# The Ceresco Messenger ~ Ceresco Baptist Church May 2017

# Pastor's Pen May 2017

Let me start out first saying, God will never abandon His Church. My understanding, the Church is made up of devoted obedient people. A body of born again Christians who adhere to God's Holy Word the best they can. A people who are led by the Spirit of God.

The culture we live in today finds the Church not relevant to meet their needs. I ask why not? Perhaps the Church has become inclusive to their own needs? I think that's a mistake. We are called to go out and share the message of hope. And when people come to the Church they usually come for a reason. They are looking for answers that society has no answers for.

This presents a challenge. People come with a wide range of needs, some not so pleasant. If one shows a sincere heart in their search for Jesus, then we are called to come along side to teach and nurture them in God's Word. This takes a lot of hard work and much prayer on the Church's behalf. With that said, we must uphold God's moral laws in order to correct one who is in search of a relationship with Jesus. We are called to judge, but not to judge by our own standards or the world's moral standards. But rather through God's Word.

For the Church to even begin to judge another, individuals that make up the Church better be walking in the Spirit of truth. This is not an easy task, but one that is critical.

Let us at Ceresco Baptist Church purpose in our hearts to walk and worship in the Holy Spirit. To be the Church that fosters hope in a culture searching for hope. I still believe that the Church is relevant. The Churches of today need to decide if they are relevant. And if so, it must come from God's moral laws, not society's!

May God's Spirit fall on the Churches of today! ~ Pastor Gary Schooler.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			Deacon Meeting 6:00 pm			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Communion Sunday Flowers Sommers		Bible Study 10:00 am	Martha Circle Meeting 6:30 pm 6:00 pm			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Flowers - OPEN Mother's Day John & Kate Denner Music Service		Bible Study 10:00 am	Family Night Potluck 6:30 pm	Bible Study 6:00 pm	Good Friday Service 6:30 pm	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Flowers - OPEN Good Family Hungarian Missionaries		Bible Study 10:00 am	Information for May Messenger due by noon	Messenger 6:00 pm		
28	29	30	31	June 1	June 2	June 3
Flowers OPEN Fellowship Sunday & Bake Sale	Memorial Day	Bible Study 10:00 am				Administrative Council Meeting 9:00 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 19	Alice Gombas	Jun 17	Isaac Entsminger
May 23	Kerah Hatton	Jun 17	Barb Gary
May 24	Trish Ivey	Jun 17	Kyle Gary
May 25	Diane Biljum	Jun 18	Joyce Clem
May 25	Ronnie Hildebrant	Jun 18	Sally Slayton
May 26	Trey Casey	Jun 19	Chad Hart
May 26	Shawn Skinner	Jun 19	Livia Grace Haefele #1
May 26	Brad Halverson	Jun 21	Angela Sommers-Meng
May 28	Linda Cole	Jun 26	James Anthony
May 30	Mikey Wood	Jun 26	Wayne Paul
		Jun 28	Hailey Shepherd
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A	miversary:	6/8	Kevin & Sarah Collins
May 3	Brad & Ana Kidder	6/10	Mike & Betty Halverson
May 6	Craig & Nichole Thomas 1995	6/14	Albert & Karen Anthony
May 7	Brad & Charity Gary	6/17	Melvin & Linda Cole
May 9	Chad & Cassidy Hart	6/19	Glen & Joyce Cary
May 21	Trey & Lindsey Casey	6/22	Ed & Pam Kirkland
May 26	Jimmy & Alexandria Hamaker	6/22	Jeff & Tina Green
May 31	Sam & Joanne Henley	6/26	Justin & Heather Casey

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Rob & Diana Kidder

# SixGoods Go

Global Servants to Hungary



Amanda and Jon Good Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth,

and Andrew

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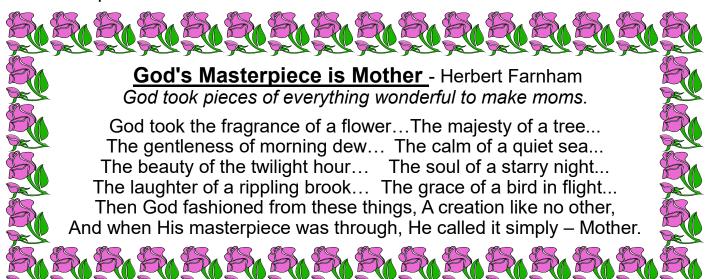




Please join us on Sunday, May 21st. The Good Family will be here for our worship service. They will be going to Hungary as international missionaries. We will take a Love Gift Offering for them. We will also have refreshments following the worship service.



Join us on Mother's Day for a special music worship service with John & Kate Denner! We will take a Love Gift Offering for them, and have refreshments after the worship service.



