

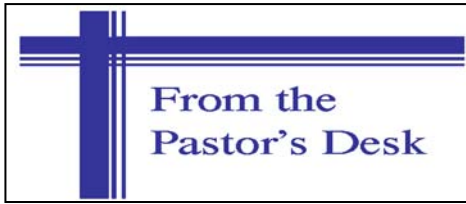


THE MESSENGER

Discover A Place to Call Home

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Several days ago, I was having repair work done in our home. It was a fairly uncomplicated and quick repair, so the technician and I were engaged in a conversation about life in general. The person knew what I do as a profession, and in the course of conversation, some particulars of pastoral life that came forth and in the ensuing discussion the technician said, "I never thought about pastors doing that." One interesting part of being a pastor is you often get to be involved in people's lives from birth to death.

May and June are months we in the church and in our community have traditionally thought about marriage, family and parenting. Mother's Day, School graduations, Father's Day and June being the "wedding month" may spark that.

In the old days of the church (back when I was a kid) I remember Mother's Day as a big event. My dad would bring home roses on Saturday to wear on our lapels on Sunday. Red if your mother was living and white if your mother was deceased. During Sunday service, the oldest mother, the youngest mother and other distinctions would be honored.

Life was simpler then and Mother's Day, I've learned, can be a hurtful day to women who were or are unable to have children or those whose mother was less than honorable.

As far as Father's Day as a child, I have no recollection of it being celebrated other than finding my dad some cheap gift of some sort. Oh well, but maybe Ok.

In the Biblical record, somewhere between Jesus's twelfth birthday and the beginning of His public ministry, Joseph disappears from that record. The assumption, because the Bible does not directly tell us, is that he died. And the fact that Matthew 1:19, 24-25 tells us he was an honorable man, so the assumption is plausible. It doesn't mean Joseph's relationship with Jesus, Mary and the rest of their children was not significant. It does mean they dealt with the loss of him.

The record of Jesus and His relationship with His mother goes on through the gospel account through the beginning of the book of Acts (1:14). What do we know about her?

1. Mary had a relationship with God and had His unearned favor (Luke 1:27).
2. Mary's life of grace honored God (Luke 1:30).
3. Mary sought the support from her family in dealing with the reality of her calling (Luke 1:39ff).

4. Mary's life was permanently altered by her decision to submit to God's calling (Matthew 1-2; Luke 1-2).
5. Mary faced hardship and personal risk in her calling (Matthew 2; Like 2).
6. Mary struggled to understand her relationship with Jesus as He grew into adulthood (Luke 2:41-52; John 2:4; 12:46-50).
7. Mary may have suffered hurt by the teachings of Jesus (Luke 14:26).
8. Mary suffered alongside Jesus in His darkest moment (John 19:25).
9. Mary was honored by Jesus in His darkest moment (John 19:26-27).
10. Mary knew Jesus not only came as her son but as Savior as well and was a member of the church (Acts 1:14).

We honor the fact, while we are not all mothers or fathers, that we all certainly had a mother and a father. And if we received nothing else from them, we at least attained life that God declares sacred.

All these passages contain references to life, death, graduation, weddings, fatherhood and motherhood. Let us honor God in all.

~Pastor Mark



Rathgeber House Report

Thank you, Ladies II for the delicious meal. As always, they guests were so thankful for a warm meal. Christie was back and looked so good. She is thankful for all the prayers and said, "Please continue." A gentleman in the hospital is mad at God and could use prayers also.

Thank you,
Fran Koch



Thanks for all your support. Every pound of food helps our community. For the month of April, we have donated a total of 36 pounds of food. Please remember the Spring Canned Food Drive going until May 5th.

The Tuesday Ladies group has taken 5 blankets to Hospice of WF this month. If you would like to contribute, please purchase fleece in 1 1/2 yard increments, one piece for top and one piece for bottom of blanket.

