



The Weekly Chalice

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FOR GOOD

911DAY.ORG

Tomorrow marks the 25th anniversary of the September 11th attacks on our nation. In some ways it is hard to believe it has been 25 years and in other ways it feels like a long time ago. The world feels like a different place and yet the universal realities and truths are all still the same: the world is a beautiful, terrible place still and human beings are still capable of overwhelming good and devastating cruelty.

It is hard to see images, video and news coverage of that day 25 years ago. I suspect that all of us, when confronted again with the unbelievable images of that day, are suddenly ushered back into those

moments in time when we first learned of what was happening. We remember where we were, what we felt and the days afterward. I remember feeling shocked by the horror of it all, but also feeling deep inside that I needed to do something, be something in opposition to such depravity and evil. I felt a strong desire to put back into the world, even if only in some small way, something that was good.

These 25 years later, when the world still feels complicated, fractured and troubled, we may be feeling that same urge to do something to counter negativity...to put something out into the world that is good and just. I remember the words of the prophet Micah in Micah 6:8

8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good;
and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?

I invite you to join in the 911day.org *Unite for Good* campaign and pledge to do one good thing tomorrow: Smile at a stranger, let someone ahead of you in line, write a letter to a loved one, hug someone you love and tell them "I love you." These acts may be small, but they are a way of resisting what feels negative and allowing love and kindness to shine through us.

-Rochelle+



Our Friday noon-1:30 p.m. Bible study will resume in October (stay tuned for details).

The group will be studying the book of Genesis. Books and start date will be available soon.



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8, NRSVUE)

Jesus' words in Acts 1:8 remind us that the church has always been called to move beyond what is familiar, to

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cross barriers, build relationships, and bear witness to God's love in every place. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are sent into our neighborhoods, across cultures, and around the world to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

God's love is never confined by geography, culture, tradition, or the barriers we create. Through the Disciples Mission Fund (DMF), the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) extends Christ's love beyond barriers to serve, connect, and transform lives across the United States, Canada, and around the world.

During Disciples Mission Fund Week, we invite you to journey Beyond as we celebrate the ministries your gifts make possible. Join us September 12–18 as we explore how God continues to call the church beyond what is familiar and into new opportunities for ministry and mission. Consider making a special contribution to DMF to support ministries in our congregation and beyond.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm AA	2 9:00 am–12:00 pm SCP Clean Day 10:30 am Prayer Group 10:30 am AI Anon 12:30 pm Sober Sisters	3 12:00 pm AA 7:00 pm GA	4 12:00 pm AA	5 12:00 pm AA
6 10:30 Worship Service	7 12:00 pm AA	8 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm AA	9 10:30 am Prayer Group 10:30 am AI Anon 12:30 pm Sober Sisters 5:00 pm Elders Meeting	10 12:00 pm AA 7:00 pm GA	11 12:00 pm AA	12 12:00 pm AA
13 10:30 Worship Service Board Meeting (virtual)	14 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm SCP Board Meeting	15 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm AA	16 10:30 am Prayer Group 10:30 am AI Anon 12:30 pm Sober Sisters	17 SCP First Day of School 12:00 pm AA 7:00 pm GA	18 12:00 pm AA	19 12:00 pm AA
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27 10:30 Worship Service	28 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm SCP Back to School Night	29 12:00 pm AA 6:30 pm AA	30 10:30 am Prayer Group 10:30 am AI Anon 12:30 pm Sober Sisters 6:00 pm Book Club via Zoom			