MINDFUL MONDAY MAY 13TH

We will not all die, but we will all be changed,

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:51, 58

Resurrection is a promise. Our earthly bodies are perishable, they won't last forever. I think we can all feel that as we age and feel the sore muscles and hear the crackle of joints. But through our faith we know that death is not the end. Paul gives us this message to let us know that beyond death our bodies will be made new again and resurrected. This can be hard for us to comprehend and understand. In our world where there are different theories and ideals about what is beyond death, we must have the faith that this world is not our final destination. God's love gives us new life. While we still grieve those who die, we must remember that the best is yet to come. So live knowing that God's love will be there for us and God's promise will be fulfilled.

Today we mourn the loss of Jason Richardson. We pray for the grief his family is experiencing. We know that Jason is now experiencing that heavenly life now, but his presence here will be missed and we pray for comfort and peace for Tammie and their children.

We give thanks for the joyful visit to Virginia Thomas from members of our church. They were able to have a good visit and enjoy fellowship together. We pray for Virginia's health and pray she feels loved and missed by our congregation.

We rejoice in those graduating during these next couple of weeks. Carter Hope graduated from Central on Saturday, so we pray for his path and guidance from you Lord.

We ask that you pray for those we lift up on our prayer list. Vernon, Lorraine, Judy, Joanne, Floyd & Dona, Candy, Jerry & Bea, Jason Richardson's Family, and Virgina. Let them feel our love and Your presence.

Please pray for this week's congregations, pastors, and ministries of the region.

Altoona Christian Church, Altoona, IA

Woodburn Christian Church, Woodburn, IA, Willa Heaberlin

Tom Carpe

Jared Wortman

Sheila Hunter

New Church Starts – Pentecost Offering collected goes toward our Denominational goal of starting 1,000 new congregations by 2020