

Port Orchard Church of Christ



• Jesus is Lord • Jesus is Lifted • Jesus is Lived •

Greatest Question

1 Timothy 2:3-4 This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior who desires all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Perhaps the greatest question to ever cross the lips of man is the one found in Luke 10:25 when the lawyer stood before Jesus and asked, "What must I do to inherit eternal life"? It is the same question asked by the young man in Matthew 19:16, heard in Acts 2:37 and echoed by the Philippian jailor in Acts 16:30.

God wants all men to be saved and the eternal safety of those who believe in and obey him is one of those exceedingly precious promises found in God's word (1 John 3:1-2; Colossians 1:12-14; Hebrews 5:8-9; John 3:16-17; Romans 5:8-9).

Over many years of preaching, teaching classes, writing weekly bible thoughts, I have often wished that I had the ability to reach deep down into my soul and find the words to speak or write that would be so powerful they would move all who heard or read them to do everything within their power to make their journey to eternity a safe one. I have never attained that ability or found those words, I do pray that all of us can with a heart of sincerity cry out as did David in Psalms 16:1, "*Preserve me O God, for in thee do I put my trust*".

Be happy, enjoy life to the fullest, have fun and treasure the moments you have with family and friends but as you do, never forget for a moment that the eternal safety of your soul is at stake every waking moment of every day. In the first chapter of Colossians, Paul speaks of the love the brethren in Colossae have for God, Christ, the saints and him. In verses 9-10, Paul expresses four desires he has for those brethren: that they will be filled with knowledge of God's will and understanding, walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, please God in all respects and increase in the knowledge of God. I firmly believe that all 4 of these desires must be an integral part of our lives if we are going to be successful in inheriting eternal life.

It is not a matter of whether or not God wants us to be saved (2 Peter 3:9). It is only a matter of whether or not we are willing to do whatever he says we must do. Faithful children of God have a glorious hope that strengthens them and enables them to press onward through this life as they eagerly anticipate that day when they will celebrate going home to their eternal dwelling place (2 Cor. 5:1-2). O, what a celebration that will be!

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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 cen-

ture 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.

Save the Dates!

Sat 09/28 Deacons Meeting
8:00am

Sun 09/29 Congregational
After Services Meeting

Wed 10/02 Prayer & Praise
6:00pm

Sat 10/05 Lakeview
8:00am Men's Breakfast

Where: Lakeview church of Christ
Donation: \$4 per meal to support Delano Bay Christian Camp
The October 5th breakfast will be hosted by Port Orchard. Brad Orser will lead the devotional.

Serving September 29:

Port Orchard News and Events

Sunday Preview

9/29 Gene Gerard is scheduled to give the sermon this Sunday. The title of the sermon is

Sunday Morning Service begins at 10:45

Last Sunday

Bob McDaniel gave the sermon last Sunday. If you would like to listen to his presentation or other sermons, go to

pococ.weebly.com/teachings.html

Happy Birthday!

September: Eunice Orser - 29

October: Tim Duffy - 4, Kristi Hall - 4, Bob McDaniel - 8,

Lisa Bratcher - 13, Cindy Snead - 17, Brittany Pringle - 19, Paula Hill - 20, Laura Fry - 24, Sandi Warner - 25

Prayer Leader: Wayne Hammock

Scripture Reader: Gene Gerard

Offering Thoughts: James Greer

Communion Meditation: Bob McDaniel

Servers: Brandon Karn & Terry Bratcher

Ushers: Roger Taylor & Rick Velasco

Greeters: DeLoris Lawler & Karen Taylor

Prayer Partners: Ken & Tammy Avery

Sound: Lisa Bratcher

Slides/Lighting: Tanya Howard

Communion Prep & CleanUp:

Rick Velasco

Song Leader:

Jamin Mason

Children's 9:30 Teacher:

Bonnie Mitchell

Youth Worship:

Family Worship

Preaching:

Gene Gerard

Congregational Memory Verse

"We must obey God rather than men."

