

Connections

October 2022

What's Next?

Corey Laughary, Pastor



Dear Church,

We've been in the Good News according to John for about 21 months. It was truly a blessing for me, and I hope it was a blessing for you too. We are moving on from our study of John's Gospel, but we are not really leaving John. We are going to be studying the first 3 chapters of Revelation, which I believe was authored by the Apostle John. This 9-week series will introduce us to this unique book in the New Testament. We will spend time on each of the 7 Churches of Asia that receive a message from Jesus in chapters 2 and 3. We will also consider what lessons God is revealing for the Church today from the messages to the Church then.

I encourage you to engage in this journey in Revelation. Some avoid or fear this book, but that should not be the case. Revelation is God's encouraging and helpful Word. The messages we hear from Revelation will be challenging us to be faithful to Jesus Christ, no matter the challenges that come our way. I encourage you to read Revelation in these next couple of months. If you are on The Bible App (AKA YouVersion) look for an invite from me to do a Revelation Reading Plan on the 7 Messages to the 7 Churches.

A good resource to help with the study of these first three chapters of Revelation is John Stott's relatively short book, "What Christ Thinks of the Church." If you'd like a copy, feel free to contact the office or order one on your own.

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I wonder what Jesus would write to us if He was to write a message to the Church on the Palouse in 2022. "To the Church on the Palouse..." - that's something we will pray about and consider as we learn from Jesus in our study of the first three chapters of Revelation.

Depending on Jesus,

Pastor Corey

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Whatever you do,
work heartily, as
for the Lord and
not for men...

Colossians 3:23

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75 Years and Counting

To God be the glory for 75 years of ministry as Palouse Federated Church.

What is a memory or blessing you have received from the people or ministry of Palouse Federated Church?

God has been working through our local church for 75 years. Many have come to faith, grown in faith, found their life calling, and loved their neighbors better because of Christ's work through the people of Palouse Federated Church.

We'd love to hear your memories or stories. Please send them to the office or e-mail: office@palousechurch.org.



Don't Let Fear Take Over

Hua Ming Newman

Fear. Fear can prevent you from becoming who you are supposed to be. Fear has held me back from many opportunities. In my life, I have been given opportunities to do something great, but I have let fear hold me back from achieving that goal. For a long time, I have feared that I do not know enough of the Bible to teach it to the youth group or to other people. This is something I still sometimes struggle with.



As I have been doing it for a couple of years now, I have learned many lessons in that fear holds you back. I know that if I trust God and his plan all things will workout. Recently, I was asked by Ross Point to direct the Ross Point Fall Youth Retreat. I'll be honest – I did not know if I should do it. The next day, however, I decided to

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace...”

1 Peter 4:10

accept the role of director. When I was thinking about it, I had a lot of fear about if I could do a good job or if I was even meant to do it. But as I sat down to write an article for the newsletter, I know God is calling me to do this because He will be with me through it all and this experience will help grow me into the person I am meant to be.

Don't let fear stop you from doing God's work. In high school I would never talk about my faith because of fear. God is more powerful than your fear and he will always be with you no matter what. God will give you strength when you feel weak and courage when you feel you have none. So, I say this to you, “Lean on him, let him be the rock of your life, let his words give you hope, do not let the fear of the world control what you say about God to other people.” God calls us to show and be stewards of His grace.

Resilience When Life Gives Us the “Squeeze”

Betty Sawyer

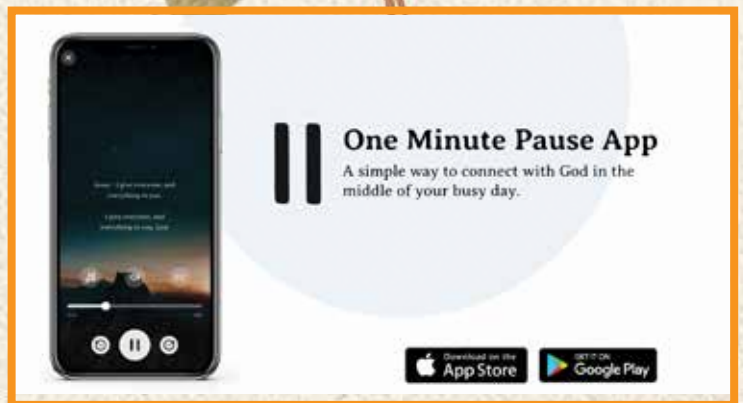
Do you ever get “squeezed” in life? Pressures, commitments, responsibilities, and too many obligations can make us feel the “squeeze.” How can we find the resilience we need in times where we feel pressure?



