

June 2024 Worship Guide

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This booklet contains the outline for each worship service during the month of June 2024.

As of the time of going to print, Sunday worship is in person, online and broadcast on the radio (you can listen in your car on FM 87.9, in the church parking lot). If you are not able to attend in person, you can watch online on our website and YouTube channel. Even if we are not worshipping in the same building, we are still one body, one family, we are brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Look up the scriptures referenced in the following pages; pray the words, and claim the promises for you and your family. - Pastor Jonathan

"Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong." 1 CORINTHIANS 16:13

June 16th we celebrate and recognize our Fathers and significant men in our lives.

Scripture is filled with people we can learn much from. When it comes to the challenging vocation of fatherhood, several fathers in the Bible show what is wise to do and also what is not wise to do.

The most important father figure in the Bible is God the Father—the ultimate role model for all human dads. His love, kindness, patience, wisdom, and protectiveness are impossible standards to live up to. Fortunately, he is also forgiving and understanding, answering fathers' prayers, and giving them expert guidance so they can be the man their family wants them to be. Here are 8 Biblical Fathers, from whom we can learn much.

ADAM - the first man

As the first man and first human father, Adam had no example to follow except for God's. Regrettably, he strayed from God's example and ended up plunging the world into sin. Ultimately, he was left to deal with the tragedy of his son Cain murdering his other son, Abel. Adam has much to teach today's fathers about the consequences of our actions and the absolute necessity of obeying God.

Lessons to Learn From Adam

God is looking for fathers who freely choose to obey him and submit to his love.

Fathers with integrity live in the knowledge that nothing is hidden from God's sight.

Instead of blaming others, godly fathers take responsibility for their own failures and shortcomings.

NOAH—A Righteous Man

Noah stands out among fathers in the Bible as a man who clung to God in spite of the wickedness all around him. What could be more relevant today? Noah was far from perfect, but he was humble and protective of his family. He bravely carried out the task God assigned to him. Modern fathers may often feel they are in a thankless role, but God is always pleased by their devotion.

Lessons to Learn From Noah

God promises to bless and protect those who faithfully follow and obey him.

Obedience is not a sprint but a marathon. It means a lifetime of faithful devotion.

Even the most faithful fathers have weaknesses and can fall into sin..

ABRAHAM —Father of the Jewish Nation

What could be more frightening than being the father of an entire nation? That was the mission God gave Abraham. He was a leader of tremendous faith, passing one of the most difficult tests God ever gave a man: offering his son Isaac as a sacrifice. Abraham made mistakes when he relied on himself instead of God. Still, he embodied qualities that any father would be wise to develop.

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June Worship

June 2, 2024

Scriptures to read and meditate on

1 Sam 3:1-20; Ps 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Cor 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

Call to Worship

God, you call each of us to serve you, and we answer, "Here I am!" Jesus, you call each of us to follow you, and we answer, "Here I am!" Holy Spirit, you call each of us to worship you this day, and we answer, "Here I am!" We are yours, Lord, we have heard your voice. Draw us nearer to you in this time of worship.

Prayer of Confession

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. Lord, we have heard you call our name, but sometimes we run away. We have heard you call our name, but sometimes we question it. We have heard you call our name, but sometimes we refuse to listen. We have failed to clearly see your word in our heart and in the world around us. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts and lost sight of your truth and love. We long to hear a word from you. Speak to us once again your words of forgiveness.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world by the strength of your Spirit answering your call to love and to serve and to heal. Help us to hear the shouts of the hungry, and to answer with food and nourishment. Help us to hear the cries of those in pain, and to answer with comfort and healing. Help us to hear the sobs of the lost, and to answer with your welcoming love. Let our gifts today answer the cries of all those in need in our world, as we respond to your call saying, "Here I am, Lord." Amen.

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June 9, 2024

**Scriptures to read and meditate on**

1 Sam 8:4-20 (11:14-15); Ps 138; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

## **Call to Worship**

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise. I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul. All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful Lord, like unruly children we strain at your guidance, we try to break away and do it ourselves. We feel our strength, and imagine to be all powerful. We rejoice in our life, and imagine ourselves to be immortal. We know our talents, and want to be independent rather than depend on you. Before we know it, we are in the grip of other powers, leading us away from your loving way, into the slavery of selfish greed, adoring false gods of youthfulness, materialism, and power. You are our King. Forgive us for wanting something else. Help us to put on your armor, as we trust in your power alone.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Faithful King of all creation, in humble gratitude, we offer our gifts, celebrating your steadfast love that endures forever. As we reflect on your faithfulness, help us align our hearts with your divine rhythm. Guide us to sing your praises boldly, inviting others to join in the song of your love. Amid trials and triumphs, may our worship be a testament to the armor of your enduring grace. As we acknowledge our human frailty, reassure us of your unwavering presence. Lead us in the work of your hands, empowering us to love as you do. Bless these offerings, that they may magnify your love in our community and beyond. Through Christ our King and Savior we pray. Amen.

