



Tradewinds

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Wednesday 6-8:00 pm – THE WELL - Worship at 7:30pm
Saturday - 5:00pm – Informal Service with Holy Communion
Sunday - 8:00am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion
Sunday – 10:45am – Traditional Service with Holy Communion*
Sunday – 9:15am – Sunday School for ALL ages, even adults!
* Children's Sermon & Nursery Provided

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I wanted to share some alarming and important information:

- According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), suicide is the third leading cause of death for youth between the ages of 10 and 24.
- More teenagers and young adults die from suicide than from cancer, heart disease, AIDS, birth defects, stroke, pneumonia, influenza, and chronic lung disease, combined.
- It results in approximately 4600 lives lost each year.
- Each day in our nation there are an average of over 5,400 suicide attempts by young people grades 7-12.
- Four out of five teens who attempt suicide have given clear warning signs.
- Kids who are bullied are more than twice as likely to consider suicide, according to a recent study in the Journal of the American Medical Association.
(*Information courtesy of kids.gov, nimh.nih.gov, samhsa.gov, cdc.gov, AMA.)*)

What can we do about this? Why am I sharing this? Because, in addition to limiting electronic media time and making sure youth get enough sleep, building healthy relationships is an important factor in decreasing teen suicide. I believe our faith community is all about building healthy relationships among youth as well as among youth and adults.

My children knew they had the support of a much bigger family than the six in our household. They were supported and nurtured by a family of 1,300 people within this faith community. The positive and healthy appraisal they received during their teen years was invaluable to them. Seeing that adults cared about them and developed programs to support and nurture them meant a great deal to them. Seeing our members at 5th Quarters, at concerts and musicals, giving of their time to be there with them and for them meant the world to them.

So, let us invest in our children and youth. Let's make sure they know we care. Parents, please make sure you give your children the health and wealth of this faith community family, surrounding your children with healthy up-building relationships that can and do make a difference. I pray we will see you in worship with your youth, getting them involved in youth activities, and making sure they grow up with love, grace, and hope. We can and do make a positive difference!

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bill