

The G.R.O.W.

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January 8-14, 2021

Sunday's Sermon: When Jesus Says "Come!" — Matthew 14:22-36

A NOTE FROM PASTOR RON

The Elders have determined that the most efficient use of people resources would be best served by shifting the focus of a couple of our staff members. Effective immediately, Pastor Brian's title will revert back to Pastor of Worship. The operations portion that Pastor Brian has been overseeing will be moved to Rick Geist. Rick's title is now Campus and Facilities Manager. Requests for rooms and maintenance should be submitted to the front office by email, phone, or in person. Rick will manage the campus and facilities and report to me as the Lead Pastor.

The Elders wish to express their sincere appreciation to Pastor Brian for the outstanding work he has done as Pastor of Operations. He is a natural with big projects and is responsible for more excellent upgrades and positive changes to our facilities than I can list. The Elders want Pastor Brian to be freed to focus on ministering to people and to be able to find the time margins needed as he embarks on a Doctor of Ministry program through Talbot Seminary.

Our confidence in Rick Geist's abilities to manage the facilities is proven through many years of faithful and effective service! Rick and I will be working closely to manage the facilities. Again, please submit requests to the front office and we will address them as rapidly as possible. If you have questions about these changes, please contact me.

WOMEN OF THE WORD (W.O.W.)

Women of the Word (WOW) Bible Studies begin on Wednesday, January 13 from 9:30-11:30 AM. All **NEW** Classes to start out a **NEW** year! Three classes are on campus with a Zoom option and one is Zoom only. Children's Program (infants-PreK) and Tutoring Program (K-4th) are available on-campus during class time. Registration is **required** for Bible Study, Children's Program, and Tutoring Program. *Registration for the Children's Program and Tutoring Program closes on Sunday, January 10 at 11:59 PM.* [CLICK HERE](#) to get all the information and registration links. Need more info or help with registrations? Contact Gina Riffel at 360.679.9149.

MEN'S COURAGEOUS EVENT

MoMENTum (men's ministry) will be streaming the 2021 "Courageous" conference presented by No Regrets ministry on Saturday, February 6. There are three options to view: 1) attend in person at F.B.C. starting at 8:30 AM; 2) host a small group viewing in a private home; or 3) view the conference individually. More details for option 2 & 3 can be obtained by contacting Wayne Abbott.

Cost—\$10 by donation.

Sign-ups are available online at oakharborfamilybible.org/men or [CLICK HERE](#).

For further information about the Courageous 2021 conference and speakers, visit the No Regrets ministry website at menwithnoregrets.org.

For more information about the conference, please contact Wayne Abbott at 360.929.0333 or abbottwl53@gmail.com.

2020 GIVING STATEMENTS

All 2020 giving statements will be sent electronically from Pushpay on Tuesday, January 19 (if we have your email address on file). If you would also like a copy of your 2020 giving statement mailed, [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out a form. You can also call or [email](#) the church office to request a mailed statement.

GLOBAL PARTNERS CORNER

In this article we wanted to honor a couple who were an integral part of our church family for many years. Bob & Elsie Palmer passed last month at Regency in Oak Harbor 4 days apart, reminiscent of the movie "The Notebook". After Bob retired as an executive with IBM in the Portland area, they moved up here in the early 90's to a waterfront home on the east side of North Whidbey. Bob served on the Elder Board and both were faithful attendees of the Berean Adult Education Class, plus big supporters of the Missions Program here with Bob going on a short term mission to Liberia, West Africa in 2009. Though members here at F.B.C. since 1992, they had both been at Regency the last 3 ½ years so we have asked some people that knew them well to share some thoughts & memories about the Palmers with us. [CLICK HERE](#) to read these thoughts & memories.

JANUARY 10 SUNDAY MORNING SIGN-UPS

[CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for Sunday services.

Worship Services: 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

8:30 AM—Youth Sunday School (7th-12th grade)

10:00 AM—Kids Church (ages 18 months-6th grade)

Sign-ups close on Saturday (1/9) at 12 PM (noon).

Please note: Sign-ups are now closing earlier!

LIVE STREAM

We are now offering a live stream on Sunday mornings at 8:30 AM. Find us live on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#) (search for Family Bible Church Oak Harbor, WA). Please like our Facebook page & subscribe to our YouTube channel!

SAP IS BACK!

SAP (Student Assistance Program) IS BACK! 5th-12th graders...join us on Wednesdays at 8 AM to get up to 3 hours of time to get any homework, advisory classes, and/or online instruction completed. Lunch will still be provided for any of you that want to take advantage of free food prepared by the school district. Pick-up is promptly at 12 PM (noon). [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up! Please direct any questions to Pastor Dan Potter at danjpotter@hotmail.com.

BODY, SOUL, & SPIRIT: A 15-WEEK RECONNECTION PRACTICE

Beginning Sunday, January 10 at 11:30 AM (via Zoom meeting), Tribe will begin an exploration of 15 spiritual various sources, especially Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. We'll be taking a long look inward, extending ourselves outward, and reaching upward in these weeks of guided exercises and media aimed at deepening our spiritual walks, bringing us closer to the heart of God, and learning new ways to be Jesus' hands and feet in a weary and hurting world. Tribe is a small group-style Sunday school class that meets Sundays at 11:30 AM via Zoom chat and is committed to creating community, asking hard questions, and understanding that we won't always walk away with easy answers. Interested in joining us? Call, text, or email Christopher Bozeman at 719-209-2356 or christopher@cbozeman.com. Facebook access is highly encouraged.

PCC IS HIRING!

In the coming new year, Pregnancy Care Clinic's current Executive Director will be following the Lord's leading into a new season and stepping down from her position at PCC. With this, they are seeking a new full-time Executive Director to provide leadership, direction, and vision for the continued growth of the PCC ministry.

A full job description and application request form can be found at <https://islandspcc.org/jobs> or applications may be picked up at the PCC office located at 670 SE Midway Blvd, Oak Harbor.

Our Mission—Make Disciples

HOW TO BEGIN A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

- Admit you have not met God's standard of perfection. Romans 3:23
- Believe Jesus Christ is God as he claimed to be. Romans 10:9-10
- Ask God to forgive your sin on the basis of Jesus Christ's death payment. Romans 4:25
- Accept God's love for you and His offer of eternal life. John 3:16

We invite you to contact a Pastor or Elder to help you begin a relationship with Jesus Christ.

MINISTRY STAFF

Pastor Ron Lawler	Preaching & Teaching	206.240.0740
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Sept. 1, 2020—Present

Budget: \$267,482

Giving: \$298,710

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM



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