

♥ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Ida Reiff, Jorene Dake, Clio & Marjorie Eldred, Carter & Pat Conrad, Darryl & Debra Reitan, Joe & Erin Davis, Kristi Whitaker, Don Jackson, Brian Hevly, Jeanette Thomason, Wendy (Elaine's co-worker), Connie Sergent, Jody (Connie's sister), Sheila (Glenda's niece), Clyde Lanford, Clasina Brummett, Jim & Heidi Petak, Shawna Jank, Larry Sallee, Arlene Luton, Margie Thorpe, Shirley (Glenda's sister), Chris Nuggent, Kameron (Monique's grandson), Jimmy Zakem, Victor Ellison.

The following note was found in the contribution tray:
In memory of John and Ruby Justin - the inspiration behind the growth of the Puyallup Church of Christ.
Building Fund- \$1,362.00 4-16-17

Speakers and Sermons

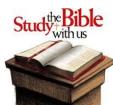
Apr. 30 **AM Sermon: Mark Jamieson - "Making Sure" II Peter 1:10-12**

PM Sermon: Gene McCaul - "Prayer Meeting"

Weekly Scripture Memorization: Matthew 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"

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Class Topics



Sunday Morning Adults: Auditorium - "Genesis"
Adults: SIBI classroom - "Light the Fire, A Study on Spiritual Growth"

Wednesday Evening Adults: Auditorium - "How to Study the Bible"

Elder for May: B. Sallee

Ladies' Committee for May: J. Bartlett & J. Brown

ATTENDANCE 04/23: 192 CONTRIBUTION 04/23: \$2,765.00
AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION Mar.: \$3,768.75
BUILDING FUND March: \$750.00

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Worship Assignments

MORNING SERVICE

Announcements/Prayer
Song Leader
Head of Lord's Table
Assist
Assist
Assist
Assist
Assist Upstairs
Scripture Reading
Sermon
Closing Prayer
Greeter/Usher
Family Greeters

EVENING SERVICE

Announcements
Song Leader
Sermon
Table
Closing Prayer
WEDNESDAY - May 3

APR. 30

J. Dacca
C. Bartlett
C. Charpentier
T. Jensen
C. Wilson
D. Barajas
A. Kile
M. Brummett
B. Zakem
M. Jamieson
G. McCaul
K. Petty
Pettys

B. Stump
M. Brown
G. McCaul
D. Sears
D. Sergent
B. Sallee

MAY 7

K. Wilson
M. Jamieson
A. Wilson
J. Zakem
J. Santiesteban
D. Jamieson
M. Farley
B. Reiff
J. Ravet
J. Barber
D. Sergent
K. Petty
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Sunday Bible Study: 10 am Sunday Worship: 11 am & 5 pm
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm

April 30, 2017

7 Really Dumb Reasons to Leave a Church

There are certainly valid reasons to leave a church, but there are many more terrible reasons. Especially in the south where churches are a dime a dozen. You can have almost any flavor your heart desires. Like Baskin Robbins...on steroids. Without sprinkles.

Here are seven really dumb reasons to leave a church.

- 1. The church is too big.** Is growth not something to be celebrated in churches? If churches aren't growing, the Great Commission is not being emphasized.
- 2. The church focuses too much on materialism and excellence.** Some believe that excellence and extravagance are synonymous. Excellence is something every church should pursue passionately. The church should be the most creative, excellent, well-run institution on the face of the earth. Serve God with excellence!
- 3. I am offended.** The church is full of broken people. Many

Christians wake up looking to be offended. It is crippling to spiritual growth and the health of the church. You can make the choice to work through the conflict, making you a stronger Christian and likely drawing you and the other person closer together.

4. **I attend churches that appeal to my style and where I am in life.** One of the sad realities of the church today is the “buffet style” mentality of many Christians. The church is not your personal genie - you don’t get to rub both sides of it and ask the church to give you what you want. The church exists for Jesus to be glorified.
5. **It is time for a change.** “I’ve been at the same church for 20 years - it’s time for a change.” Is this statement a product of your flesh or the Spirit of God?
6. **I do not need the church anymore.** Here’s the deal - you’re deceived. You do need the church. Despite the cultural lie, you can’t persevere through this life on your own. Lions single out their prey. When animals stay with the group, their survival increases greatly.
7. **A church down the road is really growing.** There is a tendency to chase the “next big thing,” but the “next big thing” comes and goes. Put down roots - plant and grow.
Frank Powell, Campbell Street church of Christ

Family News

 **VBS Planning Meeting:** Our Vacation Bible School will be June 21-24, with the times being 6:30-8:00 pm Wednesday through Friday and 10:00 am-2:00 pm on Saturday. There will be a planning meeting today, 4:00 pm, at the building. Please see Jim Johnson if you would like to help in any way with this year’s VBS.

