

Making Life Better

with **Jesus**, in **Community**, on **Purpose**

a weekly email from **Pastor Lynn**

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Greetings –

I look forward to greeting you on the second Lord's Day of this new year. I think we'll all look forward to a bit warmer day after the deep chill of the mid-week. Last Sunday Jan and I were with our daughter's family in Plano, TX (greater Dallas). The temperature was 68. I had the distinct privilege of officiating at our granddaughter Claire's baptism. We enjoyed visits with our son in Edmond, OK, and Jan's mother and sister in Lamar, MO, and then just barely beat the main snowfall, arriving back in Greeley late Wednesday afternoon.

As I woke up Thursday to 8+ inches of snow to clear from our driveway and sidewalk, I remembered that we arrived in snow a year ago to begin our Interim Ministry with you. We have really enjoyed being part of the FCC Greeley church family. As our time with you winds down, I have a lot still to say to you. **This Sunday** I want to challenge you about our course as a congregation in 2017. Read Ephesians 5:15-20 before you come and join me as I unpack its thoughts for us. While 2016 was a very good year – I believe 2017 can be even greater. Let's remember *The Principle of the Path* and together begin this new part of the journey.

Our 2016 Christmas Eve service was great. **Thanks to the Worship Ministries Team** for their service throughout Advent. The Choir's anthems, the instrumental ensemble, Sandra Varley's playing, Regan Ring's solo, the families who read the account of Christ's birth, the individuals who decorated and served – *we were blessed*. Christmas Day worship was made memorable with membership commitments from **Ron Creighton** and **Lorilee Scott**, including Lorilee's baptism.

These words are from another time and place regarding God's people BUT think of FCCG.

“Then those **who feared the Lord** spoke with each other, and the Lord listened to what they said. In His presence, a *scroll of remembrance* was written to record the **names** of those who *feared* Him and *always* thought about the *honor* of His name.

“They will be My people” said the Lord. “On the day when I act in judgment, they will be **My own special treasure.**” Malachi 3:16-17 NLT

See you Sunday in a nice, *warm* sanctuary!



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