



Resurrection Review

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, July 31

8:00 am Worship

10:00 am Worship

Tuesday, August 2

11:00 am Fiber Arts

Friday, August 5

OFFICE CLOSED

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am Worship

10:00 am Worship

Tuesday, August 9

11:00 am Fiber Arts

Friday, August 12

OFFICE CLOSED

Office hours: Mon 12-3pm, Tues, Wed, Fri 9am-12pm, Thur 10-1pm

Dear Friends,

This is what binds all people and all creation together – the gratuity of the gift of being. – Matthew Fox

This coming Sunday we will hear yet another speech. This one is from the rich guy who was not content with the barns he had, but tore them down so as to build bigger ones. What the protagonist of this story wasn't counting on was *that very night* was to be his last. What then of his big plans, his internal worry wart, and what was (perhaps) his never-ending dissatisfaction with what was before him?

Let's just put away the idea that this is a treatise against capitalism, or for that matter, a great lead in for a stewardship sermon. (Stewardship in July? Not a bad idea, but this parable presses even closer to home).

Notice that the guy is only talking to himself? Where is his family, his friends, even his business buddies? Evidently, nowhere in sight. This guy is all wrapped up in his own internal narcissistic dialogue of unending dissatisfaction.

It reminds me of this meditation written by a middle aged woman in the little book "**Attitudes of Gratitude**" (Conroy Press, 1999)." She says this: "If worrying were a paying job, I would be a rich woman. Somehow during my childhood, I got the idea that worrying could actually stave off future disaster, and as I entered adulthood, I became convinced that if I were to stop worrying, took my eye off the ball, as it were, that something dreadful would happen. If I worried enough about being poor, I wouldn't be. If I worried enough about my partner's safety, nothing would happen to him. If I worried enough about my stepson's health, he wouldn't get sick. There was no room in my heart for happiness because worry took up all the space. (Indeed, I was convinced that if I were too happy, it would somehow hex the situation. If I got too happy about love, for example, I wouldn't worry sufficiently and therefore it would be taken from me.)

In my forties, I have been working on letting go of my compulsive worrying, and I have been amazed at how swiftly a sense of gratefulness banishes the worry- warts. And I've tried many other things – asking myself what is the worst thing that could happen and imagining going through that to a whole new place; noticing without judgment my worry; indulging in it, pushing it away. None of these has been as effective as tapping into a sense of appreciation *in this moment* for what I do have.

*Eleventh Sunday
after Pentecost*

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She ends her reflection this way: "What Andre' Dubus points out, "It is not hard to live through a day if you can live through a moment. What creates despair is the imagination, which pretends there is a future and insists on predicting millions of moments, thousands of days, and so drains you that you cannot live the moment at hand. Gratitude brings you back to the present moment, to all that is working perfectly right now. Tomorrow may bring difficulties, but for right now, things are pretty good. Gratefulness also eliminates worry because it reminds us of the abundance of our universe. Yes, something bad might happen, but given all that you have received so far, chances are you will continue to be supported on your journey through life, even in ways you would never have guessed or chosen for yourself (22, 23).

We come together every Sunday bound by gratitude for the abundantly generous God who brings us together. See you then! ~Rev. Linda

A special THANK YOU to Ann Waltman and Cathy Durham who have dedicated their Wednesday mornings, for the last 10 ++ years, to folding and mailing out the Resurrection Review each week. Your work and dedication behind the scenes has been invaluable and truly appreciated. May you find something new to fill your time on Wednesday morning which bring you peace and no paper cuts.



Office Help Needed

The office is looking for some people to volunteer their time in the office while Jill is on vacation in August.

Volunteers can choose the date(s) they would like to work and the amount of time they would like to be in the office. Duties will be limited to answering the phone or helping people who come to the office (rare). Dates: August 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 24, 25, 29



During the month of August, the office will be closed on Fridays.



Books for Belize



Because you are so generous with your books and your gifts, the Books for Belize project earned a whopping \$172.25 at the garage sale. Thank you for helping to fight illiteracy and hunger among the children of St. Matthew's Anglican School in Pomona, Belize. The money we send them makes a profound difference in their lives. You are a blessing to them!

Help Wanted

Junior Warden needs helpers for mowing the church grounds and cleaning the church. Both are great ministries and do not take much time. Contact Dave 251-0085



Moving Help Needed

On August 3rd Richard and Deborah Chan are moving from an apartment into their new home. They are looking for volunteers to help them with this process. The Chan's expect this process to take about 3 hours and plan to feed all volunteers. If you can help please email Richard at richard.chan.spokane@icloud.com or give him a call at 847-8388. Thank you for your consideration.

FREE Summer Meals for all children

Summer Meals are offered at no cost to all children and teens age 18 and younger

- No registration required
- Do **not** need to be a student of the West Valley School District to participate
- Adult meals are available for purchase

Summer Meals will be served at:

West Valley High School

8301 E Buckeye
 Monday – Thursday
June 20th – August 25th
 Breakfast 8:30 -10:30 am
 Lunch 11:30-1:00 pm

Centennial Middle School

915 N Ella
 Monday – Thursday
June 20th – August 25th
 Breakfast 8:30 -10:30 am
 Lunch 11:30-1:00 pm

Ness Elementary School

9612 E Cataldo
 Monday – Thursday
June 20th – August 25th
 Breakfast 8:30 -10:30 am
 Lunch 11:30-1:00 pm

For questions or more information please call:

West Valley School District #363 Nutrition Services at [\(509\) 232-6092](tel:5092326092) or visit the Nutrition Services web page at wvsd.org



Assisting with Worship July 31

SubDeacon:

8am:
 10am: Linda Bordwell

LEM: 8am: Pat Munts
 10am: Carol Allen

Lectors:

8am: Cathy Durheim
 10am:

Acolytes: Lenore Hartwig,
 Grace Salsbury

Ushers: Bob Little
 Carol Little

Altar Guild: Lucia Hubbard
 Sharon Morrison

Counters: Tim Lape
 Dave & Ann Newton

Cleaners Schedule

Aug 1 –Aug 15

A Martha Sherwin
 Scott Oakshott

B Roger Barenz
 Dave Newton

Aug 16 –Aug 31

A Catherine Yajko
 Kelly Heck

B Jeremy Armstrong
 Dave Newton



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Sr. Warden Martha Sherwin

Jr. Warden Dave Newton

Finance Chuck Schmitz

New Members Merry Young

Worship Pat Munts

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Youth Minister Maura Buzby

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Lessons for July 31

FIRST LESSON: (Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23) The Teacher reflects on the useless character of life and the fact that the fruit of all our labors will be inherited by others.

PSALM: (Psalm 49:1-11) The psalmist speaks words of wisdom: wise and foolish, rich and poor alike, all will die. We cannot pay the price for our lives.

SECOND LESSON: (Colossians 3:1-11) Paul greets the Christians at Colossae, offers thanks for their faith, and prays for their further strengthening.

GOSPEL: (Luke 12:13-21) Jesus warns against greed and tells the story of a man who was rich only in material possessions.



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