

# Montesano Presbyterian Church Newsletter

Welcome Home

Family Church

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Worship Time

10:00am—11:00am



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## From the roll top desk of Pastor Patrick:

**“Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life; what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?”**

For ten long years I have been wearing ACU/OCP’s Army Combat Uniform/Operational Camouflage Pattern. The Army made life really easy when it came to dressing. They told you what to wear, when to wear it and how it was to be worn. I pretty much abandoned all fashion sense as well as the ability to mix and match clothing. All that money my mom spent on *Garanimals* (look that one up) was tossed to the wind. This was easy on my wardrobe expenses, however. I did not buy new pants or shirts for years. So, the problem I face now is what to wear to work as a civilian. I would like to wear professional attire, like slacks and a sport coat, maybe a tie every once in a while. But no one would appreciate it; I only see a few people during the week. So, I have resorted to a more casual attire, kaki’s and polo shirts. I am comfortable and at times complacent. Honestly, I have now found amazon-shopping a past time and want to buy pants and shirts that match so I look like I belong. My Fashionista has awoken! These thoughts make me feel ridiculous. I hear the Holy Spirit saying, “*Don’t worry about what you will wear. That is superficial Patrick!*”

Jesus would also remind me as Oswald Chambers did today how, “commonsense and trying to fit in are a hang up for the disciple.” (My Utmost for His Highest 6/23). Oswald calls that “unbelief.” Harsh! But true. If we are worrying about clothes, foods, trends and what the rest of the world is worried about, we are losing sight of Jesus. This is a good reminder of the reason for celebrating Pentecost. The Holy Spirit is the presence in our lives that reminds us we are “To be in the world but not of the world.” That worrying about provisions and cares is not allowing God to fulfill all his promised blessings in life. We are called to rest in his presence, find comfort in the struggles and finally give him the glory when we come through the trials on the other side. What is it then that, “chokes out the seed?” Is it the devil? Are they the crows? No, it is the cares of the world (Matthew 13:22).

Most of the world boldly declares, “*I will not trust what I cannot see, watch, test or put my fingers on.*” Or “*We won’t trust you if you don’t speak, think and act like we do. We won’t accept you, if you don’t read the same blogs or side with the same people we do.*” That, unfortunately, is where unbelief begins. The only cure is faith in Christ, prayer for the other person and a hope/desire to know and love each other as Christ loves us first. Then one will have an understanding not based on worldly knowledge. Dallas Willard nails it in his section titled, Word From A Different Reality: (summed)

*We all have received an invitation. We all have been invited into the heart of God. Its on public record. You can’t miss it. It has always been there before us.*

*The problem is overfamiliarity. Familiarity breeds the unfamiliar which leads to contempt. Many believe they have heard the invitation; many think they have accepted it or even rejected it. But they have not. They mistake it for graffiti or messages that are deep and profound, but this is the divine conspiracy (DW p 11).*

## From Pastor Cobb (continued)

Its Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup>, I just heard thunder for the first time in a long time. I was reminded that there is no magical formula, no flash of lighting or bombshell experience that brings most people to faith. It is a simple, and delicately heartfelt “yes” to faith and jumping off - into the arms of the one who loved us before we knew what love was all about. He was the man who died on a cross between two obscure thieves. He was the man who said, “forgive them for they know not what they do.” He is the man who knew no sin but became sin for our salvation. Once a person understands that, what you eat and what you wear are of no concern and you abandon those thoughts and ideas. All you want is Jesus and you can abandon everything else. Abandon this whole world as it tries to conform you to its bidding. Mirror Jesus and rest in His peace. See you Sunday at 10:00 AM at Montesano Presbyterian Church. We can’t wait to worship with you.

Patrick Cobb is the Pastor and can be reached at **360-249-3845**

## Mission Meals

Thank you again for all of you who signed up to help with the mission meals! We have only three spots left to fill for the year. **We need folks to deliver the meals to the Union Gospel Mission on September 21, October 19, and December 21.**

. If you can fill one of those spots, please call Diana Hill at (360) 249-5058 -- leave a message if I am not available to answer the phone -- Thank you!

