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Mother's Day

Flourishing Together

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2025 – 2030

2025: Flourishing Together: *Rooted in Christ*

1 Corinthians 2:6-16 (Gospel Guide: Matthew)

SPRING 2025: *Walk This Way!*

April 27 – May 31, 2025

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.
Jesus (Matthew 5:48)

Love is the Greatest!

Colossians 3:1-17

Theme for 2025: Flourishing Together: *Rooted in Christ*

Theme for Spring 2025: *Walk This Way!*

HUMAN FLOURISHING: One of the domains currently being researched in the Global Flourishing Study is *Character and Virtue.*

INNAUGURATED ESCHATOLOGY: We live in the intersection of This Present Evil Age and The Age to Come. Personal application of this reality is seen in the Apostle Paul's teachings that the transformation of our inner character, revealed through virtuous living, is the anticipation of our promised future state as believers in the Age to Come.

SERMON: *Love is the Greatest!*
Text: **Colossians 3:1-17**

FUNDAMENTAL TRUTH: Followers of Jesus have been redeemed, restored, and raised to a new life in Him!

FAITH JOURNEY: We are on a path to learn to know our Creator and become like Him!

FOREMOST VIRTUE: Love! Love is the greatest!

The English word "love" is trying to do so many different jobs at the same time that someone really ought to sit down with it and teach it how to delegate.
-N. T. Wright, ***After You Believe***