

Church of Christ

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HONOR YOUR MOTHER!

“Honor your father and your mother” is the fifth of the Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:12). Though we do not live under the Old Testament law today, God brought nine of those commandments into the New Testament, including this one (Ephesians 6:1-3). Giving Mom a card and a box of chocolates on the second Sunday in May is fine, but God makes it clear in His word that honoring your mother goes far beyond a man-made annual holiday. How does God say we should honor our mothers?

Love her! Young children seldom have to be told to do this. It comes naturally. The Scriptures call it “natural affection” (2 Timothy 3:3). It is the warm, tender devotion that you feel toward close family members. This very passage, however, warns of the danger of suppressing or even losing that natural affection. Cultivate love for your mother every day, not just “Mother’s Day.”

Obey her! “Children, obey your parents” (Ephesians 3:20). Even Jesus submitted to His mother and Joseph (Luke 2:51). When I hear a young child defiantly saying “No!” to Mama (or Daddy), I see red! Parents who fail to correct such impudence swiftly and effectively (including some firm swats to the posterior) are inviting disaster. That leads to the next point.

Speak respectfully to her! Sassiness and back-talk are not limited to small children. Though He

was older, Jesus spoke respectfully to His mother and Joseph, even when correcting them (e.g. at the Temple, Luke 2:48, 49). No matter how old we are, we ought always to speak respectfully to our parents. Under the Mosaic Law, cursing a parent was a capital offense (Exodus 21:7). While this penalty is not in effect under the New Testament, it speaks volumes about the importance God assigns to speaking respectfully to our parents.

Never hit her! This was another capital crime under the Law of Moses (Exodus 21:15). Of course this dealt with older children, not toddlers! A small child sometimes defiantly slaps his mother if he isn’t getting his way. Worse, parents sometimes allow children to suffer no consequences for such obnoxious behavior! Little ones may not know any better at first, but they will learn quickly if parents discipline them promptly and consistently. I have also known of cases where older children beat their parents; such conduct is criminal according to the laws of both God and men.

Provide for her in her old age. Jesus rebuked the Jews of His day for evading their responsibility to provide for their aged parents (Matthew 15:4ff). Although popular culture looks to civil government to fulfill the need, Paul teaches that it is first and foremost a family obligation, and secondarily the responsibility of the church (1 Timothy 5:4).

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Joe Slater
via Broadway church of Christ
Campbellsville, KY

PRAY FOR...

Bai, Sue: Katelyn’s mom surgery for cancer

Bailey, Susan & Emily: Jim B’s relative, struggles

Bennett, Jim: health following car accident and surgery

Boula, Pat: Chris C’s friend-heart valve replacement

Brownwood, John: struggles

Burra, Jennifer: Carl & Cindy’s cousin, cancer

Cech, Matthew: health

Cech, Terry: health concerns

Chambers, William & Michael: Alfred’s family, health struggles

Collins, Mary: Patty’s friend, struggles

Dailey, Wendy: cancer has recurred

Darling, Wendy: rehab and health struggles

Dashaw, Trisha and Justin: struggles

Davis, Bonnie: infusion

Doner, John: Christian’s grandfather, health

Elders, Alfred and Doug

Gonyea, Louis: Patty’s brother, rehab after surgery

Howard, Sammy: health struggles

Hogan, Don: Garth’s father, health concerns

Kashorek, Lori: healing~non-chemo cancer treatment

Lebeau, Steve & Gail: John’s friends, health struggles

Lermineau, Kids: Carl and Cindy’s relative, struggles

LePage, Jim Sr. and Gail: Jim L’s parents, health

Loss: Family and friends of Carrie Jean, Alfred’s niece

McCutchan, Glenda: health & recovery

Miller, Jody: struggles

Missions: Brazil, Croatia, Malawi

Morrison family: Mary’s neighbor’s family, health struggles

Noble, Arty: Sammy’s father, cancer

Stone, Steven: struggles

VanNortwick, Don: Patty’s friend, cancer

West, Larry: Melinda’s friend in CA, health

Whitfield, Freda: Mary Chambers’ mother, health

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Schedule of Services
Sunday
Bible Class 10 A.M.
Morning Worship 11 A.M.

“Continue to help us keep this list updated and to pray for those mentioned in previous bulletins.”

Welcome to Worship

The church of Christ that meets in Plattsburgh invites you to attend any of our services. We love having visitors and are honored for you to attend. We seek to follow the New Testament in all that we do in our worship services. Our primary aim in worship is to glorify and honor God by worshipping Him “in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24) Trusting in the promise of the gospel message, we now live out obedience to God’s Word as our only authority and pattern for our lives and the church. We want to encourage you to come and learn, worship, grow, and serve the Lord with us! “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity” (Psalm 133:1).

From the Shepherds ...

Don’t forget to support our brothers and sisters across the lake next Saturday as the Burlington church hosts a Spiritual Growth Workshop from 9:00-3:30. Doug will be in Searcy, AR, on 5/18 performing a wedding for Caleb & Madison Krise and then continuing his support trip to churches in OH, TN, and AL. Alfred and Ed will be preaching the next two Sundays.



We’ve Got Class!

Join us Next Sunday at 10 a.m. for:
Adults: John’s class--Gospel of John (not him!)
Youth classes as well.

