SERMON NOTES

Date:	Preacher:
Sermon Scripture/Text:	
Sermon Title:	
Points to Remember:	
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Conclusion:	
What will I do as a result of this message? 1.	
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Pray and meditate on His word!



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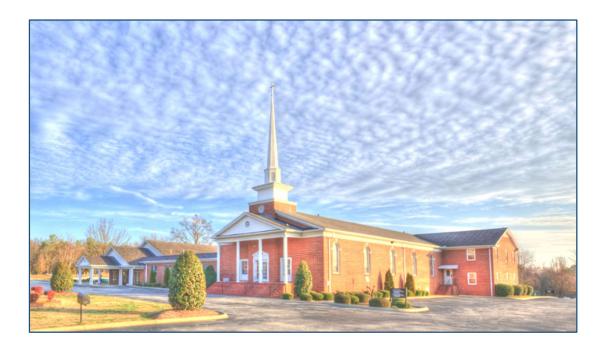


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Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve



"This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:8 (NIV)

Come walk with us; we will do thee good!



Word from our Pastor

Honor Thy Mothers

Praises be unto God for all the good things he hath done!

A simple but profound statement is expressed and repeated throughout the word of God. It is first spoken in Exodus 20:12 and then repeated for the benefit of the new generation. Jesus quotes these words, and then Paul applies them to everyday life. Ephesians 6:2, says Honor thy father and mother."

In 2 Timothy 1:5 Paul reminds Timothy that his genuine faith was first seen in his grandmother and then in his mother. Honor thy

mother is the emphasis of this month's greeting and special day. When we honor someone, we evaluate that person accurately and honestly, and treat them with respect, reverence, kindness and courtesy that their character demands.

These months as we honor our mothers let us honor them for their:

-Love-As we reflect on the word love so many persons have a different definition for the word. However, when I reflect or think of a mothers love I think of biblical, Christian, or agape love. The love that's unconditional or the 1 Corinthian 13:7, type of love that bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. We may not want to acknowledge it but our mothers have demonstrated this sacrificial and unconditional love to her children throughout their entire life.

- -Sensitivity-A mother is so sensitive that she treasures her children, observes everything they do and rejoice when they show maturity and grieves when they act crazy or foolish.
- -Faith-A mother's influence is powerful. Faith is her influence for good and evil. It is her faith that teaches her offspring and nurtures those around her.
- -Servitude-finally let us honor mothers by thanking them for all the things they have done to assist, help, develop and serve us. Perhaps many of us or all of us would not be who we are today if it had not been for the love and sacrifices of our dear mothers.

Today and every day we honor, love, adore and thank God for you.

Happy Mother's Day!!!

Blessings, Pastor Simmons

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- 3. RFBC Website, www.reedyforkbaptist.org
- 4. Text to Give
- 5. Drive by Secured Mailbox
- 6. Mail to RFBC, 3115 Fork Shoals Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680

Stay connected with your RFBC family...



The next Adopt-A-Highway pick up will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024. We are looking for volunteers ages 13 and up to serve on this day. All volunteers are asked to sign up by May 17th using this sign up at https://bit.ly/May2024AAH. If you have any questions, please contact Tomika Rogers at 864.907.4008 or via email: tomika.rogers@gmail.com.

PLEASE NOTE: The Reedy Fork Center for Community Development's Summer Enrichment Initiative Program enrollment period had been extended through Wed. May 15th, 2024. To register online please scan the QR code below.







RFCCD Summer Enrichment

High School Application

College Application

Page 14 - Announcements

REMINDER: Please do not forget to sign the Attendance Card located on the clipboard in the back of the pew.

Attention Members: There will be a Church Business Meeting on Sat., May 11, 2024 @ 9 a.m. in the Choir Room. Thanks in advance for your participation.

