie Mitchell

Youth Worship: Kelli Keagle

Preaching: Bob McDaniel

Camp Registration

If you are attending camp via church scholarship, DBCC Registration Forms are due to the office by June 14th or you will have to pay the \$50 late registration fee.



Change for Children

Please pick up a change can and help participate in the Mountain States Children's Home Change Can Campaign. There are cans in the foyer under the Missions board to pick up on your way out. **Your change adds up to make a big difference!** The Change Can Campaign will end **August 11, 2019**.

International Justice Mission Tweens' Collection Page

The tweens have a new address for their IJM fundraising page: <https://ijm.donordrive.com/team/PortOrchardTweens> Please use this link to view their progress.

Message from Deacons

At the Deacons meeting June 1st and the Congregational Meeting June 2nd, it was affirmed that our congregation needs spiritual leadership and guidance going forward and that Bob McDaniel, Ken Avery, and Darrell Fry would be asked to fulfill those roles along with the deacons. Bob, Ken, and Darrell will carry no official titles. The deacons and these three men and all of their wives will meet privately together on June 23rd to brainstorm how they will operate and what their scope will be.

The group's conclusions will be presented at the next congregational meeting on Sunday, June 30th and the congregation will be asked for authority to carry out plans necessary to meet those goals. One of the group's purposes is to establish a means by which a minister will be sought and hired.

Please be praying about this endeavor, the deacons, and these three men as they work together in guiding the congregation.

Our Prayer List

Healing:

Frankie Gowers' sister Linda, Rick Velasco, Roger Taylor's sister, Brad Peterson, Baby Levi, Rachel Karn

Encouragement:

DBCC Campers, Mike, Penny Mitchell (upcoming surgery), Graduating Seniors, Chris & Lilly Mitchell for a Healthy Baby, John Bickel, Barbara Chasteen (ankle), Tiny Village Team, Our Congregation

Traveling:

Sanders

Other:

Northwest Mission, For those who fear the possible Tiny Cabin Village, Our families, nation, President Trump and leaders. Our ministries, Deacons & Congregation.

June 9, 2019

Worship: 102

Class: 30

Offering: \$4,433.50

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chard [Church] of Christ in the 21st century-solely focused on the mission of Jesus Christ.

With this in mind, here are a few thoughts that I want to share with you. Perhaps they will encourage you in the weeks and months to come.

Regarding leadership, God has already provided spiritual leaders for your community of faith. He has already blessed you with three outstanding men of God who love you and model in front of you the love of Christ. Each has a history of protecting you, caring for you, and bearing your burdens. Each has a personal testimony of the Gospel in their lives and the lives of their families. Each has a powerful testimony of the grace of God meeting them in their personal circumstances. And each one of these men model the ideal spiritual leader in the 21st cen-

ture church--authentic in their brokenness while daily praising God for the power of Christ's blood to heal and redeem. They are men that I would happily serve alongside of. So, step out in faith.

Regarding community, the greatest way to publicly demonstrate the Gospel is to genuinely love one another. Never allow anything or anyone to steal your love from one another. Never allow anyone's personal agenda to become more important than your love for each other. Never allow the past to damage your public witness of the Gospel. Be radically forgiving to those who have hurt you or let you down. Every extraordinary act of love will be a public witness to the saving power of the Gospel for the people of your city. So, step out in faith.

Regarding the future, it is time for you to have a "Joshua

24:15" moment-a 2019 "tipping point" that draws you toward other-earthly faith. Someone in Kitsap county need to take a bold stand for loving the lost, caring for the poor, embracing the hopeless, listening to the millennial generation, and esteeming others better than self. It might as well be you! God has already provided a legacy of faith. Now, you need a Moment of faith that declares before God, "We are moving forward in the Jesus' name!" With Christ, you can do anything. So stand to your feet and go for it in the name of Jesus. Your new season is now!

I am praying for you. You already have everything you need-you have the power that raised Christ from the dead. So be encouraged.

Peace and Much Love,
Avery Stafford