Munchie Moments

Men’s Prayer Breakfast: Our next 1st Sunday breakfast is on 6/2 at 8 a.m.

Fellowship Meal: Our 4th Sunday meal will be after morning service on 5/26.

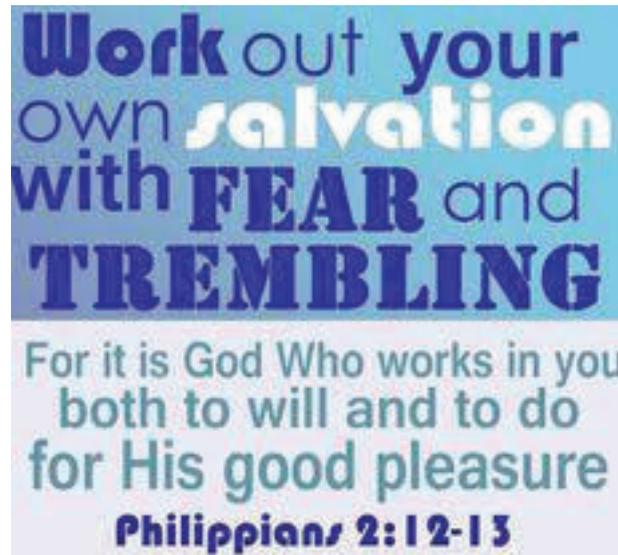
Let’s Do Why We Gathered

To help eliminate distractions during worship, the side door will be locked at 11:00 on Sunday mornings. We would ask that you’re in the building by that time ready to worship and that bathroom breaks during service be kept to a minimum. Help be a good example for those around you by restricting the use of electronic devices to Bible apps.

Doug’s Devotional

“... But the young man did not draw his sword, for he was afraid, because he was still a young man. The Zebah and Zalmunna said, ‘Rise yourself and fall upon us, for as the man is, so is his strength’ ...” Judges 8:20-21.

An ad that apparently appeared in some newspaper urging people not to hunt but to buy their meat in grocery stores where no animals are harmed has been circling social media. As ridiculous as this is, this is an example of how far we have strayed from our independent roots as a nation. Today, jobs as well as goods are all pre-packaged as our pioneer spirit fades away. I still remember struggling as a boy to strike a solid blow to the hen’s neck with a hatchet while butchering chickens and my dad being upset at my squeamishness. Yet, it was an important step in taking charge of my own life and not letting others do for me. I didn’t just eat chicken; I butchered it too. We are to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling, yet many want others—a preacher or godly relative perhaps—to tell them what to believe. “For as the man is, so is his strength.” Are you actively and independently studying as a workman approved or noble Berean for your salvation in Christ?



Sundae Toppings

Today: actual Mother’s Day
5/19, 12:30 p.m. Family Meeting
5/26, 12:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6/2, 8 a.m. Men’s Prayer Breakfast



Mission Moment

•Please pray for all our mission works.

2019 WVBS Interactive Bible Reading Plan



SOTW: Deuteronomy
5/12: Numbers 25-26
5/13: Numbers 27-29
5/14: Numbers 30-32
5/15: Numbers 33-34
5/16: Numbers 35-36
5/17: Deuteronomy 1-3
5/18: Deuteronomy 4-6
SUPP: none
website: video.wvbs.org



Mark Your Calendar

5/14-30, Doug’s Support Trip
5/18, Spiritual Growth Workshop in VT; Madison’s Wedding in AR
5/26, Howard’s birthday in Christ (*85)
5/28, Taylor & Tyler’s birthdays
5/29, Jim L’s birthday
6/6, Chambers’ anniversary (*75)
6/10, Healys’ anniversary (*67)
6/13, Glenda’s birthday
6/24-29, Playground construction
7/20, Point Au Roche Day???
7/27--8/3, Camp Hunt Intermediate Week
8/11-14, 6:30-8:30 p.m. VBS: H&V-Daniel

Today: 5/12

Announcements: Alfred
Opening Prayer: Tyler
Song Leader: Ed
#2 “We Praise Thee, O God”
#4 “To God Be the Glory”
#19 “Come, Thou Almighty King”
Talk/bread prayer: Garth
Pass/fruit of the vine prayer: Howard
Pass/collection prayer: Carl
Passer: Justin
#23 “Our God, He Is Alive”
Scripture Reading: Jim L - Judges 8:20-21
Lesson: Doug “For As the Man Is”
#123 “The Steadfast Love of the Lord”
Closing Song: Chris
#1024 “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”
Closing Prayer: John
Sub: DK, SH

Next Sunday 5/19

Announcements: Jim B
Opening Prayer: Jim L
Song Leader: Garth
Talk/bread prayer: Carl
Pass/fruit of the vine prayer: John
Pass/collection prayer: Chris
Passer: Sammy
Scripture Reading: Howard - 1 Peter 5:8
Lesson: Alfred “Beware”
Closing Song: Ed
Closing Prayer: Tyler

Wash & Wear

•the cleaning sign-up for this season is on the fridge. Taking a turn is appreciated & needed.
•the church’s blue polo shirts in a variety of sizes are \$15 each (to cover cost only).

May 5

Bible Class	20
Morning Worship	26
Wed. Bible Class	12
Contribution	\$697.00
Weekly Ave. Needed	\$625.00