

CONNECTION POINT

JANUARY 2023

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WE ARE COMMITTED TO FOLLOWING GOD TOGETHER
CONNECTED WITH HIM, COMMITTED TO EACH OTHER
AND PARTICIPATING IN HIS LIFE TOGETHER

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Hayes Family Support

Sherman has been recovering after a serious hospital stay and has a long road to recovery, including a much needed heart surgery. If you feel led to help the family in any way there is a [meal train](#) and a [go fund me page](#). If you feel led to give and aren't comfortable with these options. PCF can direct your donations to the family. Simply make your donation to PCF with Hayes Family in the memo line and we will make sure the funds get to them. Feel free to contact the office with any questions.



Please let the office know of any updates or changes to your information by the end of January for the updated directory. Directory update pages are on the information table and can be placed in the box outside the office.

 YouTube



Christmas Decoration Tear Down

Join us January 1st after service for taking down the Christmas decorations. Many hands make this go very fast!!
See April Wilder if you have any questions.

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Happy New Year?

Happy New Year! It almost rolls off of our tongue on auto pilot, doesn't it? Sure... I expect it is most often a genuinely well-intended expression of good will toward whomever we say it. But does it carry any weight, in our minds or theirs? Do we actually hope for, or anticipate new happiness in 2023? Or is there some residual of the blindside, not so happy new year from 2020 still lurking around in our subconscious? Might there be some honest reasons for expecting some happy new year coming our way in January? I think that depends on our perspective.

For those who decline the Biblical perspective of life created and given by God who loves us and wants only good for us... you're pretty much free to make up, or believe anything you like. But no matter the alternative, it cannot carry the absolute guarantee of not only eternal life, but eternal happiness; a happiness that is, in fact emerging new continuously and never ending. Only the God who IS, and created all that is when there was not anything, can guarantee eternal anything, much less happiness.

In fact, anything or anyone other than that God, including our own imagination, cannot offer anything other than uncertainty and hopelessness beyond our own very temporary earthly existence. The word hope literally means confident expectation with pleasure. How far does your confident expectation with pleasure extend within the limitations of your personal power? Does everything in your life go the way you want it to? Does it ever not go the way you want? Why don't you change it before it goes bad? Because you can't.

Who holds absolute authority over what hasn't happened yet? Not you and me, that's for sure. Only the one and only uncreated, eternal past, present and future God is capable of that. Do any others claim such power and authority? Are you placing your eternal trust in that claim? I'm sorry to say I don't have any beachfront property in Wyoming to offer you. Nor would I, unless I were just as careless with my future.

And yet, I happily extend to you an honest invitation to a Happy New Year in 2023. Why? Because the God who IS guarantees, "if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

Can life still be hard and unhappy? It can and does. The perfection of completely new has not been fully delivered yet. Bad things happen to good people in this severely corrupted world. But God also says, "Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day." And furthermore, "You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness." Also, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God."

The promise of continually becoming new in the process of being renewed is cause for genuine happiness, in 2023 and beyond however much of this temporary earthly life we have left. It's the only guaranteed future happiness that's true. Everything else is false, and a crushing disappointment. I recommend the truth instead.

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Crochet and Card Making

Join Diane Wilder and Revell Mach on the 4th Monday of the month from 6-8pm in the coffee corner for lessons on crochet and crafting together to make beautiful cards. Each session will have new skills to learn and new cards to make. Contact Diane Wilder if you have any questions 253-225-1037.



Baking Together

Hey Ladies!!!! Are you interested in learning a few more baking skills? Do you enjoy baking with others? We would love to have you join us in our once a month baking session. We will meet the second Saturday of each month from 8am-10am in the church kitchen. Some of our sessions may go a bit longer depending upon the bake. This session we will be making sweet treats for a memorial service!! Join us in this sweet adventure! If you have questions please contact April Wilder 360-710-9206.

Are you between the ages of 18 and 28? You're welcome to join THRIVE.



They meet Thursdays at 6:45PM in the Sanctuary for a meal, worship, a message, and discussion groups! For more information about Thrive go to their website: www.thriveharbor.com



Tithes and offerings can be given at church, by mail or online. At church place your tithes and offerings in the box outside of the church office. For giving by mail; send your check to Peninsula Christian Fellowship at the address below. For online giving; go to the website and scroll down to the "Donate Now" button to give through the Tithe.ly app.

