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

Pastors Column: Catechism continued..

We continue our newsletter journey through the Westminster Shorter Catechism. For more on the Shorter Catechism consult our previous two newsletter editions or go online to: <http://shortercatechism.com> or talk to Pastor Corey. This month we consider Questions #5 and #6

Q: "Are there more Gods than one?"

A: There is but One only, the living and true God.¹

Reflection: To some this would seem like a question that does not need to be asked. Indeed many of the questions in the Shorter Catechism are apparently obvious to the believing Christian. This question, however, is not settled in the hearts of many. Faith in the one true Living God comes by God's grace alone. Though it has been proclaimed from ancient times by the Hebrew people, it is far from universally accepted. The Old Testament strictly proclaimed one true God, in theological terms: monotheism.

Q: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

A: There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.²

Reflection: We believe in one God, that is eternally present in the three persons of the Father (or Creator), Son (or Word), and Holy Spirit. We do NOT believe in three Gods. The

Trinity is what we call this Divine mystery of God's nature. We do not have a God that we can completely wrap our human minds around. God is more different than us than we could ever imagine. All of God is eternal. It is something worth pondering. It is not something that you must fully "master" in order to come to faith, rather the identity of God as the sovereign mysterious Trinity must simply be believed.

Learning about God should cause us to worship God more deeply. God is eternal, majestic, mysterious and powerful. God is all of those, and much more- and yet God involves Himself in our life. Glory be to God!

1. **Deuteronomy 6:4.** Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.
Jeremiah 10:10. But the Lord is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king
2. **2 Corinthians 13:14.** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.
Matthew 28:19. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Matthew 3:16-17. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: and lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased

"Blessed is he



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

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday Night Bible Study will continue throughout the summer at 6:30pm. Some nights we will be having a BBQ! Keep your ears open for those nights.

This study looks at

the upcoming sermon scripture in order to prepare for a deeper hearing of the sermon. ALL are invited and welcome to attend Wednesday night, including kids. We have childcare for

young ones that can't sit through the 1-hour study. If your Bible study took a break for the summer, consider Wednesday night- you'll be glad you did!

Choir Fun!



Interested in participating in a choir that sings contemporary songs? This would be a short term commitment--singing a few songs for our congregation from time to time. We'd like to see at least 5 people interested to make it happen with the goal of having fun and worshipping God together.

Please contact **Nancy Dernell at: 970-217-6917** to sign up or for more info.

Family Hour Class Ends June 2nd

On June 9, we will have a Sunday School party during Coffee Hour in the Fellowship room. We will take the summer off from Sunday school and resume around the start of the new school year. We will still offer childcare during the 11:00 service downstairs for 2.5 -5 year olds with the help of volunteer adults (please contact Brenda Cook 878-2010 if you can help on occasion). We have a had a wonderful year with our group Sunday school format and We averaged 10-12 kids

from ages 2.5-8 years old. Our winter/spring curriculum started with Jesus' birth followed by the Passover, and lessons on forgiveness, kindness, how God deserves first place in our lives, that He cares about us, and that He is with us in tough times. The classes included so many fun ways to learn: challenges, storytelling, skits, music, crafts and games. We hope you had a chance to join us and see the fun!

THANK YOU!!! to our Family Hour TEACHERS:

Sarah Anderson, Olivia Barron, ShaiAnn Collier, Brenda Cook, Andi Edwards, Nicole Flansburg, Heidi Fleugal, Tricia Johnson, Betsy Rawls, Brittany Sawyer, Tami Southern, Penny Thurman, Camille Wadleigh, and Robin Woltering.

And THANK YOU to Butch Smith for teaching a new class this Spring for our 3rd-5th graders! I know they enjoyed having a class for just their age group!

