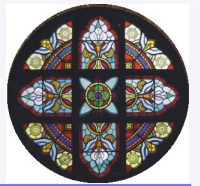


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Greetings! Today is Sunday, October 31, 2021

The Twenty Third Sunday After Pentecost

Childlike in faith means the daily acknowledgment of utter dependence and that I owe my life and being to another.

- Bennan Manning



Stepping Out Of Fear

Vicki Milazzo - Houston, TX - September 4, 2006

I believe in stepping out. I learned this from living in fear.

As a child, I was afraid of everything: escalators, heights and New Orleans cockroaches the size of pralines. At the age of 8 I even became afraid of getting Halloween candy.

Normally on October 31, my twin brother and I would step out of our shotgun house and rush to every home within a three-block radius. Most of the houses were only a step or two off the ground. Easy.



That year, when we approached one of the bigger houses — a house known to have the best candy but with 10 tall cement steps leading to the front door — my fear of heights stopped me

cold. My brother was already up the stairs, while I stood frozen at the bottom.

I told myself I might stumble in the dark and drop my bag of treats. I might crash to the concrete below. I might tear my homemade fairy costume. I wanted the candy, but there was no way I was going up those stairs to get it.

I lost more than candy. I lost my confidence.

The fear of stepping out took me along the safe, no-risk route through high school, nursing school and into a secure hospital job. After six years in nursing, unsatisfied with the career choice I had made, I woke up to a different kind of fear: The fear of becoming like the other no-risk nurses — tired, burned out and old before their time. I faced a decision: Step out into the unknown or spend the rest of my life at the bottom of those steps, never tasting the best candy

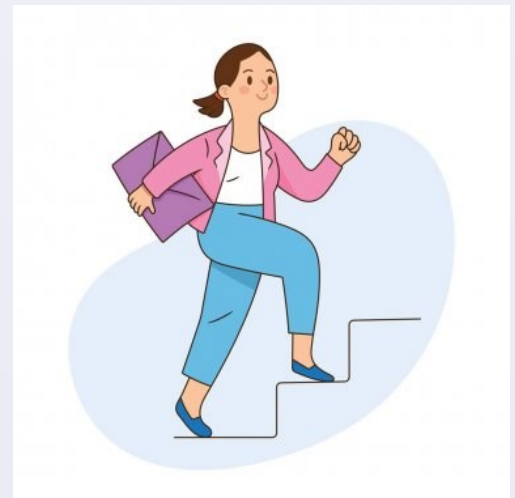
I wanted to start a consulting business advising attorneys on medical-related cases. I settled for reading business books instead. Then I thought back to the worst thing that ever happened to me: my mom dying at age 48 of breast cancer. Compared with that, how bad could a business failure be?

So, with only \$100 in my savings account, I called my first attorney to offer my services as a legal nurse consultant. To my horror he answered the phone. About to hang up, I thought: If he was wearing a hospital gown with his backside showing, I would have no problem introducing myself. I sputtered out something unintelligible, and he became my first client.

Climbing the stairs of business hasn't been easy. Once I lost my biggest client. The old fears returned, but I'd tasted the candy, and the memory of my mom put me right back on those stairs.

Success is not about the achievement.

Every time I step out into the unknown, win or lose, I succeed. I might break a leg or invest in a losing business idea, but I won't end up at my 90th birthday with nothing more than stale white cake and regrets. Bad things can happen when we step out, but I believe worse things happen to our souls when we don't.



Vickie Milazzo worked as a critical care nurse before pioneering the field of legal nurse consultants in the early 1980s. She is the author of "Inside Every Woman: Using the 10 Strengths You Didn't Know You Had to Get the Career and Life You Want Now."



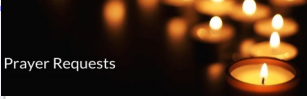
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Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests will be added each week by your requests, and will run for two weeks unless a request to continue is received.



God's healing presence:

For continued prayers for **Wendy Kasper, Barney Barnes, & Eleanor Hathaway**

For **Dick Glass, Fritz Wainwright, Jean Miller & Jack Harkins**

For Carol Shore's sister, **Karen Eckert**, who is healing well post surgery.

Her nephew, **Mike Troy** who is in Chemo and his balance has improved,
And her husband, **Steve**.

For Polly's son-in-law, **Donald** and her sister, **Barbara**

For Heidi's cousin, **Brad** and her **Aunt Sharon**

For **Dave Hamel** who injured his knee in a fall

For **Darlene Brown** recovering in Rehab

For **Jim Chambers Uncle** who has recently suffered two heart attacks.

God's comfort:

For those who serve as caregivers

For God's guidance & understanding:

For family members in need of God's presence and fellowship

In Thanks and Praise to God:

For good shepherds in our pulpit

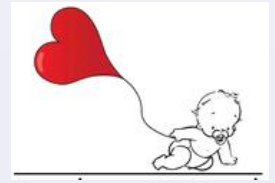
For continued prayers for the PNC as they carry on their mission.



Newborns In Need

Sunday, October 31 begins the last week for donations to Newborns In Need. Sleepers in sizes newborn to six months are still needed.

