

May 13, 2019 Huntley UMC weekly email

Dear friends,

We celebrated Mother's Day at Huntley United Methodist Church this past Sunday. All women in worship were given a rose as a thank you for the important role they play in all our lives. After worship we were treated to fellowship time with cake and ice cream in their honor as well. I hope you had a great Mother's Day, and that you expressed your gratitude to the important women in your life.

In worship we talked about the important image of God as our Heavenly Parent and used Psalm 23 as our scripture text. Old Testament scripture passages that compare God's love and care to that of a parent are rare, but there are several that compare God's love to that of a shepherd who tends his sheep. It wasn't much of a leap for Jesus to extend the shepherd image to that of God as a loving parent. Jesus is quoted as addressing God as "Abba," which is translated as "Daddy." That indicates a loving, intimate relationship with one who cares for us and loves us deeply. So Psalm 23 is not really about u, rather, it is all about God who cares for us in personal and intimate ways. It is an amazing truth, but God does love and care for each of us, and this truth should comfort us each and every day no matter what is going on in our lives.

Companions in Christ group meets Monday, May 13th at 10:00 a.m. to make sandwiches for area ministries.

WCI Team meets on Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Scrap Booking group meets on Wednesday, May 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Huntley United Methodist Women will meet on Wednesday, May 22nd at the home of Gretchen Schubert. Car pool from church at 12:30 p.m.

Remember our upcoming change to summer worship hours beginning on June 2nd. Worship in June, July, and August will be at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages will end on Sunday, May 19th.

See you in worship,
Pastor Gary Geiman