



The Ceresco Messenger ~ Ceresco Baptist Church

Pastor's Pen - May 2016

During my daily devotion from April 25, 2016, I was intrigued with the passage of John 9:39. Just one verse! Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see and those who do see may become blind."

What is Jesus saying? I thought Jesus came to save the world not to condemn the world. I think what Jesus is trying to tell us is that whenever a person is confronted with Jesus, that a person passes judgment on them self. If a person sees in Jesus nothing to desire, nothing to admire, nothing to love, then that person has condemned their self. If a person sees Jesus as something to wonder over, something to respond to, something to reach out to, then that person is on their way to God.

The one who has all the knowledge of God and still does not recognize the good of God condemns one's self. Their condemnation lays in the fact that they claim to see God so well, but yet fail to recognize the son of God (Jesus).

Below is the devotion I mentioned above. I pray and hope you find some insight as I have.

One day, I accompanied my friend to an eye appointment. While there I was asked if I wanted to undergo the same eye examination as my friend. I said that I didn't think I needed glasses. I felt I could see well enough. However, I decided to go ahead with the examination, more out of curiosity than a sense of need. After the exam, the ophthalmologist explained that my vision was not good and I should have begun using glasses years ago. The doctor further explained that when people come in for appointments, they are often convinced their vision is fine because they have no point of reference. They are not aware of their poor vision until they look through the graduated lenses and notice the difference.

After this experience, I reflected on our relationship with God. We believe that our relationship is fine - that is, until we have an experience of God's joy, peace, assurance and loving presence that deepens our relationship. We view things through a different lens and gain a new perspective - one that brings us into a closer intimacy with God.

In Christ's service, Pastor Gary

Worship Service Attendance for March & April

March 6th - 48, 13th - 46, 20th - 63, 27th - 53

April 3rd - 42, 10th - 50, 17th - 53, 24th - 62

Martha Circle Minutes, 04/13/2016

Devotions given by Joy Sommers, read "Mountain Movers" from A Little God Time for Women devotional, and "Sometimes We Just Have to Get Quiet" from Craving God - Devotions for Real Women.

Secretary/Treasurer report - since last meeting, received \$200 in Memory of Margaret Pray.

Missions - Darlene read the latest email from the Niles' about Palm Sunday in the Congo.

ABW - Joanne read from newest News & Views - they are taking nominations for 'Woman of the Year' Also do we know anyone that has been a member since 1951? Roxie Perry will be at the June retreat.

White Cross - Thank you for the White Cross donations. Vi Halder gave us some sheets to use for roller bandages. Joanne has not received the quota information yet.

Sunshine - Pam sent sympathy card to Nadine, two cards to Linda Cole, Art Wood, Joyce & Glen Cary.

Swiss Steak Supper is May 14th. Would Martha Circle is willing to help provide desserts. Will also send around a sign-up sheet during worship services.

Old Business - Gretchen has little rocks for the "1st Stone" - Nadine has bigger ones, about 30. Will start working on these at the next meeting.

New Business - Mother/Daughter Potluck - May 7th - Spring theme. Meet Friday at 6 pm to help get decorated/setup for Saturday. Martha Circle will provide meats, cheeses, breads, condiments, and beverages. All others - pot luck! Use the fancy plates, etc. Have the men serve & run the kitchen. Joy will make placemats - also for kids to color. Use flowers for table decorations. No games, will do songs - Joanne will pick one, Joy picked "Beautiful One"

Have a Plant Exchange sometime - late May/early June? House plants & outdoor plants.

Scripture Study: Discussed Mark 14:66-72

Read for next time: **Matthew 6:25-34**

Collections: Love Gift \$17.95 Devotional \$22.50

Next meeting is May 10th at 6:30 pm

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Mother's Day Anagram

Hidden Word (circled letters):

Word List: awesome, celebrate, chocolate, flowers, hugs, kisses, love



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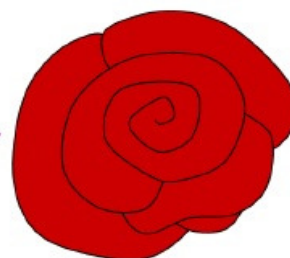
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Mother's Day Word Search

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APPRECIATE
BLESSED
CARNATIONS
COMMANDMENT
EXAMPLE
FORGIVE
GIFTS
HELP
HOLIDAY



HONOR
LISTEN
LOVE
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PLEASES
RESPECT
SPECIAL
THANK

COMING SOON!



