
Port Orchard Church of Christ

It was then that I carried you

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

Are You Discouraged or Devoted?



...Jesus...said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have...and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. —[Luke 18:22-23](#)

Have you ever heard the Master say something very difficult to you? If you haven't, I question whether you have ever heard Him say anything at all. Jesus says a tremendous amount to us that we listen to, but do not actually hear. And once we do hear Him, His words are harsh and unyielding.

Jesus did not show the least concern that this rich young ruler should do what He told him, nor did Jesus make any attempt to keep this man with Him. He simply said to him, "Sell all that you have...and come, follow Me." Our Lord never pleaded with him; He never tried to lure him— He simply spoke the strictest words that human ears have ever

heard, and then left him alone.

Have I ever heard Jesus say something difficult and unyielding to me? Has He said something personally to me to which I have deliberately listened— not something I can explain for the sake of others, but something I have heard Him say directly to me? This man understood what Jesus said. He heard it clearly, realizing the full impact of its meaning, and it broke his heart. He did not go away as a defiant person, but as one who was sorrowful and discouraged. He had come to Jesus on fire with zeal and determination, but the words of Jesus simply froze him. Instead of producing enthusiastic devotion to Jesus, they produced heartbreaking discouragement. And Jesus did not go after him, but let him go. Our Lord knows perfectly well that once His word is truly heard, it will bear fruit sooner or later. What is so terrible is that some of us prevent His words from bearing fruit in our present life. I wonder what we will say when we finally make up our minds to be devoted to Him on that particular point? One thing is certain— He will never throw our past failures back in our faces.

-WISDOM FROM OSWALD CHAMBERS

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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 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

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.

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Save the Dates!

Tuesday 8/23 Ladies Prayer Group

Thursday 8/25 Little Dresses

Saturday 9/3 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 9/4 Congregational Meeting

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview—

James Greer will be sharing the word of God with us this coming Sunday. Service begins at 10:45 AM, we hope to see you there!

Happy Birthday!

August has arrived, it's time to celebrate our August babies. If you see any of these following brothers and sisters make sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!

8/1 - Elijah Herbert, Tanya Howard. 8/6 - Scott Hall. 8/12 - Thias David, Norm Franck, Alyssa Nystrom. 8/17 - Terry Bratcher, Cody Rousseau. 8/19 - Eric Nystrom. 8/20 - Jeff Duffy, Connie Greer. 8/22 - Hanna Herbert. 8/25 - Dave Snyp. 8/28 - David Latham.

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.

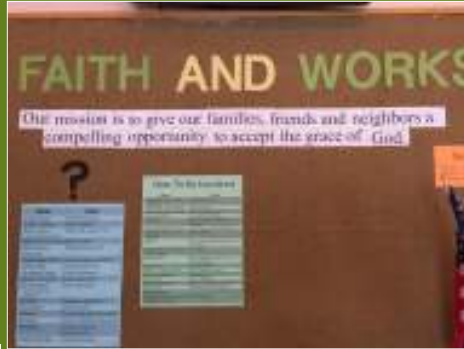
There are some of you who want to always provide a meal, some who choose not to and some who would like to do so occasionally. Please email me if you fall in any of those categories and I will make a list which will be confidential.

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

Serving August 21, 2016 :



Prayer Leader: Jim Snead	Communion Prep: K. Schmeltzer & L. Lowe
Scripture Reader: Dale Snyp	Communion Cleanup: Reinke Family
Offering Thoughts: Jared Coley	Praise Team: Darrell F. , Paula H. , Connie G. , Greg W.
Communion Meditation: Gene & Forrest Gerard	
Servers: G. Chasteen & T. Duffy	Sunday School & CW Helper: J. Delay & L. Fry
Ushers: T. Bratcher & W. Hammock	Fellowship Team: Donuts— Sandi Warner
Greeters: K. Taylor & P. Hill	Coffee— Greg Warner
Nursery Attendants: TBD	Cleanup— Sandi Warner
Sound: Chris Hill	
Slides/Lighting: John Bickle	



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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

Dale Sanders

Dale Sanders shared a sermon last Sunday out of Acts 8. If you missed his message and would like to hear it, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com

Congregational Meeting Notes

Notes summarizing the Congregational Meeting are available in the foyer.

Our Prayer List

Healing for:

Ken Avery - from back surgery
 Betty Widman - strength back in her legs
 Brittany Pringle - her hematoma doesn't recur

Other prayer request:

Michelle Herbert's Uncle Billy - that his faith be renewed.
 Our Olympians in Rio
 Our church, deacons, members
 Our country
 Eloise Gerard - Encouragement
 Victims in Louisiana from the devastating flood
 Those who are traveling
 Students returning to school

Praise:

Baby Winnie Wilson was born Tuesday August 2nd at 12:08 AM. Mom dad and baby are doing great!

August 14, 2016

Worship: 89

Class: N/A

Offering: \$4,166.50

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

Growth Group Memory Verse (Wk 17)

And I pray that the sharing of your
faith may become effective for the full
knowledge of every good thing that is
in us for the sake of Christ.

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