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CALVARY FELLOWSHIP
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Calvary would love to extend the invite to PCF to join in any of their extra services; there are mid-week services, youth and much more. Feel free to check out their website for more details. www.calvarygigharbor.com A few are listed below!

Women's Breakfast

Join the Calvary Women's Breakfast on Saturday January 21st from 9am to 11am in PCFs Student Ministries Building. There is time for food, fellowship and a bit of devotional time.

Please bring a breakfast item to share.

**MEN'S
BREAK
FAST**

Join the Calvary Men's Breakfast on Saturday January 14th from 8am to 10am in PCFs Student Ministries Building. There is time for food, fellowship and a bit of devotional time.

Please bring a breakfast item to share.

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BIBLE RECAP

BY D-GROUP

What does the Bible, the WHOLE Bible, show us about God? How strong is your Bible reading habit? Rachel Hanenburg would like to invite you to join with other believers in a Bible reading plan starting NOW that addresses both of these. This chronological reading plan and podcast is meant to bring a depth of understanding to scripture in a very do-able way. She hopes to also include a short weekly check in with those interested in joining her in this challenge. Below is a link to the reading plan and information on the podcast. More information will be presented as we get closer to the start of the year. Feel free to check in with Rachel if you have any questions. [The Bible Recap By D-Group](#)

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SOULFIRE
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Join us if you are between the grades 6th through 12th grade or young at heart! We would love to see you there. We will provide lunch and have a small group bible story and discussion. We will be done no later than 1pm. We

will meet the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

No Youth Group January 1st.

Contact Charles for more information
cwilder@welcometopcf.org

Women's Prayer Group

The Women's Prayer Group meets at 6:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Monday at Diane Smith's home. She can zoom with those unable to attend. Contact Diane Smith (253-970-1568) or at markdianewife@hotmail.com for additional information.

Do you have a need we can help with?
Physical, financial, spiritual? Let us help!

Email the office:

office@welcometopcf.org

Or the deacons:

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Or the pastors:

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Key Peninsula/Port Orchard

Leaders: Jason & Trish Weron

Tuesday 6:30-8:00pm

Meeting in person at Eric and Wendy Pierson's

Contact Trish Weron: 253-514-0696

Tacoma

Leaders: Peter & Betsy Smith

Tuesdays 6:30-8pm

Meeting in person - location varies

Contact Peter Smith: 253-732-6018

Gig Harbor

Leaders: Ted and Diane Wilder

Thursday 6:30-8pm

Meeting in person - location varies

Contact Ted Wilder: 253-225-0487

**Contact a leader today
and join a life group!!**

If you are interested in starting another life group, please don't hesitate to reach out to the office! We'd love to get you trained and started!

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January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10am Worship 12pm Christmas Decoration Tear Down	2 630pm Women's Prayer Group	3 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	4 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	5 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive @ PCF</i>	6	7 1pm Orv Krussow Memorial
8 10am Worship	9	10 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	11 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	12 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive @ PCF</i>	13	14 8am Men's Breakfast 8-10am Baking Together 1:30pm Paul Tvester Memorial
15 10am Worship 12-1pm Soulfire	16 630pm Women's Prayer Group	17 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	18 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	19 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive @ PCF</i>	20	21 9am Women's Breakfast 
22 10am Worship	23 6-8pm Crochet and Card Making	24 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	25 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	26 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive @ PCF</i>	27	28 8:30-10am Husbands Prayer
29 10am Worship	30 5pm Drama Group Meeting	31 PCF Office Hours Life Groups				



1-Bill and Gina Amon, 1992

1-Alvin Johnson
9-Mae Litzenberger
13-Jonathan Pierson
18-Charles Wilder
23-Jason Weron



FINANCIAL RECAP...

Monthly Budget	\$17,500.00
December— Actual Income	\$21,123.56
+ or (-) Budget	\$3,623.56
Total Budget Year to Date	\$210,000.00
Actual Income to Date	\$201,650.25
+ or (-) Total Budget Year Income	(\$8,349.75)