John & Kate

ENERGIZE - ENCOURAGE - EVANGELIZE

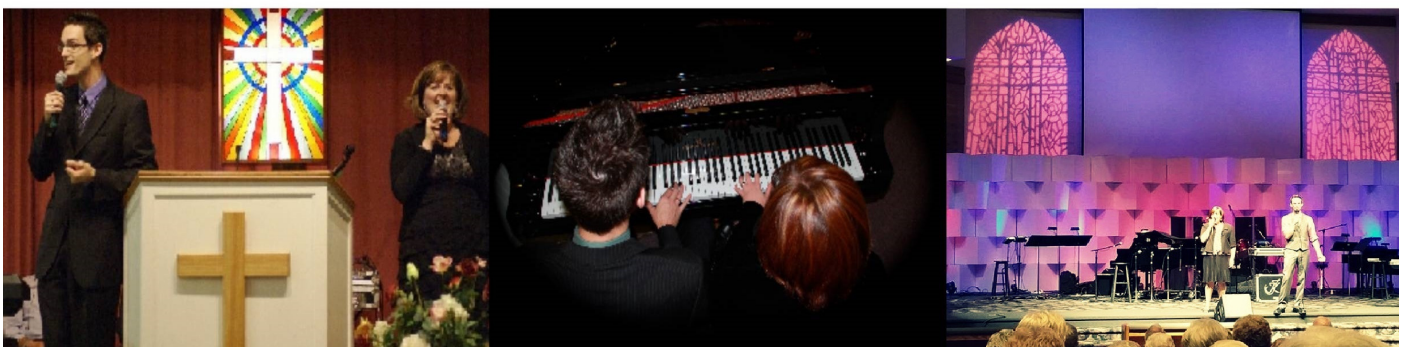
PLACE: **Ceresco Baptist Church**
230 Marshall St. Ceresco, MI 49033

DATE: **Sunday, May 15, 2016**

TIME: **9:45am**

Instrumentals / Southern Gospel / Blues Gospel / Country Gospel / Traditional Gospel / Classical

JohnandKateMusic.com - 810-282-6181 - PO Box 88, Emmett, MI 48022





One Great Hour

O F S H A R I N G

During the months of May and June we will be collecting for the One Great Hour of Sharing mission offering. There are special envelopes provided, and can be found in the hymnal holders in the pews.

As we do each year, we have a bulletin insert for Mother's Day and Father's Day for Memory/Honor Of. The Mother's Day insert is on the glass case until May 6th. The Father's Day insert will be available in early June. If you put names on these forms, we ask that you donate toward the OGHS offering. Thank you!

Swiss Steak Supper! Come one, come all!

Saturday ~ May 14, 2016 5-7 pm

Proceeds go to our Roof Replacement Fund.



Ceresco Baptist Church

230 C Drive North, Ceresco
(269) 964-9669 Church
(269) 967-4466 Art Wood

Tickets:

\$9.00 Adults

\$4.50 Children (ages 5-11)

Children under 5 years old eat Free!

Menu includes Swiss steak, mashed potatoes & gravy,
vegetables, coleslaw, dessert and beverage.

National Day of Prayer

Thursday,

May 5, 2016

There will be a
prayer service at
the Marshall
Fountain at
6:30 pm.

Please join us
if you can!

