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Elders

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The year was 1975, and my family was finishing a week-long visit with our very best friends on the Oregon Coast. Mike and Dan were my age, and with my brother we had many adventures on a pond, loaded with drift wood, located across the street from their house. We called it "The Frog Pond," but it smelled a lot worse than dead frogs (rumors had it that someone hid bodies in that place, but we never saw them). I remember our instructions before we headed across the street, "Don't get wet in the pond." Since boys will be boys, we spent most of our time at the "pond" drying our clothes before coming home, as if our moms couldn't smell the odor. Just remembering those moments brings a smile across my face.

On this particular visit, we were returning from our vacation on a Sunday afternoon. Mark, the two-year-old younger brother came down with a fever, and his parents decided to keep him home from church. I remember how Mark's reaction reminded me of someone breaking the favorite toy. His heart broke and the tears welled up as he said, "I want to go to church." The Tillamook Church of Christ boasted of 30 members on Sunday morning. They didn't have a children's program, and I'm not even sure who the preacher was. Regardless, little Mark wanted to be at church, and missing that Sunday night broke his heart.

His teary face burned a lasting image into my brain, and even now looking back, I'm led into wonder; only a child-like faith can be broken for missing church.

Most church-going Americans appear to have lost the joy in assembling with the saints. A poles-apart perception of church maybe at play with similar results. While some see church as work, others see it as duty. While some claim it's boring, others believe it's reverent. While some find the hour-long service almost too painful to endure, others have convinced themselves that that is what church is all about. Both groups miss the mark, and Psalm 122:1 is an ideal never realized, "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let's go to the house of the Lord.'" Just because I've chosen a profession which places me in the middle of church, doesn't mean the joy comes any easier; sometimes it's almost harder. However, recently, I've reflected on our assembly time and have rediscovered how church is a place of joy.

I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever a person, either comes to Jesus for the first time or comes to Jesus again for the first time. Even more joy is discovered when I've played some role in moving that person closer to Jesus.

I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever the assembly singing sounds like the singing we'll experience in heaven. On those Sundays, we can almost see the pearly gates and hear the chorus of angels. Speaking of which, when I hear the voice of a child singing at the top of her lungs, goose bumps break out all over me.

I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever a member shakes my hand at the door and says, "Your sermon encouraged me," or "Your sermon spoke to something in my life that I need to change."

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Prayer Requests

Penny Ball Please pray that the A-fib symptoms will soon be resolved.

Vanessa Coriell Diagnosed with POTS. This is an ongoing problem for her. Please keep her in your prayers.

Andy Dettwiller (Friend of Dale Kuhn) He is battling cancer. Please pray for him..

Bob Havens Please continue prayers for Bob, Rose and family. Bob is doing much better. He has been moved to a rehab facility.

Peggy Hollback Continue prayers for her health to improve and God's blessings on her.

Gene Kuhn (Dale Kuhn's Dad) Please continue to pray for him and his family.

Janine Morris Please pray she will receive the medication that will be most effective for her treatment to continue making progress to heal this disease.

Jon Partlow His surgery went well. He is feeling better, recovering at home.

Janet Risner Please keep her in your prayers during surgery tomorrow, that all will be successful and she'll have a quick recovery.

Kim Woods (Gary Glispie's Sister) Please pray for strength and courage as she goes through chemo. Please bless her family with comfort during her illness.

Judi Allison Elbrooke Room#535

Esther & Gene Crisp Riverbend Room#123

Sarah Gilliland Hillview Room#213

Helen Hayward Homebound

Ruth Morris Best Care Room#10

Please pray that God will heal our country.



**Sunday Morning Worship
Sunshine Sunday Fall Picnic**

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>
<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, pick up your gift just for being our guests today.

Thank you for coming. Please come back!

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You may simply pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

Elders Meeting Together

Elders & Deacons

November 1

5:00 P.M.

Prayer Session: Nov.19



Good Morning Sunshine! WELCOME!

We also invite you to join us for online services.

Sunday Morning @ 10:00 AM

Sunday Eve. Class @ 6:30 PM

Wednesday Eve. Class @ 7:30 PM

If you'd like to follow along during the service, today's lesson comes from:

Sunday AM

Sunday PM

Wednesday Eve Matt. 5:1-12

Sunday Morning Worship Service will continue here at the building, with **Sunday Evening & Wednesday Evening** lessons presented online.

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**Ben Vannatta** was baptized into Christ last Tuesday evening. We are so happy for him and his family. May God's blessings fill his life.  
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Sunshine Fall Picnic

Today after Morning Worship

Singing 9:45

Morning Worship @10:00

In the field behind Wayne & Irmalee's house featuring beans and cornbread. Please bring a favorite dessert to share, outdoor games and a lawn chair.

We hope that you'll plan to join us!

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There will be an **Elders & Deacons** meeting next Sunday, Nov.1, @ 5:00 here at the building.

Please plan to attend.

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Teach your children about **THE GOD**

HE IS ABLE

To Do Above

And Beyond

ANYTHING

We Can Ever Ask

Think Or Imagine

EPHESIANS 3:20

Family Bible Time

Week 96 Text:

Oct. 25 Lesson 399 2 Kings 16-17

Oct. 28 Lesson 400 2 Kings 18-20

Week 97 Text:

Nov.01 Lesson 401 Isaiah & Micah

Nov.04 Lesson 402 2 Kings 21:1-23:30

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	10/25/2020	11/01/2020	11/08/2020
Welcome	Shaun McCray	Rich Book	Jon Coriell
Midservice Prayer			
Communion			
Reading			
Closing Prayer			
Sun. Evening	10/25/2020	11/01/2020	11/08/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Reading			
Communion			
Assist			
Prayer			
Wed. Evening	10/28/2020	11/04/2020	11/11/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Prayer			



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Bible Study - 6:30 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever a toddler pretends that I'm Darth Vader and chases me around the fellowship hall with his "light saber," or I'm coloring pictures with elementary children while we talk about important stuff like their favorite book, movie, or food, or when a five-year-old rushes into my arms for a hug, only to hear him say, "Hey Preacher. You're Fired!"

I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever we're led in prayer, and the person praying almost sounds as if he knows God personally.

I've discovered church as a place of joy whenever my "adopted" granddaughter chooses to sit with Cile and me during the worship as she pulls my reading glasses out of my shirt pocket so she can wear them.

I've rediscovered church as a place of joy whenever the teenagers gravitate to my family, as if we're the "in crowd," or when older members share with me from their lives as if I'm as respectable as they are.

While I can't say I've ever been as heartbroken for missing the assembly as little Mark was, I can say I'm looking for more joy nuggets in our assemblies. Those nuggets, sometimes more valuable than the worship time itself, tend to do more to fuel my passion for ministry and for the assembly. When that happens Psalm 122 can link arms with Nehemiah 8:10 and be just as true, "The joy of the Lord is my strength."

Soli Deo Gloria!

(i.e., only God is glorified!)



Have a wonderful day!