

## Monthly Calendar

**The Men's Breakfast:** The first Saturday of the month, 8:00 am at the Lakeview church of Christ. The cost is \$4.00 with the proceeds supporting Delano Bay Christian Camp. Contact person: Gene McCaul.

**Ladies Night Out:** Usually the second Tuesday of the month, 6:00 pm at an area restaurant. Contact person: Carolyn McCaul.

**The Monday Night Bible Study:** Monday nights, 6:30 pm, at the home of Keith and Lindsey Petty. They are currently studying Romans. Contact person: Keith Petty.

**The Senior Saints Bible Study:** Tuesdays, 10:30 am in the downstairs SIBI classroom. The class topic will be "The Gospel of John." Contact person: Ken Wilson.

**Friday Night Singing:** Every other Friday night 7:00 pm at various members homes. We are going through the songbook starting at the beginning and singing each song. Contact person: Gene McCaul.

## Speakers and Sermons

Oct. 11 **AM Sermon: Mark Jamieson - "The Heart of a Servant" 1 Samuel 16:1-7**

**PM Sermon: Mark Jamieson - "Psalm 103" Psalm 103:8-10**

To Request Recordings: jcdstorm300@yahoo.com

## Class Topics



**Sunday Morning Adults:** Auditorium - TBD

**Adults:** SIBI classroom - "Philippians"

**Wednesday Evening Adults:** Auditorium -

"The Gospel of Luke"

ATTENDANCE 10/4: 141      CONTRIBUTION 10/4: \$4,249.00  
AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION SEPT.: \$2,675.00

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**OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm**

## Worship Assignments

### MORNING SERVICE

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

### EVENING SERVICE

Announcements  
Song Leader  
Sermon  
Table  
Closing Prayer  
**WEDNESDAY - Oct. 14**  
Elder for Oct.  
Deacon for Oct.  
Ladies' Committee for Oct.

### OCT. 11

K. Wilson  
G. McCaul  
D. Collins  
J. Monts  
D. Reitan  
J. Santiesteban  
J. Dacca  
M. Farley  
M. Jamieson  
B. Sallee  
H. Kile

### OCT. 18

H. Kile  
M. Brown  
C. Johnson  
G. Gilbert  
R. Miller  
B. Stump  
B. Reiff  
J. Ravet  
G. McCaul  
K. Wilson  
B. Sallee

B. Stump  
J. Johnson  
M. Jamieson  
M. Brown  
M. Brown  
G. McCaul  
C. Bartlett  
H. Kile

J. Monts  
M. Brown  
D. Sears  
G. McCaul  
G. McCaul

S. Farnsworth & T. Farley

## Puyallup church of Christ

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## WELCOME VISITORS!

Sunday Bible Study: 10 am

Sunday Worship: 11 am & 5 pm

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm

## Christian Easy Street

Dr. R.T. Kendall calls it the "Betrayal Barrier," where a person who decides to serve God finds that becoming a Christian is no guarantee that life will be trouble free. The truth is that life was never easy for God's people.



There is a certain theology espoused on TV called "Prosperity Theology," sometimes termed "Name it, Claim it Theology." The idea seems to be that God will skip along in front of us with a great cosmic broom to sweep away all obstacles from our path.

So, is God our personal errand boy who will chase all the assignments we dole out to him? Is he a genie in the bottle who pops out at our whim, and obeys our every demand?

Scripture frequently records troubling events experienced by God's followers. Soon after his challenge to Pharaoh to let his people go, Moses heard the Israelites complaining that their lot had not improved. Even Moses was discouraged, pointing out to God that he had made Israel "stink in the sight of Pharaoh and his servants, and have put a sword in his hand to kill us." Moses complained further, "and you have not delivered your people at all!" (Exodus 5:21-23).

It seemed things were going along as well as could be expected, then God insisted on stirring up Pharaoh and their task masters!

Whenever there is trouble for God's people, be sure that Satan has a hand in it: Satan is, after all, a deceiver (John 8:44). It is not without cause that we are warned to be "sober-minded," and "watchful." Our "adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

It is Satan's specific purpose to discourage us and distort the truth. And he can usually be expected to show up at the moment of greatest discouragement, whispering his wicked thoughts and taunting the wounded believer.

C.S. Lewis, in the movie "Shadowlands," watched as his wife died of cancer. This film shows how easy it is to talk of God's great plan, his love, and purpose (something he did often before her death), and how difficult it is to live this faith in reality. Yet if the Gospel Preacher does not offer some comfort from God, my friends, *where will the comfort come from?*

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart," we are told, "and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." (Proverbs 3:5,6).

Which is not to say that we should not seek answers or try to understand everything. Instead, seek God's will in prayer and through Scripture. But be aware that we might not understand everything. The phrase "lean not on your own understanding" refers to the panicky demand for answers pressing God to explain – *right now!* We simply have too few facts to explain everything that has happened.

Christians are not promised easy street; we received no inoculation against setbacks and troubles, heartbreak and disillusionment. We are promised a God who cares and who will guide us. That should be more than enough.

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## Family News



**Monthly Fellowship Meal:** The monthly fellowship meal is today after morning worship. Everyone is invited to stay and enjoy some good food and Christian fellowship.



**Ladies' Night Out:** Ladies' Night Out will Tuesday, October 20, 6:00 pm at Farrelli's Pizza in Sumner. All ladies are invited to join us for some good food and sister fellowship.



**Friday Night Singing:** The next Friday Night Singing will be, Friday, October 16th, 7:00 pm. It will be hosted by Karen Lance and will be in the community room in the park were she lives.



**Paintball:** Saturday, October 24th, we have reserved the paintball field at KC Crusaders from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. The cost is \$40.00 per person and includes the field fee, equipment, air and 500 paintballs. Please RSVP to John and Shannon.Dacca if you are interested.



**A Cappella Gospel Musical:** The Springbrook congregation will be putting on an a cappella, gospel musical, entitled "Skeletons in the Closet," set to debut in November 2016. An informational meeting will be Saturday, October 17th, 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm at the Springbrook building. More information can be found on the flyer posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.



**Senior Saints Bible Class:** Starting Tuesday, October 20th the Senior Saints Bible class will be at 10:00 am to accommodate changes to the SIBI students class schedule.

**Recent Visitors:** Marc, Misty, Aubrey & Rhett McFarlane - Lamesa, TX; Rhonda Vice & Vida Clothier - Lebanon, OR.



"Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV)

## Prayer List

- ♥ Please pray for our search for a preacher for our congregation.
- ♥ Please pray for safe travels for **Mark and Sue Jamieson**. Mark is trying out for the preacher position here at Puyallup.
- ♥ **Arlene Luton** is back in the hospital again with some problems. Please continued to pray her recovery goes well with no more complications.
- ♥ **Katie Fabbrie** broke a bone in her foot. Praise God she doesn't need surgery. Please pray for quick healing.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Bob Speck's** recovery from a heart attack.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Charles Ames** as he is having some difficulties with the radiation treatments.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Don Jackson** and his recovery from the motorcycle accident.
- ♥ Please continue to pray for **Clio Eldred** to have the strength and energy to be able to do all he needs to do to be able to serve God.
- ♥ Please pray for **Brian Hevly's** continued recovery from A-fib.
- ♥ **Jo Dake** is in constant pain. Please pray for her to find relief from the pain.
- ♥ **Ida Reiff** is in constant pain. Please pray for her to find relief from the pain.
- ♥ **Our Bible Studies:** Tyler Street Family Campus & private studies with individuals.
- ♥ **Our Missionaries:** Roman Halarnicek (Slovakia), Clio Eldred (prison ministry), Mountain States Children's Home (Longmont, CO).
- ♥ **SIBI NW Students:** Doug Sears, Bobby Lumpkin.
- ♥ **Healthy Babies and Mothers:** Alethea Brown.
- ♥ **Traveling:** Ruth Bailey, Norm & Helen Mellick.
- ♥ **Pray for Our Military:** David Gebbie, Eric Buggeln, TJ Bostic, Ryan Brown, Curtis Ringus, Tim Chafins.
- ♥ **Continuing Prayer Concerns:** Ida Reiff, Jorene Dake, Clio Eldred, Pat Conrad, Darryl & Debra Reitan, Joe & Erin Davis, Kristi Whitaker, Jolene Bartlett, Morgana Seay, Roger Dayton, Don Jackson, Brian Hevly, Rod & Kaylee Wright, Chandler Howard, Shayne Bailey, Bob Gee, Charles Ames, Stephanie Marzolf, Vicki Resol, Mark & Barbara Albertson, Harrison Waldron, Wanda Turner, Charles Ames.