A Mother's Love

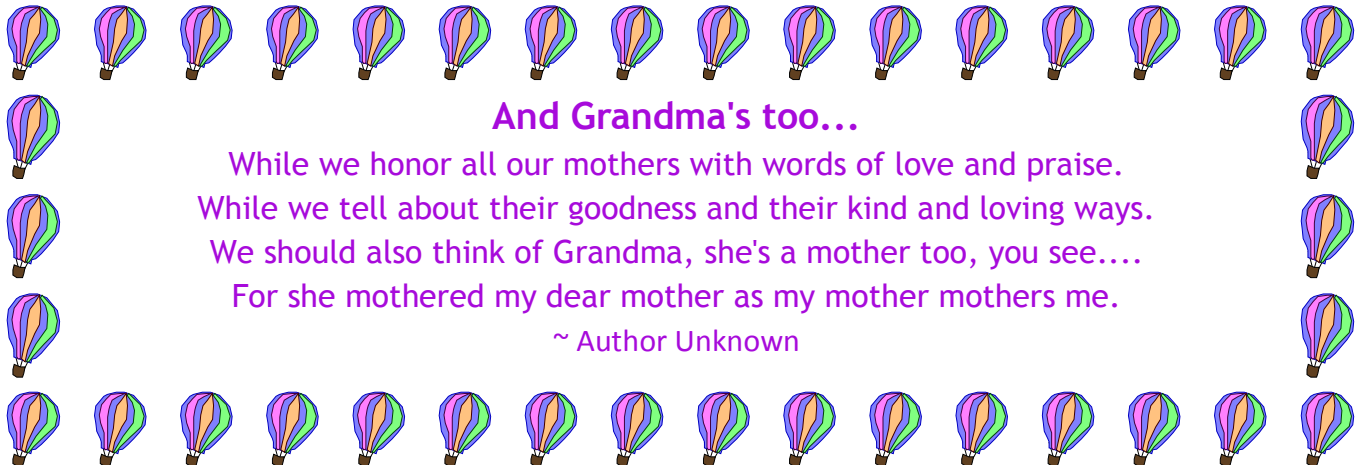
There are times when only a Mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a Mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a Mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith
And a Mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the Angels
And sent from God above.
~ Author Unknown

My Mother

My Mother, my friend so dear
throughout my life you're always near.
A tender smile to guide my way
You're the sunshine to light my day.
~ Author Unknown

Flower Schedule:

May 1st ~ OPEN
May 8th ~ Sommers
May 15th ~ OPEN
May 22nd ~ OPEN
May 29th ~ OPEN



And Grandma's too...

While we honor all our mothers with words of love and praise.
While we tell about their goodness and their kind and loving ways.
We should also think of Grandma, she's a mother too, you see....
For she mothered my dear mother as my mother mothers me.
~ Author Unknown

Church Worship Information

Children's Time Schedule:

1st & 3rd Sunday - Pastor Gary
2nd & 5th Sunday - Joy Sommers
4th Sunday - Sharon Hadley

Hymn Leader Schedule:

1st & 3rd - Kathy Straub
2nd, 4th & 5th - Joy Sommers

Youth Choir Practice: 2nd & 4th Sundays
Toddler Worship: 2nd & 4th Sundays
Communion Sunday - 1st Sunday of each month
Fellowship Sunday - last Sunday of each month



Volunteers Needed for Church Spring Cleaning!

*Date will be announced
soon!*

Are you interested in getting a Ceresco Baptist Church t-shirt, polo shirt, or baseball hat? You can place your order at church, or email Joy at CerescoBaptist@gmail.com to place your order! Need to know your name, phone number, t-shirt size, color, and logo placement (left chest / short front / short back). T-shirt will be \$12 each. Polo shirts will be \$28 each and logo will be on the left chest for polo shirts. Color choices are on display at the church. Below is a sample of the logo. We need an order of **20 shirts** in order to get this pricing. So far we are at 10.



We still need your input!

The Worship Ministry Team is in the process of researching new hymnals.

If there are hymns in our current hymnal that you want to see in the new hymnal, please let us know. There is a box on the glass case, and slips to fill out hymns you like. If you're rather write out a list of hymns you would like in the new hymnal, that's fine too! Just put it in the box.

Thank you for your help!



Our Annual
Mother/Daughter
Potluck is Saturday,
May, 7, 2016
11:30am - 2pm

Please join us!


