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Time of the Church

Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Acts of the Apostles 2:43-47

The first half of the liturgical year focuses on the Jesus story: Advent we are waiting; Christmas we heard Jesus being born; Epiphany begins Jesus' earthly ministry; Lent is Jesus teaching and preparing the disciples; Holy Week is Jesus in Jerusalem; Easter brings us to the story of the resurrection and Jesus' appearance to his disciples after the resurrection.

The second half of the liturgical year focuses on the church. We have Pentecost where the Holy Spirit sets the faithful on fire. Holy Trinity Sunday reminds us of what we believe. And then we have the season after Pentecost – the Time of the Church. The focus is on what the church should be doing being inspired by the Holy Spirit, where the church should go in following Christ, and how we are expected to bring God's Kingdom here to earth.

We have received our commission to change the world. We are to proclaim the Good News from the mountaintops. As we move into summer, take Jesus with you to remind you of who you are and what you should be doing.

Peace,



Pastor Mike

Transition Team Updates

Emanuel's Transition Team met for the first time on Sunday, May 18. Pastor Mike, along with team members Steve Andrews, Glen Campbell, Michele Rankin, Amy Vanderhoff, Zach Varga, and Deb Yeager began looking toward the future of ministry for our congregation. We are planning cottage meetings in the fall for everyone to give their input and ask any questions they may have about the process as we move forward, keeping Christ at the center.

PD Ann's Corner Meet Me at the Well

This month's Meet Me at the Well story is probably one of the most well-known stories in the Bible. It is the story about Jesus talking to the Samaritan Woman at the Well. Open your favorite Bible and read John 4:3-30 and 39-42 . This story goes along with what is happening to the church today. Let me explain.

In today's world we know that the number of people attending worship service has decreased. Our church leaders, Pastors and congregations are looking to share the gospel in new ways. If you are paying attention to the scripture, this problem is not new. A "traditional" church in Jesus's day had problems. The church leaders were more concerned about rules and regulations, keeping the pews filled and making sure they had enough money. They were not interested in helping elderly parents, the poor, the dis-enfranchised, or being a light so others could see God.

The church was becoming a private club for the elite. Jesus came and changed that concept. Jesus went out of the church building to do a lot of his teaching. He travels the countryside. In today's story he was in enemy territory that "church people" avoided at all costs. It was where the Samaritans lived. He meets a woman at the well at mid-day. She was also a Samaritan who had been married 5 times. A woman who probably did not have many friends. It was not customary for Jewish men to meet woman at the well who were not a part of their family. This woman would have been an outcast.

Jesus was tired and thirsty. Jesus asked the woman for a drink of water. Notice that he did not start lecturing her about her lifestyle or telling her that she should go to church or telling her she needed to be saved. The woman is shocked that a Jewish man would talk to her and points out the prejudice between the Jewish people and Samaritans. Jesus responds by creating a bridge between the water needed to meet physical needs and water needed for spiritual growth. The woman responds by asking to have the "living water." Then Jesus deals with her personal life-her relationships with the men she had married and the man she was living with who was not her husband. The woman deflects his comment away from her personal life and focuses on the difference in the religious beliefs of the Jews and the Samaritans. Jesus tells her about God's story of redemption. Then the woman goes to her neighbors and invites them come and see "the Messiah" for themselves. In verse 39-42 the people believe because they heard Jesus themselves. Jesus stayed for 2 days. A new church of believers was born.

The lesson for us is this: go out where people are; learn about the culture of the people; set the stage so that they ask you about what you believe; share Jesus stories about your faith; start a new community of faith where the people are.

Faith Story Update

Bishop Beaudoin has chosen the "Sacred art of listening" for the 2025 focus in the Northwestern Ohio Synod. He chose the following verse in Isaiah 54:3a for us to memorize. "Incline your ear and come to me; listen, so that you may live...." We need to listen to God, ourselves, others, and our communities. As part of the listening process, we need to learn to tell our "Faith Stories." How are other people going to learn what Jesus has done in our lives, if we do not share our stories about what Jesus means to us? There is a team of people who are going to be asking you to participate by telling your story. Prayerfully consider sharing your story with them. At the end of the year, we will put these stories in a booklet form to share with everyone in the congregation.