Special Occasions - June

Birthdays

Marjorie Bourne, 1st
Steve Gill, 1st
Sharon Simpson, 1st
Sierra Hoffman, 2nd
Mike White, 4th
Patti Green-Kent, 5th
Danny Laughary, 8th
Sandra Hunt, 9th
Greg Urquhart, 11th
Taylor Zehm, 13th
Mary Ellen Laughary, 14th
Cass Stewart, 15th
Frances West, 16th

Gerry West, 17th
Linda Arrasmith, 18th
Mark Keuhner, 21st
Bill Dernell, 24th
Karmin Jacobs, 24th

Anniversary's

Casey & Cathy Blood, 1st
Jake & Tanya Stewart, 2nd
Matt & Shai Ann Collier, 4th
Don & Verna Comstock, 7th
Dean & Karen Huber, 8th

John & Betty Sawyer, 13th
Ralph & Carol Heinlen, 13th
Matthew & Victoria Coyle, 17th
Monte & Sue Elder, 21st
Verlan & Diana Cochran, 21st
Kris & Honey Gibler, 24th
Don & Lorraine Gilliland, 27th
Will & Andi Edwards, 29th

Special Occasions



June Classes at PFC

Bible 202- New Testament, June 6th, 6-9pm, a basic class on the New Testament. This class is designed to help you have enough understanding of the New Testament scriptures that you are ready to jump in and study them on your own. Part of the class will be devoted to the history and formation of the New Testament, and the rest is devoted to practical helps for study of the New Testament. Also any questions you have about the New Testament are more than welcome!

This class is FREE. Childcare is made available by the church. If you don't own a study Bible, you will receive a free ESV study Bible for attending the class, as long as you promise to read it!

Christian History 101, June 23rd, 3-5pm. Come and learn about the first 300 years of Christian History

Job Opening with Habitat for Humanity

Palouse Habitat for Humanity is seeking an experienced Construction Supervisor for a part-time (contract) position involving coordination and on-site supervision of all aspects of building single family houses and repairing existing houses in Whitman County, WA, and Latah County, ID. Anticipated work includes several home repairs during the summer and new construction in Albion, WA beginning in the fall. Palouse Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian organization which builds simple, affordable and energy-efficient houses with selected families and assists low income home owners in repairing existing houses. The job description including compensation is posted at www.palousehabitat.org Applicants send resume and two references to: Brent Bradberry, Chair, Construction Committee, 220 E. 5th St Unit 8457, Moscow, ID 83843, Brentbradberry@moscow.com
Application deadline: 15 June 2013 or until position is filled.

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 the family of Zoe Jersak, the family and of Gene Griffin, Mary Ellen Laughary (multiple myeloma), the family of Nancy Stephens (Dale Tronsen's sister), the family of Zack Dvorak, John Sawyer (stem cell treatment), Jessica Martinez, Stacie Echanove and baby Echanove, Dennis Shaw, God's Kingdom to advance in the hearts of all of us, for people to have new encounters with God's gracious love, for people to come into a true relationship with Jesus Christ, 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. If you have prayer concerns and/or praises, please give them to the pastor.

Active Duty Service Members: Jason Evenson (Afghanistan), Mitch Kriebel (California), Shawn Tompkins (Germany), 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), Tim Slemp (Afghanistan) and Liza Chavira (Afghanistan).

Thank you!

A big thank you to Nancy Hill and Darlene Schwartzman for all their time and effort on gardening and landscaping!

Sunday Night Worship at PFC, 6pm, will continue throughout the summer. Keep your ears open for special events on Sunday night. We call Sunday night's service the "Simple Service." Why? It is simply a sermon, and the Lord's Supper. No music, no "frills"- just a simple worship service in the Fellowship Hall around the tables. Childcare is provided every Sunday night.

Introducing Bridger Landle

This summer we will be employing a part-time summer intern, Bridger Landle, we want to give him some ministry experience before he heads off to graduate school. Information below will help you get to know Bridger a bit more—Pastor Corey

Question #1: We know you grew up in Palouse, in general how was growing up in a small town? I found growing up in a small town to be a very positive experience. One of the biggest advantages of a town like Palouse is that it offers kids the opportunity to develop a wide set of applicable traits and skills. The camaraderie and courage that emerge from years of playing competitive sports; the analytical abilities gleaned from programs like FFA; and the ethic of hard work that comes from working on a farm, for example; are just a few of the many opportunities available to young adults in Palouse. I'm very grateful for the healthy and stimulating environment that Palouse offered, and I look forward to giving back to my hometown.

