



Edgcumbe

Presbyterian Church

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What's My Job

One of the most radical ideas in the Bible is that our basic worth as a human being does not rest within myself but in the heart and mind of God. Therefore:

- It's not my job to either earn or evaluate my own worth.
- It's not my job to judge other people's worth.
- It's not my job to fear what will happen when I falsely perceive that my worth is not up to par or feels threatened

God has already determined my worth—and God calls me good, calls me God's child, calls me Beloved. My worth is not up for debate. My worth is not vulnerable to attack or deterioration. My worth is both invulnerable and indestructible exactly because it lies in the heart and mind of God.

It's not my job to prove or disprove what God calls me. My job is to accept; my job is to become willing; my job is to trust. My job is to accept God's grace and then give it away. Because it is in giving that we receive. This is the crazy, radical, and life-changing mathematics of the gospel.

*holy spirit, you be in charge, and we will follow you,
trusting that your way leads to peace.*



November Mission: Lift Garage

The mission team is excited to share that our mission for November is The Lift Garage, which offers people a vehicle out of poverty through low-cost car repairs. You will want to be in worship on Sunday, November 9th, when Lift Founder and Executive Director Cathy Heying will join us. Years as a social worker opened her eyes to the over-sized influence of bad cars on the lives of low income people. When she heard God's call to do something about it, the story of The Lift began.

Since 2012, The Lift has been creating more secure lives for low-income Minnesotans through low-cost repairs, free pre-purchase inspections of used cars, and connections to other community partners to help meet customers' holistic needs. You can learn more about The Lift here: www.thelif Garage.org/about

Memorial Service for Liz Dunn

A memorial service for Liz Dunn will be on Tuesday, November 11, at 2pm at Edgcumbe Church. The congregation is encouraged to attend. With the preschool and high school in session that day, parking will be limited, so please carpool or use alternate transportation if

possible. If anyone is able to bring treats to share that day, please contact Jane Tafel at tafeljane@gmail.com.

Pastors to Australia!

From November 12-26, Luna and I (Phil) will travel to Sydney, Australia, for some vacation time and to participate in the wedding of two friends from the Enneagram Prison Project (EPP), Beth and Tom. When I traveled to California to teach an EPP course, Beth was my co-guide. I trained both Tom and Beth, and I'm thrilled to officiate at their wedding. Luna and I have imagined going to Australia someday, and here we go! While we are gone, the Session has two lovely worship services planned on Nov 16 & 23. If pastoral needs emerge, please contact any of our Elders: LaGretta Lunde, Ingrid Eggert, Jay McGregor, or Chelsea Witbrook. If you need one, congregational directories will be available again this Sunday.

Looking Ahead

Potluck and Sanctuary decorations: On Sunday, November 23, we will have a potluck and service, led by Chelsea and James Whitbrook. If you would like, please bring a dish to share. After the service, we will begin preparing the plastic greens to decorate the church. This involves taking them out of their storage bags, reshaping the branches (fluffing), and placing them in the order necessary to create the tree, and hang the wreaths and garlands.

Sanctuary Decorating: On Saturday, November 29, we will gather at 10:00 a.m. to finish reshaping, assemble the tree, and hang the garlands and wreaths. Be aware that AA also meets that morning, so we may need to park in the school lot. *Thank you, Meredith*

Highland AA Gratitude Service: On Thanksgiving Day, November 27, Highland AA invites the congregation to join them for a Gratitude Service in the EPC Sanctuary. All are welcome.