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THE REMINDER

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Message from the Pastor's Desk

Father's Day

Former President Barack Obama said that “any fool can have a child. That doesn’t make you a father. It’s the courage to raise a child that makes you a father.” Amen to that! I know that if you spent most of your young life with your father, that you saw courage more than one time. In my life time I have seen men desert their children and I have witnessed courage as dads stood by their children through thick and thin. Courage is a bigger part of fatherhood. Dads, remember what the Apostle Paul said in 2 Timothy 1:7. He said, “God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control (NIV).

Joshua was a courageous father. He lived in a desperate time in Israel. Many of his people were deserting their God for the gods of Palestine. Joshua had courage to be the spiritual leader of his family. He said to the fathers of Israel, “And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD” (Joshua 24:15 NIV).

I thought this acronym written by Steve Patterson would be a blessing to all dads...

F – Always being forgiving.

A – Helps protect his family with an Armor of God

T – Being a Teacher and being an example.

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Dear Church Members,

This past year our attendance for Wednesday night suppers has declined, especially during the spring. We have questioned why this decline is happening.

- Do we need to change our menus?
- Do we need to change the time?
- Do we need to change the frequency of our meals?
- Is the cost too much?
- Do we need to let other groups do some meals?
- Why are our people not coming for a meal on Wednesday nights?

These are some of the questions we are wondering about. We would like your input on what is best for our church. Please give us any suggestions you might have.

We are losing a cook this fall, so we really need someone to take charge of a Wednesday night. We also need helpers to assist our cooks and helpers to clean up after the meals. If you can help in any way, please let us know. Thanks for your help.

Mary Lynn Vestal
Chairman of Kitchen & Food Services Committee

P.S.: I don't thank enough those who help on Wednesday nights. Thanks So Much to our cooks, helpers, dishwashers, money collectors, table movers, meal deliverers and anyone else who helps to make our meals a success! And thanks to All who come to eat each Wednesday night—without all of these people we couldn't have our meals!

THANKS SO MUCH!

Congratulations:

Autumn Wooten—who was recognized as Best All Around during her promotion program.

Allen Butcher—who is a member of Boy Scout Troop 648 and was promoted to the rank of Tenderfoot during the troop's recent Court of Honor.

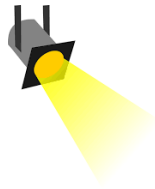
Up-Coming Music

June 17—The Worship Choir

June 24—The Instrumental Ensemble, Peggy Raines, The Worship Choir

June 3	Attendance	51	Offering	\$5,311.00	Building Fund	\$1,930.00
June 10	Attendance	62	Offering	\$2,362.00	Building Fund	\$ 655.00

June 17	Deacon	Bob Adams	Prayer Partners	Rick Foster, Grady Shore
June 24	Deacon	Glenn Baldwin	Prayer Partners	A. E. Johnson



Spotlighting Father's Day



Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. In Catholic Europe, it has been celebrated on March 19 (St. Joseph's Day) since the Middle Ages. This celebration was brought by the Spanish and Portuguese to Latin America, where March 19 is often still used for it, though many countries in Europe and the Americas have adopted the U.S. date, which is the third Sunday of June (falling June 17 in 2018). It is celebrated on various days in many parts of the world, most commonly in the months of March, April and June. It complements similar celebrations honoring family members, such as Mother's Day, Siblings' Day and Grandparents' Day.

Father's Day was not celebrated in the US, outside Catholic traditions, until the 20th century. As a civic celebration in the US, it was inaugurated in the early 20th century to complement Mother's Day by celebrating fathers and male parenting.

After Anna Jarvis' successful promotion of Mother's Day in Grafton, West Virginia, the first observance of a "Father's Day" was held on July 5, 1908, in Fairmont, West Virginia, in the Williams Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church South, now known as Central United Methodist Church. Grace Golden Clayton was mourning the loss of her father, when in December 1907, the Monongah Mining Disaster in nearby Monongah killed 361 men, 250 of them fathers, leaving around a thousand fatherless children. Clayton suggested that her pastor Robert Thomas Webb honor all those fathers.

