
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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Friends in Christ,

I am grateful for your prayers and well wishes last week during my recovery. I was back up and running just in time to enjoy the beautiful weather. Now for the April showers that bring May flowers!

As I write this, our Minister of Visitation - the Reverend Joanne Myer - is wrapping up a week of intensive training in St. Louis, MO. She is being certified to train and supervise Stephen Ministers. We are so proud of her and so excited for our church! Please keep Joanne and Andy in your prayers as they make their way home.

Our Associate Pastor - the Reverend Robin Bird - has flown south for some well deserved R&R in the Florida sun. We sure miss her when she is away, but help me pray for unrushed hours of love and laughter with family and friends.

That leaves you with me this week! I'll share the words that God has whispered to me so many times, in both good times and bad. You'll find them in the Gospel of Matthew - the words of Christ that teach us how to have more peace, power and joy in our lives. You can read them here:

<http://bible.oremus.org/?qI=296280282>

I want to leave you with this "short list" to contemplate, written by Episcopal Bishop Steven Charleston:

"Another short list: Give your heart to God, your money to the poor, your loyalty to your friends, your wisdom to the young, your respect to the elders, your love to your family, your compassion to all living things, your humor to anyone and everyone, your hard work to your vocation, your care to the Earth, your passion to your art, your dedication to peace, your curiosity to the next discovery, your patience to those who need it, your forgiveness to those who have wronged you, your truth to your community, your vision to other seekers, your witness to justice, your blessing to as many as you can, your spirit into the hands that first gave it to you."

With you on the journey,
Meg



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