
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

God's Purpose or Mine?



He made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side... —[Mark 6:45](#)

We tend to think that if Jesus Christ compels us to do something and we are obedient to Him, He will lead us to great success. We should never have the thought that our dreams of success are God's purpose for us. In fact, His purpose may be exactly the opposite. We have the idea that God is leading us toward a particular end or a desired goal, but He is not. The question of whether or not we arrive at a particular goal is of little importance, and reaching it becomes merely an episode along the way. What we see as only the process of reaching a particular end, God sees as the goal itself.

What is my vision of God's purpose for me? Whatever it may

be, His purpose is for me to depend on Him and on His power *now*. If I can stay calm, faithful, and unconfused while in the middle of the turmoil of life, the goal of the purpose of God is being accomplished in me. God is not working toward a particular finish— His purpose is the process itself. What He desires for me is that I see "Him walking on the sea" with no shore, no success, nor goal in sight, but simply having the absolute certainty that everything is all right because I see "Him walking on the sea" ([Mark 6:49](#)). It is the process, not the outcome, that is glorifying to God.

God's training is for now, not later. His purpose is for this very minute, not for sometime in the future. We have nothing to do with what will follow our obedience, and we are wrong to concern ourselves with it. What people call preparation, God sees as the goal itself.

God's purpose is to enable me to see that He can walk on the storms of my life right now. If we have a further goal in mind, we are not paying enough attention to the present time. However, if we realize that moment-by-moment obedience is the goal, then each moment as it comes is precious. -WISDOM FROM OSWALD CHAMBERS

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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!

Tuesday 8/2 Ladies Prayer Group

Saturday 8/6 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 8/7 Congregational Meeting

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— Can you close your eyes and imagine what Heaven will be like?

Darrell Fry will be bringing a message about our ultimate destination this Sunday; please join us as he shares thoughts from God's word about this wonderful place Jesus is preparing for us.

Happy Birthday!

July has arrived and so has the heat! It's time to celebrate our July babies. If you see any of these following brothers and sisters make sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!

7/5- Brett Hollmann. 7/16 -Yvonne Lawrence , Roy Vaughn. 7/19 -Dale Sanders, Peggy Hall. 7/23- Dorothy Fletcher. 7/25- Luke Orser. 7/27- Trent Herbert. 7/29- Dorothy Janes.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Meals Needed

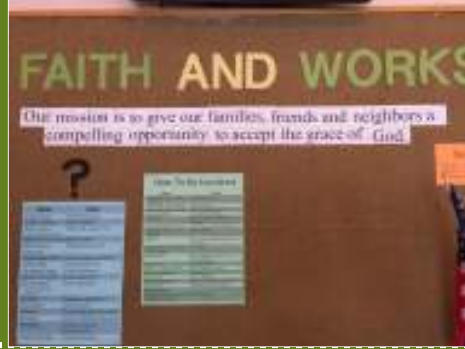
Bonnie Mitchell, along with Pene Hammock and Judy Van Lueven will be coordinating the temporary providing of meals on occasions when they are requested. Upon receiving the request, we will coordinate with the family to ascertain their needs – length of time, dietary restrictions etc. Once this has been 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 July 31, 2016 :



Prayer Leader: Ray Switzer	Communion Prep: Avery/Cormier Family
Scripture Reader: Gene Gerard	Communion Cleanup: Sanders Family
Offering Thoughts: Ken Avery	Praise Team: Darrell F., Rachel K., Connie G.
Communion Meditation: Dale Sanders	
Servers: B. Karnes & W. Hammock	Sunday School & CW Helper: J. Delay & D. Sanders
Ushers: J. Coley & C. Hill	Fellowship Team: Donuts— Roy Vaughn
Greeters: L. Sanders & K. Schnietzer	Coffee— Rick Velasco
Nursery Attendants: TBD	Cleanup— Pene Hammock
Sound: John Bickle	
Slides/Lighting: Jacob Hammock	



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 - (h) 360-895-0453 (c) 360-265-3266
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

James Greer

James Greer preached a sermon last Sunday from Romans 2:1-16. If you missed it and would like to hear it, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com

The Herbert's

Thank you to everyone who stayed after church to fellowship and enjoy finger foods with the Herbert's. They will be leaving this Thursday(7/28), to start a new adventure in Texas. They will be attending Sunset International Bible Institute. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they dedicate their lives to Gods mission and ministry work.

Delano Bay Christian camp-

4th-6th grade camp begins July 31st and will end August 6th.

Dorothy Jane's New Address

Dorothy Jane's broke her pelvic bone and is at home recovering. If you would like to send her a card her address is listed below.

Apt 184
2944 SE Lund Ave
Port Orchard, Wa 98366
her personal phone [360-874-6587](tel:360-874-6587)

Our Prayer List

Healing for:

Virginia Chapman's brother -
Ray Prichard healing from procedure to remove blood clot.
Michelle Herbert's Aunt Ruth -
in hospital from a fall and recently diagnosed with stage 1 cancer

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

Ken Avery His back is giving him trouble

July 24, 2016

Worship: 97

Class: 45

Offering: \$3,152.25

Goal: \$3,437.50

Lord,

Make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek to
be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are par-
doned;
It is in dying that we are born again to
eternal life.

Francis of Assisi

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