Members of the interview team are: Betty Anderson, Teri Turner, Janet Musser, Alicia Mayes, Dave and Stephanie Cook, Glen Campbell, Randy Gilbert, Heather Smith, Dee Rinehart, Elaine Merchant, Kathy Hampel and Ann Thomas. They will ask you questions like: Who has helped you create a memory of God and influenced your faith? What challenges have you faced in which scripture and people have helped you be strong in your faith? Was there a turning point in your life in which God helped you?

We live in a world in which people are afraid, lonely and hurting. They need your help to point the way to Jesus being a part of their lives and helping them through difficult times. Please be open to sharing how God has worked in your life.

From the President

The Lenten season sermons were about the fruit of the Spirit. Found in Galatians chapter five beginning at the 22nd verse, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control, against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passion and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us walk by the Spirit."

I have been part of Emanuel since birth and over the years have enjoyed so many members that have lived in Christ and have passed to a life in eternity. I continue with the enjoyment of each one of you, the members working to serve Emanuel and the Kingdom.

The dust we are creating with the sound system and kitchen upgrades has provided a goal to improve and better our church as we serve the Kingdom today and in the future. The planning and the actual day to day process of getting these things accomplished reminds us the need to remember the fruits of the Spirit.

The love we have for Emanuel has a group dedicating their Saturday morning to the kitchen renovations. The Saturday kitchen workers each bring a certain talent with them. An early morning start, a fresh donut and a full morning has begun to be reflected in the work you can see being completed.

You have also seen the fruits of the sound system renovation.

The volunteer work you provide is priceless. As the work continues, we boldly see the love, kindness, goodness, faithfulness that we share. On a few Saturday mornings, a problem is uncovered and we see the need for patience and maybe a little self-control.

At the end of the day, the reward for the work completed is complemented by the thought, Well done good and faithful servant.

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth"

The past three months, the numbers for the community meals have been up and down. The March meal was hosted and prepared by the Altar Guild. There were a total of 56 meals consumed. The April meal was hosted by Stephanie and David Cook, and there were a total of 58 meals provided. In May, Barb Bosh, Stephanie and David Cook and I provided the meal for a disappointing 28.

Of the previous three months, there have been a total of 40 volunteers from the congregational members. I encourage you to either volunteer or come and eat, and witness a group of very grateful individuals.

As the weather continues to warm, we plan on utilizing the outside grill for future meals.

Janet Musser
Community Meals Coordinator

Bridges Approach

**We cannot blame those who live in poverty for being in poverty! You don't know their whole story!
This is why we should listen to what they have to say.**

Sunday School News

There is Children's Sunday School this summer!!!!

June 1st through July 27th – we will break in August.

Please join us on the 3rd floor at 10:00a.m., High Schoolers meet on the 4th floor.

The Sunday Adult Book Study will meet the second Sunday of each month June, July & August and then resume weekly meetings in September.

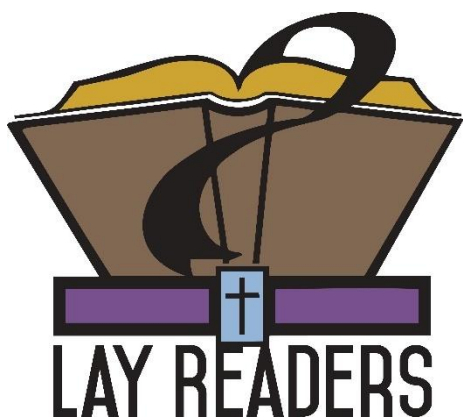


Faith Journeys

Sunday, June 1 at 9am worship – confirmation of three of our confirmands – Genevieve Kollas, Phoebe Smith and Katie Valentine.

June 22-27 – Confirmation Camp at HopeWood Pines at LMC

Confirmation Class



Scripture Reader Gathering

We will have a gathering for all who currently serve as readers, as well as anyone who might be interested in serving as a reader of scripture in worship. We will be gathering between services on Sunday June 22nd, in the Sanctuary. We will briefly discuss the duties of a Reader. We will practice with the new sound system. Being a reader is open to people of all ages. The more readers we have, the smaller the commitment is. Prayerfully consider serving.