# June Worship

**June 16, 2024**

**Scriptures to read and meditate on**

1 Sam 15:34-16:13; Ps 20 or Ps 72; 2 Cor 5:6-13; Mark 4:26-34

## **Call to Worship**

God interrupted the young boy Samuel with an unexpected call. “Here I am, Lord. Send me!” God surprised Jesse, choosing his youngest son, David, to be king. The Lord looks on the heart. God sees more than we can know. Lord, be our vision. May we see what you see, so that we may love what you love.

## **Prayer of Confession**

Lord, what do you see when you look at our hearts? When you are passing through the land, looking for someone fit to serve you, will you stop by here? When someone offends us, too often we look with an outward appearance of hate, instead of the inward heart of forgiveness. Too often we look on the outward appearance of success, and good appearances, instead of seeing the inward heart of struggle and pain. We reject and accept based on what we CAN see, but you have called us to a vision that goes beyond our own ability. Forgive us and create clean hearts within us. Teach us how to live holy and how to perfectly love the people around us and the people we will never meet face-to-face. Let no one created in your image be as a stranger to us.

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Lord, we give you thanks that you see beyond our outward faults and see instead our hearts. In Christ, our hearts are made clean and new. We thank you for such a gift that only you can give. As we give back to you what you have already given to us in abundance, give us that new sight that sees beyond the outward appearances that distract us from your love. Help us to see not what the world is, but what the world could become through your Son. Let your vision govern how we give and live our lives with you and one another. Through Christ our Lord we see and pray. Amen.

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June 23, 2024 -

Scriptures to read and meditate on

1 Sam 17: 1-49; Ps 9:9-20; 2 Cor 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

Call to Worship

The Lord is a safe place for the oppressed, a safe place in difficult times. Those who know your name trust you because you have not abandoned any who seek you, Lord. Sing praises to the Lord, who lives in Zion! We will proclaim his mighty acts among all people!

Prayer of Confession

Master and Creator of the universe, thank you that your work does not depend on my power. I offer myself and my meager resources to do your work in the world. But Father, I realize that the power to do this work, the resources to accomplish the tasks, and the time necessary to complete your ministry must all come from you. Today God, I confess to you my weaknesses and my sins, knowing that all your power needs to work in our world is a willing heart and an available vessel. Please use me not only today, but each day, to do your work. In Jesus' name, I pray.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Gracious God, we thank you that promise to be with us through the storms of life. You promise to always be there as we walk through this life. And we thank you that we can give ourselves, all that we have and all that we are, to you for your use and your glory. We praise you Holy God! Amen .

June Worship

June 30, 2024

Scriptures to read and meditate on

2 Sam 1:1, 17-27; Ps 130; 2 Cor 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43;

Call to Worship

But the Lord rules forever! He assumes his throne for the sake of justice. He will establish justice in the world rightly; he will judge all people fairly. The LORD is a safe place for the oppressed, a fortress in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust you because you have not abandoned any who seek you, Lord. Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion. Proclaim his mighty acts among all the people. The Lord God is here with us and the Lord God goes with us even as we leave this place. Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, We have not relied on your word or wisdom; we have not shown any concern or compassion when we should have; we have not loved our neighbor as we love ourselves. We have remained silent when we should have spoken and spoken when we should have been silent. We allow fear to control our lives, and we allow fear to break our relationship with you and one another. Forgive us. When we are inclined to worry or panic, speak with authority to us. Speak directly through Jesus so that fears may be confronted, and our faith renewed. Through him and in him let us spend our days and nights with the courage and peace of those who know they are being saved and sustained by your peace filled grace.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LORD of hosts, we thank you for being with us and that you go with us into the world. We face many giants in our lives, but we know that, with you, nothing is impossible. Our hearts are fearful, but our trust in You conquers all fear. As we offer you a portion of what you have already given to us, may we see our possessions as your instruments of peace to give and serve others. May we give out of trust in you, even in times of our own need, trusting that you will provide, because by your Spirit, you are with us. In the name of the One who gave His all for the world, Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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## Lessons to Learn From Abraham

God wants to use us, in spite of our shortcomings. He will even rescue and support us through our foolish mistakes.

