

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

\*For **May** the McCook Food Pantry focus is; **Canned chicken and Canned tuna**. Please have all items to the church by the end of the month. Thank you!

\*Today we celebrate Mother's Day and Graduation Sunday.

\*On Saturday, June 3, Pastor Jerry will be offering a workshop from 9 am – 4:30 pm for our church and other local congregations entitled "Healthy Congregations: A Systems Approach." A flyer and sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

\*Scholarships are available on the website. Please have these turned in by July 1st. Any questions, ask Doreen Fry or Karyn Montgomery.

\*Mark your calendars for Billy's 5K Run/Walk at Swan Lake Christian Camp June 10, 2023. The race begins at 8:00 am. Register at [myslcc.com](http://myslcc.com). The race is a fundraiser for the camp's youth programs. Cost is \$30 and includes a t-shirt. Come join the fun along the shores of Swan Lake.

### A prayer for Mother's Day

Lord, we remember the mothers  
who have gone before us.

**For their love, sacrifice, struggle  
and joy, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember the mothers of  
Scripture who are a part of our story  
as we are a part of your story.

**For their courage, faith, love and  
fierceness, we thank you.**

Lord, we remember those who have not  
given birth to us, but are mothers to us.  
**For their gift of themselves that they  
have given, we thank you.**

For the women who struggle with  
fertility, for those women whom  
society labels as less in their childlessness,  
for those women who have lost children.

**For their tears, for their strength,  
for their wisdom, for their lives,  
we thank you.**

In your name we pray. Amen.

*by Claire Schoepp*



## Order of Worship

Contemporary Worship Service

Prelude

Call to Worship

\*Opening Songs           “House of the Lord”  
                                  “Same God”

\*Opening Prayer & Greeting

\*Song                        “Walk By Faith”

Welcome & Announcements

Building Exploratory Committee Presentation

Camp Judson Presentation

\*Song                        “Fires”

Congregational Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Message

Mother’s Day Prayer

Scripture Reading       Romans 5:1-5 NT pg 914

Graduation Celebration & Reflection

Closing Song             “Rattle”

Benediction

Postlude

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Please pray for these joys and concerns this week:

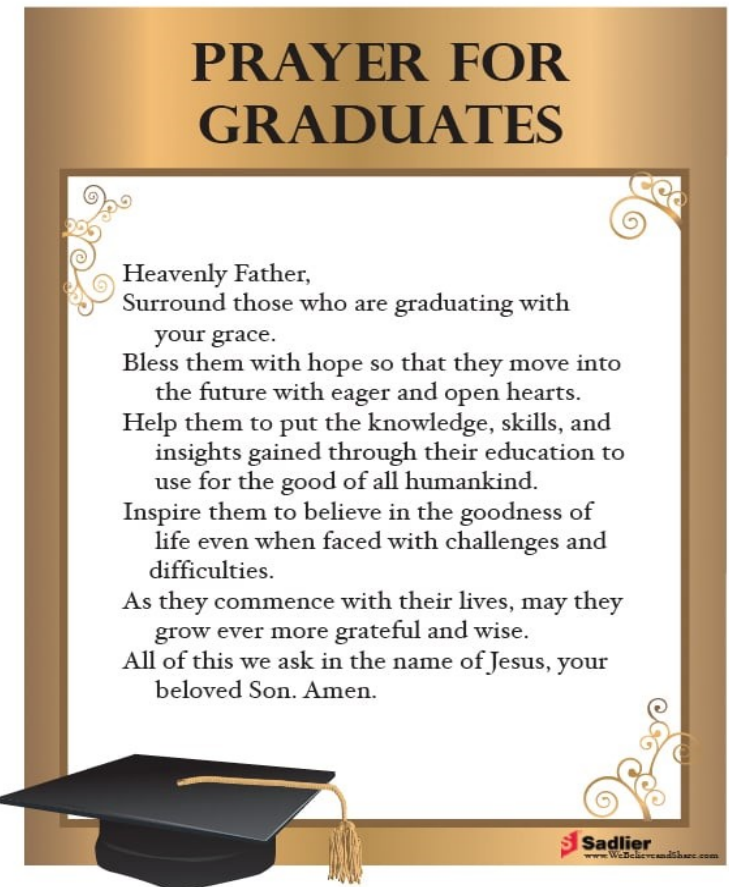
### \*Prayer/Praise Requests:

\*Ken Scott- prayer quilt Ken has lung cancer.  
\*Farmers- in the fields planting.  
\*Alex Montgomery’s co-worker, Cody Wall, has cancer.  
\*Matt Anderson—PTL—two doctors in the family!!! Congratulations for Sadie graduating!!  
\*Starlyn is having hip replacement surgery on Wednesday  
\*Ivan Ortman-another shooting on the news- prayer for our country's mental health.  
\*Prayer for Adam Richarz hurt his hand. Has stitches and a fracture.

**Ongoing health concerns:** Sherry (Jerman) McKay, Donna Diede, Alexa and Rylie Rothenberger, Sally Ortman, Margie Stevens, Susan Anderson, Judy Scott, Barb Falk, Rev Dick Rinearson, Dakota Marcucci, Casey Baldwin, Ken Scott and David McGirr.

### Weekly Schedule & Activities:

Sunday: 5/14  
9:30 am Worship  
Monday: 5/15  
9:00 am Prayers  
and Squares  
Friday: 5/19  
6:00 am Men’s  
Breakfast



**PRAYER FOR GRADUATES**

Heavenly Father,  
Surround those who are graduating with your grace.  
Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts.  
Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education to use for the good of all humankind.  
Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties.  
As they commence with their lives, may they grow ever more grateful and wise.  
All of this we ask in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. Amen.

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