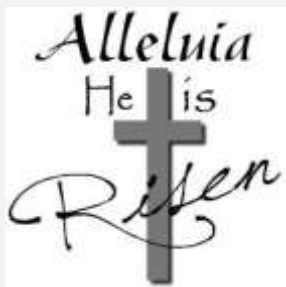


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## ***Our Mission: Worshiping God and Forming one another into loving servants of Christ and the world***

### Pastors Column: To God Be the Glory: What is the Chief End of Mankind?

Have you ever heard of the Westminster Shorter Catechism (WSC)? It is basically a list of important questions and answers, designed to teach people the basics of the Christian faith. I encourage you to check out the whole catechism when you have time, for now we are going to focus on the first two of the 107 questions.

#### **Q. 1. What is the chief end of man?**

A. Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.

The catechism begins by asking about the "end" or point of mankind. Essentially it is asking, what is the "purpose" of our existence as human beings? The writers of the catechism believed, based on their understanding of Holy Scripture, that the purpose of mankind is to Glorify God, and to enjoy God forever.

This seems pretty straightforward. We exist not simply for our own enjoyment and pleasure, but primarily to honor God, and to enjoy Him. But how do we know what honors God? What is our source, or authority to find out how to glorify God? Hence, the second question of the WSC:

#### **Q: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?**

A: The word of God, which is

contained in the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him.

We do not get to make up our own path or definitions as we seek to live a God-glorifying life. God has given us Holy Scripture as the "only rule" that lights our path towards a God-glorifying life.

We are created to glorify God, and we learn what glorifies God by studying the scripture and hearing God's Word rightly preached. Then by the conviction and empowerment of the Holy Spirit we seek to live daily lives of actions and motives that are formed by the truth of Holy Scripture.

Many people live their lives to glorify themselves, some do this and enjoy themselves very much, some live to glorify self and have a terribly sad life. Whether you succeed at enjoying life is not the point of life. **Seeking to live life simply for your own enjoyment falls entirely short of the purpose God designed for man.** You were designed to glorify the Divine! It is more important to enjoy God than enjoy the circumstances of life. Circumstances are temporary, God is forever.

To God be the glory,  
Pastor Corey

\*You can find the entire WSC online at, <http://shortercatechism.com>

# "Blessed is he



who reads aloud  
...and blessed are  
those who hear..."  
- REV. 1:3

## Thank You!!!

Thank you for all who helped on the Palm Sunday Pancake Supper and Talent Show!

We could not have done it without your service and talents.

Together we raised \$1053 for Ross Point Camp Scholarships.



### 1 Corinthians 15

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ...

## Need an ESV study bible?

A generous donor has provided 24 ESV Study Bibles to be given away to people who don't have a study Bible. The goal is to get a study Bible in the hands of as many people as possible. Study Bibles are great tools for your Bible learning. They include helpful notes on each and every page, scripture

references, concordance, maps, graphics, introductions to every book of the Bible, and much more. If you don't have a study Bible, please look into getting one of these Bibles by talking with Pastor Corey. If you already have a study Bible, but would like to move to the ESV Study Bible, please consider

making a donation of \$28 to cover the cost of the Bible, as the main purpose is to give a study Bible to people who don't have one.

Note about the version: The ESV, or English Standard Version, is the translation Pastor Corey uses most frequently for Bible Study and preaching. This is a highly accurate, word for word type translation.

## Executive Board Report

The Board met on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>. They received a report from Butch Smith on the new DivorceCare group ministry.

The Board discussed goals for the remainder of 2013. They will continue to work on goals and provide them to the congregation.

The Board designated some donated funds for community outreach projects. \$500 was designated to a community

communication project, to be spent as needed to help develop a community communication piece in the Palouse community that would be of benefit to citizens and organizations. \$500 was designated to the Palouse School District to help pay for the training of five staff members for a training called "Right Response" that will help staff and students with physical safety issues. This helps the school train more employees than they

could afford to do.

