Greetings from Ceresco Baptist Church!

Motherhood ~Helen Steiner Rice

The dearest gifts that heaven holds,
The very finest, too,
Were made into one pattern
That was perfect, sweet, and true;

The Angels smiled, well-pleased, and said: "Compared to all the others,
This pattern is so wonderful
Let's use it just for Mothers!"

And through the years a mother has been All that's sweet and good For there's one bit of God and love, In all true Motherhood.

A Mother's Love ~ Anonymous

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.

Favorite Pick A Hymn! During the months of June, July & Aug. We would like you to select a favorite hymn (with your name on it) and put it in the basket in the foyer.

Mother's & Father's Day Tributes!

We would like to have people stand up and share a story about their mother or grandmother on Mother's Day. We would like to have people stand up and share a story about their father or grandfather on Father's Day. Be thinking about it!





Brad & Ana Kidder

Ed & Pam Kirkland

Justin & Heather Casev

May 3

6/22

6/26

May 3	Brian Halverson	June 1	Pam Lutz
May 5	Alexander Finch	June 2	Austin Frey
May 5	Jayme Biljum	Jun 3	Laurann Frey
May 6	Jared Babcock	Jun 4	Linda Chisholm
May 9	Darla Thorpe	Jun 5	Shelly Wood
May 13	Tahlia Kidder	Jun 7	Garrett Gary
May 13	Rob 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 16	Garrett St. John
May 19	Heather Casey	Jun 17	Sally Beltz
May 19	Alice Gombas	Jun 17	Isaac Entsminger
May 24	Carol Schooler	Jun 17	Barb Gary
May 24	Trish Ivey	Jun 17	Kyle Gary
May 25	Melissa Boysen	Jun 18	Sally Slayton
May 25	Diane Biljum	Jun 19	Chad Hart
May 25	Ronnie Hildebrant	Jun 21	Angela Sommers
May 26	Trey Casey	Jun 26	James Anthony
May 26	Shawn Skinner	Jun 26	Wayne Paul
May 26	Brad Halverson	Jun 28	Hailey Shepherd
May 30	Mikey Wood	Jun 29	Brianna Markos

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May 6	Craig & Nichole Thomas 1995
May 7	Brad & Charity Gary
May 9	Chad & Cassidy Hart
May 21	Trey & Lindsey Casey
May 26	Jimmy & Alexandria Hamaker
6/1	Rob & Diana Kidder
6/8	Kevin & Sarah Collins
6/10	Mike & Betty Halverson
6/14	Albert & Karen Anthony
6/19	Glen & Joyce Cary





One Great Hour

OGHS is a tangible way American Baptists provide for the human needs of our world. The offering provides:

- Emergency relief available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for urgent or acute needs brought about by disasters of natural or human origin;
- Development projects focused on meeting chronic human need by enabling individuals or groups to establish or maintain a more adequate quality of life; and
- Refugee and immigration ministries focused on holistic ministry to immigrants, refugees, and migrants in detention facilities and refugee camps.

We are collecting this offering during May & June. We honor/remember mothers/fathers, grand mothers/grand fathers with a bulletin insert. You can include names if you donate to this offering.



We are looking for volunteers to help take one week a month to do the church lawn care. This would include mowing and trimming. Both the mower and weed-whacker are on-site. Please contact Rick Frey (269-209-4157) or Roger Sommers (269-420-9661) with the weeks you are available. Thank you!



The following items are needed for the Food Pantry. If you can help, it would be greatly appreciated!

Shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, tissues, and hygiene items.

Is Your Child or Grandchild Graduating from

High School or College This Year?

In June we will honor our Class of 2019 graduates. We will put an insert in the bulletin telling about each of the graduates. Please share the information (list below) on your child or grandchild's graduation, so it can be included! Also, please let us know if they will be in attendance on June 9th so we can have a gift for them. Thank you!

Information is needed by May 24th so it can be included in the June Messenger too! Feel free to submit a photo, and/ or an open house announcement for the bulletin/ Messenger.

Graduates Name, Parents/Grandparents, Graduated from Degree, & Future plans

Please send your graduate information to Joy Sommers, cerescobaptist@gmail.com.

Thank you!



"Life doesn't come with a manual. It comes with a **mother**." unknown I'm sending a dove
to heaven with a parcel
on it's wings, be careful when you
open it, it's full of beautiful things.
Inside are a million kisses, wrapped
up in a million hugs, to say how
much I miss you, and to send you
all my love.
I hold you close within my heart
and there you will remain to
walk with me throughout my life

until I see you again
~ Author unknown

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
				National Day of Prayer, Service at 6 pm, Brooks Memo- rial Fountain		Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 9-11 am
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Communion Sunday	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10 am, Pastoral Search Com- mittee Meeting 6:30 pm	Martha Circle 6:00 pm	Pastor Mary Matthews Office Hours 5:30-7:30 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 3-5 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 9-11 am
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10 am	Family Night Potluck 6:30 pm	Pastor Mary Matthews Office Hours 5:30-7:30 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 3-5 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 9-11 am
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Boy Scouts 7 pm	Bible Study 10 am		Pastor Mary Matthews Office Hours 5:30-7:30 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 3-5 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 9-11 am
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
Fellowship Sunday & Bake Sale!	Memorial Day	Bible Study 10 am		Pastor Mary Matthews Office Hours 5:30-7:30 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 3-5 pm	Pastor Mat- thews Office Hours 9-11 am

God's Helpers

~George W Wiseman

God could not be in every place With loving hands to help erase The teardrops from each baby's face, And so He thought of mother.

He could not send us here alone And leave us to a fate unknown; Without providing for His own, The outstretched arms of mother.

God could not watch us night and day And kneel beside our crib to pray, Or kiss our little aches away; And so He sent us mother.

And when our childhood days began, He simply could not take command. That's why He placed our tiny hand Securely into mother's.

The days of youth slipped quickly by, Life's sun rose higher in the sky. Full grown were we, yet ever nigh To love us still, was mother.

And when life's span of years shall end, I know that God will gladly send, To welcome home her child again, That ever-faithful mother.

Church Attendance: Date-#

Jan 6-25, 13-24, 20-19, 27-27 Feb 3-38, 10-33, 17-41, 24-29 Mar 3-32, 10-38, 17-39, 24-30, 31-37

Apr 7-35, 14-38, 21-31, 28-30

A special prayer on Memorial Day --

As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our servicemen and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. We also remember the families of our troops. We ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes, and we pray your peace, provision, and strength will fill their lives. May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support.



Memorial Day is a day set aside to honor our nation's military heroes -- the men and women who have died in wars to protect American liberty or in service to their country.

For Christians, the day also serves as a vivid reminder of the ultimate sacrifice that was paid for our spiritual freedom- that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, willingly bore our sins on the cross so that all who believe in Him might be reconciled to Him and have eternal life. John 15:13 reads, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

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