

Last week's family faith talk opportunity: **Who will be at your Thanksgiving table?**

Is your extended family complicated? Welcome to the real world. I had a delightful lunch with Lee's niece last week, catching up on the news of this one's college problems, that one's medical issues, this one's difficulty when faced with downsizing in the workplace and that one's difficulty when faced with downsizing 50+ years of accumulation to a smaller home. For the record, we also talked about cheerful and optimistic things. An eavesdropper would have been unable to draw a picture of our family tree from this wide-ranging conversation

but I hope one thing would have been clear: we most truly care about each other and we most truly care about the people we were discussing. That's what family is meant to be. That's what God's human family is meant to be. That's what love is meant to be. Best wishes for a most blessed Thanksgiving!



*How wonderful, how beautiful,  
when brothers and sisters get along!*

Psalm 133:1 The Message

## THIS AND THAT

1. This Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, there will be Sunday School, Youth Discussion Group and nursery care.
2. **WANTED!** Sunday school aides for these Advent Sundays: December 4 and December 18. **HURRY** and email me quickly before others beat you to it!
3. This week you will receive a snail mailing with two copies of an Advent for Families guide and a flyer and permission slip for *Angels from the Realms of Glory*, a **PARENTS NIGHT OUT/FREE BABYSITTING** event on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5:30-8:00. The deadline for registration is Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. You will also find a flyer and registration form in this week's News and Notes.

#### 4. ON THE HORIZON:

- Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup> Deadline to register for Advent event
- Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> Advent event for children 5:30-8:00
- Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday School Pageant, 11:15
- Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, 5:00 and 7:00
- Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Caroling, 11:15
- Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> All-Ages Christmas Eve Service, 6:00
- Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> All-Ages Worship, 10:00
- Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> All-Ages Worship, 10:00

5. We miss you when you're not here.

*This week's family faith talk opportunity:* **What do you hope for most of all this Christmas?**

Blessings,  
Barbara

*As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves  
with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.  
Colossians 3:12*