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Greetings,

I hope you find this
devotional helpful
in your daily jour-
ney.

Blessings, Pastor
Dan

Reflection: Transitions

Greetings:

This past Sunday, we celebrated the Transfiguration. It is a transition, followed by Lent. Jesus goes up a mountain with three of his disciples, where they experience an amazing vision: Elijah, Moses and Jesus, who is transfigured, appear together. A voice from heaven proclaims that Jesus is His son and that they (the disciples) should listen to him. On the way down Jesus instructs them not to tell anyone until later. So what is this all about? The reader and the disciples cannot be certain, until more of the story is revealed. We live in a culture that thrives on things happening instantly: information, communication, finances, etc. Yet life is often not like that. We

end up waiting at traffic lights, in stores, or for the next doctor's appointment. How we are during our journey is important as we face the unknown. What the disciples experienced should be a real boon to their faith. Will they draw from that experience as they journey with Jesus toward Jerusalem? Or will it be forgotten? Similarly, we have been given two thousand years of witnesses to the life of Christ, as well as our own experience. Will we live our lives differently each day because of it? Lent is an opportunity to have His coming take more purchase in our lives. I would recommend that you make good use of the season. So that, no matter what you face, you can have confidence that God is with you in the midst of it.

Blessings, Pastor Dan

Upcoming Dates

Monday: Bounty Food Bank: 9 am to Noon, Volunteers welcome.

Friday: *Bounty Food Bank* needs Volunteers every Friday for food pickup and storage help. Call 253-335-7860.

Next Sunday: Worship Service 11:00

March 6th: Soup and Service @ Fircrest UMC

March 9: Foodbank open from 1-3 p.m.

Administrative Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

March 10: Congregation meeting with the D.S.

Soup and Ashes

Tonight join us at Fircrest UMC, 1018 Columbia Ave also known as (19th) this Wednesday for Soup and Ashes. Soup at 6:00 and service at 6:45 – all are welcome.

Bounty Food Bank Item of The Week: Tuna

This week, consider adding this item to your food bank donation. Also – We are always needing plastic bags – So, if you shop where they still give out plastic bags, the food bank would love to take them off your hands.

Please keep in your prayers...

Judy Egan & her family

Mary Egeland

Danielle - and family

Liz Best

Bill & Gail Rocheleau and her brother Donald passed away.

James & Jenifer Angus

Rev. Barbara Brown

Elaine & Jerry Ramsey

Anderson-Gammel family

Please keep our U. Methodist church in your prayers as we reflect on what occurred at the Conference in St. Louis.