The Board discussed our ongoing relationship with the Hope4AllChildren Orphanage in Uganda, and is working towards the sending of an individual or a small team to Uganda with the help of a generous donation. The trip would help deliver some physical goods to the orphanage, as well as hopefully settle the land purchase for the orphanage. Please be praying for Hope4AllChildren and

## Special Occasions - March

### Birthdays

- Ava Hemphill, 1<sup>st</sup>
- Sue Elder, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Joan Redman, 4<sup>th</sup>
- Heidi Fluegel, 4<sup>th</sup>
- Jeff Bofenkamp, 9<sup>th</sup>
- Sherry Weatherly, 12<sup>th</sup>
- Emily Bagott, 12<sup>th</sup>
- Harley Wilmore, 12<sup>th</sup>
- Traci Sanderson, 13<sup>th</sup>
- Kris Urquhart, 13<sup>th</sup>
- Ellie Collier, 14<sup>th</sup>
- Andrew Elvis Gregg,

### 17<sup>th</sup>

- Shai Ann Collier, 19<sup>th</sup>
- Betty Sawyer, 20<sup>th</sup>
- Melanie Wheststine-Richel, 20<sup>th</sup>
- Abbie Marsh, 21<sup>st</sup>
- Paula Parkins, 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Nancy Hill, 25<sup>th</sup>
- Terry Keller, 26<sup>th</sup>
- Nate Fluegel, 26<sup>th</sup>
- Robert Tuttle, 29<sup>th</sup>
- Casey Blood, 29<sup>th</sup>
- Hatley Sawyer, 30<sup>th</sup>

### Anniversary's

- Gary & Cheri Brunner, 2<sup>nd</sup>

Is your name not here? Send information to [griffinj@palouse.com](mailto:griffinj@palouse.com)

## Bible 101 6pm, April 25<sup>th</sup>

Do you want to begin reading or studying the Bible but are unsure where to start? Come to Bible 101 for a brief overview of the Bible. This class is designed to give you a basic understanding of the whole Bible. The goal is to give you enough basic knowledge, as well as some basic study habits, so that you can regularly study the Bible in your daily life. God's word is essential for knowing and having a relationship with God. Come to Bible 101 and learn some key information to help you approach the word of God. If you don't have a good Study Bible we will provide one for you.

Topics that will be covered:

- \* Biblical Inspiration
- \* Overview of the Bible
- \* Old Testament and New Testament relationship
- \* Bible Study- best practices

The class is about 2.5 hours in length, (childcare available)

## New Bible Study Beginning Soon!

One of the ways we grow in our faith is to study God's word. We believe it is important to do this personally, but we also believe there is a great benefit to diving into God's word with other believers. For this reason we have provided multiple opportunities to do this. **We are excited to announce another such opportunity. Darlene Schwartman will be leading a Women's Bible Study in her home at 18245 SR 27 every Tuesday evening at 7pm beginning April 9<sup>th</sup>.** Darlene will be leading the group through a discussion of the scripture passage Pastor Corey will be preaching on. If you have any questions or need directions please call Darlene at 878-1482.

We give thanks for our Veterans, we pray for those actively serving.

We thank God for missionaries and pray for those serving in this manner. We pray for Don Gilliland (pacemaker), Virginia Baldwin (stroke & open heart surgery), Tracy Milano and family (Cancer), Connie Atkinson, Dave Caudle, pregnant Moms in our community, people in our community to come to Christ. We pray for God's Kingdome to advance in the hearts of all of us, for people to have new encounters with God's gracious love, for the youth of our community, our whole community, marriages in our communities,

people who are visiting in worship, for the leaders of our church, communities, states and nation.

### Active Duty Service Members:

Jason Evenson (Afghanistan)  
 Mitch Kriebel (California)  
 Shawn Tompkins (Afghanistan)  
 Mark Tronsen (Japan)  
 Steven Griffin (Texas)  
 Zach Spear (Hawaii)  
 Michael Forbes (Egypt)  
 Danielle Tavenner (Oklahoma)  
 Nick Burgess (Virginia)  
 Adam Burnett (Shaw AFB)  
 Kristina Pillai (Afghanistan)  
 Liza Chavira (Afghanistan)

## PFC 101

Do you have questions about Palouse Federated Church? We have answers! Come to PFC 101 **Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:15pm** in the Fellowship Hall. We will provide pizza and childcare.

