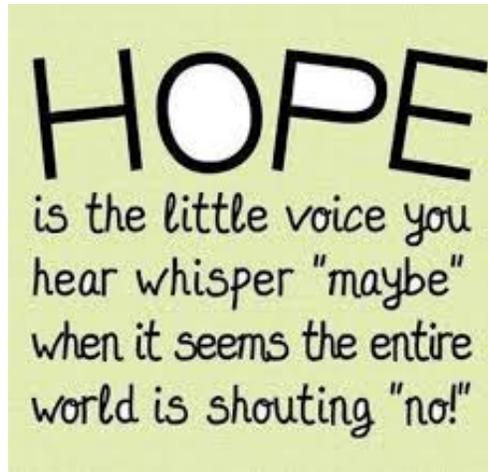


Last week's family faith talk opportunity: **What do you hope for most of all this Christmas?**



I admire many people for many reasons but today I'm particularly thinking of those who consistently act and react with kindness, those whose remarks display fairness and wisdom rather than judgment, and those who go the extra mile to make this world a better place. They live in God's way. They embody who and what I hope to be when I finally grow up. How about you? Wouldn't it be great if we could all get busy and follow their lead? Now that would *really* be something to hope for this Christmas!

*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,
plans for your welfare and not for harm,
to give you a future with hope.*

Jeremiah 29:11 (NRSV)

THIS AND THAT

1. *Angels from the Realms of Glory*, an Advent event for children (while their parents enjoy an evening of free babysitting) will take place this Saturday, December 3rd. You will find a flyer and registration form attached in this week's News and Notes. Your child may bring a friend but all must be registered. **Thursday, December 1st, is the deadline for registration.**

2. This Sunday, December 4th, is Communion Sunday. There will be Sunday School, Youth Discussion Group and nursery care.

3. **WANTED!** A Sunday school aide for Sunday, December 18th. **HURRY** and email me quickly before others beat you to it! Thanks to Stephanie Tierney, Landon Good and Erin Cronk for helping last week.

4. **ON THE HORIZON:**

- Thursday, December 1st Deadline to register for Advent event
- Saturday, December 3rd Advent event for children 5:30-8:00
- Sunday, December 4th Sunday School

- Sunday, December 11th Sunday School
- Informal Christmas Pageant at 11:15
- Saturday, December 17th *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, 5:00 and 7:00
- Sunday, December 18th Sunday School
- Christmas Caroling, 11:15
- Saturday, December 24th All-Ages Christmas Eve Service, 6:00
- Sunday, December 25th All-Ages Worship, 10:00 - No nursery care
- Sunday, January 1st All-Ages Worship, 10:00 - No nursery care

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

*This week's family faith talk opportunity: **What does love look like?***

Blessings,
Barbara

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