Ladies! Please join us for our annual **Mother/Daughter Potluck on May 7th! We'll meet at 11:30 am, and eat at noon. An assortment of luncheon meats, cheese slices, and breads will be provided, as well as condiments, coffee, tea, and sugar-free punch. Please bring a passing dish to share. Table service will also be provided. The men of the church will serve and clean-up afterwards. Join us for great food & fellowship!**

Blessed - KRISTIE L. SMITH

For all the years of guidance and support. For putting up with me as I began to court.
I owe you so much I could never repay, I can only send love forever your way.
The strongest, the bravest is who you are I am thinking of you always near or far.
You gave me a home and showed me love. You are truly an angel from high above.
I always strive to make you proud, Although I am sure my life has been too loud.
No matter what you support me to the end You've been my Mom, my Mamaw, my
Friend. My MOM-ALL My MOMAL
For the woman and mother I am today, It all goes to you for showing me the way.
May today and every day leave you feeling blessed,
Just as I have since God gave me the best.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Communion Sunday May Day!	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10am & 6 pm		National Day of Prayer ~ Service at the Marshall Fountain at 6:30 pm		Men's Breakfast 8:00 am Mother/Daughter Potluck 11:30 am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10am & 6 pm	Martha Circle 6:30 pm			Swiss Steak Supper 5-7 pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE John & Kate Denner 9:45 am	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10am & 6 pm	Family Night Potluck 6:30 pm			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10am & 6 pm				
29	30	31	JUNE 1	2	3	4
Fellowship Sunday	 <i>Memorial Day</i>	Bible Study 10am & 6 pm	WMT 5:30 pm			Men's Breakfast 8:00 am



May 3	Valerie Halder	June 1	Pam Lutz
May 3	Brian Halverson	June 2	Austin Frey
May 5	Alexander Finch	Jun 3	Laurann Frey
May 5	Jayme Biljum	Jun 3	Tylor Hatton
May 6	Jared Babcock	Jun 4	Linda Chisholm
May 9	Darla Thorpe	Jun 5	Shelly Wood
May 13	Rob Kidder	Jun 7	Garrett Gary
May 13	Tahlia Kidder	Jun 9	Ed Kirkland
May 15	Bill Frey	Jun 10	Bud Halder
May 15	Marcy Bonney	Jun 11	Randy Reed
May 17	Kendra Davis	Jun 12	Josh Ivey
May 17	Kalab Gary	Jun 12	Nickie Palmiter
May 19	Heather Casey	Jun 16	Garrett St. John
May 23	Kerah Hatton	Jun 17	Isaac Entsminger
May 24	Trish Ivey	Jun 17	Barb Gary
May 25	Diane Biljum	Jun 17	Kyle Gary
May 25	Ronnie Hildebrant	Jun 18	Joyce Clem
May 26	Trey Casey	Jun 19	Chad Hart
May 26	Shawn Skinner	Jun 21	Angela Sommers
May 26	Brad Halverson	Jun 26	James Anthony
May 28	Linda Cole	Jun 26	Wayne Paul
May 30	Mikey Wood	Jun 28	Hailey Shepherd
		Jun 29	Brianna Markos



Happy Anniversary

May 3	Brad & Ana Kidder	6/1	Rob & Diana Kidder
May 6	Craig & Nichole Thomas 1995	6/8	Kevin & Sarah Collins
May 7	Brad & Charity Gary	6/10	Mike & Betty Halverson
May 9	Chad & Cassidy Hart	6/14	Albert & Karen Anthony
May 21	Trey & Lindsey Casey	6/17	Melvin & Linda Cole
May 26	Jimmy & Alexandria Hamaker	6/19	Glen & Joyce Cary
May 31	Sam & Joanne Henley	6/22	Jeff & Tina Green
		6/26	Justin & Heather Casey
		??	Ed & Pam Kirkland

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Pastor Gary Schooler

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Church Schedule

Sunday Worship

9:45 am

Sunday School

11:15 am

Bible Study Tuesdays

10 am, 6 pm

National Day of Prayer