
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

Jesus, Lord of Heaven (written by Tiffany Rousseau)

Today, I went on a walk in the forest. There is just something about leaving the city, the noise, and routine, to be outside that is inviting of peace.

My reasons were many. I had promised a teen I would go into this particular forest with them, my week has been freed up by a very light work schedule, and there was a need for solitude and quiet that I had been feeling recently.

We drove out to a nearby camp ground and walked through the trees. There was a path that wrapped around a small green lake that we followed. Ferns dotted along the pathway guided us through nature and occasionally whacked us on the knee where one was overgrown. Green was everywhere, birds sang songs, and a gentle breeze danced along the branches and the lake's surface.

Sitting down on a bench, we rested and talked about our thoughts, our feelings, and our perspective on heaven. What will it be like? Will we be anything like ourselves now or will I even know my own name from this life? Will there be trees? Swimming? Dirt? How will we be able to have no sin if we're still ourselves? Or will we even be in any way the same? It's hard to imagine what Jesus is preparing for us, but it's fun to try!

One thing we know for sure about Heaven is that Jesus will be there and we will get to be with him for the rest of time,

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also." (John 14v3, ESV)

Jesus promises us that he is the way, truth, and life. If you have chosen to follow him, you will get to live with him forever. Whether there are trees, puppies, armadillos, mountains, oceans, dinosaurs, or pinecones, Jesus will be there. If the New Earth that Revelation tells us about is something completely different than this world or very similar, none of that will matter as much as the fact that we will get to BE with JESUS!

The psalmist writes in Psalm 46v10, ESV,

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

While we can't imagine ALL of what Heaven will be like, we can rest in the knowledge that Christ will be there. Today, do this: be still and know that he is God. Go outside or in your closet and close your mind to all thoughts but this: HE is Lord, and we get to spend eternity with him as believers.

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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!

Friday 6/19 Youth Group

Saturday 6/20 Memorial Virgil Lowe

Saturday-Saturday 6/20-27 Senior Teen Camp @ Delano Bay

Sunday 6/21 First Day of Spring/Father's Day

Tuesday 6/23 Ladies Bible Study

Sunday 6/28 Sunday Night Service

Tuesday 6/30 Ladies Bible Study

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— James Greer to Preach

This week our brother James Greer will be sharing with us. Let's warmly welcome him as he shares from his study and contemplation of the Word.

Memorial Services

There will be two upcoming memorial services.

On the 20th of June there will be a memorial service for Virgil Lowe at the church building at 1:00PM. There will be a reception and snacks to follow the service in the fellowship room. Please come and help Lucille remember and honor the life of Virgil. If you have any questions please contact Connie Switzer or LaDonna Latham.

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!

3rd— Ray Switzer. 11— Judy VanLeuven. 15th— Lila Mason. 19— Christina Nystrom. 23— Miki Gross. 24— Kenny Benjamin. 26— Pilita David. 29— Greg Warner.

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!

Nursery Needs

Slot 1: 5th July

Slot 2: 21st June

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

Serving June 21, 2015 :

Prayer Leader:	Cody Rousseau	Communion Prep:	Rousseaus
Scripture Reader:	James Greer	Communion Cleanup:	Sanders
Offering Thoughts:	Brad Orser	Praise Team:	Lead: TBD
Communion Meditation:	Ken Avery		
Servers:	I. Zepf & J. Hammock		
Ushers:	W. Hammock & R. Cormier		
Greeters:	Dale & Lori Sanders		
Nursery Attendants:	Laura Fry & TBD	Fellowship Team:	Donuts— R. & K. Taylor
Sound:	Lisa Bratcher		Coffee— Rick V.
Slides/Lighting:	Dale Sanders		Cleanup— Karen Taylor



Faithquest

The time has come to start planning and considering Faithquest. For those of you who do not know, this will be the last Faithquest. They are inviting all alumni for time eternal to come and be part of its grand sending off. This event will be geared towards giving teens a wonderful and invigorating boost spiritually, but is open to any and all who have formerly been a part of this ministry. There are posters up, registrations at the ready, and you should consider going for this last time.

Youth Group Summer Schedule

For the summer we will be switching over to a different schedule for youth group. As the kids move into the summer busy we wanted to work well with their schedules. With that being said, we are going to be switching over to one or two events a month instead of a weekly gathering.

This will look like: disc golf days, bon-fires, game nights, bowling and all the other fun things we can think of. We will be doing our best to plan one or two events a month and keep engaged. Regular youth group nights will be picking back up in September with the start of school.

If you have an event or idea for activity that the teens might enjoy please feel free to connect with Cody and help bless some kids!

Ladies Bible Study

If you are a lady who is interested in a bible study 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.

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.

Our Prayer List

DeLoris Lawler, Lucille Lowe, Rick Valesco and families, For comfort and peace after the loss of loved ones.

Healing

Pam Woodrow healing after her accident and surgeries.

Lucille Lowe's Son

Yvonne Lawrence for Stress and back pain

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

DJ Magneson for healing of her broken foot, and relief from stress.

Karen Taylor relief from back pain, and expedient approval for shots.

Ava 9y/o with cancer, for healing and courage.

Sciotti family, healing after surgery and illness

Rick V's wife Marcy, in Cottesmore

All of those traveling and camping in the next few months

Our Church, Missionaries and Nation

June 14, 2015

Worship: 102

Class: n/a

Offering: \$2,706.00

Goal: \$3,437.50

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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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