11-06-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

"Waiting is not empty time. It is time for doing important work. We're waiting for the kindom of God, for fulfillment. So our waiting is learning to live as though it is already here. We practice kin-dom living every day. Yet we always know there is more."

-Derek C. Weber

Questions for Reflection —

- ➤ What is your sense of Christian community? What does being part of the communion of saints mean to you? Who are the saints who have accompanied you on your faith journey? Who has taught you the faith by example? Who encouraged and strengthened you in your walk of discipleship? Who has shared wisdom with you and enabled you to see new ways of living and being?
- ➤ What does it look like for you to be a faithful steward of you time, energy, and resources? How does you Christian faith affect your approach to saving? To spending? To giving? What does it mean for us as a congregation to be faithful stewards of all that has been passed down to us by previous generations of saints? How can we share more generously of our resources and live as a community of abundance?
- ➤ What traditions of our congregation do you cherish? Are there traditions we need to reclaim? Are there some traditions that may not presently serve us well? How do we let go? What dreams do you have for the future of our congregation? What is your vision of the "more" that is to come for us? What does it look like for us to stand firm despite any adversity or anxiety we may face in moving forward? How do we engage faithful kin-dom living even as we wait for the future to unfold?

Daily Household Prayer

We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus. Amen.