
PASTOR'S LETTER APRIL, 2022

FROM THE Growing Old With My Dog



A few years back, my daughter dropped off a stray dog that she thought would be perfect for me. It was obvious he had not been cared for. He looked like a little rat and his hair was all in knots. He didn't look like the Shih Tzus' I had seen on TV. But I was happy to take him on as my new partner in crime. Maybe you have seen him hanging around the church, he is a good-looking little gentleman. He is black and white and has a little Buda marking on the top of his head. Lately, I've been trying to teach him some sign language. He is smart but really stubborn. So far, you can sign him "treat" and he knows exactly what it means. Go figure!

I've seen signs around that read, "Adopt a pet forever." The meaning behind this is when you adopt a pet, it is not just for a few weeks, it is forever. This is exactly the relationship Coco and I have with each other. As long as I'm around, no matter how stubborn or old he might get, he's got a partner who will be watching over him.

Essentially this is the message of Easter. God has raised his Son, Jesus, from the dead as a sign and seal that God has adopted us (Romans 8:14) and will never leave us (Hebrews 13:5). God will be our loving parent and watch over us forever. We are God's "children of the resurrection" (Luke 20:36).

It is my prayer for you this Easter season that you will experience the meaning and reality of being God's resurrection children and know how much God loves you.

APRIL 2022 SERMONS

April 3RD - "Ambassadors For Christ" 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

April 10th "Who Do You Say That I Am?" Matthew 16:13-18 (Palm Sunday)

April 17th "Risen With Christ" Mark 16:1- 6; Colossians 3:1-4 (Easter)

April 24rd "As A Mother Comforts Her Child" 2 Corinthians 5:6-9; Wisdom 3:1-3