*Memorize & Ponder*Mar 27, 2016 – Easter Sunday

Memorize & Ponder Text – Luke 24:11-12 (Full Reading – Luke 24:1-12) Week of Mar 20-27, 2016

Wondering What Happened

Luke 24:11-12 (NRSV)

But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

But Peter got up and ran to the tomb;

Stooping and looking in,
he saw the linen clothes by themselves;
then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Throughout the Christian year of 2016, until Advent, we will be focusing on the theme of 'Following Jesus in a Fearful and Divided World.' Our Scripture readings and Memorize & Ponder texts will be taken from the Gospels of Luke and John. We invite you to **listen** for what the Spirit is saying in the text, then **question** how those insights might change the ways you see things and act in the world. Share your thoughts during the week on the meaning the Spirit creates for you in this text by posting a comment on our website – www.brentwoodpc.ca.

Ponderings for Daily Theologians

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us provoke one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together ... (Hebrews 10:23-25a)

A Word for Daily Theologians = Amazed

What does it take to amaze you these days?

Could it be something that God alone can do?

Because that's the challenge of Easter, especially in a culture that is as secular as ours.

Charles Taylor,
in his monumental study of our times,
A Secular Age,
talks about "the malaise of immanence."
He's pointing to the strong tendency in our times
to deny the reality of the transcendent, of the divine,
of God in any form other than a human delusion.

But those of us who follow Jesus take a different view of reality. We believe that God's steadfast love, seen in the flourishing that flows from Jesus' resurrection, is the dominant reality in the world, despite all its fear and division.

That is truly amazing!

Gratitude for Grace Noticed this Week

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