



Tradewinds

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Saturday - 5:00pm – Informal Service with Holy Communion
Sunday - 8:00am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion
Sunday School for all ages at 9:15am
Sunday – 10:45am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion
Children's Sermon & Nursery provided at 10:45am.
The Well – Wednesday Night - Meal, Activity/Service, Worship 6-8:00pm

Dear Friends in Christ,

An interesting article in the *Reading Eagle* made me realize that we have a generation who does not remember September 11th. No image of the twin towers falling burned into their brains, or smoke billowing from the Pentagon, a plane almost non-existent in a hole in Shanksville, PA, or the courageous first responders trying to rescue people among the toxic dust clouds.

My first childhood memory is the assassination of JFK. I was not yet three. For some it might be the Challenger explosion, for others Pearl Harbor. These are events that leave indelible marks on our lives. We can tell you where we were, what we were doing, what forever changed.

There have been theologians and pastors who have said the Gospel of Jesus Christ is one generation away from extinction if we do not share the story. I think this is becoming truer each year of my life. I am afraid we are forgetting to tell our children and grandchildren the importance of this indelible event, marked into our lives by our baptisms, when God's grace was freely extended to us. This is when we were marked with the cross of Jesus Christ and sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit. When God said, "I love you, maybe even in spite of you, or in spite of what you do or don't do...but I will always love you."

My friends, we need to tell our children and grandchildren the stories of Jesus. We need to make sure that, just like the stories of 9/11, JFK, the Challenger, or even Pearl Harbor, and maybe even more so, that they know the life changing gift that was given in Jesus Christ. In fact, this gift of Jesus is the only way I know to live through events like 9/11, the JFK assassination, the Challenger explosion, and the attack on Pearl Harbor.

This is why Sunday School and worship are so important. This is what it is to be a part of a community that tells the story of Jesus. We have a community that reminds us that we are unconditionally loved in a world of conditional love, a community that lives out forgiveness and grace weekly, a community that teaches that we are all beloved children of God, both inside and outside of our walls, AND a community that lives out that love.

I pray that we will always remember important events and pause to tell the next generation about what happened, what they mean and what we learned, and how life is different because of them. I pray we will do the same for the most important event of all...Jesus. See you in church and Sunday School, as we all remember and tell others about Jesus, the greatest gift ever!

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bill