One deep and wonderful way is to lean on Jesus and His Word. The One-Minute Pause prayer times we have started following worship (or you can do on your own) can help us in everyday "squeezes."

Recently, the high schoolers at coffee hour were reminded of a sponge: whatever is being squeezed out of us, whether good or bad, affects those around us. We should think of ways our actions and attitudes, good or bad, can affect others. And if we are filled with the Spirit of our Living God, we won't squeeze out negative actions. We can be filled completely with joy and peace. Romans 15:13 says, "I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit." (NLT)

So when life gives you the "squeeze," soak up goodness, love, joy, and peace from the Creator of all good things. You'll find resilience can be found in knowing Jesus.



One Minute Pause App
A simple way to connect with God in the middle of your busy day.

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play



New: Guided Prayer

Sundays at 11:15 AM in the Sanctuary

Join Pastor Corey in a time of guided prayer. These times of prayer will last anywhere from 5-15 minutes. This is a relaxing time for anyone to simply meet with the Lord in prayer.

Spiritual Growth Group October Topics

Corey Laughary, Pastor

I invite you to join us on Wednesday nights in October.



We use the *Bible* and the PFC

Spiritual Growth Guide in our group meeting times. This month, we will be in "Section 3: Our Strategies" as we dive deeper into the strategy of "Spiritual Growth" and seek to learn/grow in the following areas:

- Faith
- Love
- Unity
- Humility (We pray!)

If you have questions about the *Spiritual Growth Guide*, you need a copy of one, or you have questions about group on Wednesday Night - feel free to contact me. I am honored to lead this group and I'd love for you to join us.

Depending on Jesus,

Pastor Corey



What's Up in November?

As we near the end of the year, there is a lot of activity here at Palouse Federated Church.

- **Gratitude Campaign** - All Month!
- **Veteran's Day Service** | 11/11 at 11 AM - Meet at the PFC Bell Tower.
- **Harvest of Community Dinner** | 11/13 at 5 PM - Join us as we gather to share a meal and give thanks for an organization that goes the extra mile to serve our communities.
- **Quarterly Meeting & Budget Presentation** | 11/20 at 11:15 AM.
- **Mission Aviation Fellowship Missionaries Joe & Karen Adams Visit** | 11/27.

**WORSHIP
TOGETHER**

**SUNDAYS
10 AM**

Every Sunday we have one united worship service at 10 AM. We hope you can make plans to join us as we Worship Together.

Childcare for children age 3 and potty-trained through age 8 will continue in the basement classrooms with Bible stories.

Bible Study Schedule

Contact the Church for More Information

Tues. | 5:30 AM | Men

Tues. | 10 AM | Mixed Group

Wed. | 10 AM | Ladies

Wed. | 6:30 PM | Middle School

Wed. | 6:30 PM | Spiritual Growth Group





Youth Group
6th - 9th Grades
Wednesdays
6:30 - 8 PM
NEW - Join us for Dinner - NEW
Stay for Bible Study
Games & Fun



Live Chat

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS
 11:15 AM

FIND OUR TABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER YOU GRAB A SNACK AT COFFEE HOUR.

WE'LL CONNECT FOR A QUICK CHAT AND SOME DEEP BIBLE TRUTHS!

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL CHECK-IN WITH BETTY SAWYER

The World Mission Offering will be collected throughout the month of October. Mark "WMO" on your check or giving envelope, or give online at palousechurch.org.



YOUR GIFT TO WORLD MISSION CHANGES LIVES

world mission offering



Palouse Food Pantry
October 26
1-2:30 PM & By Appointment
Calvary Chapel of Palouse

Order Online: palousefoodpantry@gmail.com
 Or Call the Pantry: (509) 595-3048
 In-person pick up, or delivery by request.




