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STRENGTH.

-The power to resist
-One regarding as embodying or affording
force or firmness.

God is our refuge and **strength**,
An ever-present help in trouble,
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give
way,
And the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

-Psalm 46:1-2

-The Lord hasn't lost his powerful **strength**;
He can still hear and answer prayers.

-Isaiah 59:1

STRONG SHOULDERS.

-Quiet Moments Alone with God
Bethany House

Your God is a God of love. When it feels like
you're carrying the world on your shoulders, call
on him, Jesus said his yoke was "easy and his
burden was light." When you name your cares
and concerns as "easy and light", you diminish
their impact on you. Give your cares to God- he is
more than able to take them for you.

Loving God, thank you for caring for me. Show
me how to rest in you and to release my burdens
to you. Amen.

Pile your troubles on God's shoulders-he'll
carry your load, he'll help you out. He'll never let
good people topple into ruin.

-Psalm 35:22

It's likely that King Hezekiah wrote Psalm 46
after God delivered Jerusalem from the Assyrians
(2 Kings 18-19) "Undoubtedly, in the midst of
political upheaval and the threat of destruction,
the people of Zion felt as if their world were
falling apart. But even during times of turmoil,
God's people have reason to be confident.
Hezekiah described God as "our refuge and
strength" and "an ever-present help in trouble"
(Psalm 46:1) God has the ability to protect His
people in any circumstance, and His power is
unlimited. God is not deterred by threats of war,
natural disasters, violence, terrorism, or any
catastrophe. Regardless of the situation, there is
no need for us to fear, because God does not
abandon His people in times of trouble.

-The God of Comfort-Zondervan.

**GOD IS OUR STRENGTH FROM HEAVEN,
BUT HE HAS ENTRUSTED OUR FATHERS
TO DO SO HERE ON EARTH.**

**REMEMBER THAT "FATHERS"
DAY IS SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH.
Make his day special!**

DADDY'S GIRL.

-Fruit of the Spirit by Marcia Hornol

Image how God loves us.

Scene One: You are God's little girl running
to meet Him. He kneels on one knee and
extends His arms to grab you in a bear hug.
See His big smile as He says "I'm so glad
to see you my sweet girl"



Scene two: You suddenly scream. A bee has stung your hand. Shocked and puzzled, you're inconsolable. But God picks you up, kisses the bee-stung place, and speaks in your ear; "It's okay sweetie, I'm here. Don't cry. Daddy loves you."

Scene three: He holds you on His lap and sings your special song-the one He made up just for you. It has your name in it, and you love hearing Him sing it.

That's how God's relationship feels in our lives. He loves us totally. He quiets us gently when we hurt. He enjoys being with us and delights in us.

No matter what kind of home you grew up in, or how caring or flawed your dad was, you have a caring Father who loves you unconditionally. Rejoice in God's love, because God rejoices over you.

CONGRATULATIONS.....

To Cale and Monica Miller on the birth of their daughter Avery Ann on May 16th -7 pounds, 15 ounces.

She is the little sister to Benji, granddaughter to Brian & Susan Miller and great granddaughter to Donna & Dave Miller.

WELCA NEWS.....

WELCA will meet on Tuesday, June 10 at 2:00PM at the church. Karen Showers will be the hostess and topic leader.

THE BASEMENT SALE will be held on August 1st & 2nd. It would be helpful if you could bring your items for the sale the week of July 27th. Thank you.

PRODUCE GIVE-A-WAY.....

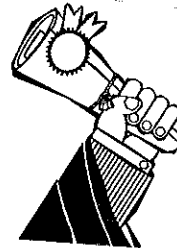
Will be held on Tuesday, June 17th at 9:00 AM. Volunteers are needed and appreciated.

Once again this year, a collection of peanut butter and boxes of macaroni and cheese will be added to our give-a-way on June 17. A table has been set up in the choir loft for your donations. If you would rather give a monetary donation, please designate "For Produce Market" on your offering envelopes. Thank you in advance.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE.....

Birthdays:

June 3—Steve Wolfe
10—Bryan Cramer
15—Brian Miller
21—Emily Dietz
30—Dakota Brassfield

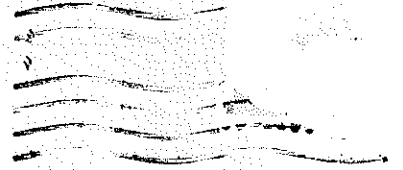


CONGRATULATIONS

TO ALL GRADUATES!!!

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Holy Communion Worship-10AM SCS-9AM WELCA change collection	2	3	4	5 Council 8:00PM	6	7
8 Worship-10AM SCS-9AM	9	10 WELCA 2PM	11	12	13	14
15 Worship-10AM SCS-9AM WELCA change collection Happy Father's Day!	16	17 Produce Give-A-Way	18	19	20	21
22 Worship-10AM SCS-9AM	23	24	25	26	27	28
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God, would like to invite all to share in the good news of Jesus Christ. As witnesses
of God's love and forgiveness we reach out to you".**