

Mother's Love

A Mother's love is something that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain,
It is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it or take that love away...
It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking,
And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking...
It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems...
It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation,
and it still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation...
A many-splendored miracle man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.

-- Author Unknown

There is a tender story told about an ailing mother who was resting in her bed when her nine-year-old daughter walked in. The daughter quietly unfolded a blanket and tucked it around her mother.

"You know," the mother said, "It hasn't been that long since I was tucking you in, and now here you are covering me up." The little girl smiled, kissed her on the cheek, whispered, "We take turns," and then skipped out of the room.

That little girl, with innocence and insight, stated a truth for our time. "We take turns" in the family of God when we love each other, serve each other, and encourage each other. Let's not miss the opportunities.

Let's not let them slip by. Let's keep our eyes and hearts open. Let's remember: we take turns!

Honor your father and mother"--which is the first commandment with a promise--"that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." - Eph 6:2-3

Take some time this Mother's Day to remember Mom. The apostle Paul reminds his "son in the faith" (Timothy) where his personal faith originated. "I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also." – 2 Tim 1:5



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WELCOME!

Sunday

Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class- 10:00 a.m.

Thursday

Home Bible study-7:00pm

**ALL THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST
GREET YOU.
ROMANS 16:16**

Today's Sermon: *Hey Jude*

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Scripture: Galatians 6:6-10

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Next potluck: May 21st Next Sunday! Open theme, anything goes!**
- **Ladies Class: 10am, Tuesday, May 16th at the building. We hope to be discussing chapter 9 of Struggle, Seek, Grow, about Naomi!**
- **Midweek Bible study Thursday nights at 7pm.**



HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY!

- ✓ Lani has completed her Masters program at Ithaca College, and there will be a hooding ceremony there this Saturday, May 20th. Lani will be receiving an MS in Exercise and Sport Sciences.
- ✓ Sam would like to invite you all to a Nigerian dinner at his home on Saturday, the 27th of May. He is being very gracious and will do all the cooking himself. Please come and enjoy a new culinary experience at 317D Hayden St., Sayre, near the hospital at around 4:30pm.



- ✓ There will be a summer outreach campaign in Tunkhannock involving visiting workers, beginning in June.
- ✓ Darlene and Jackie will be leaving June 5th for OK to be with Vicki as she recovers from breast cancer surgery. They will return on the 14th.
- ✓ Arthur and Sandy have booked a flight to Alaska on June 26th, returning July 10th.

PRAYERS...

- Pray for all of our family members and loved ones who are yet lost or have strayed far away to come (back) to Christ.
- Please pray for Loren, an acquaintance of Lani's, here in Sayre. Arthur also knows him.
- Pray for the tiny Christian group in Tunkhannock in the Endless Mountains church of Christ. Pray that they will continue to be uplifted.
- Darlene's husband Doug will soon be tested to see if he is compatible to donate a kidney to his brother, Mark. Doug has recently been found to have low red blood cell count. His next appointment is the 30th of this month with the VA.
- Vicki Joice, Darlene's sister, of Locust Grove, OK, has breast cancer. She tested positive for the HER+ gene mutation. Vicki will be having a lumpectomy on Tuesday. Pray for success and for peace of mind for Vicki and the family.
- We give thanks that Dara Reynolds, Darlene's sister, had a normal mammogram on Wednesday.
- Emily Barry has to have surgery on her thyroid to remove a large node for biopsy. She would like prayers for courage and a negative result for cancer. Her surgery will be in the third or fourth week of July.
- Please remember Kiley and Thomas Dolan's mom, Heather Morse, in prayer.
- Patty Albro's son, Tim, needs prayer to give him strength to deal with problems. Patty would like prayers too as she tries to help him.
- Patty and Ruthie's sister in law, Deborah has kidney problems and needs eye surgery. She also has concerns about a blood clot in her arm.
- If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry :

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