Clayton's event did not have repercussions outside Fairmont for several reasons, among them: the city was overwhelmed by other events, the celebration was never promoted outside the town itself and no proclamation of it was made by the city council. Also, two events overshadowed this event: the celebration of Independence Day July 4, 1908, with 12,000 attendants and several shows including a hot air balloon event, which took over the headlines in the following days, and the death of a 16-year-old girl on July 4. The local church and council were overwhelmed and they did not even think of promoting the event, and it was not celebrated again for many years. The original sermon was not reproduced by the press and it was lost. Finally, Clayton was a quiet person, who never promoted the event and never talked to other persons about it.

Failed attempts at establishing a Father's Day

In 1911, Jane Addams proposed that a citywide Father's Day celebration be held in Chicago, but she was turned down.

In 1912, there was a Father's Day celebration in Vancouver, Washington, suggested by Methodist pastor J. J. Berringer of the Irvington Methodist Church. They mistakenly believed that they had been the first to celebrate such a day. They followed a 1911 suggestion by the *Portland Oregonian*.

Harry C. Meek, a member of Lions Clubs International, claimed that he had first come up with the idea for Father's Day in 1915. Meek said that the third Sunday in June was chosen because it was his birthday. The Lions Club has named him the "Originator of Father's Day". Meek made many efforts to promote Father's Day and make it an official holiday.

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Establishment of the holiday

On June 19, 1910, a Father's Day celebration was held at the YMCA in Spokane, Washington by Sonora Smart Dodd. Her father, the civil war veteran William Jackson Smart, was a single parent who raised his six children there. She was also a member of Old Centenary Presbyterian Church (now Knox Presbyterian Church), where she first proposed the idea. After hearing a sermon about Jarvis' Mother's Day in 1909 at Central Methodist Episcopal Church, she told her pastor that fathers should have a similar holiday to honor them. Although she initially suggested June 5, her father's birthday, the pastors did not have enough time to prepare their sermons, and the celebration was deferred to the third Sunday in June. Several local clergymen accepted the idea, and on June 19, 1910, the first Father's Day, "sermons honoring fathers were presented throughout the city".

However, in the 1920s, Dodd stopped promoting the celebration because she was studying at the Art Institute of Chicago, and it faded into relative obscurity, even in Spokane. In the 1930s, Dodd returned to Spokane and started promoting the celebration again, raising awareness at a national level. She had the help of those trade groups that would benefit most from the holiday, for example the manufacturers of ties, tobacco pipes, and any traditional present for fathers. By 1938, she had the help of the Father's Day Council, founded by the New York Associated Men's Wear Retailers to consolidate and systematize the holiday's commercial promotion. Americans resisted the holiday for its first few decades, viewing it as nothing more than an attempt by merchants to replicate the commercial success of Mother's Day, and newspapers frequently featured cynical and sarcastic attacks and jokes. However, the said merchants remained resilient and even incorporated these attacks into their advertisements. By the mid-1980s, the Father's Day Council wrote, "(...) [Father's Day] has become a Second Christmas for all the men's gift-oriented industries."

A bill to accord national recognition of the holiday was introduced in Congress in 1913. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson went to Spokane to speak at a Father's Day celebration and he wanted to make it an officially recognized federal holiday, but Congress resisted, fearing that it would become commercialized. US President Calvin Coolidge recommended in 1924 that the day be observed throughout the entire nation, but he stopped short at issuing a national proclamation. Two earlier attempts to formally recognize the holiday had been defeated by Congress. In 1957, Maine Senator Margaret Chase Smith wrote a Father's Day proposal accusing Congress of ignoring fathers for 40 years while honoring mothers, thus "[singling] out just one of our two parents". In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972.

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H – A helper in time of need or no need at all.

E – The memory of a father is everlasting.

R – A father is looked up to and respected.

Happy Dad's Day!