

PASTOR'S COLUMN—MARCH 23, 2015

Dear Parishioners:

There are times in the Old Testament that we get the impression that God expects us to choose the good on our own, separate from God. That somehow God is waiting to see if we'll make poor choices. The Good News about God's Love for us is that God is one with us at all times and in Jesus the Son of God made human, God's oneness guides us in our every choice.

The foundation to our choice-making is Christ Jesus who reminds us during his earthly life that true greatness is based on being humble servants of God the Father's Will. This means we are on this earth to live in the name of Jesus, not to try to make a name for ourselves. Our Holy Communion with Jesus at Eucharist deepens our willingness to live as humble servants of God's Will.

Because God loves us first in Christ, we do not go it alone in this life of choice-making. God never pulls back from us in God's Love for us. Thus, we can live confidently in Jesus, faithful to Jesus' guidance in the Holy Spirit for us. Choosing the good separate from God's oneness with us is absurd for God clarifies for us through Jesus, His Son, that God guides us in our every moment. The Old Testament is fulfilled in the New Testament of Christ the savior. Thank God we don't have to go it alone amidst the many choices we face in daily life. Our Beloved Jesus guides us at all times in the Holy Spirit to make our choices as humble servants of God's Will.

In Our God of Oneness,

Fr. Terry