**Deliver Meal and Devotion—Brian & Linda Taylor (360) 580-3908**

**Mission Schedule—June 15th**

**please have your part of the meal to the church by 2:30**

### MAIN DISH

JoAnne Cookston

(360) 249-3545

Marge Leggett

(360) 581-0244

Randi Toyra

(360) 249-5888

### SALAD & DRESSING

Linda Taylor

(360) 580-3908

Jan Morrill

(360) 581-2551

Peggy Gillespie

(360) 249-5601

### DESSERT

Kellie Dalan

(206) 276-7036

**Deliver Meal and Devotion— Pam Hildreth (360) 482-3514**

**Mission Schedule—July 20th**

**please have your part of the meal to the church by 2:30**

<b>MAIN DISH</b>	<b>SALAD &amp; DRESSING</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>
Sue Gurney 360-240-1488	Pat Willis 360-249-6005	Sandy Spearin 360-249-3749
Sandy Thomas 360-589-2243	Kindra Schoch 360-249-8186	
Lisa Bullington 360-580-3715	Bev Goble 360-589-2877	

**Deliver Meal and Devotion— Jim Dameron (360) 590-1285**

**Mission Schedule—August 17th**

**please have your part of the meal to the church by 2:30**

<b>MAIN DISH</b>	<b>SALAD &amp; DRESSING</b>	<b>DESSERT</b>
Sharon Scott 360-249-5257	Diana Hill 360-249-5058	Diana Hill 360-249-5058
Emily Meier 360-580-7292	Sandy Spearin 360-249-3749	
Peggy Gillespie 360-249-5601	Janell Wedekind 360-580-4122	

We are a praying church and we want to pray for your families and friends who are in need. Prayer chains tend to break down in the middle - our "chain" is actually a long list of prayer warriors who are notified by email when someone needs our prayers. If you'd like to be a prayer warrior, contact either Peggy Gillespie ([jpgil20@comcast.net](mailto:jpgil20@comcast.net)) or Edie Johnson ([ediejohnson77@gmail.com](mailto:ediejohnson77@gmail.com)). We will gladly add you to our lists. The outcome of our prayers is not up to us, but we can certainly let the Lord know that we care.

Romans 5:3-4 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope:

Have you heard “affliction is a treasure”? This sounds like a contradiction in terms, but it is really a reminder to “rejoice in our sufferings”. Can’t every affliction, or tribulation we endure be a treasure if we learn from it? Our sufferings—afflictions—make us more like Christ, who suffered for us. When we go through tribulations—sickness, rejection, loss—we have to make a choice. We can either wallow in self-pity and give ourselves over to misery, or we can find strength in our pain. We don’t go through hard times in vain. If we can keep our eyes on God, we will see Him through the pain. Some of the most valuable lessons are learned in the darkest times of our lives. When we rise from the ashes of our suffering, we learn to persevere. We learn to give hope to others. Our scars make us tougher and give us a powerful testimony. We become more valuable to the Kingdom. We become true warriors of God and our scars become badges of honor.

Father, I know that I will have to and have gone through suffering in my life. I know that I will have to endure unpleasantness and sometimes pain. I ask, Father, that in those times, you will remind me that You are with me. Give me strength in the midst of my suffering. Turn my afflictions past and future afflictions into treasures. In those times of suffering, teach me and remind me to persevere. I want to be a warrior for you, God. I want to be valuable to your kingdom. Amen  
Cynthia Crisp

## Worship Committee

**WELCOME TEAM:** Your welcoming faces are such an important part in drawing people to our Church; Thank you!

### Worship Leaders

June 6<sup>th</sup> - Garrett Dalan  
 June 13<sup>th</sup> - Pam Hildreth  
 June 20<sup>th</sup> - John Gillespie  
 June 27<sup>th</sup> - Peggy Gillespie  
 July 4<sup>th</sup> - Emily Meier  
 July 11<sup>th</sup> - Linda Taylor  
 July 18<sup>th</sup> - Melani Cobb  
 July 25<sup>th</sup> - Diana Hill  
 July 25<sup>th</sup> - Garrett Dalan

