

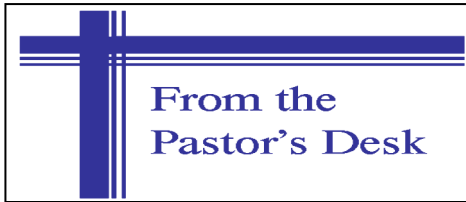


Discover A Place to Call Home

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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 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 that 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. You wore 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 for women who were or are unable to have children, or for 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 okay.

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 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; Luke 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

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Rathgeber House Report

Thank you, Kathy Janeke, for taking the meal to Rathgeber. Also, thanks to Taffy Sims for her famous banana budding and to Norah Bronaugh for the cake.

Another thank you for those who have donated funds in order to purchase food. You've heard it said, "It takes a village."

Thank you,
Fran Koch
940-636-8215

If you would like to contribute towards one of our monthly meals with food or money, please see Fran Koch.



For the month of April, we collected 72 pounds of food for Grace Ministries. The needs for the month of May are still canned Pork 'n Beans, Extension Cords, and Plastic Storage Bins with Lids. You can bring donations to the church office, the home of Ida Jones, or deliver to Grace Ministries yourself.

For the months of April we had 7 blankets for Hospice of Wichita Falls.

Thank you,
Steve & Ida Jones



Offices Closed
May 31
In Observance of
Memorial Day



Prayer Walk
May 2 at 9:15am

Meet in JLBC Fellowship Hall



Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer

FaceBook Live at 6pm

Sanctuary is open at this time if you would like to attend. Everyone is welcome to join the meal at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall.



Deacons' Meeting

May 9 at 4pm

Family Business Meeting

May 12 7pm

JLBC Fellowship Hall



YOUTH GROUP

JLBC Team Kids & Youth Group meet
Wednesday Nights.

Dinner at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Classes from 6-7pm.



Senior Sunday May 23
Cake, Punch, & Appetizers
served after morning services



Volunteers Needed to
help mow church yard.
Contact Church Office
to volunteer!



Senior Boys Summer Camp
June 11-16



Youth Group Camp
Completed 6-12 Graders
June 21-25

Team Kids Camp
Completed Kinder-5th Graders
July 21-24



Vacation Bible School
July 25-29 5:15 pm—8:00 pm
4 year old through 5th graders
Adult Volunteers Needed

PASTOR & DEACONS

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

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MAY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	3	4  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	5  MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	6  7:30 PM 	7	8
9  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 ORDINANCE SUNDAY 11 AM MOTHER'S DAY	10	11  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	12  MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	13  FAMILY BUSINESS MEETING MAY12 @ 7PM 	14	15
16  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	17	18  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	19  MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	20	21	22
23  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM SENIOR SUNDAY	24  ARTICLES DUE	25  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	26  MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	27 MAY 26 IS THE  	28	29
30  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	31  OFFICES CLOSED					

April 2021 Sunday School Attendance Record

Apr 4	49
Apr 11	32
Apr 18	45
Apr 25	42

Average Attendance: 42
Average based on 4 Sundays

April 2021 Financial Report

Tithes	\$11,151.50
Estimated monthly budget needs for 2020 - 2021	\$14,304.94
Designated	\$ 4,846.22



May 2021 Deacon of the Week

Apr 26-May2	John Naas
May 3-9	Robert Ritter
May 10-16	Rick Griffin
May 17-23	Bill Lindenborn
May 24-30	Marvin Maherg
May 31—Jun 6	John Naas

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!

www.jlbcburk.com

Jan Lee Baptist Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL	ON HOLD
MORNING SERVICE	11:00 AM
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE	ON HOLD
YOUTH & TEAM KIDS ACTIVITIES	5:30 PM

MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY	6:00 PM
VIA FACEBOOK LIVE	



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