The honor of your presence is requested at the Retirement Celebration in honor of Sis. Yvonne Jennings, our Minister of Music, on Sat., 6/8/2024 at 4 p.m. in the RFBC Family Life Center. Kindly RSVP by 5/23/24 by 1) calling 864-243-3495 #10 or #16 or 2) emailing: rfbc_admin@reedyforkbaptist.org or 3) by signing up on the RFBC App.

Men in Ministry is sponsoring an outing to the Greenville Drive Game on June 15, 2024, at 7:05 pm for Men and Boys 12 yrs. & over. Ticket price is \$15/person. All monies are to be given to the RFBC Business Mgr., Kimberly Grady during business hours only. The deadline for ticket purchase is May 15, 2024. Please contact Dea. Casper Posley @ 302-724-0131 if you have any questions.

SPECIAL NOTE: The Prisma Health Mobile Unit will be on site to provide services to our community on Tuesday, May 9th, 2024, from 9am – 4pm. Drive-ups/Walk-ins welcomed.

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 24th – June27th. If you are interested in being a Vacation Bible School Teacher, please contact Deacon Eugene William by Sun., May 26th. We are looking forward to another exciting year of participation, learning more about God and FUN!

Please note: All Ushers are requested to meet immediately following today's service in the Choir Room on May 5th. Thank you in advance for your participation!

Attention all Nursery Children and Youth Ministry parent(s): Please be advised that there will be no nursery children and youth church on the following Sundays: Mother's Day, May 12th, and Deacon's Ordination Service. Sunday, May both to be held in the Family Life Center at 9:35 a.m.

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:35 AM VIA RFBC APP, FACEBOOK LIVE, AND THE PRAYER LINE NUMBER (Call-In #: 267-807-9605, Access Code: 769-622) FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!!

Page 3 - Reedy Fork Missionary Baptist Church

Mission Statement



Our Vision

"Reaching The Unchurched for Christ"

"Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day." Acts 2:41 (NIV)

"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)

Our Values

Together we Serve through:

- **†** Worshiping God alone
- † Loving God and One another
- † Respecting <u>ALL</u> People
- † Remaining Humble
- **†** Practicing Honesty and Integrity
- **†** Living Morally

- † Sharing in Generosity through Time, Talent, and Money
- **†** Being Non-Hypocritical
- **†** Being Non-Judgmental
- **†** Not Holding Grudges
- **†** Forgiving Others
- † Striving for Excellence in everything we do!

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The Church Gathers for Worship

The Lord's Day: May 5, 2024 @ 9:35 AM Order of Worship

The Prelude	Musicians
The Prayer for Hope Dea. Wade Garrett a	and Dea. Bradley Robinson
The Call to Worship	Min. MacArthur Black
Praise & Adoration:	
The Invocation/Prayer of Confession	Min. MacArthur Black
The Prayer Response	"The Lord's Prayer"
The Praise Period	Praise Team
The Greetings	Min. MacArthur Black
Confession & Forgiveness:	
The Scripture in Response	Min. MacArthur Black
Thanksgiving:	
The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving	Min. Anna Hawthorne
The Pastoral Reflections	Min. Anna Hawthorne
The Recognition of May Birthdays & Anniversaries	Min. Anna Hawthorne
Hearing from God:	
The Musical Selection	Praise Team
The Spoken Word	Min. Richard Black
The Call to Salvation	Min. Richard Black
The Hymn to Salvation ————(Instrumental)————	"Just As I Am"
The Call to Prayer	Min. Anna Hawthorne
The Church Covenant in Response	Min. Anna Hawthorne
The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper	Deacons
The Hymn of Benediction/Benediction	