Sunday School classes meet weekly for kids age 3 and potty-trained through 5th Grade. Meet us downstairs for class every Sunday from 11:15 AM - Noon.

Sanctuary Pews
 Still Available

FREE

Contact the PFC Office:
 (509) 878-1509



NIGHT OF
WORSHIP

Garfield and Palouse churches are planning a night of worship. All are invited.

**October 30
6:30 PM
Garfield Community Church**

Dessert Reception to Follow

PALOUSE CARE NETWORK

invites you to the

Annual Benefit Dinner

OCTOBER 13, 2022 | 6:30 PM

**SEL Event Center
1825 Schweitzer Drive, Pullman, WA**

Seating begins at 6:00 PM
Dinner and program begin at 6:30 PM

RSVP using the enclosed card, by calling (208) 882-2370, or by emailing moriah@palousecarenetwork.com . Register early as seating will be limited. Complimentary dinner provided. An opportunity to make a financial gift will be extended. Attire is business casual.

WHAT CHRIST THINKS OF THE CHURCH
Preaching from Revelation 1 to 3

What Christ Thinks of the Church

If you're looking for a little extra help as we journey through our "Letters from Jesus" series in the book of Revelation, consider John Stott's "What Christ Thinks of the Church," an examination of Revelation 1 - 3. **Some copies will be available at the church.** Stott was an Anglican pastor and theologian. Below is an excerpt from the book's preface:

"My prayer is that this book may help church leaders to grasp where Christ's priorities lie. There is much here to call us to repentance and renewal, much to humble and shame us, much to warn us of the malice of our enemy, and much to incite us to fortitude and perseverance. May Christ speak again to our churches the truths he spoke to the churches of Asia centuries ago, and may our ears be opened to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches!"

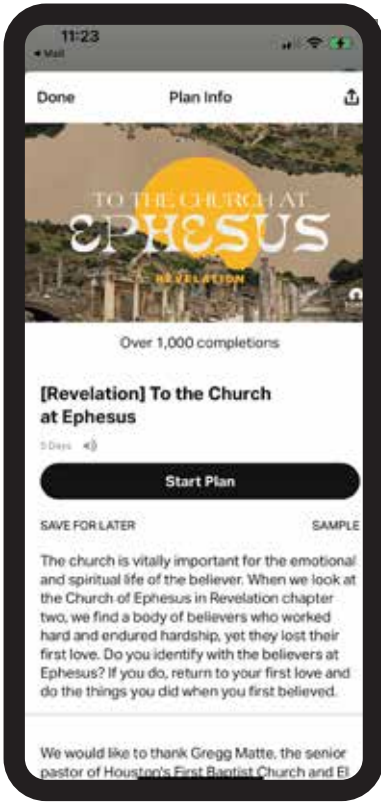
~ John R.W. Stott

Kindness for Kids Food Pantry

The Kindness for Kids food pantry at the school is in need of:

- Tuna or canned chicken.
- Individual cereal cups (the ones you just put the milk in and use it as a bowl).
- Fresh fruit or veggies.
- Cheese sticks.
- Individual packets of nuts.
- Canned fruit and/or veggies (applesauce, peaches, corn, green beans, etc.).

Bring your donations to the church and leave them in the clear plastic bins.



“Letters from Jesus” Sermon Series Schedule

Check out the scripture schedule below for upcoming sermons and Bible studies.

- October 02 Series Introduction [Revelation 1]
- October 09 To the Church in Ephesus [Revelation 2:1-7]
- October 16 To the Church in Smyrna [Revelation 2:8-11]
- October 23 To the Church in Pergamum [Revelation 2:12-17]
- October 30 To the Church in Thyatira [Revelation 2:18-29]

In our “Letters from Jesus” sermon series (Revelation 1-3), we’ll receive instruction for humble, honest, holy, brave, passionate, kind, and loving faith in an age that puts all that to the test. Consider joining a YouVersion Bible App reading plan this month. Contact Pastor Corey if you would like to join a Revelation reading plan, or if you need help finding a different plan that works for you!

YouVersion

Scan the QR Code to the right and make us “My Church” inside the YouVersion Bible App. You’ll be able to quickly find our worship events for taking notes and have access to our featured Bible reading plan.



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