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Greetings,

I hope you find this devotional helpful in your daily journey.

Blessings, Pastor Dan

## Reflection: Pentecost

Greetings:

This past week we celebrated Pentecost! WOW! On this birthday of the Church, we rejoiced in the Spirit of God infusing a new Spirit into God's people. In contrast to this, we also heard the story of the tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9). In this story, the community loses the ability to communicate with other communities. Their arrogance leads them to believe that they do not need God, but can go it alone in making themselves god-like. This behavior is depicted repeatedly throughout the Old Testament as the effects of the disconnect with God is revealed in broken relationships (sin) seen in the communities. However, in the expression found in the gathering at Jerusalem as a divergent group of people come together, heaven breaks in, God unites them, and those who were misunderstood and feeling alienated are now

sown with the seeds of transformation. Clearly, this is needed in our world today, both in our churches and in our varied nations. So let's us pray together, *come Holy Spirit*, bring life to our homes, our churches and our world.

Blessings, Pastor Dan

Peace, Pastor Dan

P.S. Thank you for keeping Jeremy and myself in your prayers as we spent time at Annual Conference last weekend.

# Upcoming Dates

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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 - Father's Day - bring in some item that reminds you (hopefully something good) that reminds you of your Dad.

## Monthly

1st Saturday: Bethany Garden Club - 11:30 a.m.

2nd Thursday: Finance/Trustees - 6 p.m./7 p.m.

2nd Saturday: Food Bank Board Meeting - 10:30 a.m.

Food Bank Open - 1:00 p.m. ~ 3:00p.m.

*Pastor Dan's last Sunday with us at Bethany - June 30*  
*All church/community picnic - July 28th*

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## **Bounty Food Bank: Pasta**

Consider adding an 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.

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Please keep in your prayers...

Elaine & Jerry Ramsey

Liz Best

Bill & Gayle Rocheleau

Mary Egeland

Marjorie Leppard & Bob

Rev. Barbara Brown

Danielle - and family

Anderson-Gammel family

Judy Egan & her family

Tonya Dean

James & Jenifer Angus

Laura Tippie

Again, please continue to keep our United Methodist church in your prayers.