

Faith, Hope and Love, and the Greatest of These is Love

A Mini-Newsletter From Your Family at Oakhurst United Methodist Church



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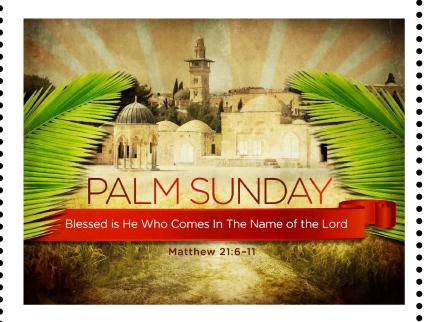
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Hello to our Friends and Family,

It is the week of Palm Sunday. What better way to celebrate than to read the words in Matthew of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem:



The two disciples did as Jesus commanded. They brought the donkey and the colt to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it.

Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of him, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. Jesus was in the center of the procession, and the people all around him were shouting,

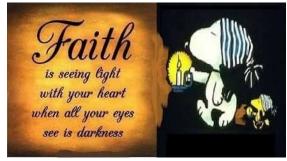
"Praise God for the Son of David!
Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Praise God in highest heaven!"

The entire city of Jerusalem was in an uproar as he entered. "Who is this?" they asked. And the crowds replied, "It's Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

As we move toward the end of this Lenten season, may you find peace and happiness in your faith in our Lord.
In His Joy,

Your Pastors and Staff



Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase.

Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward is to see what you helieve.

Saint Augustine

Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies.

Mother Teresa

There is nothing that wastes the body like worry, and one who has any faith in God should be ashamed to worry about anything whatsoever.

Mahatma Gandhi

Faith: A strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof.

Oxford Dictionary

Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong.

1 Corinthians 16:13

There are many definitions of faith. It all boils down to **Believe** with all your heart, mind and soul. Trust in Him to have control over all things.

AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT



In the Words of Andy Rooney:

I've learned....That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

I've learned....That when you're in love, it shows.

I've learned....That just one person saying to me, "You've made my day!" makes my day.

I've learned.... That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

I've learned....That being kind is more important than being right.

I've learned....That you should never say no to a gift from a child.

I've learned....That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in some other way.

I've learned....That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

I've learned....That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

I've learned....That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

I've learned....That life is like a roll of toilet paper.
The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

I've learned....That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

I've learned....That money doesn't buy class.

I've learned....That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

I've learned....That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved

I've learned....That the Lord didn't do it all in one day.
What makes me think I can?

I've learned....That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.

I've learned.... That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.

I've learned....That love, not time, heals all wounds.

I've learned....That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.

I've learned....That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.

I've learned....That there's nothing sweeter than sleeping with your babies and feeling their breath on your cheeks.

I've learned....That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.

I've learned....That life is tough, but I'm tougher.

I've learned....That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.

I've learned....That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.

I've learned....That I wish I could have told my Dad that I love him one more time before he passed away.

I've learned....That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.

I've learned....That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

I've learned....That I can't choose how I feel, but I can choose what I do about it.

I've learned....That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, that you're hooked for life.

I've learned....That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.

I've learned.... That it is best to give advice in only two circumstances; when it is requested and when it is a life threatening situation.

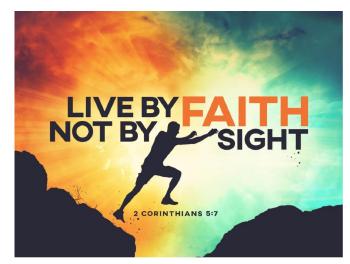
I've learned....That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.



Prayer at Night

Dear God,

As I lay down to sleep, relax the tension of my body, calm the restlessness of my mind, still the thoughts which worry me. Help me to rest myself and all my problems in your strong arms. Let your spirit speak to my mind and heart as I sleep. Grant me sleep tonight, tomorrow and power to live in Jesus Holy name, Amen.



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