

# The Ceresco Messenger ~ Ceresco Baptist Church <a href="Pastor">Pastor's Pen</a>

I have been thinking, what is worship? Is it just reserved for Sundays? Or is worship a way of the Christian life?

In Romans 12: 1-2 The word speaks that we are a living sacrifice. Pleasing to God through proper worship, we will be transformed by the renewing of our minds. Which in return, we will find Gods perfect will.

There are at least five basic principles to worship:

First: we are called to worship. 1 peter 2:9 reads, but you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of the darkness into His wonderful light.

Second: worship God only. 1 John 2:15 - 17. Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life - comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

Third: Sincerity, John 4:24. God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in the spirit and in truth.

Fourth: obedience, 1 John 4:20- 21. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. And He has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

Fifth: "In all life" Ephesians 2:10. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

To summarize the five facts about worship, below are five realities:

- 1: God wants us to worship, to respond to Him with praise and thanks.
- 2: Only God is worthy of our worship and total allegiance.
- 3: Worship should be sincere, not a performance.
- 4: If we really respect and love God, we will do what He says.
- 5: Worship is not just something we do at church it involves everything we do.

I encourage you to go back and reread these scriptures, perhaps read a few scriptures before and after. Meditate and ask God to enlighten our hearts on Godly worship.

In Christ's service, Pastor Gary.

#### It's Time for Back to School

### Take Time to Pray for Our Children and Grandchildren!

Prayers for Protection (2 Thessalonians 3:3; Psalm 46:1; John 17:15; Psalm 91)

Lord, we pray Your emotional, physical, and spiritual protection over our kids (grandkids). Keep evil far from them, and help them to trust You as their refuge and strength. We pray You will guard their minds from harmful instruction, and grant them discernment to recognize truth. We pray You will make them strong and courageous in the presence of danger, recognizing that You have overcome and will set right all injustice and wrong one day. Help them to find rest in Your shadow, as they live in the spiritual shelter You provide for them. Let them know that the only safe place is in Jesus, and that their home on earth is only temporary. Amen

Prayers for Perspective (Galatians 2:20; Matthew 28:18-20; Philippians 1:21; Colossians 3:1-2; Ephesians 3:17-20)

Lord, We pray that our kids (grandkids) will develop an eternal perspective and purpose, not an earthly one. Help them to see life-and every challenge-through Your eyes, eager and unafraid to share with others the good news of Jesus wherever they go. We pray that they will set their minds on things above, not just what's going on here, and that they will be rooted and grounded in Your love. We pray they will come to understand the extent of Your own love for them-that it surpasses all the head knowledge they will acquire in school. We pray they will be filled up with You from morning 'til night. Amen

#### **God's Gift of Grandparents**

Grandparents are like honeybees; They are the very sweetest. They give you hugs and kisses, And their stories are the neatest. The honey they produce Is more valuable than gold, For this honey is the lessons That we lovingly are told. Grandparents want the best for us And say we can achieve Any goal that we have set, If only we believe. They help us spread our wings So when we leave our honeycomb, We'll make the right decisions Though we be away from home. Yes, grandpas are like silver, And grandmas are a gem, But better than 100 diamonds Are the things I learn from them.

- By Alyssa Marie Bentham

#### **God's Gift of Angels**

She rocks another baby...
hums an age old lullaby
She hopes no one is watching
as with thanks, she starts to cry

Remembering the time when the babies were her own And her mother told her gently too soon they would be grown

Lots of bedtime stories, skinned knees, and tears to dry Teddy bears, toy trucks and dolls and kites up in the sky

First days of school, first loves, the proms, the wedding days Sand castles and snowball fights and teaching them to pray

Now, as she holds her grandchild and gives thanks unto the Lord She knows to be a Grandma is motherhood's reward! - Unknown Author





#### CHURCH TELEPHONE DIRECTORY:

If you want or are in need of a copy of the telephone directory please let Linda Chisholm know. There are a lot of changes and if you only need a copy of a certain letter she can do that also. Thank You!

