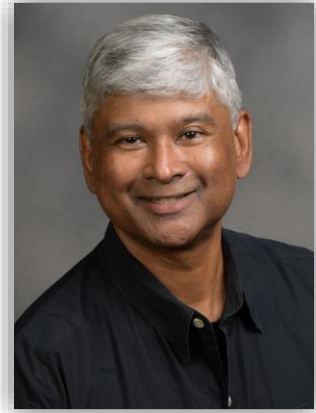


Dear Friends,

I pray that your week is off to a great start! Such a joy to see so many of you who were far off now returning to Trinity! For all of you who have joined us for a time, Welcome Home! May you grow ever closer to God and Neighbor in the weeks ahead!



As each year passes, the more acutely I sense the "temporality" of life: More than ever before, I notice the transitions between childhood and teenager, student and professional, changes in career, and moving into our "work beyond work."

As the Prophet, Isaiah notes: "All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field."

Therefore, since we are all only here together for a time, let's use that time to glorify God and "realize" God's Kingdom in Jesus Christ!

As we approach our Season of Lent, and then move into Holy Week and Easter, in keeping with our tried and true Methodist disciplines, let's continue to create habits of prayer, reading our Bibles, "fasting" from whatever might distract us from God, and engaging in some form of ministry to the world.

We can experience life as Citizens of the Kingdom of God right here and now! We just have to live it in the time we have!

"The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever." - Isaiah 40:8

"May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance." - Jude
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