Congratulations to our Preschool Graduates!

The Learning Center recently held its Preschool Graduation ceremony. We celebrated 12 graduates in front of a large crowd that consisted of our learning center families, board members, friends and congregation members. All twelve of these children will head to kindergarten this fall at various schools throughout Marion county. We are so proud of them!

Musings from the Church Mouse...

I've heard some conversations about electing a new pope. Congrats to Pope Leo XIV. I was hopin' that the new pope would choose Hilarious II as his name! I once heard the comedian Kathleen Madigan did a piece on this in one of her shows. Pope Hilarious was pope from 461-468.

This got me to thinkin' that we need more laughter around here. Laughter is a gift from God. We don't always have to be so serious all the time. A laugh in the midst of a solemn worship service has been an offense bordering on blasphemy! After all, religion and its public worship is "no laughing matter." Today, however, one finds laughter in worship as a positive thing. While there are still times to be serious, proper laughter, even at serious times, can be good for the soul.

Rev. Walter C. Huffman said, "In the Medieval era, there was a Feast of Fools celebration in which ordinarily pious priests and townsfolk put on masks, sang bawdy songs, and made fun of the most serious business. No custom or convention was immune. At times, this type of behavior, some claim, has the positive effect of challenging the pious pretense that so easily invades church circles. It was a programmed way of loosening the tightness that can restrict church life."

According to sociologist Peter Berger, humor is a *Rumor of Angels*, a signal of transcendence. In an otherwise cruel world, it indicates that "everything is all right." When we play, when we dance, when we joke, we momentarily "stop the world" by suggesting that the inevitable swirl toward death is not inevitable. Our laughter reflects the audacious conviction that when the world seems awry and wrong, our imprisonment is not final. "Religion" concludes Berger, "vindicates laughter."

The climax of the play "Lazarus Laughed" finds Lazarus dissolving in laughter because... well... he knows the end of the story. He gets the joke! So do we – we know the end of the story. In the midst of the serious business of life, of the unknowns before us on our path to serving the Kingdom, as we leave cherished relationships and securities and move into new ones, we believe we know the end of the story. Perhaps we need a "Laugh Liturgy" to help us laugh, or dance, or sing, or least giggle a bit at the wonderful absurdity of it all.

So, take a moment and just have a good Laugh Out Loud! LOL!!

See ya' in Church,

Church Mouse

A Sunday school teacher was teaching the Ten Commandments to her five- and six-year-olds. After explaining the commandment to "Honor thy father and thy mother," a child asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Then one little boy shouted, "Thou shall not kill."

Communications & Evangelism Updates

Socks, socks, and more socks!

The Back to School Blessings team is once again collecting socks for our community youth. The socks should be new and in sizes that children wear. We need both girls' socks and boys' socks. Please put them by the elevator in the marked area. We are collecting these up to our Aug 2nd event, so you have plenty of time to donate some socks. Thank you.

Cardinal Chorale

This month the Prospect Street United Methodist Church, 185 S. Prospect St., Marion, has the honor of hosting **The Cardinal Chorale**, under the direction of Mr. Charles R. Snyder. The concert will be **Saturday, June 7th at 7:00 pm**. *Please help spread the word about the concert and plan to attend!!*

Social Ministry Updates

Lutheran Disaster Response of the Carolinas

A few years ago, in response to the many hurricanes and floods, Lutheran Disaster Response of the Carolinas started asking for children's comfort kits. Comfort kits are just that – small plastic containers (about the size of a shoe box) filled with items that bring kids fun and comfort for a little while. This is a flexible project, and folks making them can add additional things as they don't have to be the same. It's fun for families to personalize and young kids can pick out their favorite things. These kits are given out following a storm to individuals in recovery areas. LDR Carolinas has storage space, so they will always accept them and can keep them in stock.

Girl Scout Troop 5045 (Amelia and Emerson Varga, Tilly Malarik) packaged 31 Comfort Kits for Emanuel Lutheran to send to the Disaster Response of the Carolinas. Thank you for your donations to this project!

Join our Thursday morning Book Study!

