



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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DAILY DEVOTIONAL FROM PASTOR SELL

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I finally did it! I attacked the myrtle tree and the small garden around it. It was one of the most overgrown sections of the property. I cut down the waist high yarrow. I hacked, sawed, and pulled on the myrtle. Twelve large garbage bags and a trash can full branches and it was starting to look pretty good. Surprisingly under all the mess were garden plants struggling to grow with little sunlight. I mulched and watered. The next day the plants were beginning to perk up as they stretched for the sun. The myrtle tree looked like a tree again. The entrance to the secret garden was looking good.

Sometimes in life we get overgrown like that small garden. Our lives get cluttered with cares and concerns. We struggle to see the light. The life, death, and resurrection of Jesus offer us the opportunity to clear away the debris of the past and look to the future.