



November always seemed to me the Norway of the year. (Emily Dickinson)

These are our blessings of the new covenant: pardon of sin, the favor of God, peace of conscience, the promises of the gospel, the comforts of the Spirit, and a well-grounded hope of eternal life.

Just as an astronaut must wear a special suit to walk in space, our current bodies are completely unsuited for heaven; we will need an "extreme makeover"...Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will be changed - in a flash! (I Corinthians 15:51). "No other religion, no other philosophy promises new bodies, new hearts and minds. Only in the Gospel of Christ do hurting people find such incredible hope." (Joni Eareckson Tada)

Disregard the study of God, and you sentence yourself to stumble and blunder through life blindfolded. (J.I. Packer)

God will prepare everything for our perfect happiness in heaven, and if it takes my dog being there, I believe he'll be there.

Billy Graham



It is written, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him." (I Corinthians 2:9)

SALVATION IS A GIFT FOR THE GUILTY, NOT A REWARD FOR THE RIGHTEOUS.

You can listen to this hymn online; just type in **Hymn: The Love of God.**

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell;
It goes beyond the highest star,
And reaches to the lowest hell;
The guilty pair, bowed down with care,
God gave His Son to win;
His erring child HE reconciled,
And pardoned from his sin.

Could we with ink the ocean fill,
And were the skies of parchment made,
Were every stalk on earth a quill,
And every man a scribe by trade;
To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry;
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,
Though stretched from sky to sky.

If you are looking for a place of worship as Thanksgiving and Christmas draw near - visit First Presbyterian of Bellevue. The music, the messages, and the friendly atmosphere will bring hope and joy to your heart. Check it out online: belpres.org

This is what the Lord says, He who made the earth, formed and established it - the Lord is His name: "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know!" (Jeremiah 33:2,3)



A real Christian is a person who can give his pet parrot to the town gossip! *Billy Graham*

Today's world brings distraction, stress, and suffering that debilitate confidence in the promises Jesus made: to be with His people, to sustain them, and to give them peace and joy. Whether one's life is beset by hardship or busy with ambitious pursuits, the urgent need of every person is to know the Son of God. (Bible Study Fellowship)

I just discovered a lovely book, The Women of Christmas, by Liz Curtis Higgs. (A fresh look at the nativity story - focusing upon Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna.) Read it to prepare your heart for Christmas and/or buy several to give as holiday gifts!



To confess your sins to God is not to tell Him anything He doesn't already know. Until you confess them,, however, they are the abyss between the two of you. When you confess them, they become the Golden Gate Bridge. (Frederick Buechner)

The mercy of God: a cordial to your drooping spirits; a golden ointment to your bleeding wounds; a heavenly bandage to your broken bones; a royal chariot for your weary feet, a bosom of love for your trembling heart. (Charles Haddon Spurgeon)

So long as we have homes where lamps are lit and prayers are said,
Although a people falter through the dark and nations grope,
With God, Himself, back of these little homes we still have hope.

A Turkey Speaks

I have never understood why anyone would roast the turkey and shuck the clams and crisp the croutons and shell the peas and candy the sweets and compute the cranberries and bake the pies and clear the table and wash the dishes and fall into bed when they could sit back and enjoy a hamburger!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!