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Dear Church,

The month of May is a time when many believe God first began feeding His people manna in the wilderness. The bible records that God gave this bread to the people every day, for 40 years, until they tasted of the fruit of the land of promise. As miraculous as this truth is, today, God has provided a bread from heaven that is available to everyone: Jesus.

In John chapter 6 Jesus declares that He is the bread of life, the true bread that is from God and comes down from heaven to give life to the world. The manna which sustained God's people in the past was a foreshadow of the provision that God would send for all in the future. The manna guaranteed the people's survival until they could taste of the promise of God, and likewise, Jesus, as the bread of life, guarantees the believers

endurance until we can taste of the promise of God: eternal life.

As the bread of life, Jesus promises everyone who believes that He will do two things in our lives that will guarantees we taste of the promise of God in the resurrection. First, Jesus says that He will "never cast out" those who come to Him. That means that so long as we partake in Him as the bread of life through faith, there will never come a day where Jesus will reject us. Second, Jesus says that He will "lose nothing" of those who come to Him. That means that once we believe in Jesus, He will never neglect us and will always protect us. These promises from Jesus are in perfect agreement with the Father's will for our lives and our future.

In the manna of the wilderness, God showed His people that He was trustworthy to bring forth His provision every day to fulfill His promise to them. We can look to the past to know

with certainty that God remains trustworthy to bring forth His work in our lives every day to fulfill His promise to us. Jesus is the perfect provision, the One who receives, keeps, and protects all who believe in Him until the day we enter into His promise of eternal life in the resurrection.

Let this month be a season for the church to rejoice in the truth of Jesus's promises. That the one who believes in Jesus is not hanging on by a thread with an uncertain future, rather, it is He who holds each one of us firmly in His hand and guarantees that we will be with Him for eternity in the end, no matter what.

Blessings,  
Pastor Kurt

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Caroline Lee	3rd
Amy Hidalgo	8th
Billy Phipps	8th
Hayley Robinson	15th
Courtlyn Ratliff	18th
Kelsey Kirby	21st
Tucker Ramsey	22nd
Gillian Kirby	23rd
Pat Simonelli	24th
Hank Rogers	28th
Frank Shelton	31st

ANNIVERSARIES

Glen & Ruby Barnes	28 <sup>th</sup>
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CHARLIE’S CHATS

Thanks to the ladies who have stepped up and play the piano each Sunday. Judy, Karen, Pam and Savannah have done a great job in alternating each Sunday.

Thanks to all of you who are faithful to sing in the Praise Choir each Sunday and attend choir practice on Wednesday night. We always welcome anyone who is interested in joining the Praise Choir. There’s a chair just for you.



SENIOR  
ADULTS  
MINISTRY

FELLOWSHIP  
SATURDAY, MAY 10  
FROM 12 TO 2 P.M.



Join us for  
Sunday School  
Sunday Morning  
at 9:30

WEEKLY EVENTS

**Sunday**  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.

**Tuesday**  
Women’s Bible Study 11 a.m.

**Wednesday**  
Children’s Bible Study 6:30 p.m.  
Youth Bible Study 6:30 p.m.  
Adult Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
Praise Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.



May 1, 2025



SUNDAY, MAY 11TH



SALUTING THE VETERANS  
MEMORIAL DAY  
MAY 26



GOD IS MY  
STRENGTH