



GORDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

...A Neighborhood Congregation

“To Sow, Grow and Serve in the name of Jesus Christ”

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Care Letter for May 13, 2018

Scripture Reading: Acts 1:1-11

THOUGHT:

No matter how old a mother is, she watches her middle-aged children for signs of improvement.

—Florida Scott-Maxwell

A man stopped at a flower shop to order some flowers to be wired to his mother who lived 200 miles away. As he got out of his car, he noticed a young girl sitting on the curb sobbing. He asked her what was wrong and she replied, “I wanted to buy a red rose for my mother. But I only have 75 cents, and a rose costs two dollars.” The man smiled and said, “Come on in with me. I’ll buy you a rose.” He bought the little girl her rose and ordered his own mother’s flowers. As they were leaving he offered the girl a ride home. She said, “Yes, please! You can take me to my mother.” She directed him to a cemetery where she placed the rose on a freshly dug grave. The man returned to the flower shop, canceled the wire order, picked up a bouquet and drove the 200 miles to his mother’s house. It is wonderful to receive flowers on Mother’s Day — or to get a phone call from a son or a daughter, perhaps even a grandchild. A Mother’s Day card is also appreciated. But there’s nothing like a face to face meeting with a loved one! That cannot always happen. But when we have those opportunities to be with dear friends and beloved family members, let’s cherish those moments. Some day, we will be with Jesus — face to face. “Now we see through a glass darkly,” wrote the apostle Paul. As much as he loved his prayer time and his study of Scripture, he looked forward to the day when he would see the risen Christ! —Timothy Merrill

Prayer: God, thank you for mothers and all the people who give their love and themselves to others. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

*We are praying for you and wishing you a good week!
Your friends at Gordon UMC*

Activity Page for the week of May 13, 2018

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: Luke 18-21

Monday: 1 Samuel 21-24

Tuesday: 1 Samuel 25-28

Wednesday: 1 Samuel 29-31

Thursday: 2 Samuel 1-4

Friday: 2 Samuel 5-8

Saturday: Psalms 46-48

Verse to Remember

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear."

—Psalm 46:1-2

A ROSE IS A ROSE IS A ROSE!

Today is Mother's Day. Every mother has her favorite flower. For many, the most beautiful flower is the rose. Below is a list of flower varieties of the rose bush. See if you can find them hidden in the Word Search. They can be found horizontally, vertically, diagonally, backward and forward.



H E Q A Y U P Y L P Y K P Y L
S A U I C R D R Z R G H H R X
A P I J I P R R R C H E R R Y
N R N L I O F E U Q N I C E O
I I C L X R B B B N U F H B J
A C E O N K X P C W F G O W R
T O R G C M E S O R A L D E M
N T N A L P P A O S H R Y D H
U C L N B A K R W A Q N T A C
O B S B P A N E W N O L L S Q
M A F E E W P T O M K M O X M
W O A R A X H P I L O Q U A T
Z C I R R O L R L N S W X L G
H P K Y R C G F D E E G O R P
S Z P N F A E L B M A R B E P

Agrimony
Almond
Apricot
Blackberry
Bramble
Cherry
Cinquefoil
Crab apple
Dewberry
Hawthorn
Loganberry
Loquat
Medlar
Mountain ash
Peach
Plum
Quince
Raspberry
Sloe
Soap plant
Spirea
Strawberry