

Speakers and Sermons

AM Sermon:

Tommy Maxwell
 “Jesus Heals Blindness ”
 John 9:1-7

PM Sermon:

Tommy Maxwell
 “Conditions of Salvation - Col. 1:21-23”

To Request Recordings:

Contact Mark Brown at
 avroom@puyallupcofc.org

Bible Classes

Sunday Mornings - Auditorium

“The Book of Romans” taught by Tommy Maxwell

Sunday Mornings - Downstairs Office Classroom

“Christian Fundamentals” taught by Gene McCaul

Tuesday Mornings 10 am - Fellowship Hall

“The Book of Revelation” taught by Tommy Maxwell

Wednesday Evenings - Auditorium

“The Gospel of Mark” taught by Bob Stump

Sunday Morning & Wednesday Evening

Youth Class locations are posted in the foyer

Elder for December: Gene McCaul

Care Group for December: Care Group 3 (McCaul)

Baby Bank Needs: Pullups (4T/5T) & Diapers (size 6)
 Electronic toys with batteries

ATTENDANCE 12/3: Bible class: 142 Worship: 180

CONTRIBUTION 12/3: \$10,180.52

AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION Nov: \$6,178.36

BUILDING PLEDGE FUND: \$646,918.67

Elders:

Chris Bartlett	253-732-7313
Gene McCaul	253-381-1990
Bob Sallee	253-209-0074

Deacons:

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

Ministers:

Tommy Maxwell	318-351-3475
Bob Stump	206-664-1814
Jordan Bertram	509-670-0082

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Shannon Dacca 253-861-8280

Service 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
 Greeter

Dec 10

G. McCaul
 T. Maxwell
 C. Charpentier
 G. Nighswonger
 T. Maxwell
 J. Karkosky
 C. Farley
 J. Hennig
 D. McPhail
 Tyler Bertram
 Joshua Konwent
 J. Charpentier
 T. Farley

Dec 17

M. Brown
 T. Maxwell
 K. Lessley
 L. Bertram
 T. Maxwell
 M. Farnsworth
 K. Petty
 B. Zimmerman
 R. Dagley
 N. Gleim
 M. Harmon
 J. Bowers
 E. Smith

EVENING SERVICE

Ann/Prayer
 Song Leader
 Sermon
 Table/Closing Prayer

B. Stump
 Steven Konwent
 T. Maxwell
 G. McCaul

B. Staggs
 G. McCaul
 T. Maxwell
 J. Bertram

WEDNESDAY

Dec 13

J. Bertram

Dec 20

T. Maxwell



December 10, 2023

The Greatest Gift of All

A long time ago in Persia, a benevolent ruler named Shah Abbis reigned. To get to know his people better, he wore disguises to mingle among them.

One day, he went as a poor man to the public baths, and sat by the fireman tending the furnace. At mealtime, he shared his food, and talked to the poor man as to a friend. Again and again, he visited the fireman until the man grew to love him. Finally, the emperor revealed his identity to the fireman. The emperor expected the fireman to request a gift of him. However, the fireman requested nothing.

With love and wonder, the fireman declared, “You left your palace and your glory to sit with me in this dark place, to partake of my coarse fare, and to care whether my heart was glad or sad. On others (*cont.*)

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Sunday Bible Classes: 10 am
Sunday Worship: 11 am & 5 pm
Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 pm

you may bestow rich presents, but to me you have given yourself.”

Of course, we know a ruler far more benevolent than this Persian monarch. We know a ruler who left the ivory palaces of heaven to come and to live among us (Psalm 45:8). We know a ruler who was clothed with flesh and took upon himself the form of a servant (Philippians 2:5-8). We know a ruler who became poor that we might be made rich (2 Corinthians 8:9). We know a ruler who was such a friend to us that He gave His life for us (John 15:12-13). Of course, the King is Jesus Christ.

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Upcoming Events

Adult Friday Night Alive will be this Friday (12/15), 6:00 pm, at the home of JP and Elisabeth Charpentier. Please bring 1) a potluck dish to share and 2) a wrapped gift valued at \$15-\$30 to participate in the gift exchange game. **Contact JP or Elisabeth Charpentier with any questions.**

Annual Election of Trustees: As required by state law as a non-profit organization, we must hold an annual election of trustees. We will do so next Sunday (12/17) following the 11am worship service. **Contact the elders if you have questions.**

Ice Skating for Teens (& Other Brave Souls!) between worship services next Sunday (12/17) at Sprinker Recreation Center. Bring a sack lunch to eat in the fellowship hall and plan to leave the building at 1:00p. **Contact Shannon Dacca or see the posted flyers for more info, including pricing.**

This Week's Bible Reading
Philemon - 1 Peter 3

Read in the New Year: We will once again bring in the New Year by working together to read the entire Bible aloud here at the church building! We will begin Wednesday, December 27th during the usual Bible class time by having the children read Genesis 1 on the microphone. Then everyone will choose segments of Scripture from the lists and divide up into separate areas of the building as groups and/or individuals to continue reading aloud from God's word. After that Wednesday night, the hours to read will be 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily beginning on Thursday and continuing each day until the entire Bible has been read aloud, excluding the last chapter of the book of Revelation. The elders will read that chapter during the worship service Sunday, December 31. **See the bulletin boards for more info.**

Opportunity to Help

Christmas Baskets: Do you know anyone who is in need of financial help for Christmas dinner? Please let Bill or Leslie Staggs know asap so we can bless those in need. If you wish to donate to this effort, please indicate "Christmas baskets" in the memo line of your checks and electronic donations or place cash into an envelope and write "Christmas baskets" on the outside. **Your marked donations can either go into the wooden collection box in the foyer or into the general collection plates when they are passed.**

Areawide Events

Christian Worldview class: Lakeview will host a class taught by Mark McLean on Wednesdays, Jan 10-April 24, 6-9:00 pm. It may be taken for credit (\$60) or audit (\$45) under the direction of the Northwest School of Discipleship. It is a college freshman course, targeted at mature high school juniors/seniors and adult of all ages. **More class and registration info is on the small bulletin board in the foyer.**

Northwest Expositor's Seminar is an annual gathering of church of Christ ministers, leaders, and teachers. It will take place January 15-17 at Camp Yamhill, OR. **More seminar and registration info is on the small bulletin board in the foyer.**

Sunset Vision Workshop will be January 24-26, 2024 at the Sunset church of Christ in Lubbock, TX. **More info and registration can be found online at workshop.sunset.bible or contact Tommy Maxwell.**

Tahoe Family Encampment is a week-long gathering at Camp Richardson in Lake Tahoe, NV. The dates are June 15-21, 2024, and our very own Tommy Maxwell will be a featured speaker! Reservations for the campground and area hotels are filling up fast, so book asap if you would like to attend. **See Gene McCaul for more info or go to tahoefamilyencampment.com online.**

Did You Know?

Philippines: As a congregation, we have been helping support Mario Moral, who is a native preacher in the Philippines. Mario recently expanded his ministry to plant a second congregation, Camalca church of Christ in the Mountain. They have had 36 immersions there in 5 months! Please read the enclosed report from Mario to learn more about his work there. Note - the report includes a request for 50,000 Philippine pesos (\$922.25 U.S.) to help the new brethren with food. **Thanks to your ongoing generosity, we were already able to meet that need!**

Mexico: We also help support Ray Dennis in Mexico. Ray is the son of Carrell Dennis, who was the minister at Springbrook church of Christ for many years. Ray has been working with a congregation in Cuernavaca, helping them to be more organized and evangelistic. Please read the enclosed report from Ray to learn more about his work as well.