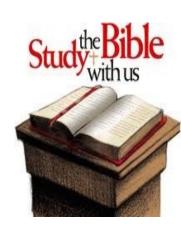
## Speakers and Sermons

AM Sermon: **Bryant Zakem** "The Third Strand" Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

**PM Sermon:** Paul Fahnstrom "How the Church Grows"

**To Request Recordings:** avroom@puyallupcofc.org

## **Class Topics**



**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Classes: Auditorium** - "The Book of Luke" taught by Gene McCaul Downstairs SIBI Classroom "People Helpers" taught by Ken Wilson

Wednesday Evening Adults: Auditorium - "The Book of Colossians" taught by Bob Stump

Elder for Dec: Bob Sallee **Deacon for Dec:** Jay Bowers Care Group for Dec: Bob & Diane Sallee

ATTENDANCE 12/12: Bible class:154 Worship: 210 CONTRIBUTION 12/12: \$9,778.00 AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION Nov: \$ 5.642.14 **BUILDING PLEDGE FUND:** \$640.014.18 CHANGE CONTRIBUTIONS: \$3,433.25

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Secretary/Bookkeeper: Shannon Daco	

## 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/Praver Song Leader Sermon Table/Closing Prayer

WEDNESDAY - Dec 22

**DEC** 19 Wyatt Brown B. Zakem J. Charpentier A. Farley B. Zakem B. Staggs Rocco Rubina G. Petty T. Nighswonger R. Dagley J. Heath

I. Ravet Wyatt Brown P. Fahnstrom J. Ravet B. Zakem B. Stump

G. McCaul

I. Dacca

T. Rex

<b>DEC 26</b>
Steve Konwent
C. Charpentier
D. Waite
T. Zakem
C. Charpentier
M. Farley
J. Konwent
J. Oden
Warren Brown
D. McPhail
J. Santiesteban
C. Bartlett

# M. Brown

## Puyallup Church of Christ



## **December 19, 2021**

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

## **An Exciting Eternity**

Do you ever wonder how you can live forever without being bored? One fellow said he didn't want to live forever because life on earth is so monotonous. His comments reminded me of a college professor's sneering statement to his class (a class I was in) that he couldn't think of anything more boring than to spend eternity "sitting on a golden staircase, playing a harp."

Well, his comments didn't shake my faith. I believed then, and I believe it more strongly now, that heaven will be a wonderfully exciting place, for I have concluded that the glory and joy of heaven will be found in our relationships, rather than in "golden streets and gates of pearl!" Job, the psalmist David, and John, the apostle, delighted in focusing on being in the presence of God. He will be the primary glory of heaven.

Though heaven will surely include many delightful activities not revealed to us in the Bible, the most wonderful element will be the joy of companionship. Just think, to be in the presence of God, the Son, the Holy Spirit, the perfected saints of God, the great Bible characters saved by grace-what an exciting prospect! So...let's enjoy heavenly blessings now by deepening our communion with God and our fellowship with believers. Here is one reason for that familiar passage: "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." (Heb. 10:24-25).

Olden Cook via Nettleton church of Christ Jonesboro, AR

## **Family News**

**Baptism:** Angels are rejoicing! Ali Waite, who is the teenaged daughter of Andrew and Sara Waite and also Dan and Sherrie Waite's granddaughter was immersed into Christ last Thursday evening (12/9). Please take

the time to meet Ali and give her some encouraging words as she begins her Christian walk. Welcome to the family of God!



<u>Welcome</u>: Brennen and Mina Bertram (Tom & Debbi Bertram's oldest son and daughter-in-law) have made it known to the elders that they would

like to worship and work with the church here at Puyallup. Their contact information will be coming soon. Welcome to Puyallup Brennen and Mina! We are glad you are here!



Election of Trustees: As required by state law as a non-profit organization, we must hold annual election of trustees. We will hold the official election of the

trustees on January 2nd at the end of the 11am worship service.

## Family News (cont.)

Christmas Food Baskets: We will be blessing those among our church family and those we may know who are in need of a little Christmas cheer by giving them a Christmas food basket. If you would like to donate to this cause, you can give your money or check to Bill Staggs.

You can also drop your donation in the collection box or by using Venmo or Zelle. Just make sure you indicate in the memo section of your check Christmas food baskets. Also, please let Bill or Leslie Staggs know asap if you are aware of local individuals or families in need of Christmas food baskets.

Teacher Assistant Needed: We are in need of a teacher assistant for the 5th and 6th grade Sunday morning Bible class. Please see Gene McCaul if you are interested.

**Read in the New Year:** We will once again be doing our annual Bible reading to bring in the New Year. We will begin Wednesday, December 29th, during the usual Bible class, by having the children read aloud from Genesis 1. 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, which the elders will read during the worship service Sunday, January 2nd. Please see the email from Shannon on the foyer bulletin board for more detailed information.

## **Prayer List**

- Please pray for the many who have been affected by the tornadoes that have ripped through the southeast, especially those who have lost loved ones.
- Esther Kile has had her third chemo treatment Monday She is having some side effects from the chemo but doing well. Please continue to pray for the chemo treatments to be successful in destroying the cancer.

## Prayer List (cont.)

- Praise God! Glenda Reiff received favorable news in her recent scan. Her cancers are reduced by 50%! She will have another cancer treatment in January and will then be re-evaluated. Please continue to pray for her treatments to be successful in destroying the cancer.
- David (Jeff Nighswonger's uncle) is recovering from open heart surgery. Surgery went well and after a rough first night following surgery, he is slowly improving every day. Please pray for his recovery to continue going well.
- Justin (Shelly Payton's son in Kentucky) has been battling Covid and now has pneumonia and blood clots in both lungs. He was admitted to the hospital and is now on oxygen.
- Jolene Bartlett had eye surgery Thursday and is doing ok following surgery. Please pray for her healing.
- Jolene Bartlett is requesting prayers for an acquaintance of hers, Tracy and her husband, John, who is battling stage 4 cancer.
  Please pray for John's healing and strength for Tracy.
- Bob Sallee is requesting prayers for Terry and Joy (his brother and sister-in-law). Terry has influenza A, and Joy has been pretty sick as well. Please pray for their healing.
- Please continue to pray for Janet Harmon's sister, who fell from a ladder and Janet's father, who is recovering from a recent surgery.
- Sue Pedersen is requesting prayers for **Trista** (Jeremy Pedersen's friend) who is in jeopardy of losing her leg due to a medical condition.
- La'Keshia Christian-Watkins is requesting prayers for her nephew, Julius, who will be having spinal surgery. She is also requesting prayers he is able to find an Adult Family Home that meets his needs.
- Dan Gill is requesting prayers for his son, **Dan**, who ended his partnership for ethical reasons (he is a Christian as well) and is out of work. Please pray for the right direction and right job for his aptitudes and family.
- Barb Fahnstrom is having a little set back from recovery. Her eye is swollen and not healing quite as it should post-surgery. She was to see her doctor again Dec. 15th Please pray for her recovery to go well.