Pastor Corey will talk about our church's history, vision and mission as well as church membership, baptism and study opportunities PFC provides. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have about the church or Pastor Corey. This class will give you the chance to get to know our church better. We cover everything from beliefs, to mission, why we are called "Federated" and much more.

The class is about 45minutes-1 hour. If you would like to come to PFC 101 let us know on your communication card or let Pastor Corey know soon we can prepare enough pizza.

# SAVE THE DATES FOR VBS!!

## August 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> (PreSchool thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Needed: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & up are needed as student helpers; adult volunteers are currently being recruited.

Directors: ShaiAnn Collier and Nicole Flansburg.

Theme: Kingdom Rock: Where Kids Stand Strong for God more info: <http://group.com/vbs/kingdom-rock>

Mission Project: Supporting a village school in Bangladesh

## Spring Coat Cleanout ~Diana Cochran

The church needs to be cleaned up - the Fellowship Hall closet is getting crowded.

Please look at both entryways of the church to see if you have left any coat(s) and/or clothes and take them home.

After June 1, any unclaimed clothes/coats will be donated to Needful Things in Palouse.

Thank you for your help giving our church a spring cleaning.

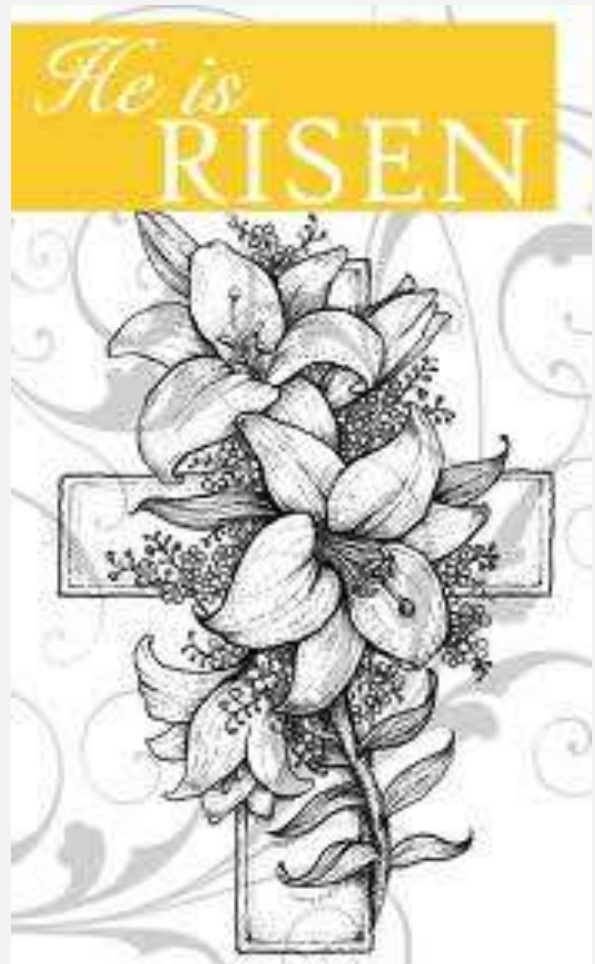
### **1 Corinthians 15:57**

*57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## New Sunday School Class

### **Calling all 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders!**

Butch Smith is leading a Bible basics class starting March 24th. It will be **from 10:15-10:55 every Sunday in the "Game Room"** which is the classroom across from the downstairs kitchen. Butch has lots of experience in teaching and we invite you to come join him! If you have a Bible, bring it with you.





## Ross Point Camps!

Put these Ross Point Camp dates on your calendar and invite your friends to join

you! And if you've never been to Ross Point Camp before, come to "Camp Fun Day Open

House" at Ross Point in Post Falls on May 5th from 3-6pm to get a taste of what camp

is all about! Watch for posters and brochures coming in April...

**My First Camp:** children under 2nd grade and their parent: June 28-29

**Middler Camp:** youth grades 2nd-4th: July 7-10  
**Junior Camp:** for youth grades 4th-6th: July 7-12

**Junior High Camp:** youth grades 6th-9th: June 23-28

**Senior High Camp:** youth grades 9th-12th: June 30-July 5

Ross Point youth camps are designed to challenge youth to stretch their faith and grow in their spiritual formation through biblical teaching with life values. Ross Point offers activities, trained staff, friendship, and even scholarships to assure your children have life-changing experiences and wonderful memories.