Thursday Book Discussions are held each week from 11:30am-12:30pm. This session's book will be *The Exvangelicals: Loving, Living and Leaving the White Evangelical Church* by Sarah McCammon. We will be exploring the growing social movement of people leaving the church and gain insight into why they leave and how to go about bringing them back. Everyone is welcome, so purchase a copy and join us for some great discussions!

Laurie Wise

About the book: Part memoir, part investigative journalism, this is the first definitive book that names and describes the post-evangelical movement--identifying its origins, telling the stories of its members, and examining its vast cultural, social, and political impact.



Happy Birthday to Betty Miller & Peggy Caserta!

Betty celebrates her 96th birthday on June 23rd and

Peggy celebrates her 96th birthday on June 26th!

Let's remember Betty & Peggy with our cards and prayers.

Looking Back with Alicia Mayes

I was asked recently to go through the cupboards in the church office to see if there were any pieces in there that I would want to for archives and what other items might be used in some way or items to be thrown away. One of the items I came across was the Constitution of Emanuel from 1913. The very last line of the booklet states, Adopted at a regular meeting of the Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, Marion, Ohio, on the first day of April, 1913. In section 6 of the constitution it reads, the officers of the congregation shall be two Elders, two Deacons, five Trustees, one Secretary and one Treasurer. These with the Pastor shall constitute the Church Council. It's in a different form than we are used to and in good condition.

Another item I found was a Confirmation Certificate for Manford Layman. It is dated 1953. I remember him, I looked in the directories and found Manford and his wife, Jeanette's, pictures up until 1990 when it was just their names in the back. From what I can find he died in 1992. If anyone knows of any surviving members of the Layman family please let me know. I would like to return this certificate to his family. I also found 4 large red leather Bibles dated 1953 that I'm sure were used on the pulpit and altar that are in memory of W.C. Boyd. That is Phil Boyd's father. I looked Phil up and found that he was born in 1914 and died June 16, 2006, so I'm wondering if his father died around 1953 since the Bibles are in his memory. I talked with Randy Gilbert that was a long-time employee of Boyd Funeral Home, he is contacting family members of Phil's that might want them. There were financial records from 1912-1930. These records are not hand written in ink or pencil they are typed in small heavy paper booklets. I found a Confirmation book written in German dated 1892 and a Simplified Catechism dated 1921. I will put these items in the Archive Cabinet in the Gathering Space for you to see.

I read in the November 1997 Newsletter that on Friday, November 21st Ruth Wulff was interviewed on the WMRN "Morning Magazine" radio show. She talked about Emanuel's Lutheran World Relief Quilt Project. Joe Suarez, some of you remember Joe, interviewed Ruth that day. In that same November newsletter there was a piece stating that Bishop James Rave announced his intention to step down as Bishop of the Northwest Ohio Synod at the Synod Assembly in May of 1998. He was 62 at that time and felt the Synod needed to take a new direction.



WULFF, Pastor Arnold & Ruth

At a Board of Directors Meeting in early 1998 it was stated that Pastor Arnold Wulff would be retiring August 31st and a call committee would be formed to find someone to fill his position. An interview with Pastor Wulff was broadcast 15 minutes before the broadcast of the August 30th Sunday church service on WMRN. A reception held after the service for Pastor Wulff and his family.

September 13, 1998 Emanuel's present church building was 80 years old. There was a potluck that day and the Cat's Meow depiction of Emanuel were being sold to commemorate 80 years. It was also used for the 125-year anniversary of Emanuel as a church in 1999. Many of you may remember the Cat's Meows and may still have one. I will put one in the Archive Cabinet for all of you to see.

It was announced in the October 13, 1998 Parish Planning Council minutes that Pastor Robert Heuter would be the temporary replacement for Pastor Wulff. Some of you might remember Pastor Heuter. He made several home visits to see my mother when she was ill as did Pastor Wulff.

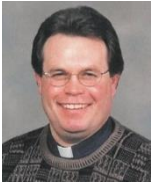
I read a letter dated November 5, 1998 that Emanuel was considering buying the First United Methodist Church building that was between Emanuel and Prospect Street United Methodist Church. As many of you know we did buy that church and had it torn down. It is now the green space toward Prospect Street and the Learning Center playground behind. It's hard for me to believe that was 27 years ago.