2024 Goal: Reaching the Unchurched for Christ

Page 13 - Deacon Ministry Assignments

Ward #	Deacons	Phone #	
	Wade C. Garrett		967-3634
1 & 3	Jimmy Cecil		277-2750
	Kenneth Robinson		243-3098
	Cleveland Beaufort	-	864-371-9293
4 & 6	Casper Posley		438-1428
	Anthony Hill, 1st V	ice Chairman	277-6463
	Jackson Bruce, Sec	retary	864-947-7919
5 & 8	Jeffrey Sligh		967-3998
	Eugene Williams		906-8305
	Bradley Robinson, 2 nd Vice Chairman		252-8528
7 & 9	Gary Cook, Asst. S	Secretary	421-5116
	Lonnie Hawthorne, 3 rd Vice Chairman		906-5644
10 & 11	John Harris		553-3591
	Kelvin Young, Cha	irman	757-9887
		Rodger Burton, Sr.	963-5173
	Roy C. Cook		243-3651
-	.	Ray Dennis	277-3662
Deacons Emeriti We give honor to those who have served us over the years.	lerry Earl		414-1852
	Joe G. Hawthorne	243-2704	
	David Lewers, Sr.	243-4077	
		Beattie Robinson	269-7667

Page 12 - May Anniversaries and Birthdays

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

John & Valerie Harris (41)	5/6	Edward & Patricia Hawthorne (52)	5/6
Walter & Lorraine McDowell (23)	5/19	Michael & Kimberly Rosemond (18)	5/26
James & Sophia Jackson (29)	5/27	John & Shelia Williams (35)	5/27
Johnie & Judy Chapman (53)	5/29		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Paul Grant	5/1	Bernice Anderson	5/3	LaTasha Black	5/3
Ruby Black	5/5	Maurice Grady	5/5	Rosetia Johnson	5/5
Alice Burton	5/6	Valerie Harris	5/6	Jacqueline Jackson	5/6
John Evans	5/7	Aryonna Irby	5/7	Joenelle McDaniel	5/8
Louise Abrams	5/9	Anthony Sullivan	5/9	Karmar'e Evans	5/12
L. Chase Bowie	5/14	Columbus Jackson	5/15	Eric Robinson	5/15
Dolores Mitchell	5/16	LaBarbara Martin	5/17	Delores Hill	5/18
Qulasha Campbell	5/19	Novick Mitchell	5/19	Doriane Sherman	5/19
Eugene Williams	5/19	LJ Bowie	5/21	Tamaia Shaw	5/21
Bayley Robinson	5/22	Edward Hawthorne, Sr.	5/23	Jenna Robinson	5/24
Lakeshia East	5/26	Winnical Robinson	5/26	Cassandra Garrett	5/27
Jasmine Jackson	5/28	Sophia Jackson	5/31		

Page 5 - The Call to Worship:

Leader: Sing to our God a new song,

Congregation: For God has done wondrous things.

Leader: In this place, God's love and grace flow into our lives.

Congregation: In this place God's blessings abound.

Leader: The Holy One's might is not found in destruction,

Congregation: But in love and constant faithfulness.

Leader: These gifts are not for us alone,

Congregation: They are for one and all.

Leader: Make a joyful noise unto the lord, all the earth.

Congregation: Break forth into songs of praise.

ALL: Let all creation praise the Lord.

Scripture in Response: John 15: 9-17 (NIV)

Leader: ⁹"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.

Congregation: ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have

kept my Father's commands and remain in his love.

Leader: ¹¹I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

Congregation: ¹²My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

Leader: ¹³ Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's

friends.

Congregation: ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

Leader: ¹⁵I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business.

 $Instead, I\ have\ called\ you\ friends, for\ everything\ that\ I\ learned\ from\ my\ Father\ I\ have$

made known to you.

Congregation: ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that

you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that

whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

ALL: 17 This is my command: Love each other.

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In Remembrance of Him.....



