

Pastor Randy's short devotion for February 28th:

“Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me.” (Psalm 23:4)

Today is another grey day, with overcast and rain today instead of snow. The grey days kind of slow us down a little bit, stealing our energy. We can have days when the sun is shining, but our world has become a little grey. Suddenly we or a loved one is experiencing some health issues and the diagnosis is serious. The future looks a little grey, a little shadowy, for we aren't sure what the future holds, which way to turn, how will certain procedures create a way back to health. We are blessed that we have wonderful men and women who study our bodies, study medicines and create healthy strategies that restore our health. Still the journey can be a walk through a shadowy valley. Recently, there have been a lot of deaths in my community and in my faith communities. The journey of grieving a loved one, who has been an intricate part of your life, a rock in your foundation, can be a grey, shadowy dark time. Jesus defeated death. Jesus has made death a mere shadow, in which Jesus leads us through the shadowy valley into the bright light of God's love. Jesus knows the way through the shadows. Jesus has already walked through the valley. Jesus walks with us with the promise of the bright love in which we will be reunited with loved ones and live in the light of God's love. When your world gets shadowy, seek out the true light of the world, our Lord Jesus.