



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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Several weeks ago, while I was doing a bit of antiquing, I found a lovely, framed collection of three watercolors. Tiny flowers danced across the paper in pale pastel colors as they depicted baskets full of flowers. It was perfect for my home and the more I looked at it the more I had to have it. It was then I noticed a little pink note sticking out from the back of the frame. Taking the picture off the wall I read the note. "Local artist Mrs. Holoday retired art teacher from Hempfield School District." SOLD! I was saddened by the rest of the note which indicated the price had been reduced. Apparently, nobody had been interested in it. What a shame, a beautiful painting by a local artist might have been lost.

How many times do we pass by things or people of great worth and beauty? Maybe we are in a hurry or maybe we just don't care. Maybe we don't recognize the beauty or this history. Jesus didn't pass by the unloved in society, the sick, hungry, or discouraged. Christians are called to see the worth and beauty in each person and reach out to them with compassion.