



The Joy Journal

As the cold of winter closes and the world begins to bloom, let us focus on our journey of Lent together. May March be a time of quiet reflection and a deeper connection to our Savior.

This month's article "The Joy of Service and the Moving of the Spirit" was submitted by the Worship and Music Committee and a testament to the power of the Holy Spirit.

There are moments in the life of a church when we can clearly see the hand of God at work among us. Our recent Annual Faire held on February 14, 2026, was one of those moments.

Service is one of the most beautiful expressions of our faith. Throughout the day, I watch members of our congregation give of themselves generously: setting up, cooking, organizing greeting, selling, cleaning and doing countless unseen tasks. I saw tired feet and exhausted faces. Yet what stood out even more were the smiles (genuine, joyful smiles), as people worked side by side and interacted with those who came to shop and visit.

There was a spirit of warmth and kindness in every corner of the Faire. Conversations flowed easily. Laughter could be heard across the room. Volunteers encouraged one another. Guests were welcomed not just as customers, but as neighbors and friends. In those simple but sacred interactions, it was evident that God's hand was moving among us.

The Holy Spirit was not only present in the success of the event, but in the joy that overflowed from service. When we serve with willing hearts, something holy happens. We become the hands and feet of Christ to one another and to our community. The weariness we feel is met with a deeper joy, the joy that comes from knowing we are participating in God's work.

The Annual Faire was more than a fundraiser or community event. It was a testimony. A testimony of faithful servants. A testimony of shared purpose. And a testimony that the Spirit continues to move powerfully in our congregation.

May we continue to serve with that same joy, trusting that wherever God calls us to work together, His Spirit goes before us.

Scripture to remind us of God's Strength for the Weary - Isaiah 40:29-31 "He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.... those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength."

God Bless You and Remember to Share the Joy!

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