Amy Decker

In the January 12, 1999 Parish Planning Council minutes, it stated that a document signed by members of Emanuel congregation was being sent to the Bishop in Findlay to reinforce our request to have Vicar Bill Maki assigned to our church for the associate pastor position.

In those same minutes it was reported that Amy Decker had agreed to serve as Youth Director, working 20 hours a week. She was in charge of all Luther League activities as well as Festival in Faith.



Pastor Bill Maki

At a special Congregational Call Meeting in 1999 on April 11th Vicar Bill Maki was unanimously voted in as our new Associate Pastor. He was ordained on June 12th at 7:30P at Emanuel and officially took his new position on June 20th when he was installed as our new Associate Pastor at both services that Sunday. I'm sure, many of you remember Pastor Bill and his coming to Emanuel. If you remember I wrote in August 2024 Newsletter that Pastor Bill retired from Zion Lutheran Church June 16, 2024.

In the June 8, 1999 Parish Planning Council minutes, it was stated that the Alber bequest to Emanuel was now available to be used. I know many of you remember when George Alber left Emanuel money that we receive interest each year from the amount given to us. The Alber Fund that we still use today was set up as Mr. Alber requested. The fund is not to be used for day-to-day expenses. The money was set up to be received one year, invested and then spent the following year as follows: 10% is for benevolence (for Marion County or Marion people), 30% to be used for capital improvements, 20% used as contingency, and 40% used for special projects voted on by the congregation. The amount we received in 1999 was spent in 2000.

In 1999 Emanuel Lutheran Church turned 125 years old. In the 125-year History Book there is a piece about our Bell Tower. It tells when Emanuel was on the corner of State and Columbia Street, built in 1885, a new bell was purchased. It was cast in 1884 by the McShane Bell Foundry of Baltimore, Maryland. When our present church was built the bell from our former church was brought over from the old church. On July 5, 1961 our church council at the time discussed the electrification as a memorial to Dr. J. McNamara; however, no method of payment was available at that time. On November 8, 1961 church council minutes stated that Mrs. McNamara still wanted to electrify the bell and pay for the memorial in 1963. The bell had not been rung for a long time as the support system was deteriorated. Carl Campbell left bequeathed money to Emanuel to be used for maintenance. The Board of Properties at that time commissioned the Verdin Company to restore the bell including the electronic controls. The rededication of the bell was on September 26, 1999 in memory of Carl and Irma Campbell. The bell is a 1500 lb. 40" cast bronze bell that cost \$32,000 in 1999. Just think how much it would cost today. That bell is still ringing today at noon, 6P, and every Sunday morning. Many of you remember Carl and Irma. They were both Sunday school teachers, choir members, and dedicated members of Emanuel for many years. Carl was also the treasurer of Emanuel for many years. Irma was my first grade Sunday school teacher and I have many memories of her.

On that same Sunday we had our 125th Anniversary Celebration with an old-fashioned potluck dinner and were entertained outside by the Ohio Heartland Chorus. Also, a clown and games for the kids. Along with the recommissioning of Emanuel's bell, the 125th Anniversary celebration continued with a Sunday dedicated to the 81st birthday of our present church building on September 12th. On September 19th Allan Lust presented an organ concert. Along with Allan the Central Ohio Symphony Orchestra with 60 musicians were part of the concert. Also taking part in the program were Percussionist, Christopher J. Cooke, and Trumpeters, Tim Schifer and Daniel Bradshaw. There was a reception in the church parlors following the program.

A special Anniversary Offering of \$25,000 went to a Mission Church in Ottawa, Ohio. Along with the October 26, 1999 minutes of Parish Planning Council there is a thank you letter from the Mission Church that received the \$25,000. The letter is signed by Pastor Ken Pollitz of New Creation Lutheran Church in Ottawa, Ohio. Pastor Ken was their first pastor. I looked up New Creation and it still exists today. Pastor Daniel Bredberg is the pastor today and it states that he is their second pastor. That will be 26 years this October.

