

Thursday Thoughts – April 11, 2019

We are a Christian fellowship, who declares and demonstrates God's boundless love for all.



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A Note
from Our
Pastor...

Sunday is Palm/Passion Sunday, the Sunday in which we celebrate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey, knowing the journey would eventually lead him to the cross. As I was reading this week, I came across this quote by Romano Guardini who writes about how those on the fringes of society must have seen this entry by Jesus. As we prepare for the entry of Christ into Jerusalem, I leave you with this quote.

The Spiritual Eye of the Little Ones

Jesus acts - and the same Spirit that inspires his action moves in those about him, revealing to them its meaning. Simultaneously, their eyes see the Lord as he rides through the street, and their spirit sees what is behind the event. The physical eye and the spiritual are one. And those who so truly 'saw' in that hour were not the particularly talented, neither truly geniuses nor in any way the elite or the mighty, but 'the common people,' those who happened to be in the streets at the time. For the power that opened their eyes and hearts was not human power, but the Spirit of God moving among men. Indeed, it is "the little ones," possessors of the kingdom of heaven, as Jesus calls them, who are particularly free and open to the workings of the Spirit, for in them it can operate untrammelled by the consciousness of their own human value. This then is God's hour; were the masses to reject it, the stones beneath their feet would proclaim the Messiah. It is the last, God-given chance.

-Romano Guardini 1885-1968

Palm Sunday, April 14th

Please remember to bring scarves,
as we will be celebrating Palm Sunday with our scarves!

Happy Birthday to:

Hildegard Stone – 10th
Peter Grahn – 15th
Tom Osborne – 15th
Rev. Earl Rice – 15th
Sophia Weber – 15th
Joe Wilkinson – 15th



Happy Anniversary to:

Carol & Bob Smith – 13th
Kathy & Jerry Childs – 15th



If you would like to receive our Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary greetings,
please send your dates to our church email address listed above. Thanks...



Joys & Thanksgiving

- Pastor Justin had a wonderful weekend in Burien at the wedding of Shalom and Michael. Shalom is the one who brought Pastor Justin to the Pacific Northwest.
- Thanks for all the flowers and trees blooming - especially the yellow ones, which includes the dandelions

- Lydia worked hard this week and was rewarded for her good work
- Susan went to hear the Bremerton Symphony Chorale Sacred Music performance
- Steve is joyful for all that he has been given
- Pastor Justin is thankful for feasting together with the Eucharist and then at the potluck following worship
- Courtney - found out that she is expecting!

Health Concerns

- Sophie - continued healing and please wake her when you come to visit as she naps a lot
- Duana for continued recovery from pneumonia
- Lydia's brother pulled his tooth out
- Carol Ison who is battling cancer
- Steve's Dad, sister and sister-in-law
- Lydia's baby brother, who is sick

Peace, Strength & Encouragement

- Kristin and her family as she drowned last weekend
- Helen Cuellar - is lonely and would welcome lots of visitors
- Fred Ison and family - Fred is in Hopice care



This Week at the Church:

8811 Illahee Road NE, Bremerton, WA 98311

Thursday, 11th:	12:30pm	Prayer Circle
	2pm	Garden Club
Sunday, 14th:	11am	Worship
	12pm	Fellowship
Tuesday, 16th:	12pm	Lunch Group at Andy & Cindy's Diner
Thursday, 4th:	12:30pm	Prayer Circle
	2pm	Garden Club
	7pm	Maundy Thursday Worship at Brownsville UMC



Let laughter 'spring' forth!

- "Spring is when you feel like whistling, even with a shoe full of slush." ~ *Doug Larson*
- "Easter is the only time when it's perfectly safe to put all of your eggs in one basket." ~ *Evan Esar*
- "Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade." ~ *Charles Dickens*
- "The world is mud-luscious and puddle wonderful." ~ *E.E. Cummings*
- "In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt." ~ *Margaret Atwood*