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From Pastor Bruce

The 23rd Psalm

I have easily read the 23rd Psalm in worship more than any other Scripture passage. My Grandmother, an English teacher told me to always read Psalm 23 from the King James Version. I told her that since King James' time in 1611 we have made a lot of progress in our translation of the old Hebrew. Plus, I reminded her we don't talk that way anymore. She said she didn't care about the layers of meaning. When she heard it, said, "I want to feel something!" Not many years later I read the Psalm at her funeral, from the King James version. And she was right, I definitely felt something!

Psalm 23 King James Version (KJV)

23 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Psalm 23 is about a relationship. It's about having enough and knowing God's love is enough. When we are in times of stress or anxiety, we often go back to the old words, the familiar phrases, the powerful promises. The Psalmist's opening words reminding us that we already have it all ... because of the One who has us all. The valley of the shadow of death is real. Fear is ever-present - sometimes along the fringes, other times it attacks head on. There are times when the valley seems far too deep and the mountain climb way too steep. But I needn't fear because I am not alone - relationship. A relationship more powerful than any pandemic and more forceful than any fear. God makes, leads, restores, prepares and anoints. That's MORE than enough. Looking at our cups show God's abundance - they "runneth over."

A Message from the Deacons

At Thanksgiving the Deacons would like to give out extra gift cards to the people in our congregation who are in need. If you would like to help, you can get gift cards from Stop and Shop, Clements, Walmart, Market Basket, or Aldi, and either give them to a Deacon, or put them in the Offering plate, and we will make sure they get to the people who need them. We will need them by Sunday November 17th. Thank you!



The Food Pantry is open!
Mondays 10am-12pm



From your Life Deacon, Deborah LaBreck

Let God's promises shine on your problems.

Gift of



If you want to honor or memorialize someone and aren't sure what to do, why not consider a Gift of Love. A Gift of Love is a donation made in someone's name, to the church. A letter is sent to the giver (these gifts are tax deductible) and an acknowledgement is sent to the honoree (or the family in the case of a memorial). If you are interested, please pick up a form in the narthex or contact the office.



We continue to have church in person and virtually on Sunday's at 10am. Come on in! Or check us out on Facebook via Second Church Virtual Services! If you have been watching, see you on Sunday! You can also watch the services on PACTV. Thursday at 8am and Sunday at 6pm. (Comcast channel 13 or Verizon channel 43)



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Birthdays

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office.

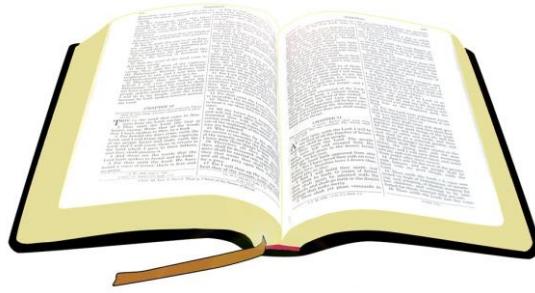
November 15 - Susan Montanari
November 21 - Richard Roquemore
November 22 - Scott Johnson
November 23 - Owen Luke
November 25 - Jim English
November 28 - Deb Richters
December 2 - Joshua Johnson
December 7 - Roy Zahreciyan

*Happy
Anniversary*

November 7 - David & Kristen Walsh

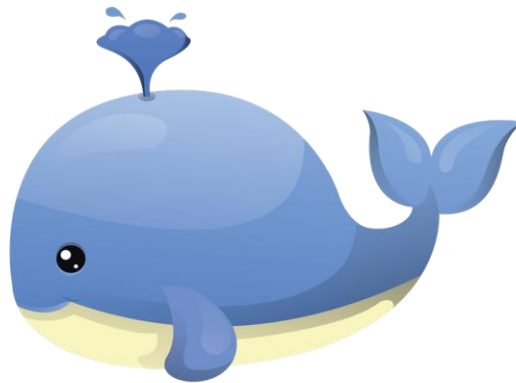
Did you know - or ever think about?

Submitted by Ruthanne Gellar



There are five *Greek* words for "love". One of them is *Diakonia*. Did you know this means "loving to service anyone in need" or "serving tables" or "distribution of financial resources"?

Thank you Pastor Bruce



Did you know that the bowhead whale is the animal with the longest lifespan?



Of all the colors in M&M's, did you know that the color least used is brown?



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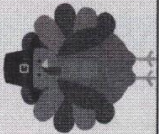
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 3 Second Church's 286th Birthday! 10am Church Service 7pm AA	4 10am Food Pantry	5 6pm Band Practice 7pm AA	6 10am Bible Study 6pm TOPS 7pm AA	7 7pm AA	1 7pm AA	2 9am AA
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24 10am Church Service 7pm AA	25 10am Food Pantry	26 6pm Band Practice 7pm AA	27 6pm TOPS 7pm AA	28  7pm AA	29 7pm AA	30 9am AA