I was reading in the 125th Anniversary History Book a story about on the first Sunday of each month years ago, the entire Sunday school met together. It was designated as Missionary Sunday. There was a small church-shaped bank that anyone having a birthday that month was encouraged to give a penny for each year of their age. The children loved to put their pennies in the bank. Adults participated also. It was so amazing how many 100-year-old adults there were at Emanuel. You understand that if you gave a dollar no one would know your age.

More history to come,
Alicia

Steeple Sightings



While flying around town I've noticed more parties than usual, so I checked with my fellow bats who introduced me to the celebrations of graduations. That sounded familiar and realized we have them here at Emanuel, too. Deciding to investigate more, I learned ours is for the children at the Learning Center right below my guest rooms and run by Abby Chase. After learning how she kept the Center going during the COVID pandemic, it was obvious she should be spotlighted this month.

Being another Marion native, Abby was schooled in the River Valley school system and with extracurricular activities in softball and cheerleading before continuing to the University of Toledo for a year. She came back to Marion to start working for Emanuel in 1998 as a school-age teacher which included field trips and swimming classes. Continuing her education at OSUM she received her associate degree in pre-kindergarten education. In September 2000 she became the interim director of our daycare center and then the official director in January 2001.

With her husband, Steve, they have 5 sons and 2 dogs, which keep them busy. What free time they have available is spent outside in their yard and taking micro-vacations around Ohio. Their dream vacation is to visit Iceland.

As the head of the Learning Center, Abby's goal is to expand our services to fulfill the needs for pre-K care in Marion. She is grateful for the acceptance and support Emanuel has given her to continue this journey to provide a solid foundation for our next generations.

Since she has always wanted to be a mom, this opportunity to serve the Lord at Emanuel has been the best of both worlds because she can work and be with her own kids while helping other children prepare for the future. Yea, rah , Abby!

Congratulations and blessings to all our graduates, their families, and friends.

From the steeple, blessings to all.
Batina Belfry

Creative Arts and Movement Survey

Once God places a gifting and a calling on someone's life there is no straying from the path God sets out. Let's use these talents to bring honor and glory to God. This fall Emanuel will be offering classes and workshops to express our creativity and get us moving. We're hoping members, our Early Learning families, friends and community all find something interesting to learn.

Please, tell us what art form interests or inspires you, examples could be painting or dancing, pottery or needle crafts, making joyful noises to the Lord or hiking and yoga. Give us your ideas and we'll start working!

Name: _____ Phone: _____

I would be interested in: _____

I could teach or instruct: _____

Please turn this form into the church office or email Dee Rinehart (rinehartdee@gmail.com) or Cindy Rinker (Cindy.rinker@emanuellutheran.net)

Ecclesiastes 3:11 *He has made everything beautiful in its time.*

Creation Care

The days are getting longer and finally a little bit warmer! For many people this means it's time to go out shopping for the latest summer fashions. But wait, before you plan a day trip to Polaris, did you know the clothing you buy has a HUGE impact on God's earth?



The fashion industry is growing at an alarming rate. It is estimated that 100 BILLION new garments are produced annually around the world – double what we produced just 25 years ago and accounting for 10% of all greenhouse gas emissions. While consumers are purchasing more and more clothing, they are wearing garments a fraction of the time they used to. Three-fifths of all clothing is estimated to end up in landfills or incinerators within a year of production—that can translate to a truckload of clothing dumped or burned every second.



Atacama Desert

And the trends are changing so quickly, that much of what is produced doesn't even get sold before it's discarded by companies to make room for the next fashion. Chile is a major importer of unwanted clothing and in the past has provided a market for secondhand and resale clothes. However the sheer volume has become so overwhelming that over 65% of what they now receive ends up dumped in the Atacama Desert – creating a pile of man-made fast fashion waste that is *visible from space*!

To make matters much worse, the majority of our clothing today is made of synthetic materials that will not biodegrade – polyester, nylon, acrylic, spandex. These manufactured materials will continue to leach harmful chemicals and microplastics into the environment for hundreds of years to come.

