

Emmanuel Newsletter Sixth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 9, 2021

Dear Friends,

As the rhythm of life is experienced so powerfully in spring, we see firsthand the wonders of the cycle of life. We heard about life and growth last week in the parable of the vines and branches. The vine bears more fruit after the branches have been pruned. We have been pruned this year. Yet, in the midst of that, we were able to abide in God and in one another. We create and nurture health and life by being faithful to that which is good. In our gardens and throughout our communities we see pink flowers and bright green leaves appear as though to summon us outside to drink in the beauty of God's creation. I pray that we can continue to drink in the wonders of our surroundings and of one another.

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.... You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit." I have loved you and I have chosen you. These are the most precious words in our gospel for Sunday.

Let us meet by ZOOM on Saturday, May 9^{th} at 5:00 pm. to talk together about what it means to love one another – to bear fruit – to abide in God. See you then.

In the Spirit of the Lord, I remain,

The Rev. Joyce Caggiano, Priest-in-Residence

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PRAYER LIST

We ask that you keep in your prayers the following persons: Paul; Mary; Beth; Jenny; Dianna; Joseph; Catherine and Brant; Carla; Michael; Louise; Parker, Sergio, and Arthur.

(Please email us the names of those who need special prayers---info@emmanuelwr.org. Only first names will be used.)



NOTE: LIVE ZOOM SERVICE IS AT 5:00 PM this Saturday, May 8, 2021.

Join the Zoom Service:

https://zoom.us/j/93005492693?pwd=ZWI5aTRIMzRMQk4yVVVMZ2RSODIKQT09

Meeting ID: 930 0549 2693

Passcode: 151533

After 7:00 pm on Saturday, view the TAPED service anytime via our website or YouTube site:

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