Question #2: What would be the first 4 words to describe your college experience at Whitworth in Spokane, and why? Testing, eye-opening, warm, and unforgettable. Whitworth was a trying experience, intellectually and spiritually. I found myself surrounded by highly intelligent, well-educated individuals, many of whom possessed views that differed radically from my own.

Engaging with those people tested my beliefs and changed me for the better. Whitworth is also a very nurturing environment, filled with some of the kindest people I've ever met—many of whom remain some of my closest friends. The peers, the professors, and the intellectual and spiritual atmosphere at Whitworth made for a profound college experience.

Question #3: Tell us about your faith: My faith is founded upon two things: realism and gratitude. I am realistic about my own brokenness and need for a savior, but at the same time, I'm thankful for the gracious sacrifice that Christ made for me. Prior to my being saved, I was in an emotionally desperate time of my life. I needed help, and God answered. I feel that, since then, God hasn't let a day go by without deepening and enriching my understanding of both of those two elements. My goal is to use my training and education to communicate to others the wonder and power of the glory God presents, and the grace that He provides.

Question #4: What are you looking forward to with your internship this summer with PFC? I'm looking forward to giving back to my hometown generally, but I'm specifically looking forward to teaching classes. Pastor Corey and I have put our heads together over the past few weeks to brainstorm ideas for a class on Christian Ethics, in which I hope to provide the community with some useful tools for understanding the way people approach moral issues generally. In addition, I

hope to show how we, as Christians, can come to a common understanding with others, using Christ as our foundation. Ethics is my passion, and I'm excited to see how the class turns out.

Question #5: What are your plans after the internship?

After the internship, I'm going to pursue my Master's in Philosophy at Arizona State University. ASU has a strong faculty known for preparing graduates for top-tier PhD programs. My dream is to teach philosophy at the college level, and studying at ASU is a big step toward achieving that goal. As a Christian, I'm called to be on mission and representing the faith in an academic (and increasingly secular) environment is one of the ways in which I hope to fruitfully serve Christ's church.

Last Question: How would you like us as a church family to pray for you and support you this summer? I gain a lot of fulfillment from engaging in open and honest communication. Although my internship is formally with the PFC, I hope to re-engage with as many community members as possible during my stay in Palouse, and I would love for the chance to have a conversation and hear your stories. I invite your prayers, too, that I continue to grow in my satisfaction with Christ's love for me, and that this satisfaction manifests in fruitful ways—both for me personally, and for the good of the community on the whole.

Learning from Christian History: The 5 “Solos”

(from: <http://www.christianity.com/church/church-history/the-five-solas-of-the-protestant-reformation.html>)

The Protestant Reformation of the 16th century changed Christianity forever. Roused to action by the corruption and abuses they saw in the Roman Catholic church of the time, visionary pastors and leaders like Martin Luther and John Calvin spearheaded a movement that transformed Christianity and eventually led to the emergence of the Protestant denominations that exist today.

The Reformers were guided by the conviction that the church of their day had drifted away from the essential, original teachings of Christianity, especially in regard to what it was teaching about salvation—how people can be forgiven of sin through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and receive eternal life with God. The Reformation sought to re-orient Christianity on the original message of Jesus and the early church.

The Five Solas are five Latin phrases (or slogans) that emerged during the Reformation to summarize the Reformers' theological convictions about the essentials of Christianity.

The Five Solas are:

1. **Sola Scriptura** (“Scripture alone”): The Bible alone is our highest authority.
2. **Sola Fide** (“faith alone”): We are saved through faith alone in Jesus Christ.
3. **Sola Gratia** (“grace alone”): We are saved by the grace of God alone.
4. **Solus Christus** (“Christ alone”): Jesus Christ alone is our Lord, Savior, and King.
5. **Soli Deo Gloria** (“to the glory of God alone”): We live for the glory of God alone.

