
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

The right motivation?

In the wake of chapter 10 in Romans I have been thinking a lot about sharing the gospel. Specifically I have been thinking about my motivation level, and how I try to spread the news.

Recently I shared a series of books that I really love with Lisa. There are 16 books in this series and to this point I haven't lent any of them out to a friend. When I finally felt like Lisa might be on the hook to read them, I was overjoyed! Finally I could share this experience with someone else!

As she finished books in the series, a fun thing started to happen. She would meet characters and discover plotlines and we could talk about it! I was excited to relive the books and experiences, and she was able to share about her likes and dislikes as she went.

In this, I have been thinking about the way we typically minister and reach out to people. Lots of times

we get someone on the hook, we get them indoctrinated into a form of belief that fits our model, and then we move onto the next work. I have had many friends over the years, and been one myself, who felt used or thrown aside as someone with an evangelistic heart moved onto the next "project."

As Lisa went through these books and I got to share them with her, I thought about how excited I was for her to get to meet different people and see the different obstacles and triumphs of the main character. I was excited to go through the book with her, not just to know I had her reading a series.

Why do we intuitively seem to know the difference when sharing our hobbies as opposed to our faith? What are some ways we can look at ourselves and improve upon our walk with Christ and with others?

This week let us pray that God opens our eyes to the areas we need growth the most.

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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!

Sunday 9/13 Senior Saints Potluck

Sunday 9/13 Children's Ministry Meeting and Update

Monday 9/14 Community Meal

Tuesday 9/15 Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday 9/6 Quilters Class

Tuesday 9/22 Ladies Bible Class

Sunday 9/27 Sunday Night Worship

Tuesday 9/29 Ladies Bible Study

Saturday 10/3 Deacons Meeting

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— What Do We Owe Each Other?

This week our brother James Greer will be sharing a message with us. As he comes to share from his experiences with God please prayerfully welcome him to the pulpit!

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Nursery and Communion Sign-ups

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. Both of these jobs are very important for our Sunday services, so if you feel like you are willing and able, please sign up in the foyer for the next opportunity. Don't know what these different serving opportunities look like/ require? Just see Cody Rousseau after church and he'll walk you through them.

Places To Serve in Sunday Worship

If you would like to be involved in some way with the worship service on Sundays during the service, in the Children's Bible Hour, or want to join/host a small group or bible study, please contact the office with an email and get put into the rotation!

Also, if you are interested in preaching, please contact James Greer or Cody

Nursery Needs

Slot 1: n/a

Slot 2: n/a

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

Serving Sept 13, 2015 :

Prayer Leader: Cody Rousseau	Communion Prep: Eloise Gerard
Scripture Reader: James Greer	Communion Cleanup: Rousseaus
Offering Thoughts: Ray Switzer	Praise Team: Gene Gerard
Communion Meditation: Dale Sanders	Connie Greer
Servers: B. Karn & T. Bratcher	Tiffany Rousseau
Ushers: I. Zepf & B. Zepf	Kenny Benjamin
Greeters: J. & M. Furstenwerth	Children's Church Helper: Connie Greer
Nursery Attendants: TBD	Fellowship Team: Donuts— Karen Taylor
Sound: J. Hammock	Coffee— Rick Velasco
Slides/Lighting: T. Herbert	Cleanup— Karen Taylor



Rousseau and they will schedule you for a Sunday. We would love to hear from more members of our congregation on Sunday morning sharing God's word.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS

Elder Study Group

The Elder Study Group (ESG) has been working to finish up the meals with members. They have met with almost all of the families in our congregation to share their last year's experience. If you have not been able to make dinner with them happen yet please contact Carla Duffy at 360-509-6975 or her email: walkinginhim@yahoo.com. The group is trying to be finished with these meals by the 24th of September.

Youth Group

For youth group this year we are going to begin meetings once again on the 23rd of September. That will be a meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:00PM and running until 9:00PM. The plan is to have dinner, and discuss the options for our study going forward with the school year. We will also be discussing the year in terms of our activities that the area churches are working on.

Group will meet at the Rousseau apartment at 7:00PM on Wednesday the 23rd. IF you have any questions please contact Cody.

Area Ministry News

After meeting for the monthly youth workers lunch the schedule for the coming year has begun to take shape. This year it has been decided that there will be no areawides. In lieu of the usual monthly meeting of area churches for a teen night, there will be monthly activities to jointly attend. Dates and specifics will be posted in Tuesday updates, the teen Facebook page, bulletins and announcements on Sunday mornings as needed. Please be attentive to these publications, messages and postings so your teen doesn't miss any of the cool events that are upcoming!

Happy Birthdays!

September has arrived! Fall is coming and the leaves are starting to take on beautiful colors! With this new month we have a new set of birthdays to celebrate. Remember to mark these dates and wish these brothers and sisters a happy birthday this month!

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Our Prayer List

Byron Bungart who has pending brain surgery, and with **Dan** who is going to be in OK assisting with family.

Les & Len Les is improving, but more surgeries are likely. Prayers as they travel to Houston and back 3 times a week.

Continued prayers for those who have lost loved ones.

Dave Snyp prayers that he can find out what is causing him pain in his hip, and that it might be remedied.

Runell Mason for peace, strength and support after the diagnosis of cancer.

Judy VanLeuven as she continues to heal after her surgery, and for Tanya as she helps her mother.

Fry family, Greer family, DeLoris Lawler, Bonnie Mitchell and family, while they are all traveling.

Jim & Cindy Snead as they continue to support their families and emulate Christ to them.

Dale Sanders for healing after diagnosis of shingles.

Josh Wilson's grandma diagnosed with Alzheimer's.

Sept 6, 2015

Worship: 82

Class: 38

Offering: \$4,682.34

Goal: \$3,437.50

1st- Savannah Wilson. 5th- Deja Cormier; Benjamin Mason. 9th- Barbara Byrd. 13th- Pene Hammock; Dave Lawrence. 17th- Eloise Gerard; Kayli Benjamin. 21st- Charlie Fender. 25th- Pam Woodrow. 29th- Eunice Orser.

Ladies Bible Study

If you are a lady who is interested in a bible study and you haven't yet attended the bible study hosted by LaDonna Latham Tuesday mornings at 9:00am yet, please consider adding this to your weekly schedule. This is a wonderful morning event held at the church building, 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 experience community. If you need information about this please contact LaDonna or show up this Tuesday to dive into the word!

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