Please bring your donation to church, or contact Carol Shore or Marie Celkupa for details. Thank you for your support!



The Missions Committee is holding a Cereal Drive to support local children in need of nourishing breakfasts. Please drop off your cereal donations to the back of the sanctuary or to the CE building.



The PW will hold their Bible study on Tuesday, November 2nd in the CE building at 12:30 pm. Their study of the Ten Commandments will be continued.



Operation Christmas Child

Shoeboxes are available in the rear of the church. Filled boxes must be returned to the church by Thursday, November 18th.

Thank you for your generous support!

Birthdays!

11/3 - Eileen Hill



Missing a Birthday? Drop me a line to update my list.



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Recipes



Hello Everyone! We are still collecting recipes, and we look forward to receiving more to come. Please send yours in. As our Sign says, "All Are Welcome!" The leaves are falling and colorful now, and I believe this recipe from Bea evokes that Autumn spirit in a colorful and tasty way. I hope you enjoy her recipe for a yummy Cranberry Nut Pie.

Thank you Bea!

Cranberry Nut Pie

Bea Ashmore



2 C Cranberries (or other fruits)
1/2 C Walnuts, chopped
1/2 C Brown sugar
1 C Flour

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3/4 C. Melted butter or margarine
2 eggs
2 t Almond extract

Mix the 1st 3 ingredients together and spread in the bottom of greased 10" pie plate. Mix together the remaining ingredients and pour over cranberry mixture. Bake 55-60 minutes in a pre-heated 325 oven. Serve with whipped cream or ice cream.



In Switzerland, a community association is linking orchards, volunteers and fruit presses, to ensure many more apples find their way into the food chain. SOS Fruits is a Yverdonnoise association which offers a voluntary harvesting service to fruit tree owners.



Many fruits are left unpicked or on the ground as some orchard owners do not have time to collect all of the crop. Set up by brothers Yvain and Gael Mauron, SOS Fruits connects orchard owners with volunteers through a website.

"There are plenty of fruit trees that are left abandoned," says Gael. "I think the main reason is that people have forgotten the value of these fruits, so it's easier to go and buy from the supermarket than to harvest their own fruit." Approximately three tons of apples are harvested by SOS Fruits every season. The harvested fruits are distributed equitably between the owner, the volunteer and the association. "It's an excellent idea and everyone is a winner," says volunteer Christine Dumouchel. "It's almost revolting to think all this would have gone wasted."



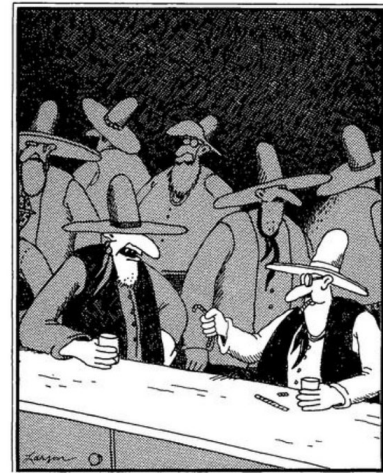
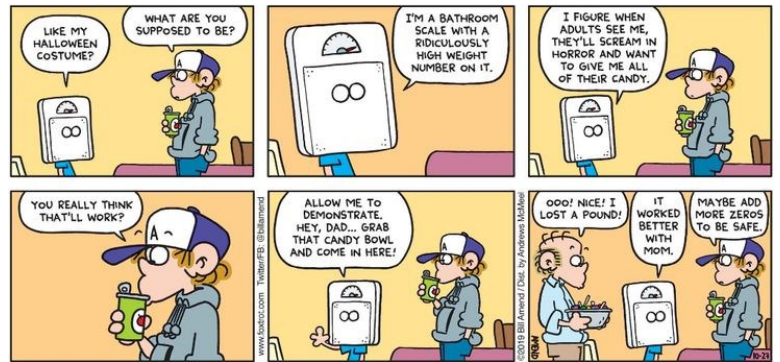
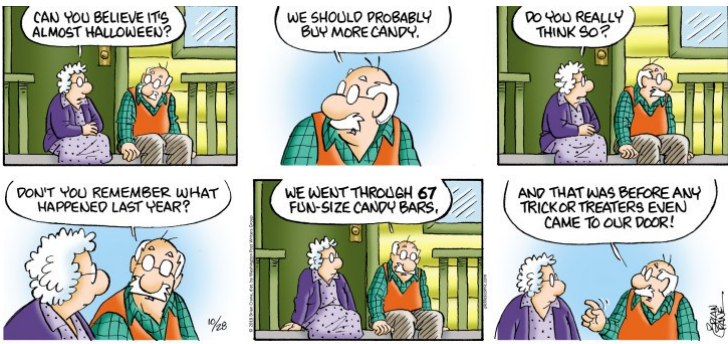


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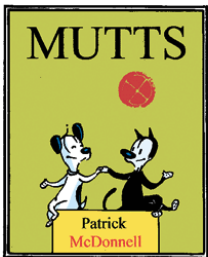
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"Saaaaaay, aren't you a stranger in these parts? Well, I don't take candy from strangers."



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By THE KEANE