#### **Contact Updates:**

Pastor John Paschen's email address is now: squire2531@gmail.com

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#### **CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

June 5th - 39, June 12th - 52, June 19th- 32, June 26th - 51
July 3rd - 33, July 10th - 49, July 17 th- 51, July 24th - 50, July 31st - 51
August 7th - 36, August 14th - 32, August 21st - 54, August 28th - 48

# **Worship Service Changes**

Starting on Sunday, Sept. 11th, Kathy Straub will be our hymn leader every other Sunday. Joy Sommers will be the hymn leader on the opposite Sundays. This is so our Youth Choir can practice with Kathy on the Sundays that Joy is leading the congregation hymns. Others may fill in from time to time to lead the music.

#### The Eleventh Of September Written by Roger J. Robicheau

We mourn their loss this day this year, Those now with God, no danger near

So many loved ones left do stand, Confronting loss throughout our land

My heart goes out to those who do, No one can fathom what they view

I firmly pray for peace of mind. Dear God please help each one to find

And to our soldiers now at war, God guide above, at sea, on shore

They are the best, I have no doubt, Our country's pride, complete, devout

The finest force you'll ever see, All freedom grown through liberty

One final thought comes clear to me, For what must live in infamy

Absolutely – We'll Remember The Eleventh – Of September







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Communion Sunday	Labor Day	Bible Study 10 am 6 pm		Usborne Book Party 6:30 pm All are invited!		Church Breakfast 8:00 am Administrative Council Meeting 9:00 am
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Patriot Day Grandparent's Day 9/11/01 15th Anniversary	Boy Scouts 7: 00 pm	Bible Study 10 am 6 pm	Martha Circle 6:00 pm			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Boy Scouts 7:00 pm	Bible Study 10 am 6 pm	Family Night Potluck 6:30 pm			
25	26	27	28	29	30	Oct. 1st
Fellowship Sunday	Boy Scouts 7:00 pm	Bible Study 10 am 6 pm				Men's Breakfast 8:00 am







Sept 1	Shawn Struble	Oct 1
	Julie Holton	Oct 2
Sep 2	Ted Finch	Oct 2
	DJ Holton	Oct 2
Sep 3	Gregory Wood	Oct 8
Sep 5	Ken MacInnis	Oct 9
Sep 7	Michael Wood	Oct 9
Sep 8	Matt Ivey	Oct 10
Sep 10	Sierra Phelps	Oct 10
Sep 11	Karen Anthony	Oct 1
Sep 11	Katelyn Green	Oct 1
Sep 12	Ralph Leigon	Oct 1
Sep 12	Brandon Davis	Oct 19
Sep 12	Art Ruthruff	Oct 2
Sep 13	Travis Paul	Oct 2
Sep 14	Mary Ivey	Oct 2
Sep 17	Nathan Markos	Oct 2
Sep 17	Albert Cole	Oct 2
Sep 19	Steve Evans	Oct 2
Sep 20	Jason Ivey	Oct 3
Sep 20	Michele Babcock	Oct 3
Sep 20	Robin Johnston	
Sep 22	Justin Casey	
Sep 23	Madison Beck	(
Sep 23	Janet Smith	`
Sep 24	Ana Kidder	
Sep 25	Kay Davis	SEP 3
Sep 27	Fred Combs	7
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Sep 29 Jessie Hatton
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Sep 29 Melvin Cole

Oct 2 Bruce Entsminger Oct 8 Kevin Collins Oct 9 Dave Glen Oct 9 Terry Ivey Oct 10 Heather Hess Oct 10 Jaymie Staib Oct 15 Dawn Frey Oct 15 Tina Green Oct 16 Jean Combs Oct 19 Craig Thomas Oct 21 Kalie Tuttle Oct 26 Diana Kidder Oct 26 Vera Chichester Oct 26 Michelle McJunkin Oct 27 Jade Haefele Oct 31 Mike Lutz Oct 31 Ryllie Staib
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# September 11

Grandparent's Day

# **Patriot Day**

15th Anniversary of the Sept. 11th Attacks on our Nation

A day for prayer for our grandparents & our nation!

# Happy Anniversary

SEP 3	Jody & Michele Babcock, 1994
7	Stephen & Christy Phelps
11	Art & Jeri Wood, 1970
19	Alex & Stacey Goodman
20	Bob & Deb Beltz
27	Don & Ruth St. John
26	Dave & Jeannette Glen
29	Jayme & Diane Biljum
OCT 3	Gary & Pat Heidrich
25	Russ & Shawn Skinner

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Church Schedule
Sunday Worship
9:45 am
Sunday School
11:15 am
Bible Study Tuesdays
10 am & 6 pm