



Resurrection Review

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 3

Blessing of the Backpacks

8:00 am Worship

10:00 am Worship

Tuesday, September 5

11:00 am Fiber Arts

Wednesday, September 6

School Begins

Sunday, September 10

Grandparents Day

8:00 am Worship

10:00 am Worship

Tuesday, September 12

11:00 am Fiber Arts

Sunday, September 17

Welcome Back Sunday

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

Dear Friends,

The twin tragedies of Hurricane Harvey and my mother's recent stroke have me pondering life's natural limitations; its twists and turns, and the ironic but inescapable mystery of resurrection, even in the midst of death. This morning I opened my prayer time with this meditation from Henri Nouwen that juxtaposes the task of dying well with the ongoing lifework of gratitude:

When we think about death, we often think about what will happen to us after we have died. But it is more important to think about what will happen to those we leave behind. The way we die has a deep and lasting effect on those who stay alive. It will be easier for our family and friends to remember us with joy and peace if we have said a grateful good-bye than if we die with bitter and disillusioned hearts.

The greatest gift we can offer our families and friends is the gift of gratitude. Gratitude sets them free to continue their lives without bitterness or self-recrimination.

The anonymous author of the letter to the Hebrews puts it this way: "Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful (Heb. 12:28).

So if gratitude lies at the heart of even the most difficult of transitions, then let me mention my own gratitude for the huge display of courage and strength so many of you have witnessed to me over these past five years, each in your own way as you faced your own hard days. Your witness makes a difference, especially to a hurting world.

Please do keep our dear friend and part-time pianist Mike Smith in your prayers. His own mother, who has been ill for some time now, passed away this week. We wish him and his family much peace and the assurance of God's love and care (as well as our own) in the days ahead.

Blessings,
Rev. Linda

PS. In the meantime, don't forget your backpacks and/or heavy satchels for a special blessing this coming Sunday. And you might as well be gathering some of those wonderful grandchildren/greatgrandchildren pictures for Sept. 10. Better yet, invite them for a special blessing that day!

*Thirteenth Sunday
after Pentecost*

Blessing of the Backpacks



This Sunday is our "Blessing of the Backpacks" service. If you are a student, bring your backpack. If you are an educator bring your briefcase, or whatever else you use to transport your important supplies and lessons. Let's start this school year off right.

Jr. Warden's Corner

Do you have questions about the new zoning signs on 8th? The changes we are working on with the daycare must be publically announced to the neighbors before we can proceed.

This is simply a formality to inform neighbors of the changes we are making and does not mean our changes will be prevented.

Any questions anyone has call me 509-251-0085 or email me d-a-newton@comcast.net.



Grandparents' Sunday

On Sunday, September 10th we will celebrate those magnificent people in our lives who fed us cookies for breakfast and who thought we could do no wrong. Please remember to bring your pictures of our grandparents, grandchildren, or even someone who cared about you as if they were your grandparent to share your special memories.



Daughter of the King

It is my honor to serve as President of The Daughters of the King this year. We are dedicated to service for our church, prayer and study. We open every meeting with this Motto and prayer:

For His Sake.....

I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything, but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what will you have me do?

If you are interested in joining us please see me at church (I'm a 10 o'clocker) or call me at 443-5273.

For His Sake---Arlene Lee



A special thank you to everyone who donated to our Back to School Drive. The school was in awe of your generosity and said these will greatly help the students who are in need of supplies.

Flower Vases

Just a friendly reminder from the Daughters of the King. If you have received flowers from the church, please remember to bring the vases back to church so they can be reused. Thank you for your help with this.



Looking Forward to Apple Cider

The apples in our orchard look like it will be a bumper crop. Last year we made gallons and gallons of apple cider using the Hartwig's cider press. But, we will need gallon jugs!! Please clean your plastic jugs thoroughly and save them for use this autumn. Then join in on the fun of pressing the apples and enjoy the delicious juice.

Food Bank

Did you know that people who have Food Stamps can't buy the items listed below with that money?



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| Hand soap | Laundry soap | Dish soap, |
| Clorox Bleach | Body Soap | Sanitary pads, |
| Handi wipes | Tooth Brushes | Cleaning supplies |

Please consider donating one or more of these items to the food bank, as your budget allows.

Hurricane Harvey: Ways to Help

American Red Cross. Call 1.800.RED CROSS or text HARVEY to 90999 to make a \$10 donation for those in need.



Donors Choose For schools affected
<https://www.donorschoose.org/hurricane-harvey>

Salvation Army. To make a financial donation, visit www.helpsalvationarmy.org, call 1.800.SAL ARMY, or text STORM to 51555.

Save the Children opened a child-friendly space in San Antonio and will open additional spaces in the coming days; these are safe, well-supervised areas within shelters where children can play, socialize and begin to recover from the disaster. Text Hurricane to 20222 to donate \$25 to the Hurricane Harvey Children's Relief Fund.

The **SPCA of Texas** has also put out a call for *foster homes* to help care for the animals already in shelters and those coming from the Gulf Coast. The organization is also [accepting financial donations](#) and in-kind donations, including cat litter, litter boxes, towels, blankets, large wire crates, toys, treats, pet beds, newspaper and gas gift cards.

For more options check out our website resurrectionspokane.org or Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/ResurrectionSpokane>

Assisting with Worship September 3

- SubDeacon:**
8am:
10am: Linda Bordwell
- LEM:**
8am: Scott Oakshott
10am: Carol Allen
- Lectors:**
8am: Cathy Durheim
10am: Deborah Chan
- Acolytes:** Brooke & Tristan
Geoffrey-Bowler
- Altar Guild:** Arlene Lee
Meloni Armstrong
- Ushers:** Nils Wagenhals
Pam Wagenhals
- Counters:** Dave Newton
Tim Lape

Assisting with Worship September 10

- SubDeacon:**
8am:
10am: John Richardson
- LEM:**
8am: Pat Munts
10am: Jeremy Armstrong
- Lectors:**
8am: Cleo Clizer
10am: Marie Mitchell
- Acolytes:** Collin Armstrong
Darren Mitchell
- Altar Guild:** Sharon Morrison
Cheryl Albaugh
- Ushers:** Dave Newton
Tom Sernka
- Counters:** Ralph Schmidt
John Young

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Lessons for September 3

FIRST LESSON: (Exodus 3:1-15) Moses is encountered by the Lord in the burning bush. He is called to his mission to lead the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt, and he asks to know the name of this God of his forefathers.

PSALM: (Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c) The Psalmist magnifies the singular grace of God displayed in selecting and freely adopting one people from amongst all nations of the world. To show that it was not in word only that he had made a covenant with Abraham and his offspring

SECOND LESSON: (Romans 12:9-21) Paul exhorts the disciples in Rome to live lives full of Christian dedication and virtue, overcoming evil with good.

GOSPEL: (Matthew 16:21-28) Jesus teaches Peter and the other disciples that the way of his ministry and theirs is the way of the cross.



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