Genuine faith pleases God.

God's purposes and plans are revealed in phases over a lifetime of obedience.

### ISAAC - Son of Abraham

Many fathers feel intimidated trying to follow in the footsteps of their own father. Isaac must have felt that way. Abraham was such an outstanding leader that Isaac could have gone wrong. He could have resented his father for offering him as a sacrifice, yet Isaac was an obedient son. From his father Abraham, Isaac learned the invaluable lesson of trusting God. That made Isaac one of the most favored fathers in the Bible.

## Lessons to Learn From Isaac

God loves to answer a father's prayers.

Trusting God is wiser than lying.

Parents should not show favoritism to one child over another.

## **JACOB - Father of the 12 Tribes of Israel**

Jacob was a schemer who tried to work his own way instead of trusting God. With the help of his mother Rebekah, he stole his twin brother Esau's birthright. Jacob fathered 12 sons who in turn founded the 12 tribes of Israel. As a father, however, he favored his son, Joseph, causing jealousy among the other brothers. The lesson from Jacob's life is that God works with our obedience and in spite of our disobedience to make his plan come to pass.

### Lessons to Learn From Jacob

God wants us to trust him so we will benefit from his blessings.

Fighting against God is a losing battle.

We often worry about missing God's will for our life, but God works with our mistakes and bad decisions.

God's will is sovereign; his plans cannot be undone.

## **MOSES - Giver of the Law**

Moses was the father of two sons, Gershom and Eliezer, and he also served as a father figure to the entire Hebrew people as they escaped from slavery in Egypt. He loved them and helped discipline and provide for them on their 40-year journey to the Promised Land. At times Moses seemed to be a larger-than-life character, but he was only a man. He shows today's fathers that overwhelming tasks can be achieved when we stay close to God.

### Lessons to Learn From Moses

With God all things are possible.

Sometimes we must delegate to be a good leader.

God desires intimate fellowship with every believer.

No one can follow God's laws perfectly. We all need a Savior.

## **KING DAVID — A Man After God's Own Heart**

One of the great stories of struggle in the Bible concerns David, a special favorite of God. He trusted God to help him defeat the giant Goliath and put his faith in God as he was on the run from King Saul. David sinned greatly, but he repented and found forgiveness. His son Solomon went on to become one of Israel's greatest kings.

### Lessons to Learn From David

Honest self-examination is necessary to recognize our own sin.

God wants our whole hearts.

We cannot hide our sins from God.

Sins have consequences.

The Lord is always there for us.

## **JOSEPH — Earthly Father of Jesus**

Surely one of the most underrated fathers in the Bible was Joseph, the foster father of Jesus Christ. He went through great difficulties to protect his wife Mary and their baby, then saw to Jesus' education and needs as he was growing up. Joseph taught Jesus the carpentry trade. The Bible calls Joseph a righteous man, and Jesus must have loved his guardian for his quiet strength, honesty, and kindness.

### Lessons to Learn From Joseph

God honors men of integrity and rewards them with his trust.

Mercy always wins.

Obedience may result in humiliation and disgrace before men, but close friendship with God.

# Father's Day Word Search

Just for fun, or use as a teaching aide with your younger family members.

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Find the **51** Fathers in the Bible

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| Abiud    | Heli        | Matthat    |
| Abraham  | Hezekiah    | Naggai     |
| Achim    | Hezron      | Nahshon    |
| Adam     | Isaac       | Nahum      |
| Ahaz     | Jacob       | Obed       |
| Aminadab | Jannai      | Perez      |
| Amos     | Jechoniah   | Peleg      |
| Aram     | Jehoshaphat | Rehoboam   |
| Asaph    | Jesse       | Salathiel  |
| Azor     | Joram       | Salmon     |
| Boaz     | Joseph      | Seth       |
| Cosam    | Josiah      | Solomon    |
| David    | Jotham      | Uzziah     |
| Eleazer  | Judah       | Zadok      |
| Eliakim  | Levi        | Zerah      |
| Eliud    | Manasseh    | Zerubbabel |

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**5th Sunday Lunch after service  
June 30 - Theme is Family Picnic  
Bring a dish to share and join us for a  
special time of fellowship.**



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