

# CONNECTION POINT

NOVEMBER 2022

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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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## Holiday Blessings

This year we will be providing families that are in need of some help this Thanksgiving with a gift card for a local grocery store. If you know a family in need of some assistance in making this holiday season a little brighter please fill out a Holiday Blessing name flier found on the entryway information table. Names are due November 16. Gifts will be distributed the next day. Please be sure to indicate if you would like to deliver or if the gift needs to be mailed. Please be sure to provide an accurate mailing address. If you wish to give towards the Thanksgiving blessing please just indicate on your check or money envelope "Holiday Blessings" and turn it in with your tithe in the box outside the office or designate online. Feel free to contact the church office with any questions.

 YouTube



## HOPE TREE

This years Hope Tree will be filled with tags for many of the different ministries supported by PCF and how to give to them this holiday season. There will also be tags for FISH Foodbanks Toy Drive. If you have any questions feel free to contact the office. Tags will be available November 20th through December 18th.



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## *Are We Thankful Now?*

*The shortest command in the New Testament is found in **Colossians 3:15**, “And be thankful.” So, are we?*

*I’m thinking of the father of our faith, Abraham. He believed God for a long time for a promise God had not delivered on. We’re talking decades here. Do you think he was thankful all those years when God’s promise had not yet come true?*

*Then Finally! God comes through, after bluntly confronting Sarah about her mocking God’s as yet undelivered promise. Isaac is born, and Abraham has a son at last, through whom God’s great promises can come. Do you think Abe was thankful now? in spite of their unfortunate attempts to deliver one on their own by way of a surrogate.*

*Isaac has grown up to be a strapping young man when God says to Abraham, “Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you.” Do you think he was thankful then?*

*“Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about.” I wonder if he was thankful, don’t you?*

*After three days journey he sees the place God mentioned. So, he tells his servants to wait while the two of them go off to worship, and then they’ll be back. He loads the wood on his son, grabs the fire and his knife and they start walking. What about now? Is he thankful now?*

*Walking along his son says, Hey Dad, we’ve got wood and fire, but no lamb for the burnt offering. Abe says, not to worry son. God will provide for Himself a lamb for the burnt offering. Is he stalling? What is he thinking? Is thankfulness his state of being?*

*I can only imagine what Abraham is thinking as he builds the altar, stacks the wood and ties up his son before putting him on the altar. I have no idea what Isaac is thinking as his father lifts the knife in the air to slay him with. Is the father of our faith expressing some form of thanks as he prepares this final act that must surely seem like the death of his God given dreams?*

*But just as he begins, God calls his name – Abraham! He pauses and replies, I’m here. And God says, “Do not lay a hand on the boy or do anything to him. For now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your only son from Me.” I think he may have been overcome with thankfulness at that point.*

*Of course, God then revealed a ram in the bushes that served as the burnt offering instead of his son, and Abraham named the place “The-Lord-Will-Provide.” Then God said, “Because you have done this thing and have not withheld your only son, I will indeed bless you... And all the nations of the earth will be blessed by your offspring because you have obeyed My command.”*

*Than once again he was given a promise beyond his comprehension, and with him we have become the beneficiaries of the blessings to be thankful for. My challenge, and maybe yours too, is to not let life’s adversities rob me of being thankful to the Giver of Life who has promised us everything in His Son.*

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## Church Decorating

Join us Sunday November 20th after service to help decorate the building for Christmas. We will have a meal available for those staying to help. Then we will break out all the trees and trimmings, enjoy some tasty warm beverages and make the place look festive. Please let April Wilder know if you plan to help, so we can have enough food!

Email: [office@welcometopcf.org](mailto:office@welcometopcf.org) or call/text 360-710-9206



## 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 baking pies!! 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](http://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**  
Gig Harbor

**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](http://www.calvarygigharbor.com) A few are listed below!**

*Women's Breakfast*

Join the Calvary Women's Breakfast on Saturday November 19th 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 November 12th 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 in January 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**  
2000 LIVE

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.

Contact Charles for more information

[cwilder@welcometopcf.org](mailto: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](mailto:markdianewife@hotmail.com) for additional information.

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

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Or the deacons:

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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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# November 2022

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



3-Diane Smith  
 5-Linda Long  
 5-Katherine Smith  
 6-Owen Bothwell  
 8-April Wilder  
 10-Kurt and Revell Mash, 1978  
 30-Diane Wilder



## FINANCIAL RECAP...

Monthly Budget	\$17,500.00
October— Actual Income	\$16,106.91
+ or (-) Budget	(\$1,393.09)
<b>Total Budget Year to Date</b>	<b>\$175,000.00</b>
Actual Income to Date	\$160,730.86
+ or (-) Total Budget Year Income	(\$14,269.14)