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Sunday, August 29, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Sandra K. Olewine, South District Superintendent
“No Random Acts of Kindness”



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Scriptures: James 1:17-27

¹⁷ Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

¹⁸ In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger;

²⁰ for your anger does not produce God’s righteousness.

²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves.

²³ For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror;

²⁴ for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like.

²⁵ But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶ If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless.

²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world. ([top](#))