
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

The Freedom of the Cross

Excerpt from Rick Warren

"We know that our old life died with Christ on the cross so that our sinful selves would have no power over us" (Romans 6:6a NCV).

Romans 6:6 says, *"We know that our old life died with Christ on the cross so that our sinful selves would have no power over us"* (NCV). What does "our sinful selves would have no power over us" mean? It means our natural inclination is to do the wrong thing.

My natural inclination when you hurt me is to hurt you back. My natural inclination when you say something bad against me is say something bad against you and hold on to it and never forgive you. All of the things that I'm naturally inclined to do actually make it worse.

But we can break that bondage to bitterness, that bondage to guilt, that bondage to resentment, that bondage to worry. We can keep from becoming slaves to the past and hurtful memories. We can choose to forgive.

Let me ask you a very important question: How badly do you want to be healed of that hurt? How badly do you want to let it go? Do you want to just keep holding on to it and

become a bitter, old, crusty person?

How badly do you want to be released from this pain? Are you tired of going on? "I've gone over that a thousand times in my mind. Every time I think of it again, it still hurts. What my dad did. What my brother did. What my mom did. What my husband did. Every time I think about it, it still hurts."

The cross has the power to free you from grudges and grief and resentment. There is no other way to let go of these emotions that are weighing you down than the cross. Jesus on the cross broke the power of sin and death and bondage in your life.



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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.

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Save the Dates!

Sunday 6/26 Rousseau's Last Day

Tuesday 6/28 Ladies Bible Study

Saturday 7/2 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 7/3 Congregational Meeting

Monday 7/4 Independence Day

Saturday 7/9-7/16 JTS Camp

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview—

Please join this Sunday to hear a sermon from Tom Sibley. Tom will also be speaking to the adult class and sharing about their work with the Bible Institute and church in Croatia.

Happy Birthday!

It is the month of June! It's time to celebrate our June babies. If you see any of these following brothers and sisters make sure to wish them a happy birthday!

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

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

Serving June 26, 2016 :

Prayer Leader:	Dale Sanders	Communion Prep:	Reinkes
Scripture Reader:	Ken Avery	Communion Cleanup:	Sanders
Offering Thoughts:	Dave Snyppe	Praise Team:	Kenny Benjamin, Gene Gerard, Connie Greer, Rachel Karn
Communion Meditation:	Ray Switzer		
Servers:	B. Karn. & J. Snead		
Ushers:	B. Zepf & J. Hammock		
Greeters:	Dale & Lori Sanders	Sunday School & CW Helper:	Dj Magneson
Nursery Attendants:	TBD	Fellowship Team:	Donuts— Karen Taylor Coffee— Rick Velasco Cleanup— Pene Hammock
Sound:	Chris Hill		
Slides/Lighting:	Lisa Bratcher		



fall in any of those categories and I will make a list which will be confidential.

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

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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

Senior Blessing

Thank you to all who joined in showering our seniors with love! Congrats to all the seniors who graduated high school, college or both at the same time. Prayers and blessings as you go forth into the world.

Luncheon for Rousseaus

This coming Sunday June 26th, there will be a luncheon honoring Cody and Tiffany following our morning worship hour. Please plan to attend and to bring your favorite finger foods to share. This will be hosted by the Tuesday morning ladies class. Any questions can be directed to LaDonna Latham or Connie Greer. There will be a money tree to bless them as they go.

Sibley Visit

The Sibleys will be visiting with us and Tom will be preaching this Sunday.

Sewing Group

The sewing group that makes little dresses for third world girls is starting up again! If you would like to be part of this group it meets every fourth Thursday of the month starting in June. The group meets from 10am-2pm on the fourth

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Our Prayer List

Healing for: Gary Chasteen, David Latham, Doloris Brun, Jodon Mason, Ben Mason, Karen Taylor, Dave and Yvonne Lawrence's grandson Dalton, Karrie Schmelzer's friend

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

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

Josh and Savannah Still continue to pray for a healthy mama and baby.

Deja Cormier Deja and her new job as secretary

Jodon Mason

Jodon Mason for commitment to God, himself and work.

Elijah Cormier

For his seizure-like episodes and finding an accurate diagnosis

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

Graduating Seniors prayers for all the recently graduated seniors - both high school and college. Prayers for the safe return of those students returning home for the summer.

June 19, 2016

Worship: 106

Class: 46

Offering: \$2,877

Goal: \$3,437.50

Thursday of each month. For more information or to RSVP please connect with Sandi Warner of Jo Vaughn.

Growth Group Bible Verse

Psalms 73:25-26

Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on this earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

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