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Seeking, Serving, Sharing
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DEVOTIONAL POETRY

This poem is a gentle reminder not to be so enamored with creating a perfect and well-ordered life that leaves no room for God. The result will not be as you anticipated.

Got all my ducks in a row!
Every detail carefully planned.
Goodbye sorrow and woe!
Pessimism and doubt are resolutely banned.

Got all my ducks in a row!
Everything is in its proper position.
My calling is sure, and I'm ready to go!
My life's purpose is sure to come to fruition!

Got all my ducks in a row!
My cause is just and my motives pure.
God can count me friend instead of the foe;
He has made my election sure.

Got all my ducks in a row!
I'm marching ever forward in the strength of my might.
Sharing with others everything I know;
I am striving hard to make things decent and upright.

And just when I've worked myself into a self-righteous rut.
The LORD knocks down every duck;
And gently pulls me from moral and religious muck;
To be still, let His Spirit lead,
and not trust to my might and luck.

by Althea Debrule



Arlene's Retirement Party!

January 21st

Due to expected frigid temperatures we are postponing Arlene's retirement party until Sunday, January 21. Join us to celebrate Arlene immediately following the 11 am service.



January 27, 2024
Pioneer Technology Center
Conference Center

It's a great tasting opportunity to support the Child Development Center!

**Tickets are \$15.00 each!
Contact Vicki Braden!!!**

We have learned that Amy Boatman will be resigning from her responsibilities as the Director of the Bell Choir and as our Sunday Morning Pianist and Organist. Amy has recently been required to offer more care for her parents and expects to be with them frequently on weekends.



We offer her prayers of support as she enters this time of transition. Her last Sunday with us will be January 28th.

Thank You, Ryan Kirkpatrick!

Bill and Sheila Kirkpatrick's son, Ryan, donated the use of the crane that was used during the installation of our new central heat and air!



Giving in Review

As of November 30, 2023
Income Received YTD \$271,244.17
Actual Expenses YTD \$295,431.51
Budgeted Expenses YTD \$301,125.00