Please go to <http://www.rosspoint.org/> for details or call Brenda Cook (878-2010) or Pastor Corey (878-1509) with any questions you might have.

Remember that scholarships are available through our church to help get youth of all ages to camp!

## Chastity: April Discipline ~ Tina Laughary

The word chastity may sound “old fashioned” and “out of style” but it is an essential discipline necessary for spiritual growth. What each of the spiritual disciplines do, in their own way, is to help believers rightly prioritize their devotions, passions and priorities. Chastity is no different. God made us to be sexual beings, “Male and female he created them” (Gen. 1:27). Sex is a gift from God and is not a sin. However, it is important that we have proper perspective of sex and respect the boundaries that God has given us to keep it a holy blessing to us.

Sex is to take place only within marriage. Therefore chastity for a single person means abstaining from sex and lusting thoughts. Instead the focus is on having healthy and Godly relationships.

It is a mistake to assume that chastity is only for the single. **Chastity within marriage allows individuals to keep God, and not their sexual union, top priority in their relationship.** Dallas Willard explains, “An essential part of this learning consists in the practice of abstaining from sex and from indulging in sexual feelings and thoughts, and thus learning how to not be governed by them.” We are to control our sexual urges instead of being controlled by them.

The apostle Paul encourages this in 1 Thessalonians 4:4 where he encourages spouses to mutually agree on abstaining from sex for a time in order to pray and fast. **Our sexuality is always a part of who we are but it cannot be the most important aspect of who we are.**

Dietrich Bonhoeffer observes that, “the essence of chastity is not the suppression of lust but the total orientation of one’s life toward a goal.” That goal is to become more faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. When our life is ordered correctly, it is our relationship and commitment to God that comes first all others (including our marriage relationship) come after. Rightly practicing chastity is to acknowledge this truth and push aside sexual thoughts and desires when they interfere in the top commitment to God.

This month, I challenge you to not only practice chastity evaluating your sexual practices and desires and making sure they are rightly prioritized in your life. A life that has God as top priority will lead to sanctification and a more fulfilling life.

### Ross Point Camp Men’s Work Day

We have an opportunity to do some work at Ross Point Camp, on the Spokane River, near Post Falls. This is the camp we use as a church. We send around 40 children and adults a year to camps and retreats there.

The dates are **May 3rd-4th**. This is be a “man-only” event. We will receive food and lodging for a night. We are bunking there at the camp. If you haven't been there, they have great food and it's a beautiful place. The work projects currently going on are the siding of cabins, some deck work and dock work. We will drive up (car pool) on Friday- after our work days (earlier if you can swing it), assess the situation and get familiar with camp. We'll have a bit of fun and fellowship on Friday night. There's a gym there and plenty of space to hang out in. Saturday will be a full day of work, with meals provided by the camp.

Who is wanting and able to go on those dates? It should be a fun time, plus helpful for the camp. Contact Pastor Corey

# April Calendar

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b> <b>4pm:</b> Dance <b>6:30 – 8pm</b> TOPS	<b>2</b> <b>5:30am:</b> Men's Bible Study <b>8:30am:</b> Bible Study for Moms <b>9am:</b> Women's Study at Linda Arrasmith's <b>11am:</b> Bible Study <b>6:30pm:</b> Divorce Care group	<b>3</b> <b>1pm:</b> Women's Bible Study at Tina Laughary's <b>6:30pm</b> Bible Study	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
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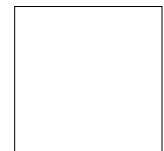
## April Sermons

- April 7, 2013, "Old Wine and New Wine" – Luke 5:33-39
- April 14, 2013, Guest Preacher, Dave Wood – Psalm 2
- April 21, 2013, "Jesus and the Sabbath" – Luke 6:1-11
- April 28, 2013, "Calling Disciples" – Luke 6:12-19



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**Regular Sunday Schedule**

**9am** Worship (childcare available age 5 and under)

**10am**- Fellowship Time

**10:15am** –Family Hour  
Sunday School

**11am** – Worship (Childcare available)

**5pm** – All Church Potluck and Questions of Faith

**6pm** – Worship with communion, "Simple Service"

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