 **5th Sunday Area-Wide Singing:** The 5th Sunday Area-Wide Singing is today, 5:00 pm, at Orchard Street Church of Christ. We have been asked to bring salads, desserts, and drinks.

 **Monthly Fellowship Meal:** The monthly fellowship meal will be Sunday, May 7th, after morning worship. Everyone is invited to join us for some good food and fellowship.

Family News (cont’d)



Ladies’ Night Out: Ladies’ Night Out will be Monday, May 8th, 6:00 pm at BJ’s Restaurant by the South Hill Mall. All ladies are invited to join us for a fun night of sister fellowship.



Bring Your Neighbor Day: This will be Sunday, May 21st. There will be Bible classes for all ages and special message for our visitors. There will be no fellowship meal planned for that day, so please make special plans for any of your neighbors or friends who plan to attend.



Ladies’ Day: The Springbrook church of Christ ladies are hosting their 10th annual “Every Woman is a Daughter” event Saturday, May 13th, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm. The speaker will be Lauren Bookout of Monroe, LA and the theme is “*Inside Out Beauty as Defined by God.*” Please see the flyer on the foyer bulletin board for RSVP and more information.



Cle Elum Men’s Retreat: The Cle Elum Men’s Retreat will be May 19th-20th. The theme is “*Holiness in the Home*” and the featured speakers will be Scott Lukkason from Great Falls and Mark Johnson from Olympia. This retreat will be of benefit to all men, young or old; married or single. For more information and to register go to cemretreat.org.

Prayer List

- ♥ Please pray for **our nation** to return to honoring and serving God. Pray for **the government leaders** to lead with Godly wisdom.
- ♥ Please pray for **the search for our new building/property.** Pray God’s will in all that needs to occur for this to happen.
- ♥ Please pray for guidance and wisdom for all our **Elders and Deacons.**
- ♥ Please pray for our youth intern, **Jacob Campbell** Pray for the work he will be doing with our youth and the young families.
- ♥ **Larry**, Bob Sallee’s brother, has a malignant mass on his lung, a spot on his heart, a mass behind his ear and doctors recently found a tumor in his brain. Please pray that all the treatments help to destroy all the cancer and his health improves.

Prayer List (cont’d)

- ♥ **Ruby Santiesteban** will be seeing the specialist Monday about the testing on her kidneys. Please pray for favorable results.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Heidi Petak.** She will be starting chemo treatments once again.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Shanwna Jank.** She will be starting back up with chemo treatments in a few weeks.
- ♥ **Dave**, Terry Williamson’s husband, had a small heart attack recently and was taken to the ER Thursday. Please pray for Dave’s health but more importantly his spiritual health.
- ♥ **Jean Charpentier** has high blood pressure related to stress and needs to rest. Please pray he gets the rest he needs and for improvements to his health.
- ♥ **Marcia**, Gene’s mother, is at Good Sam hospital with low sodium levels and low thyroid function. Please pray for her health to improve.
- ♥ **Reid**, Gene & Carolyn’s son, will be having surgery May 5th to repair a torn ACL. Please pray for his surgery and recovery to go well.
- ♥ Please pray for **Margie Thorpe** as she has been dealing with her heart beating too slow.
- ♥ Please pray for **Jan Sears** as she is dealing with multiple health issues.
- ♥ Please pray for **our VBS** to go well and that those from the community would be open to the Word.
- ♥ Please pray for **FaithBuilders** to go well and that all who attend would be edified and encouraged.
- ♥ Please pray for **the medical mission trip** to Guyana to be successful and safety for those going.
- ♥ Please pray for our **many visitors** to have open, seeking hearts.
- ♥ **Our Bible Studies:** Private studies with individuals.
- ♥ **Our Missionaries:** Roman & Johanna Halamiccek (Slovakia), Clio Eldred (prison ministry), Mountain States Children’s Home (Longmont, CO), Ray & Maricela Dennis (Cuernavaca, Mexico).
- ♥ **SIBI NW Students:** Doug Sears, Bobby Lumpkin, Jimmy Zakem.
- ♥ **Healthy Babies & Mothers:** Stephanie Marzolf, Kylee Lewis.
- ♥ **Traveling:** Paris Rogers, Kiles, Joe & Alyssa Wilkie, Johnsons.
- ♥ **Pray for Our Military:** David Gebbie, TJ Bostic, Curtis Ringus, Tim Chafins, Kimberly McGuire, Sergio Vizguerra.