
Port Orchard Church of Christ

Where

Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lifted, Jesus is Lived

Pray With No Doubting by Mike Riley

Several years ago, there were some residents of a drought-stricken community in West Texas, who decided to pray for rain. They contacted a local preacher, and asked him if he would call a special prayer meeting for the purpose of praying for rain.

The preacher gladly agreed, and the date and time were set for the meeting. On the scheduled day, the people all assembled on a hillside to pray to God for rain. When the preacher arrived, he gazed upon the assembly for a moment and said, "Let's all go home. There's no sense in praying for rain today, because not a one of you folks brought your umbrella!"

Sometimes, by our words and actions (or inactions), do we not end up telling folks that we really don't expect an answer from God?

Brethren and friends, if we ever doubt whether or not God will answer our prayers, then our praying becomes utterly futile (James 1:5-8-NKJV).

When we pray according to the Father's will (1 John 5:14-15-NKJV), we need to firmly believe and expect that He will provide exactly what we are praying for (Mark 11:20-24-NKJV; cf. Matthew 7:7-NKJV; Luke 11:1-10-NKJV; John 14:13-NKJV; John 15:7-NKJV; John 16:24-NKJV), otherwise, we might as well "all go home."

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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!

Friday 9/4—9/7 Faithquest (@ Camp Yamhill in Oregon)

Saturday 9/5 Deacons Meeting

Sunday 9/6 Congregational Meeting

Monday 9/7 Labor Day

Wednesday 9/8 School Starts!

Sunday 9/13 Senior Saints Potluck

Sunday 9/13 Children's Ministry Meeting and Update

Monday 9/14 Community Meal

Port Orchard News and Events

Pulpit Preview— Romans 10: An Outspoken People

This week we will be continuing our trek through the book of Romans tackling the tenth chapter. As we discuss this chapter we will focus on the evangelistic themes that are present. We will discuss our charge to be a people of the gospel and our joy in helping to mete our Christ's love and redemption to those we come into contact with.

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!

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 6, 2015 :

Prayer Leader: Wayne Hammock	Communion Prep: Eloise Gerard
Scripture Reader: Cody Rousseau	Communion Cleanup: Rousseaus
Offering Thoughts: D. Snyp	Praise Team: TBD
Communion Meditation: Darrell Fry	
Servers: B. Karn & T. Bratcher	
Ushers: I. Zepf & B. Zepf	
Greeters: Karen Taylor & Lori Sanders	Children's Church Helper: Rachel Karn
Nursery Attendants: TBD	Fellowship Team: Donuts— Sandi Warner
Sound: Dale Sanders	Coffee— Greg Warner
Slides/Lighting: C. Hill	Cleanup— Sandi Warner



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

Congregational Meeting

There will be a congregational meeting following service this morning, please stay and help add value to these meetings. We would love to have as many as possible attend to add their thoughts and concerns so we can make the most informed decisions possible. If you would like to add to the agenda remember to attend the deacon meetings on the Saturday before each congregational meeting.

Youth Group

We will be starting our regular youth group nights up again soon! Please keep your eyes open for information coming in the next week! We would like to figure out a few key components before putting out our start date but the plan will be for cemented information to be out in bulletins starting on the 17th of September.

The plan will be for a regular night hosted at the Rousseau's apartment and the Zepf house. We will be working through a bible study, or choosing a new curriculum to work through, singing and praying and sharing our lives with one and other. The plan is for this group to provide a safe space for our teens to interact with one and other, grow in their knowledge of the bible and in their relationship with Jesus. If you would like to be part of the planning and execution of these gatherings get in touch with Cody about it asap!

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!

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 Snapp 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.

Aug 30, 2015

Worship: 76

Class: 34

Offering: \$2,835.25

Goal: \$3,437.50

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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!

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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