Acts 5:29B

Community Events

Dear friends, we have a couple of near-term opportunities to stand up for Truth and stand up for Life! Good news: both are pretty simple!

1. "Bring your Bible to School" Day

Thursday, October 3

Nationwide

Focus on the Family annually sponsors "Bring your Bible to School" day. For homeschooling families, sure...it's easy! But those in public school are encouraged to give witness to your faith...and be grateful for the freedom we still have in this country to do so! [Click here for more information.](#)

2. Kitsap Life Chain

Sunday, October 6, 2:00 - 3:15 pm

Silverdale

Have you ever participated in a Life Chain prayer event? Life Chain is an opportunity for Christians to unite their prayers on behalf of unborn children threatened by abortion. It occurs the first Sunday in October in locations throughout the United States and Canada. Kitsap Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 6, at the intersection of Silverdale Way and Ridgetop Boulevard in Silverdale from 2:00 - 3:15 pm. Participants are encouraged to bring their families and to dress for the weather. Signs with pro-life messages will be available for a one-dollar donation. It is up to the Church to remind people that God is the Creator of humanity and that every life is sacred. Please join us for this annual prayer gathering and rally for life!

Thoughts or questions?

In His Service,
Karen T. Danis
Kitsap Family Alliance

Helping Kitsap County Christians
Act as "Salt and Light"
(360) 377-2226

Our Prayer List

Healing:

Lile Holland, Margaret Myers, Sandi Warner, Frankie Gower's sister Linda, Jamin Mason, Dave Bedford, Nick Umbarger.

Praise:

Protection of Dale and Lori Sanders

Encouragement:

Marriage Seminar, Dale and Lori Sanders, Isaac Benjamin, Tiny Village Team, Deacons, Leadership Team, Our church family

Traveling:

Dale and Lori Sanders, Darrell and Laura Fry

Other:

Northwest Mission, our families, nation, President Trump and leaders. Our homeless neighbors, ministries,

September 22 2019

Worship: 79

Class: 55

Offering: \$1,649.00

Deacons Meeting

When: Saturday, September 28th at 8:00 am

Where: POCOC Auditorium Conference Room

Details: As always, our deacons meetings are open to the entire congregation. Please attend if you can or if you have something you want to talk about or do with the congregation.

Congregational Meeting

When: Sunday, September 29th immediately following the morning worship service.

Where: Auditorium Overflow

Details: We talk about new and ongoing items regarding the congregation, our ministries, whatever else is needing to be addressed. Everyone is welcome!

Apple Cider Press Youth Rally

When: October 11-13, 2019

Where: Chelan County Expo Center

Cashmere, WA

Cost: \$50/student

More Information: <http://www.acpyouthrally.org>

Registration: registration@acpyouthrally.org

Phone: 509-720-TRUE

Woodinville Youth Rally

When: November 8-10, 2019

Theme: Next Chapter: Writing Our Story of Service

More information to come.

International Justice Mission Tweens' Collection Page

The tweens have a new address for their IJM fundraising page: [https://ijm.donordrive.com/team/](https://ijm.donordrive.com/team/PortOrchardTweens)

[PortOrchardTweens](#) Please use this link to view their progress.

Interested in Learning and Growing? Check these out!

Sunday Morning and Sunday Evening

Who is this Man called Jesus – A journey through the Gospels – ongoing in the 9:30am Bible class that meets downstairs and the 6:00pm evening worship focus we will be exploring the gospels of Jesus beginning with the book of Matthew. Individual study books will be provided.

Back to Basics – What it means to be a Christian? Ongoing in the 9:30am class that meets in the teen room.

“The Pursuit of God” – The 9:30am class meeting upstairs is reflecting on the spiritual with A.W. Tozer’s book (class title) as a guide.

Our small children meet downstairs at 9:30 and will continue through the Old Testament and learning the books of the Bible.

Wednesday Evening

We meet from 6:00 to 7:00 pm for a time of prayer and praise.