Thank you,
Steve & Ida Jones



Davis/Harris Shower	June 2
Shelby Baby Shower	June 9
Lemonade Stand	June 15
Father's Day	June 16
VBS	June 23-27
Ordinance Sunday	June 30
Team Kids Camp	July 24-27
Youth BackPack	July 28-Aug 1
Davis/Harris Wedding	Aug 3



PRAYER WALK
1ST SUNDAY OF MONTH 8:45 AM
FELLOWSHIP HALL



FAMILY BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 15TH AT 7PM
DEACON & SECURITY TEAM
MAY 19TH AT 4 PM



MAY 2ND, 12:15 PM
FRIENDSHIP PARK PAVILLION



SATURDAY, MAY 4TH AT 11 AM
JLBC FELLOWSHIP HALL



SPRING PICNIC MEXICAN FIESTA
MAY 5TH AFTER AM SERVICES
DESSERT AUCTION AFTER MEAL



SUNDAY, MAY 19TH AT 8 AM
JLBC FELLOWSHIP HALL



SUNDAY, MAY 19TH
FOLLOWING AM SERVICES
HONORING ALICIA DAVIS AND
GABRIEL WILLIAMS



BHS STAFF BREAKFAST
MAY 22 AT 7 AM



OFFICES CLOSED



A calendar of upcoming events was handed out.

Projects— There will be new lighting in the sanctuary, conference room, and the hallway to the youth building. The cost will be approximately \$5,400 using gifts that have been given. \$500 was spent for new microphones and \$100-\$200 for new cables for the sound system in the sanctuary.

There was a water leak in the old kitchen which needs to be remodeled.

Personnel Committee will meet on April 30th to discuss filling positions caused by members leaving.



Ushers for May
Steve Jones, Dennis Smith,
Scott Simmons, John King

PASTOR & DEACONS

Please feel free to call any of us at any time.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  PRAYER 5:00 PM MEAL 5:30 PM WORSHIP 6:00 PM	2 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER  12:15 PM FRIENDSHIP PARK PAVILLION  Faith Mission 7:30 PM	3	4  11 AM JLBC FELLOWSHIP HALL
5  8:45 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL  SPRING PICNIC & DESSERT AUCTION AFTER AM SERVICES	6	7  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP 1 PM	8  PRAYER 5:00 PM MEAL 5:30 PM WORSHIP 6:00 PM	9	10	11
12 	13	14  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP 1 PM	15  PRAYER 5:00 PM MEAL 5:30 PM WORSHIP 6:00 PM FAM BUS MEETING 7PM	16	17	18
19  8AM FELLOWSHIP HALL  SENIOR SUNDAY AFTER AM SERVICES	20	21  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP 1 PM	22  BHS FACULTY BREAKFAST 7 AM 	23 	24 	25
26  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 AM WORSHIP 11 AM	27  OFFICES CLOSED	28  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	29  PRAYER 5:00 PM MEAL 5:30 PM WORSHIP	30	31	

April 2019 Sunday School Attendance Record

April 7	48
April 14	54
April 21	69
April 28	59

Average Attendance: 58

Average based on 4 Sundays

April 2019 Financial Report

Tithes	\$ 9,500.61
Estimated monthly budget needs for 2018 - 2019	\$14,562.12
Designated	\$ 1,997.18



May 2019 Deacon of the Week

April 29-May 5	Bill Lindenborn
May 6-12	Marvin Maherg
May 13-19	Robert Ritter
May 20-26	Rick Griffin
May 27-June 2	Bill Lindenborn

Prayer Chain

If you have an e-mail address and desire to be on the prayer chain, please call the church office with your email information.

Questions? Call Jennifer @ 569-1211

We're on the web!

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Jan Lee Baptist Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:30 AM
MORNING SERVICE	11:00 AM
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE	5:00 PM

MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

PRAYER	5:00 PM
MEAL	5:30 PM
ADULT BIBLE STUDY	6:00 PM
YOUTH FELLOWSHIP	6:00 PM



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