



CELL DISCUSSION QUESTIONS following Sunday October 28: **Kindness**

WELCOME: “Frankenstorm” Sandy is rushing towards us as I write. Likely by the time your group meets it will be past. Feel free to discuss your experiences. Where were you? What happened?

WORSHIP: Read Psalm 29 in which a lightning storm is described as the voice of the Lord blowing West to East from the Mediterranean, across Lebanon and disappearing into the wilderness. After the Psalm sit in silence and reflect on this

And in his temple all cry, “Glory!”
 The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever.
 The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

WORD Read Titus 3:1-8

Often in the midst of a storm people kindly come together to help each other. Share what you can if you saw any of that or had conversations about helping.

The Greek word for Kindness “*Chrēstotās*” sounds similar to their word for *Christ*. How was Jesus Christ kind in the gospel stories? How is he kind now?

A most sacred Hebrew word is "Hesed". Hesed love & loyalty defines who God is.

If someone you know and love well might not survive or their well-being is at risk, and you are the only one who is able or willing to help, and you do something about it, that is Hesed kindness It is like the kindness of God. (Pastor Duke)

How is God like that? How have you experienced God’s kindness?

WITNESS / MISSION:

Describe if you kind what happened to the Pakistani girl Malala, to Amanda Todd, to Whitney Kropp and in Pastor Duke’s sermon why John Franklin Stephens (Global Messenger for Special Olympics of Virginia) was so angry. How might kindness have made a difference in each situation.

Who has shown kindness to you?

To whom in your community will you show kindness this week?