

A Weekly Worship Guide www.GrandBlancUMC.org

Sunday, May 8, 2022



"Friends in Christ exercising love, hope and grace to enrich all lives."

Sermon Recap

On this Mother's Day, we find ourselves in awe of the faith and determination of James and John's mother. Her faith is so great that she understands better than others who Jesus is. In light of her faith and love for her children, she is driven to request from Jesus, not favoritism, but a just love for her sons. Mother's Day often focuses on and celebrates those who are mothers of children. This morning, though, we also remember that there are other bold women in our lives whose love is not dissimilar from that of this woman of faith who pleaded for Jesus' love for her sons. Who are these women in each of our lives, and what can we learn from their love for us and their love for Christ?

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favor of him. And he said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom"...[Jesus replied] You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Matthew 20:20-27 (NRSV)

Applied to My Life:

Who are the women in your life, younger or older than you, who are bold in their faith in such a way that they teach you something about Christ's love? Take time today to express appreciation to them.

Other Worship Notes I Want to Remember: