

Speakers and Sermons

AM Sermon:

Tommy Maxwell
 "Wisdom is Slow to Anger"
 Proverbs 14:29

PM Sermon:

Jordan Bertram
 "Encouragement"

To Request Recordings:
 avroom@puyallupcofc.org

Class Topics

Study the Bible
 with us



Sunday Morning Adult

Bible Classes:

Auditorium - "The Nature of God"
 taught by Tommy Maxwell
Downstairs SIBI Classroom
 "Christian Fundamentals" taught by
 Gene McCaul

Tuesday Morning Bible Class:

Church Office Building - "The Book of Philippians"
 taught by Tommy Maxwell

Wednesday Evening Adults:

Auditorium - "The Books of 1 & 2 Thessalonians" taught
 by Bob Stump

Elder for Dec: Ken Wilson

Care Group for Dec: Ken Wilson/Tommy Maxwell

Baby Bank Items Needed: Boys clothing - 2T- 3T size
 Electronic toys with batteries

ATTENDANCE 11/20: Bible class: 132 Worship: 194

CONTRIBUTION 11/20: \$6,433.40

AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION Oct: \$6,470.27

BUILDING PLEDGE FUND: \$643,518.67

CHANGE CONTRIBUTIONS: \$3,433.25

Elders:

Chris Bartlett	253-732-7313
Gene McCaul	253-381-1990
Bob Sallee	253-209-0074
Ken Wilson	253-820-9150

Deacons:

Jay Bowers- Safety	John Dacca- Buildings
Mark Brown- A/V	Graham Milligan- Education
Jean Charpentier- Youth	Jeff Nighswonger- Fellowship
Bill Staggs- Benevolence/Missions	

Pulpit Minister: Tommy Maxwell 318-351-3475

Associate Minister: Bob Stump 206-664-1814

Involve./Youth Minister: Jordan Bertram 509-670-0082

Counseling Center: Ken Wilson 253-820-9150

Secretary: Carolyn McCaul 253-845-6312

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Shannon Dacca 253-861-8280

Worship Assignments

MORNING SERVICE

Song Leader
 Call to Worship
 Opening Prayer
 Scripture Reading
 Sermon
 Head of Table
 Assist (bread)
 Assist (cup)
 Assist
 Assist
 Assist Upstairs
 Ann/Closing Prayer

EVENING SERVICE

Announcements/Prayer
 Song Leader
 Sermon
 Table/Closing Prayer

WEDNESDAY Nov. 30

NOV 27

Steven Konwent
 T. Maxwell
 C. Bartlett
 G. Petty
 T. Maxwell
 K. Lessley
 B. Bertram
 M. Farley
 M. Harmon
 J. Harmon
 A. Farley
 Tom Bertram

G. McCaul
 T. Maxwell
 J. Bertram
 C. Bartlett

T. Maxwell

DEC 4

Steve Konwent
 T. Maxwell
 T. Nighswonger
 A. Farley
 T. Maxwell
 J. Dacca
 K. Petty
 J. Santiesteban
 B. Bertram
 C. Clinton
 N. Konwent
 B. Staggs

J. Charpentier
 M. Brown
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Sunday Bible Classes: 10 am Sunday Worship: 11 am & 5 pm
 Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm

November 27, 2022

God Can Use You Regardless of Your Past

The past can haunt us if we allow ourselves to dwell on it too much. We sometimes struggle to forgive ourselves for past mistakes or still cringe over something we said in years past. When we think on these things, it can be easy to convince ourselves that there is too much bad in our past for God to use us for good today.


Some of God's greatest servants have been those with problematic pasts. Saul of Tarsus did all that he could to put an end to the church. He even went on a mission to Damascus to arrest Christians while "breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord" (Acts 9:1, NASB). Instead of writing Saul off, God chose him to carry the gospel all over the Roman Empire. Saul's zeal for God was redirected


when he learned the truth about Jesus and he became a great missionary and the author of much of the New Testament. He would later write that the Lord put him into service although he "was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor" (1 Tim. 1:12-13).


Regardless of what our past looks like, God is able to forgive and use us for His purposes. What we used to be is not nearly as important as what we become in Jesus Christ. God forgave and used Saul of Tarsus for His purpose. He can use each of us too if we will submit to Him.

Tommy


Family News


 **Baptisms:** Angels are rejoicing! Five precious souls were baptized last week. Guillermo Marengo (Lorelei Marengo's husband & Lindsey Petty's dad), Taellene Fox, Diane (Taellene's daughter), Cynthia Scott, & Cecelia Haley (all members of the Barnes family). Please greet your new brother and sisters and give them some encouraging words as they start walk with the Lord!


 **Weekly Children's/Homeschool Fellowship:** There will be a weekly time of fellowship for children on Thursdays, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at various locations. Thursday, December 1st, the group will meet at Courtney Clark's home. Please bring a sack lunch and a labeled water bottle. Please contact Pamela Maxwell or Rebecca Nighswonger for more information.

 **Meeker Elementary Holiday Gift Giving:** We will be helping families in need with the Meeker Elementary gift giving once again. The sign up sheet can be found on the foyer bulletin board. All gifts need to be brought to the building unwrapped and labeled by Sunday, December 11th.


Family News (cont.)


 **Monthly Prayer Meeting:** Jesus is Lord! Thank you, God, for your Son. Please join us for a prayer gathering on Friday, December 2nd, 6:30 pm at the church building. Jesus was born of a virgin, lived among the people, died a horrific death on a cross and rose on the third day. He is the Reason we come together every Sunday. Let's give Him due thanks for all He has done and continues to do for us.

 **My Greater Purpose** – A Saturday workshop, December 3, 2022, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm, to help us identify how God has prepared us through spiritual & personality gifts and experiences in life to be a part of His purpose in the world. We really are "His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10). Please contact Bob Stump or Gene McCaul for more information or to RSVP. There are two surveys that need to be completed before the workshop. One is a Spiritual Gifts survey found in the lobby. The other is a personality survey called Myers-Brigs that can be taken for free online at: personalitymax.com. Or you can take a printed version of the MBTI at Tommy's Tuesday morning class. The building will be open at 8:30 am that day (12/3) for coffee and snacks. Lunch will be provided. Please see the sign up sheet if you can help with providing soup for lunch.


 **Monthly Fellowship Meal:** There will be a fellowship meal Sunday, December 4th, after morning worship for care group 6 (Ken Wilson/Tommy Maxwell's group hosting) and care group 5 (Bob Stump's group guests). If you are in care groups 6 and 5, please bring food to share and plan to stay and fellowship. Care group 6 please be prepared to help set up and clean up. All visitors are invited to stay to join us for some good food and fellowship.


Teen FNA **Teen Friday Night Alive:** The next Teen FNA will be December 9th, 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm, at the church building. They will be having a white elephant gift exchange. Please contact JP Charpentier with any questions.

 **Cookie Exchange:** There will be a cookie exchange Saturday, December 10th, 1:00 pm at the church building. Please sign up in the foyer if you wish to attend. Attendees should bring 4 dozen of a single type of cookies, bars, or candies of their choice to share. Remember to bring a container for your cookies you will be taking home and finger foods to share so we aren't just eating sweets. Please see Sue Pedersen or Carolyn McCaul for more information.

 **Ladies Night Out:** Ladies, we will be starting Ladies Night Out up once again the 2nd Monday of each month. We will be meeting at Applebee's (by the South Hill mall) Monday, Dec. 12th, 6:00 pm. Please let Donna Welzmler know if you plan to attend so we have an accurate head count.

Adult FNA **Adult Friday Night Alive:** The next Adult FNA will be December 16th, 6:00 pm, at the home of JP & Elisabeth Charpentier. They will be having a white elephant gift exchange. Please RSVP to the Charpentiers if you plan to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.

 **Monthly Game Night:** The monthly game night will be Saturday, December 17th, 5:00 pm at the church building. Please bring your favorite finger foods and games to share.

 **Election of Officers:** There will be a brief election of officers Sunday, December 18th, following Sunday, morning worship. This election is to meet state requirements.