From Pastor Corey- The 5 Solas are a basic way to understand Christian faith. Though most of us don't use Latin in everyday life, these five brief phrases describe the main heart of Christian faith in an easy to remember way. These 5 statements can be thought of as healthy “guard rails” of the faith. There is definitely more to our faith, but it exists within these “guard rails” and not outside of them. For example it is outside of the five solas to say that we are saved by works of our own doing, or by works and faith, for we believe in “sola fide”- by faith alone (Eph. 2:8-9) through the working of God's grace. Thanks be to God for restoration of these original truths of Christianity.

Ross Point Camps!

HEY CAMPERS! There's still time to sign up for camp! Also see the Ross Point Camp bulletin board by the church stairway for pictures and details.

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

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

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

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

Here's a little info about Ross Point from their website: 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!



Solitude: Discipline of the Month ~ Tina Laughary

Last month we focused on fellowship, allowing the strengths of others to encourage, strengthen and shape us. This month we tackle the equally important opposite:

Solitude. Solitude is a tricky matter. It is much more than simply being alone. It is quite possible to be completely alone and yet not experience solitude. Solitude is the discipline of setting aside physical and emotional space to spend only with God. We seek to clear away distractions that would keep us from the presence of God. These can be physical factors, but also mental factors. In a culture that emphasizes multi-tasking this can be a feat in deed. Our minds are used to absorbing and processing so much information it can be difficult to focus singularly on God.

The rewards of solitude far surpass the difficulties. To abide with God, spend time in His presence and listen to his voice are key characteristics of a life of spiritual growth. Jesus said that his sheep would know his voice. How can we if we never listen for it? How can we claim to

love someone with whom we never spend quality alone time. As important as corporate worship is, solitude with God is key to our maturity.

Building more solitude into your life may not be as difficult as you think. The first step is to look for natural times of solitude. Those first few minutes you wake up in your bed. Before anyone else in your family knows you are awake, God does and He is ready to talk if you are ready to listen. Commute time can be an excellent place for solitude. Turn off the radio and push aside the mental noise that would keep you from listening. My favorite time of solitude is when I go for a run. Out alone on a dirt road with the birds chirping and the sun shining is prime solitude time for me. In addition to taking advantage of natural times of solitude you may have to work at creating a time and place for solitude to happen. Perhaps it is a particular chair that you sit in to be alone with God. You may have to train your family to leave you alone when you are there. You may even have to block out time on your calendar for alone time with God. Your

time is valuable but God is worth it.

May God bless you as you endeavor to add more solitude to your life this month. Make a commitment, try something new. Don't be discouraged if it is awkward at first. Redirect your mind if it wanders and abide in your savior. You will be glad you did.

**Ross Point Camp
Donation Car Wash,
June 8th 11am-2pm,
American West Bank
Parking Lot**

CAMPERS with Scholarships: Please come and help raise money for camp this year by working at the carwash! The more money we raise, the more money for scholarships! (Young campers, please bring an adult to help). If you plan to receive a scholarship this year, PLEASE make this a priority!

Camp SUPPORTERS: Please bring your car(s) to us for a good washing and donate to our church's camp scholarship fund!

June Calendar

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Regular Sunday Schedule

9am Worship (childcare
available age 5 and
under)

10am- Fellowship Time

11am – Worship (Childcare
available)

5pm – All Church Potluck
and Questions of Faith

6pm – Worship with
communion, "Simple
Service" (Childcare
available)

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.pfc.palousechurch.org

Check us out on
Facebook!

June Sermons

- June 2, 2013 – "Death Reversal"- Luke 7:1-17
- June 9, 2013 – "Confirmation" - Luke 7:18-35
- June 16, 2013 – "Forgiveness" - Luke 7:36-50
- June 23, 2013 – "The Core Group" - Luke 8:1-3
- June 30, 2013 – "The Word of God + Parables" - Luke 8:4-15



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