

¡Saludos en el nombre de Jesucristo!

My friends, today I want to remind you of two things coming up in the life of our church. First, this Sunday at 9:30am, my son Dominic will be leading an adult forum titled *How to Protect Yourself Online*. As we are all aware, in the past year, our church has been vulnerable to hackers who have imitated me and taken advantage of your compassion in order to swindle you out of your money. But I am also aware that the efforts of hackers to swindle people aren't limited to our church. Hackers are everywhere, and their attempts to steal our identity and take our money never stop. So, I hope that Dominic's class will be a great educational opportunity for all of us as we learn how to be safe from this internet menace.

The second thing I want to remind you about is the events we are having in the church to celebrate Earth Day. Next Saturday, April 22 at 11am, we will be having our second annual "Blessing of the Animals" service in the Memorial Garden. Please feel free to come out and bring your pet, as long as it is neither wild nor venomous. Then, on Sunday, we will be having a special Earth Day celebration at our 10:30 service. The theme of this year's Earth Day celebration is pollinators, and we will be welcoming Maria Thomas to speak at our service. Ms. Thomas is the curator of plants for the City of Albuquerque Biopark.

This Sunday, our scripture readings will be Psalm 16 and John 20: 19-31. My sermon is titled "Believing Thomas". Please join me in the Upper Room at 8:30am or at 10:30am in the sanctuary or over Zoom.

Blessings,

Pastor Rich