# **Thank God for Mother's Love** – Anonymous *A mother's patience of a saint could only be by the hand of God.*

There is no love, like a mother's love, no stronger bond on earth...
like the precious bond that comes from God, to a mother, when she gives birth. A mother's love is forever strong, never changing for all time... and when her children need her most, a mother's love will shine. God bless these special mothers, God bless them every one... for all the tears and heartache, and for the special work they've done. When her days on earth are over, a mother's love lives on... through many generations, with God's blessings on each one. Be thankful for our mothers, for they love with a higher love... from the power God has given, and the strength from up above.

**His Mother** - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow *A biblical reference to convey your undying love for mom.* 

Even He that died for us upon the cross, in the last hour, in the unutterable agony of death, was mindful of His mother, as if to teach us that this holy love should be our last worldly thought - the last point of earth from which the soul should take its flight for heaven.

We Salute Our Veterans This Memorial Day We salute every soldier who's served this great nation. And offer a heart of thanks and appreciation! We salute each member of our armed forces. And are thankful for their efforts and resources! We salute the many who protect our borders too. We'd be in trouble... If not for people like YOU! We salute every son and daughter lost in a war. YOU are what serving this country is meant for! We salute the officers who've guided our women and men. Our prayers are with you! And our love from within! We salute our veterans! Wherever they may be! Those who served on land, air and sea! Offering prayer to the Lord is our belief... That He will guide our Commander-in-Chief! As we observe Memorial Day this year... Let's offer our soldiers love, hope and cheer!

May God bless them in all they endeavor

And His peace be with them today and forever!!

By Jim Pemberton

#### **ADDRESS UPDATES**

#### **Marilyn Mead**

Marshall Nursing & Rehabilitation

North Village Room # 204

575 North Madison St.

Marshall, MI 49068

#### **Nancy Reed**

Marshall Nursing & Rehabilitation

Forest Garden Room 210

575 North Madison St.

Marshall, MI 49068

#### Ed & Pam Kirkland

new land line telephone number is

269-753-1810

If you're a Christian, earth is the only hell you'll ever know! If you're not a Christian, earth is the only heaven you'll ever know.

If you were on trial for being a Christian--- would there be enough evidence to convict you?

If you want your neighbor to see what Christ can do for him, let him see what Christ did for you.

Come work for the Lord. The work is hard, the hours are long, and the pay is low, but the retirement benefits are out of this world.

"Born again" does not mean "born yesterday" - come to Sunday School!



As we express our gratitude we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

-John Fitzgerald Kennedy

May your Memorial Day be reflective of those who have made it possible...



**Memorial Day** By Joyce Kilmer

Joyce Kilmer was killed-in-action in World War I

The bugle echoes shrill and sweet, But not of war it sings to-day.

The road is rhythmic with the feet Of men-at-arms who come to pray.

The roses blossom white and red On tombs where weary soldiers lie;

Flags wave above the honored dead And martial music cleaves the sky.

Above their wreath-strewn graves we kneel, They kept the faith and fought the fight.

Through flying lead and crimson steel They plunged for Freedom and the Right.

May we, their grateful children, learn Their strength, who lie beneath the sod,

Who went through fire and death to earn At last the accolade of God.

In shining rank on rank arrayed They march, the legions of the Lord;

He is their Captain unafraid, The Prince of Peace . . . Who brought a sword.



On the last Sunday of each month, in addition to having fellowship & refreshments after the worship service, we are also having Bake Sales. All proceeds go to the Church Renovation Fund. Anyone may bring homemade items for the bake sale. Pricing is by donation.

Next Bake Sale is Sunday, May 28th.

### **God is Present**

With current technology, you can be physically present in one country while seeing and talking to someone in another part of the world. In a sense, you are "present" through your face on the screen although you are not physically in the same room with the other person.

The Bible says that God is Spirit. He doesn't dwell in three-dimensional space as we do. He is present everywhere in the fullest sense at the same time. God is no less present in one portion of the world than any other. There is not a sliver of space anywhere in the universe where He is not powerfully present with all of His wonderful attributes. Most of all, no matter where you are and what you are doing right now, God is present with you.

## True Wisdom

In 1953, there were only 100 computers in use around the world. Today, there are nearly 2 billion computers in homes, schools, and offices. Some of the most sophisticated supercomputers now can perform nearly 32 billion calculations per second and can store a billion characters in their memories. They can do in one hour what it would take a desktop computer forty years to perform. Yet, the more technology we have, the more we realize how much we still do not know. God not only knows everything but His knowledge is never superseded or made obsolete by new discoveries. He will give you wisdom to handle your situations when you talk to Him, read the Bible and pursue counsel from others you know and trust. So seek God's wisdom every day and build your life on the foundation of His truth.

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