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What Is the Origin and History of Father's Day?

Even though fathers don't traditionally garner the same sentimental excitement as mothers, a holiday celebrating them began relatively soon after the introduction of Mother's Day.

Father's Day originated in West Virginia in 1908 as a one-time commemoration of 362 men who perished in a 1907 coal mine explosion. The following year, in Spokane, Washington, Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, sought to establish an official day for fathers after her pastor's Mother's Day sermon. She canvassed all the local charities and government offices to gather support for her idea. As a result, Washington celebrated the first statewide Father's Day on June 19, 1910. The Spokane Ministerial Alliance eagerly embraced her idea, and that first Father's Day was supported and celebrated by Spokane churches.



The holiday gained slow but eager momentum, and, in 1916, President Woodrow Wilson gave credence to the holiday with a remote unfurling of a flag in Spokane. Afterward, in 1924, President Calvin Coolidge advocated for the holiday and recommended state

governments observe Father's Day, but it wasn't until 1972 that Father's Day became an official U.S. holiday. Today we celebrate Father's Day every third Sunday of June.

Though Father's Day originated as a sentimental yet secular holiday, the Christian ideals behind it are prominent. Like many others of our holidays, writer Dan Graves tells us, "Father's Day, too, is linked to Christianity in that it was founded to celebrate the ideals of fatherhood set forth in Scripture...William Jackson Smart's self-sacrificing love for his children led to a National Day of Recognition for all fathers. We have a grateful daughter to thank for that."

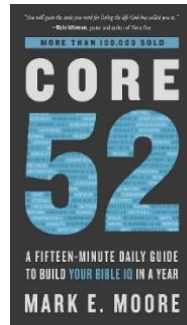
Of course, appreciation for our fathers is commanded in Scripture, but modern celebrations of our earthly fathers, however, have roots in the **Roman Catholic Church. Since the Middle Ages, they have celebrated fatherhood on St. Joseph's Day each March 19.**

While originally targeting fathers, Father's Day has grown to include all paternal figures, including grandfathers, stepfathers, fathers-in-law, husbands, etc. This inclusion highlights our varied family dynamics and honors fathers who actively nurture their children.

Giving Through Our Website

Go to <https://chairesmethodist.church> and just click the blue GIVE button and you will be taken to the church REALM site. The church secretary can help you set up your account.

Core52: A Fifteen-Minute Daily Guide to Build Your Bible IQ in a Year



Think of *Core52* as a fast-pass to biblical literacy, calling for 15 minutes a day, 5 days a week, for 1 year. Just a reminder: If you are keeping up with doing the Core 52 reading with the congregation, this week we are on **Chapter 23 (The Cross)** and the key memorization scripture is: **Matthew 16:24-25.**



Choir Summer Break

The Church Choir will be taking a little break for the summer for the months of June – August. We will be replacing the choir with a praise team. If you are interested in helping lead the congregation during worship, please see Gerry Nielson to be put on a Sunday rotation. Now is the time to join if you would like to be a part of our new blended worship service. For more info, contact: Gerry Nielson(321-652-5361) gerryniel@gmail.com



The Superhero Gospel and BBQ Luncheon POT- Luck

Date: June 15, 2025

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Multi-Purpose Building

Cost: FREE

Spider-Man! Batman! The Avengers! The greatest superheroes of all time illustrate timeless truths in this One-Man Show by Jason Korsiak!

Korsiak plays a stressed-out comic book artist tasked with the challenge of creating the next hit superhero. To do that, he looks at popular heroes and villains – and what they can teach us about such topics as the Armor of God, teamwork, and using your talents as part of the Body of Christ. Along the way, the audience will take part in helping him create that new hero!





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We don't know if you have heard...but we are now going live with our Sunday morning service on Facebook. If you cannot make the service in person, you can join our Facebook family. Give us a like and follow us on Facebook to get up to date information about upcoming events and you can access live sermons on Sunday or access our archive.

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Mission Project for June

For the month of June, our mission emphasis will be the Residing Hope Children's home in Madison, Florida. During every Sunday worship service, we will be giving reports and watching videos that inform us about the vital ministry that is happening there. At the end of the month and on the 5th Sunday, church members will have the opportunity to give a special offering that will go to the Madison Youth Ranch.



Stay Tuned for Special Mission and Outreach



For the month of July, we will have a special sermon series called: "Christmas in July". With this sermon series we, members of our congregation, will have the opportunity to participate in a global mission called: "Soles 4 Souls".

Soles 4 Souls

People living in poverty want a better life, but many lack opportunity.

At S4S, they turn unwanted shoes and clothing into opportunity, by keeping them from going to waste and putting them to good use – providing relief, creating jobs and empowering people to break the cycle of poverty by helping people in low-income countries escape poverty through entrepreneurship.



When they equip entrepreneurs in low-income countries with donated shoes and clothing to sell, they create sustainable small businesses that lift families out of poverty and drive community growth.

Church Council Meeting



Date: June 22, 2025
Place: Sunday School Room
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Pastor Visit

If you would like a visit from our pastor, please do not hesitate to call either Susan Capelouto (Administrative Assistant) or Rev. Kerry Foote so that a visit can be arranged.



Members

Marion Lollie / Debbie Pahl / Margaret Boyette / Jean Lombardi / Mary Alice Linzy / Pete Peters / David Matthews

Friends and Family

Lauren Keahey (Maggie Hall / Pastor Stuart Owens (Terry Hatcher) / Lucia Lightfoot / David & Charlotte McPherson, Sandy & Keith Pugh (Carol S.) /Kasey Connell (Maggie Hall) / Family of Samuel Kersey / Family of Ken Fairchild (Tony Minichiello) / Family of Dennis Rackley (Brother of Diane Matthews) /Roger & Lisa (Laura) / Thomas Stumbaugh / My nephew, Duane (Frances Chaires / Family of Spencer Walker (Jean Lombardi) / A person who is awaiting tumor diagnosis & a daughter diagnosed with cancer this week / Ronnie Wagner (Penny Petrandis) / The family of Brad Kunkel, Ron Lance, Eddie Doerr (Sheila Novak) / Veronica and Kids (Tiffany Foote) / Rogan and Noah Graduation (Tiffany Foote) / Becky and John Darley, Elsie Carter (Edna Matthews) / Roger Goram (Laura) /Joan Briggs & Family

Phishing Warning

We have had a few attempts in which internet scammers have been attempting to get access to our Realm online church directory. If you are being asked (via e-mail) for another church members phone number or a PDF of the church directory or a password to access the Realm site...please do not give that out.



If you are a church member and you would like access to the Realm site and church directory, please send an e-mail to Susan Capelouto chairesmc.office@gmail.com and she will send you an invite where you have the opportunity to set your own personal password to access the site. The password will only be known by you and you alone.

Radical Hospitality Team

Yet another ministry that is on the horizon...we just keep growing and filling in needs...AMEN. A handful of church members have come forward with the desire to form a hospitality team that would be responsible for preparation for special events and be available to be on a food train. The food train is simply people volunteering to cook a meal for a day for those who are sick or coming home from the hospital. If you are interested in serving on this team...please reach out to either Kerry Foote or Susan Capelouto.



June Birthdays	June Anniversaries
Verlie LaBounty 1 Marion Lollie 1 Michael Linzy 4 Bob Corson 14 Paula Davies 16 Lucia Lightfoot 16 Russell Clark 16 Nancy Hardison 19 Mike Stallard 20 Casy Friel 25 Donna Wheeler 26 Ed Fannin 29	Mike & Amber Stallings 17 Bob & Donna Corson 21 David & Diane Matthews 29