So, please take a minute to think about if you really need a new summer wardrobe. And if you decide you do, consider more sustainable shopping options. Check out local thrift stores and yard sales. Purchase long-lasting natural fibers – organic cotton, wool, bamboo, hemp, linen. Or simply *reduce* the number of new outfits you purchase each season. And if you prefer to shop online, there are many options now available for online second-hand shopping – Poshmark, thredUP, and Etsy, to name a few. Small changes in the habits of many can make an impact.

³Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as...the wearing of gold jewelry or fine clothes. ⁴Rather, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.

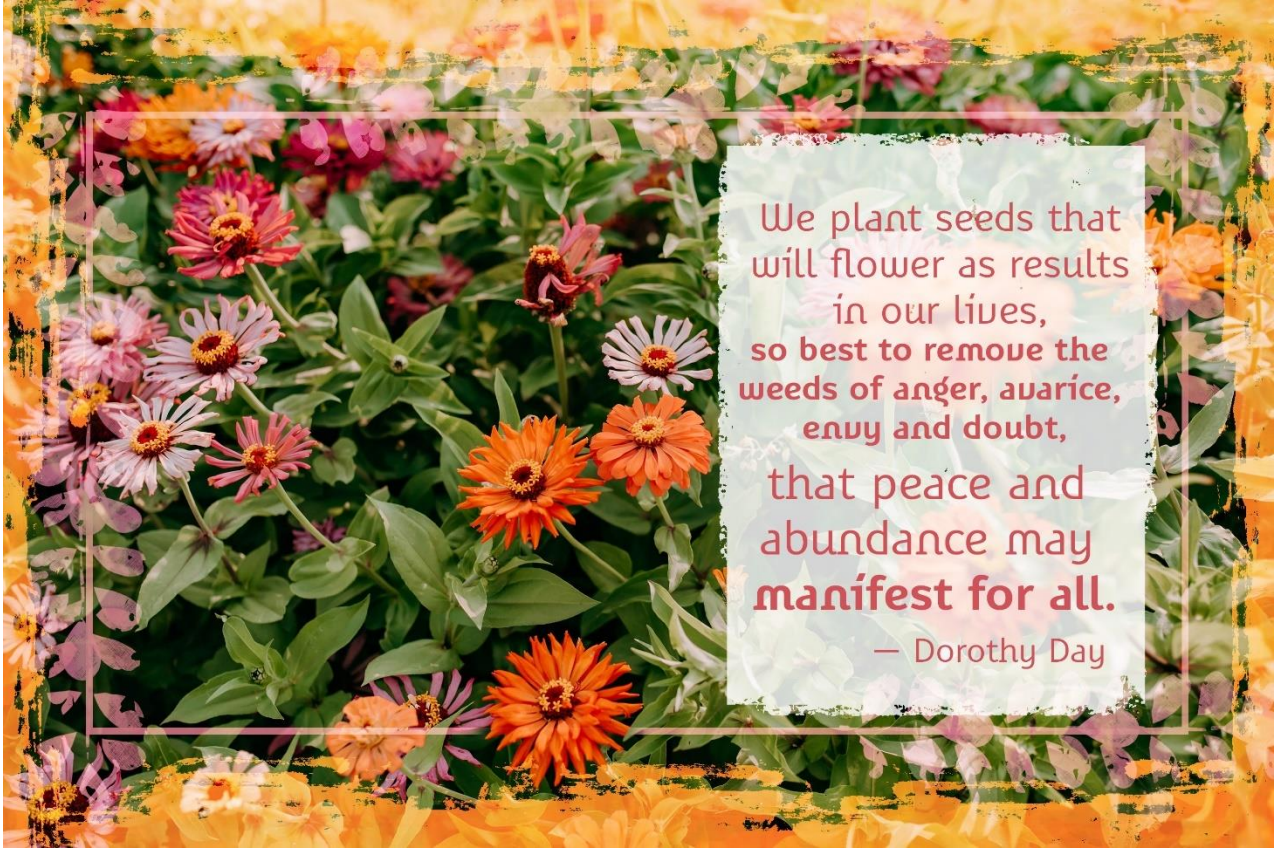
1 Peter 3:3-4



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We plant seeds that
will flower as results
in our lives,
so best to remove the
weeds of anger, avarice,
envy and doubt,
that peace and
abundance may
manifest for all.

— Dorothy Day



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