

Hello Pentecost People,

How are you doing? I can't remember how many weeks it's been since "lockdown", but I do know we haven't worshipped together for 12 Sundays. It's seem like ages ago a small group of us met here, not knowing if there'd be church, or not (there was.)

Here's some more homework for you- find something Red to add to your worship centre. Sunday is a day of Fire and Wind! If you'd like to wave a red/orange paper streamer/whatever, when the word 'spirit' appears in the service, excellent, it will be like the last few years in the sanctuary. Hint- there's 23, not counting the sermon. I have left 'Learning Together' in the bulletin in case you have some-thing you'd like there. A children's story, poetry, reflection. I know some of you worship alone, but you are invited to stand up, please be seated sing, pray, cry, draw, as you feel called. The bulletin is a connection to God, and to Steveston United Sunday mornings.

Some parts of the service are meant for more than one person, so it might feel awkward saying 'both parts', but it's not, God knows your heart, and knows you're doing what you can to "live your faith." I also know it's hard not to share your faith with others; church, coffee, lunch, a hug from ..well, anybody, so I thought it might be nice send our love out there. A card, a letter to someone you think might really like it. (Drs, nurses, others.) Phone calls/face time are important, but a tangible note is a way of living our Christian mission.

The other afternoon a young boy was riding his bike up and down the ramp and steps of the front patio. He was wearing a helmet and the biggest smile. Since the schoolyards are closed, playgrounds are closed, beaches and swimming pools are closed, I was so happy that our church could bring such joy for half an hour to an 11 year old boy. It's a time for sharing what we have. (Please don't mention insurance/lawyers! ha) Remember joy!

We don't need to be reminded to wash our hands. In 2Kings 5:10 - Elisha said to Namaan, "Go, wash in the River Jordan seven times, and your skin will be restored and you shall be clean." But, is seven times enough these days?

We are sad to hear about our dear Sylvia. With Pastures green, waters still, table prepared, cup overflowing, the House of The Lord forever.

Thought for the day *"So far my self-isolation life is a lot like my normal life.*
Nordicmoxie

(Thank you so much for continuing to share your Offering.)

blessings, Brenda