



# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God*

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## ***DAILY DEVOTIONAL FROM PASTOR SELL***

### **Tuesday, October 26**

As I passed the Mount Joy Post Office, I noticed an older lady climbing the stairs. She balanced several large boxes in her left arm and carried a large shopping bag on her right arm while holding on to the handrail. If I hadn't been driving, I would have stopped to help her. I wondered where all those packages were going.

Today, boxes bring us all sorts of things. Amazon, FedEx, and UPS bring boxes. Door Dash and Grub Hub come with dinner. Walmart and most stores deliver. Need groceries – just swipe a finger and they will be at your door in a couple hours. It all seems so easy, but what does it do to build community? Fifty years ago, sociologists worried the back yard BBQ and deck would destroy neighborhoods. Go back a few more years and the loss of the front porch and stoop were lost. I can remember when after dinner people sat on the front porch and talked to the neighbors.

God intended us to live in community – to talk to each other face to face. I think we are missing something when too many boxes arrive at the door.