



Port Orchard Church of Christ

²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care.³⁰ And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. - Matthew 10:29-31

Be of Good Courage

Many times in our lives there are situations that arise that require us as Christians to stand up and be strong. We often hear people say, "That took a lot of courage" or "They were very courageous in that ordeal." There are courageous acts being performed every day as people deal with illnesses, tragedies, or death in their lives. As Christians, we have many reasons why we should be "courageous" when serving the Lord.

Think about your life and the following passages that let us know that as Christians we can be courageous in facing the trials and temptations of life.

YOU CAN BE COURAGEOUS BECAUSE:

You are a child of God --(1 John 3;1-2) -- What a wonderful privilege to be called a child of God because you have obeyed His commandments. God showers His love and His blessings upon His children.

You have the "Sword of the Spirit" -- (Ephesians 6:17) -- Understanding that God has provided to us in His Word all that we need to know to enjoy life and overcome evil should be a comfort to all.

You are doing God's will -- (Daniel 9:4) -- To those who keep God's commandments and do His will He will keep His promises to show love and mercy to them.

You can resist the enemy and cause him to flee -- (James 4:7) -- With God on our side we can resist Satan and his messengers and cause them to flee from us in times of trials.

You can know that God will provide a way of escape -- (1 Cor. 10:113) -- As Christians we have the knowledge that God will not allow us to be tempted beyond what we are able to bear, but that He will also provide a way of escape. The way of escape is there, WE NEED TO LOOK FOR IT.

Christ is with you -- (Matt. 28:18-20) --Christ promises the Christian that He will be with him throughout the ages.

YOU CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS YOU -- (Phil. 4:13)-- Jesus says that when we lean upon Him and use His strength, we can survive the ordeals that life brings our way.

So, the next time that you find yourself in a difficult situation, trial, or temptation remember that you can be courageous and strong with Jesus Christ by your side.

-Author Unknown

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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!

Sunday 9/24 Bobbie Blair's 90th Birthday Reception

Saturday 9/30 Deacon's Meeting

Sunday 10/1 Children's Worship Teachers, Helpers, & Interested Parties Meeting

Sunday 10/1 Congregational Meeting

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview

Dale Sanders will be preaching this upcoming Sunday. Worship Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

September is here and so are the leaves. If you see any of these brothers and sisters wish them a good one: Savannah Wilson-1, Aaron Hanson-2, Bobbie Blair-3, Deja Cormier-5, Barbara Byrd-9, Conrad Hanson-12, Dave Lawrence-13, Rachel Bedford-14, Jon Powless-15, Kayli Benjamin-17, Eloise Gerard-17, Lloyd McCallister-18, Charlie Fender-21, Melissa Bell-22, Pam Woodrow-25, Eunice Orser-29, Shawn O'Dell-29.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Avery

Ken Avery shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message and would like to hear it, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com

Sunday Morning Bible Class

Bible class will be studying Luke 10: 38-42, Martha and Mary, in the Auditorium Overflow.

Serving September 24, 2017 :

Prayer Leader:	Brad Orser	Communion Prep:	Barbara Chasteen
Scripture Reader:	Dale Sanders	Communion Cleanup:	Keagle Family
Offering Thoughts:	Wayne Hammock	Praise Team:	Gene Gerard, Rachel Karn, Paula Hill, & Brad Orser
Communion Meditation:	Jim Snead		
Servers:	David Lawrence & Jacob H.		
Ushers:	Brandon K. & Terry Bratcher	Sunday School & CW Helper:	Dale Sanders
Greeters:	Greg & Sandi Warner	Children's Church:	Laura Fry
Prayer Partners:	Ken & Tammy Avery	Preaching:	Dale Sanders
Sound:	Lisa Bratcher		
Slides/Lighting:	John Bickle		



Apple Cider Press Driver Needed Oct. 6th/8th

If you can provide, contact Gene Gerard or Kelli Keagle.

FREEDOM SUNDAY

Hi, Everyone. This year over 2,700 churches around the world are participating in FREEDOM SUNDAY. This is being organized as a day to talk about the travesty of human trafficking and about God's heart to set the slaves free.

The organization behind Freedom Sunday is the International Justice Mission (IJM). This is a Christian organization of lawyers and other professionals who partner with local law enforcement in developing countries. They conduct rescue operations, prosecute slave-holders (as well as provide training for local people in the justice system), and offer aftercare to survivors of trafficking. Recently, they conducted their largest rescue operation ever, and they helped to free 564 people from a brick factory in India. And that's just one rescue operation out of many over the years.

The International day for Freedom Sunday is September 24, this coming Sunday. The problem is worse than ever. Here is some information about why we fight this fight...

There are about 45 million slaves in the world today. They are working in fishing operations, brick kilns, rice mills, garment factories and so on. Children are sometimes forced into slavery as young as four years old. There are two million kids being sexually exploited around the world. And now, with webcams and live-streaming, children are also being exploited for profits online. The abuse against these children is unspeakable.

As Christians, we CAN do something to bring an end to slavery. If you want to learn more, visit this website: www.ijm.org

-Sarah Benjamin

Bobbie Blair's 90th Birthday Reception

When: September 24th, 3-5 pm

Where: Ramblin' Rose Farms
4842 SE Sleepy Hollow Ct.
Port Orchard, WA 98366

Deacon's Meeting

When: Saturday, September 30 at 8 am

Where: POCOC

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Our Prayer List

Healing:

Delores Brun
DJ Magnuson
Bonnie Mitchell
Delores Lawler's daughter Elaine
Delores Lawler's friend Linda
Melvin Byrd
Scott Hall
Runell Mason
David Latham
Eunice Orser's father
Chris Kalac
Kelli Keagle's mom Deena
Les & Len Lewis

Encouragement:

Those caregivers attending the care of their loved ones

Other:

The Wildland Firefighters fighting fires through many states

All first responders.

All those who are dealing with loss and recovery due to the fires, floods, and hurricanes.

Our children going back to school, church, nation, President Trump and ministries.

That God will bless our deacons with wisdom in reaching the many decisions they are entrusted with.

September 17, 2017

Worship: 74

Class: 32

Offering: \$4,333.00



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Children's Classes Meeting

When: Sunday, October 1 at 9 am

Where: POCOC

Who: Teachers, Helpers, and Anyone interested in our children's learning

What: Curriculum, the Good of the Order, etc.

Christian College Day NW

When: October 7th, Doors open at 8:30 am, Keynote at 9 am

Where: Southwest church of Christ
9725 Durham Rd
Tigard, OR
502-630-0221

Pre-Register: ccdnhw.org

Event Schedule: ccdnhw.org

New Directories

When: October 1st, Lord willing
Printing is almost complete. Waiting on a few more responses from our Friends and Family.

POCOC Congregation Cookbooks

We still have copies of the cookbook that was compiled not too long ago. They are for sale at \$7.50. Contact Bonnie Mitchell if you would like to get one.

Apple Cider Press

When: October 6th-8th

Where: Central Washington

Contact Info: (509) 720-TRUE

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Forms and info available at <http://www.acpyouthrally.org>

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