



Message from Pastor Bill Vincent

Fiesta! Siesta! What a difference a small change can make!

From an 'F' to an 'S'.

From a celebration with processions and dances ... to an afternoon nap.

What a difference a small change can make.

I remember an electronic sign in front of the bank in the small town in Illinois where we lived. It was another one of those hot summers (sound familiar?). The sign would flash the temperature, indicating just how hot it was, and alternating between Fahrenheit and Celsius. Sometimes the 'F' and the 'C' switched with different timing than the numbers, which could lead to some shockers, like when 100 degrees Fahrenheit momentarily became 100 degrees Celsius

What a difference a small change can make!

I keep seeing it around – at the end of emails, on the backs of T-shirts – the saying: “Be the change you wish to see in the world.” Do we believe it – we? – can make a difference?

From “What are you doing?” (in an accusatory tone), to “What can I do?” (offering to help).

From avoiding eye contact and giving the cold shoulder, to looking someone in the eye and giving them ... a smile!

From having no time, to taking the time ... to pray.

From tossing that plastic bottle into the trash can, to tossing it in the recycle bin.

From driving 3 errands in 3 trips, to driving 3 errands in one trip.

From another couple of dollars for another latte, to another couple of dollars for a good cause.

From nursing a grudge, to nursing a friend.

From a knife in the back, to a pat on the back.

From sitting down on the job, to standing up for what you believe.

From a word of criticism, to a word of encouragement.

From a glass half empty, to a glass half full.

From *merciless*, to *merciful*.

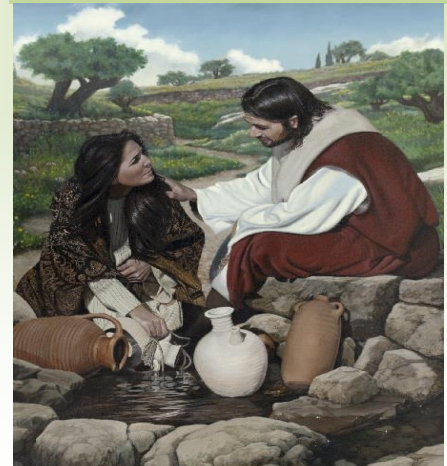
From *faithless*, to *faithful*.

What a difference a small change can make!

What small change can *you* make?

What difference *will* you make?

*Peace in Christ,
Bill Vincent*



Sundaes with the Pastor has been rescheduled for Sunday, July 10th : Bill and Deanna Vincent invite you to drop by their home (1101 West 5th Street- Washington, MO) **between 3-5 pm**. Come to enjoy some fellowship, indulge in an ice cream sundae, and wish Bill a Happy 65th Birthday. Cards are welcome, but please no gifts.

Thank you:

Thank you so much for your expressions of sympathy regarding the death of my sister. Your care and concern are encouraging and a blessing! Bill & Deanna Vincent



YOGA AT CHURCH

Good News! Our church is hosting yoga classes once a week for one hour on Friday mornings from 8 to 9 a.m. The classes are open to all levels of experience, including beginners with a \$5 charge per session. Participants need to bring their own yoga mats. Please come a few minutes early to sign in/register.

The instructor is Denise Dickey, who is a physicians' assistant in oncology at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. She is certified in yoga instruction. Because Denise travels frequently, there will be some Fridays with no yoga class: July 15, 22, August 19, 26 and September 2.

SAVE THE DATE!

It isn't too early to put Saturday, December 10, 2022, on your calendar! Laurie Osseck of the Scenic Regional Library will present her program "Christmas Traditions from Around the World" at 2 p.m. that day.

The program will be in the sanctuary, and finger foods and desserts will be served in the Narthex after the program. We are inviting the Pacific Presbyterian Church to join us in this holiday event.



Worshiping and serving God, loving, and accepting all



A reminder:

Prayer concerns can be shared with me via email or phone before worship (preferably by Saturday evening); or you can write them down (legibly, please) on a piece of paper and place them in the basket that will be located near the entrance to the sanctuary.

Pastor Bill

Sunday Worship service will be Streaming live on Facebook on Sunday at 9:00 am. The bulletin will also be available on Facebook and the church website (www.unionfirstpresby.org), posted by 8 am Sunday morning.

Link to Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/firstPresbyterianChurchUnion/>

Bulletin can be found here: <http://www.unionfirstpresby.org/church-bulletins/>

Collectors' Car Show on Main Street, June 5, 2022. Left, Phyllis Steckel (she and her husband Richard had two cars in the show), Pastor Bill and Deanna, Carol and Myron Gruber. The Vincents and the Grubers wore their Presbyterians Care tee shirts. We gave out free bottles of cold water and opened the church for use of restrooms when requested.



Pentecost Offering:

The Pentecost Offering ran April 18 through June 5 and benefited children at risk, youth and young adults. Our gifts to the offering totaled \$580. Forty percent of the offering is given to a local nonprofit organization of the church's choice that benefits children. We gave \$232 or 40% of our offering to the Back to School Fair.



The church was gifted a lawn mower from Donny Piela, a friend of Melissa Fyr. Donny moved to Georgia and no longer needs the lawn mower. The new mower will make the mowing task easier.

Happy Independence Day