
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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Tender greetings to you, Beloved.

With the murderous rampage in San Bernardino, CA on Wednesday at a center for the disabled during a holiday party among social services employees (don't you have to catch your breath to even take that in??), it, as the Hartford Courant put it, *plunged a nation already on edge about terrorism and mass shootings*. Candle of **Hope**, where art Thou? We see, we know, we trust, *even still*, that your light is burning in the darkened night. Hope, be with the families and friends of those whose lives were taken. Hope, *be with us*. Emmanuel - *God with us*.

With terrorist bombings, and mass shootings, what if we all just stopped and took a breath. Sit in the silence. Usher in the Peace that the Christ child gives; choose peace over chaos; encourage a *let peace begin with me* attitude - and then send it out into our world. Let's stop and be still.

On Sunday, we'll have the return of John the Baptist, who bids us to Prepare the Way for the Lord. Sunday's message will focus on how *do* we prepare the way for Peace. One thing we'll do is to light the Candle of PEACE on our **Advent** wreath. 😊

The scripture is: John 3:1-6. <http://bible.oremus.org/?passage=luke+3:1-6>

Hope, Peace, Love, Joy.

See you in church! 🏠❤️

Rev. Suz, Interim Senior Pastor

Coming Up...

Christmas Tea Luncheon - Saturday, December 5, 11 am-2 pm, sponsored by Women's Fellowship. Space is limited, please sign up on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board.

Pairs and Spares - Saturday, December 5, 10 am at church to carpool to the Festival of Trees at Wadsworth Athenaeum. Cost \$13; for members of Wadsworth, \$3. Please contact Kate Fowler if you plan to attend.

Family Night Out - Saturday, December 5, 5-9 pm at church. Kids hang with kids, with J*Walkrz and several adults as chaperones, while parents have a night to themselves. (Cost?? This is a fundraiser for J*Walkrz!). Please sign up on J*Walkrz bulletin board.



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