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Where our strength is

Our first thoughts of strength in the human body are usually about muscles. Are they well developed, exercised often and practiced in useful application? But strength isn't most useful in the gym.

Have you ever had a dislocated joint? It doesn't matter how strong the muscles on either side of that joint are. Neither of them can use their strength while disconnected from the other. They are interdependent. If your elbow is dislocated, your whole arm is not useful. If your hip is dislocated, your whole leg has lost its ability to function properly, and that will hinder your whole body from doing what it should be able to do.

Think of the most gifted athlete or dancer you've ever known of, maybe a gymnast or an acrobat, a ballroom dancer or a ballerina. What they do with their bodies is amazing! They've trained and practiced, trained and practiced ... then trained and practiced some more, again and again. They've kept at it because they wanted to be good at it, even very good at it. Seeing them do it is like watching poetry in motion, fluid coordination that makes the whole thing more than any one part of their body could ever be on its own.

I believe that Jesus was the most agile, coordinated, and graceful person to ever walk the earth. I don't believe He ever stumbled, or faltered, or clumsily bumped into something, knocking things over and breaking them. I believe just watching Him walk was a pleasant experience.

The Word of God says that His body today is comprised of those churches in a community who love and serve Him together. His Word says those churches are made to be as interdependent as the various interconnected parts of a human body – His. Paul's first letter to the Corinthian believers was addressed "to the church of God in Corinth", a city of 400-500,000 people. He said right away, I hear that some of you have separated from each other under different identifications. Then He asked them, "Is Christ divided?"

The 3,120 believers on the Day of Pentecost were not one congregation. They were one church. The multi-part interdependence of body parts clearly described in **I Corinthians 12:12-27** is among those One Church congregations addressed in **chapter 1**, verses **12-13**. **Ephesians 1:22-23** and **4:11-16** (13) make it unmistakably clear that our calling in Christ Jesus is for the congregations of our communities to be who He is together. **I John 4:17** affirms this essential truth. **Acts 2:42-47** demonstrates the environment God wants to add more believers to, and that testimony was not as a single congregation.

I believe the Lord is awakening His Church to restore His original intention for us. He has never intended to give all of Himself to part of Himself. As I Corinthians 12 takes great pains to make clearly understood, being His Church in our communities as independent, single congregations is not an option within His will.

We all want to see The Lord be as present, active and impacting as He was when He walked as a man – as He was in the book of Acts. But I believe we cannot expect Him to do what He promised... until we live like He told us to. We need to believe the conviction of righteousness His Holy Spirit compels us with before we'll turn from our established traditions to embrace this long-forgotten calling. **Romans 11:29** is true for us, too.

If not us, who? If not here, where? If not now, when?

All for Christ's sake,





2-Bill and Jeanne Talich, 1967
9-Scott Miller
10-Pat Tveter
14-Pam Thomsen
17-Natalie Fuqua
20-Evan Hanenburg

21-Peter Smith 26-Jack Hanenburg 27-Alex Breed 29-Eric Noble 30-Marci Parrett



Join the Calvary Men's Breakfast on Saturday September 10th 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.



THRIVE now meets at PCF! Are you between the ages of 18 and 28? You're welcome to join.

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



Calvary would love to extend the invite to PCF to join in any/all of their extra services. Their midweek service and Youth Group meet at PCF Wednesday nights! Their men's breakfast meets the 2nd Saturday mornings from 8-10am in the Student Building. Feel free to check out their website for more details. www.calvarygigharbor.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.





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.

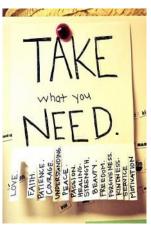
No Soulfire Labor Day Weekend. But, we will have a fun outing on the afternoon of September 10th to Oceans 5. Contact Charles for more information cwilder@welcometopcf.org



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:

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!!

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!

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				I Life Groups 6pm Thrive @ PCF	2	3
4 10am Worship	HAPPY LABOR	6 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	7 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	8 Life Groups 6pm Thrive @ PCF	9	10 8am Calvary Men's Breakfast MEN'S BREAKFAST I pm Youth Group Outing
11 10am Joint Service with Calvary	12	13 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	14 PCF Office Hours 6-8pm Celebrate Jesus	I5 Life Groups 6pm Thrive @ PCF	16	17 8-11am Work Party
18 10am Life Group Kick Off Service 12-1pm Soulfire	19 630pm Women's Prayer Group	20 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	21 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth 6:30-8pm Women Meeting	22 Life Groups 6pm Thrive @ PCF	23	24
25 10am Worship	26	27 PCF Office Hours Life Groups	28 PCF Office Hours Calvary Midweek Calvary Youth	29 Life Groups 6pm Thrive @ PCF	30	



Normal office hours will resume this month. Tuesday and Wednesday from 1-4pm. Call or text me at: 360-710-9206 or email the office.

office@welcometopcf.org



FINANCIAL RECAP	
Monthly Budget	\$17,500.00
June— Actual Income	\$15,881.00
+ or (-) Budget	(\$1619.00)
Total Budget Year to Date	\$140,000.00
Actual Income to Date	\$130,142.68
+ or (-) Total Budget Year Income	(\$9,857.32)