### Welcome Team (Greeters)

May 30<sup>th</sup> & June 6<sup>th</sup> - Schallon family  
 June 13 & 20<sup>th</sup> - Mel & Gale Broughton  
 June 27<sup>th</sup> & July 4<sup>th</sup> – Juanita Howell & Pam Hildreth  
 July 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> – Sue McCombs & Peggy Gillespie  
 July 25<sup>th</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup> – Lorna & Ron Claxton

# June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Men's Bible Study 7am	4 Women's Bible Study 11:30am	5
6 Pastor Urey will be in the pulpit	7	8 Deacon's Mtg 6pm	9	10 Men's Bible Study 7am Session Mtg 6pm	11 Women's Bible Study 11:30am	12
13 MHS graduation 2:00pm	14	15	16	17 Men's Bible Study 7am	18 Women's Bible Study 11:30am	19
20 Father's Day Strawberry Shortcake	21	22	23	24 Men's Bible Study 7am Last men's ministry for the summer	25 Women's Bible Study 11:30am Last women's ministry for the summer	26
27	28	29	30			

**June 1st to June 8th Patrick is on Vacation.**

**Breakfast is back for Men's Bible Study and Brown Bag lunch at 11:30 for Women's Bible Study. No Wednesday night Family night for the summer. The last one was May 19th. Last men's ministry is June 24th for the summer. Last women's ministry is June 25th for the summer.**

We are continuing our fund drive for some needed cleaning and repair of our Sanctuary roof. We have some funds remaining in our Building Fund, but we will need probably several thousand dollars more to do the job. If you are able to donate or pledge any help toward this project, please designate it in our offering basket, or talk to John Gillespie or Jim Dameron. Thanks, Properties Committee.

## Congregational Life

Hello from Congregational Life:

Fellowship Hour has started again! There is a sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary. Please talk with Juanita or Pam about serving while we are still under COVID restrictions. We look forward to seeing our church family after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Remember to use hand sanitizer before touching commonly used items. Please do not enter the kitchen without a mask. You must wash your hands immediately upon entrance to the kitchen.

We will continue to wear masks during worship to protect our church family. If you are fully vaccinated there is no need to social distance from other fully vaccinated church family members or members of your household.

## Fallout, Confusion Continue in Wake of CDC Mask Announcement

To some a walk-back, to others a clarification, CDC Director Rochelle Walensky, MD, said people need to be "honest with themselves" when it comes to wearing a mask after the agency's new guidance announced last week.

Walensky made a number of appearances on Sunday morning talk shows to defend the agency's new policy. On CNN's *State of the Union* show, for example, she said the honor system plays a role, so people who are protected through vaccination no longer have to wear a mask in most settings.

The easing of mask requirements only applies to people fully vaccinated. "For the unvaccinated, our policy has not changed," she said on ABC's *This Week*.

The new CDC guidance came as a surprise to many. It also continues to generate multiple questions -- particularly on social media -- about how the recommendations should play out in different settings and scenarios.

Other health care professionals and experts were [quick to weigh in](#) both for and against the new guidance.

To wear or not wear a mask remains a question, even among the fully vaccinated. ET Mitra, a gastrointestinal nurse in New York City, shared this concern on Twitter: "I saw too many COVID-19 horror stories and I still prefer to mask up around strangers. If I choose to wear my mask indoors are people going to think I'm anti-vax?"

The Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) responded Monday. The society supports the agency's actions but added, "The CDC recommendations should not send the message that the pandemic is over. Less than half of the U.S. population is fully immunized," society President Barbara D. Alexander, MD, and Rajesh T. Gandhi, MD, chairperson of the [HIV](#) Medicine Association, wrote in a joint statement.

There are exceptions to the [new guidance](#). Masks continue to be recommended in schools for now, as most school-age children are not yet vaccinated against COVID-19, Walensky said. People also should continue to wear masks on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation.

## Something Fun - Hebrews 10

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### “Sacrifice and Offering”

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