

Scripture Reading: John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.

I recall all of the troubling experiences Gerrie and I experienced during the final days of life for each of our parents. It is not a role that any of us seek. However, caring for parents is a special responsibility and an essential part of life. We were fortunate to have each other provide the proper balance of skills needed to make many decisions. More importantly, we had our faith in Jesus Christ and the peace that only He can provide. Much of that peace that Christ provided came through the actions of our pastor and members of our church. We all need to rejoice in God's plan for our lives and in the peace that only Christ can provide in our times of trouble.

Prayer: Lord, surround us all in our times of need with the peace that only you can provide. Thanks be to God. Amen

~ Submitted by Don McSwain for the Fifth Reading of Lent