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Monday Musings from Pastor Brooke, July 27, 2020

*So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away;
see, everything has become new! ~ 2 Corinthians 5:17*

Greeting Beloved!

Another week is beginning and much is still the same. COVID-19 is still among us. We are being told to stay home as much as possible and wash our hands. We are being told to keep a physical distance from each other. We are being warned that the winter may be bad. These are things we have heard for months. It seems there is nothing new — unless you count the ways we are living life.

It seems that there is so much “new” that we are being asked to do these last few months. We have been asked to worship via technology. We have been asked not to sing together. We have been asked to refrain from hugging each other. So why would I suggest that perhaps we are called to do something new?

There is a difference between being told to do things a new way and choosing to do something in a different way. It feels very different to leave a job for which you knew you were not right for and being fired from that job.

God is always doing new things in our life, and God has given us free will. That means we get to choose whether to accept those new ways. However, we know that God always wants the best for us. To what new thing is God calling you? What new thing might you want to try this week?

As we look around, it can feel like everything old has indeed passed away — even those things that we wish hadn't. Through it all, God is still with us. How will you allow God to work in new ways in your life this week?

Blessings,

Pastor Brooke