The Lord's Supper Servers

Piano Side

Organ Side

Deacon Wade Garrett

Deacon Jeffery Sligh

365 Intercessory Prayer Group Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Member/Household Assigned	Call-In
Sunday	5/5/2024	6:33 AM	Gary/Renee Cook	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Monday	5/6/2024	6:33 AM	Jimmy/Anna Cecil	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Tuesday	5/7/2024	6:33 AM	Casper/Yvonne Posley	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Wednesday	5/8/2024	6:33 AM	Anthony/Daisy Hill	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Thursday	5/9/2024	6:33 AM	Lonnie/Glenda Hawthorne	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Friday	5/10/2024	6:33 AM	Jeffrey/Mary Sligh	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Saturday	5/11/2024	6:33 AM	Eugene/Selina Williams	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622

Page 11 - Pray for, Call or Visit Our Bereaved, & Sick and Shut-in

Home		
Linda Briggs	125 Amberwood Lane, Mauldin SC 29662	864-297-5328
Evelyn Burts	107 Archdale Drive, Mauldin, SC 29662	
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James Jackson	816 S. Garrison Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680	
Jared Jackson	315 Pollard Road, Simpsonville, SC 29681	
Linda Jackson		
Yvonne Jennings		
Evelyn Kennedy	See Sis. Gail Samons	
Betty Laster	113 Reedy Acres Drive, Simpsonville SC 29680	864-243-3098
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Carla McDaniel	109 Sweeney Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680	
Jennifer McKinney	See Sis. Mattie McKinney (Daughter)	
Amee Nava	See Sis. Gail Samons (Daughter)	
Mamie Owens		
Connie Robinson	PO Box 235, Conestee. SC 29636	864-236-5084
Peggy Sanders	234 Black Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680	
Joyce Shockley	1 Sanibel Oaks Drive, Simpsonville, SC 29680	864-862-0839
Bobby Spurgeon		
JoAnn P. Sullivan	602 Willow Creek, Simpsonville, SC 29681	
Jessie Thomason	119 Sullivan Road, Simpsonville SC 29680	864-243-2511
Convalescent Center		
Sis. Mary Dennis	N.H.C. Mauldin	

Page 10 - Church Covenant in Response Service

"And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their Fathers with all their heart and soul." (II Chronicles 15:12)

Minister: What common experience leads us into spiritual fellowship and covenant relations with God and one another?

Congregation: Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

Minister: By what pledge do we turn from the ways of the world?

Congregation: With this view, we engage to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.

Minister: What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted to us?

Congregation: To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to foster Christian education and missions throughout all nations.

Minister: For the sake of our home and loved one, what tasks do we humbly assume?

Congregation: We engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; and to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

Minister: For the sake of the unsaved for whom Christ died to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly pledged?

Congregation: To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our effort to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

Minister: Since One is our Master, even Christ and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord?

Congregation: We further engage to watch over each other in brotherly love and watchfulness; giving and receiving admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rule of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

Minister: For the good of our own Spiritual development, and for the best interest of the Master's kingdom, what do we promise to do if we move beyond the reach of this church?

Congregation: We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church of this faith, where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

All: Humbly confessing our past sins, we pray for grace and strength to keep these, our holy vows, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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May 2024 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class (Cancelled) -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Deacons & Deacon Wives Meetings -11:00 AM Children/Youth Choir Rehearsal -12:00 PM Golden Age Ministry Meeting
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer	Baptist E&M Convention Ann				Administration Office Closed	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer
Line -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service -11:00 AM Lord's Supper	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal -6:30 PM Women In Ministry	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class	-6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Line -9:00 AM Church Business Meeting -9:00 AM Ushers Ministry Meeting (Cancelled) -11:00 AM Children/Youth
			-7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.			Choir Rehearsal
12 Mother's Day (FLC) -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service (FLC)	13 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -11:00 AM Staff Meeting	14 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Prisma Health Mobile Clinic	15 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	16 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	17 Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	18 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Adopt-a-Highway Pick-up Date
19 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service & Deacons Ordination Service (FLC)	20 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -11:00 AM Staff Meeting	21 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	22 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -10:05 AM Bible Study -5:30 PM New Member Orientation Class -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	23 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM New Member Orientation Class	Administration Office Closed -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	25 -6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line -9:00 AM Liquidation/ Dispersement
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