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Summer office hours will mainly follow the following schedule: Tuesday 9am-1pm and Wednesday from 1-4pm. If you have a specific need to see me in the office, please call or text me at: 360-710-9206 or email the office to schedule and appointment.

office@welcometopcf.org

The church office will be closed July 4th and 5th. If you need anything during that week, email the office or call April or Kurt directly.

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# Seeing Jesus

Welcome to our July & August partnership experiment with PCF and Calvary. As we walk forward together, please join me in considering Jesus. What are some of His attributes? He is kind, loving & gentle. He is also powerful, generous & surprising. We remember Him feeding the five thousand, healing the paralytic, rescuing the woman taken in adultery and calming the storm threatening their lives.

Please also think about Him as the man who walked among people some 2,000 years ago. He probably had a somewhat darker complexion with dark hair and brown eyes, admitted assumptions of mine. As you picture him in your mind, is He short, tall or of medium height? Is He thin, medium build or stocky? What do you think His countenance may have looked like? What was it like to watch Him walk? It doesn't seem He was ever in a hurry, does it? What was His gait like, His stride?

Over the years I have enjoyed watching people walk by in the mall when waiting for my wife while Christmas shopping, or in an airport between flights. How they walk often leads me to think about what type of person they may be, or what their occupation is. I suppose some people may be athletes or dancers because of how they move. I wonder if accountants tend to take shorter steps or attorneys take longer more determined steps. Of course, I can't deduce such things, but how they walk makes an impression.

In my mind Jesus of Nazareth had the most fluid, harmonious movement any person ever has; calm, confident, relaxed and steady... poetry in motion, smooth and at ease, perfectly coordinated. What do people see as they watch Him walk today?

If you are a follower of Jesus, His Word says to us, "Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually." The "you" is plural. His Word also says we are, "knit together by what every joint supplies." Though that is a universal theological truth, it only provides visible evidence where our lives of faith are on display together for anyone watching to see. So how are we doing at living together as His body?

Please picture a curious skeptic, alive when Jesus was walking among people 2,000 years ago. Imagine this person has heard that Jesus will be in town today, so they go to the town square anticipating His arrival. They've heard about things He's said and done, but have declined invitations to check Him out before, uncertain about what impact it may have on them. And yet... curiosity persists and they are going to take a look from within the crowd to see for themself. If it's a dud, or seems likely to be intrusive, they'll just leave and no one will know.

There's a pretty good crowd waiting when they get there, so it's easy to blend in without being noticed. Then... a few blocks down the street the people gathered begin to bustle with energy that ripples their way. There's a core of people at the center of activity moving toward them, and curiosity draws the seeker closer to the middle of the street for a better look. Then He comes into view.



This is not what was expected, it's such a stunning discrepancy. He's limping along in a halting sort of shuffle, as though his hip is dislocated. The hand he's holding his staff with is so deformed by arthritis it must be painful. His clothes and hair are disheveled, there are sores on his feet, and those who appear to be his associates don't look very happy as they glance suspiciously into the crowd. They don't seem very friendly or inviting.

This seeker hadn't realized before how hopeful they'd been until the hope in their heart began to fade. What is this? It doesn't add up. How does Christ Jesus want us to walk together as His body?

The apostle Paul's letters to the Ephesians and the Colossians were written to all of Christ's followers in those cities. We are called to receive them as written to all of the Christians in our own community, as well.

In Ephesians 4:1-3 Paul writes, "I urge you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all low-liness and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." (Peace means relational safety & security)

Colossians 2:6-7 says, "As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him."

**Amos 3:3** askes, "Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?" No. If they are not in agreement, they will walk independent of each other, maybe walking away from each other. But — we are born again into the body of Christ, different members of the same body, made to walk together in complimentary concert with each other, a living demonstration of who Christ Jesus is in humanity.

When groups are learning to walk together, like military units or a school marching band, they start out agreeing to do it. Then they know they need to practice in order to learn how to do it well together, as one integrated whole comprised of many interactive, interdependent members. I Corinthians 12:12 says, "For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ."

So... let's walk out onto the field of life where we live, agreeing to walk together as fellow members of Christ's body in Gig Harbor, demonstrating His love for each other (**John 13:34-35**) as an invitation for any who don't know Him yet to join us.





### Youth Group Summer Schedule 2023 Calvary Fellowship and Peninsula Christian Fellowship

June 21st - BBQ and volleyball

June 28th - Normal YG/Extended Game Time

July 5th - No Youth Group

July 12th - CAMP! No Youth Group

July 19th - BBQ and Worship

July 26th - Outdoor Games Night

August 2nd - No Youth Group

August 9th - Family Rainier's Game

\$15 Sign up by July 19th

August 16th - BBQ and Games

Friday, August 25th - Outdoor Movie Night

August 30th - Ocean's 5

\$20 Sign up by August 27th

#### Questions:

Taylor 253-514-0064 Charles 360-621-5991 April 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: <a href="https://www.thriveharbor.com">www.thriveharbor.com</a>



ALSO, Thrive is having a conference on July 8th at PCF. Click on their website link above and go to the "Conference" tab for info!



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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Peninsula Christian Fellowship invites you to "Family Night at the Rainiers."

Your \$15 per person ticket includes a hot dog, water bottle and chips. Sign up by July 16th by emailing the PCF office at office@welcometopcf.org or by using this sign up sheet in the entryway.

Payment can be cash or check made out to PCF with "Rainiers Game" in the memo line of the check or cash envelope and placed in the offering box outside the church office.



Saturday July 15th is our next work party.

If you are able to come lend a hand it is always greatly appreciated. There are many indoor and outdoor tasks.

Come with some gloves and we will put you to work!

Please join us from 9am—noon.



We are going to be partnering with a ministry called Child Evangelism Fellowship and their teens, to provide our kids with an action packed time full of songs, high energy games, an exciting Bible lesson, and an unforgettable missionary story.

Christian Youth in Action teens are missionaries in training that have been taught how to lead clubs, teach Bible lessons, songs, memory verses, and missionary stories. And teens are always supervised by an adult. This event is for kids ages 5-12 years old. It is FREE of charge and we highly encourage kids to invite their friends! This summer's 5-Day Club will be August 7th-11th at PCF. Find more information about Child Evangelism Fellowship by using the register link.

REGISTER HERE

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## Movie Night on the Back grass!!

9pm July 28th.
Bring a blanket or a
chair to enjoy an
evening under the stars.
Bring snacks, something
to drink and a friend and
join us! On the back
grass if weather permits

or in the Student Building if raining. Contact the office with any questions.



## Women's Prayer Group

The Women's Prayer Group meets at 6:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Monday at Diane Smith's home. It will be on pause starting July 10th until September 18th

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:

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Or the deacons:

deacons@welcometopcf.org

Or the elders:

elders@welcometopcf.org

Or the pastors:

kmach@welcometopcf.org cwilder@welcometopcf.org psmith@welcometopcf.org



## 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

#### Giq 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!!

Groups are starting summer schedules soon. Be sure to check with leaders about when and where groups may be meeting.

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