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Dear People of Amazing Grace,

There was a joke going around the internet at the end of last March that said "This is the lentiest Lent I ever Lented!" Of course, that was at the very beginning of the pandemic; we literally could not imagine at that point that we would still be fighting this virus ten months later.

And now we approach another Lent in our lives together. I myself have always found it useful to choose some sort of Lenten discipline, but the entire last year has felt a bit "Lenty" - we've had to give so much up, put so much off, and say goodbye to so many people. Giving up something (chocolate, alcohol, etc.) may not seem right to many at this point.

Whether or not we individually choose to fast from something during Lent, I encourage us all to do something else as well - to reach out. After all, Jesus did not stay in the wilderness - he left it to reach out to people. In this time of social distancing, I think the best thing we can do is to reach out in any way. Let's revive the old custom of sending a note to a friend for no reason at all. Pick up your phone and call someone you haven't spoken to in months. Send a funny text each day to lift up your spirits.

I myself will be reaching out to you with phone calls and cards this Lent and I look forward to that! Lent can be a time of renewal, not just of deprivation, and we so need renewal this year.

I hope you'll also join us for our mid-week Lenten worship services on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Susanna