



Heartbeats along the way: The Waiting Heart

"Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord." Psalm 27:14

Around this time of year, my mother would settle into her chair and look at seed catalogues and imagine the vegetables and flowers she would plant. She was a woman of the soil and always enjoyed planting and harvesting.

We had a small patch of tillable and fertile ground, one too small for her imagination and too big for the work she expected me to invest in her dream. I was just a kid and was more interested in airplanes and the Lone Ranger when it came time to turn imagination into vegetable and floral reality.

However, as years passed, I grew into the same mold (except I'd look online rather than sit with a paper catalogue), imagining an Eden in my back yard.

You and I have that opportunity to imagine the beauty and usefulness of our Spring Garden Campus. But all we can do right now is to wait. No, that's not true. We can do something. We can be strong, take heart, and pray with all the passion and faith we can muster for the fulfillment of God's marvelous plan for our church family. We can do this for ourselves and all who come after us.

So, let's wait for the Lord together. In the next few weeks this wonderful dream will be more fully disclosed. So as David encouraged, "...be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord."

"O God, who fashioned all Creation, give us the strength to wait for the revelation of Your Will for Spring Garden Campus. Give each of us encouraging words to speak to one another and share our imagination of this place that You are preparing for us in Carlisle."

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