

MINDFUL MONDAY MAY 27<sup>th</sup>

*"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends."* John 15:13

On this Memorial Day we take a moment to remember, honor, and mourn those who have died while serving our country. We are grateful for the freedoms we are afforded because of their sacrifices. Please pray for families that remember today.

As Christians we remember each week the sacrifice Jesus made for all of us on the cross. When we come to the table to have communion, it is in remembrance, symbols served to us as a memorial to the life given for us. It is a promise to us from God like a rainbow that shows us he is always with us. Through death, he gives us everlasting life. Through our faith we can share this gift with others.

We pray for Hazel and Fred's friend, John, who is in the ICU. We pray for recovery and health restored.

We pray for Steph and her son, may their relationship be mended and peace be given to each of them.

We ask for support and guidance for those suffering with the storms and tornadoes that have hit our surrounding communities and other states. With devastating loss, we also see the best of humanity, neighbors helping neighbors. We lift up those that have lost homes and those that have died as a result. Please bring peace and comfort to them and their families, Lord.

Please pray for the members of our prayer list and pray for our church. We give thanks and lift up in prayers the ministers, congregations, and ministries of our region.

Ankeny Christian Church, Ankeny, IA, Owen Cayton

Elkhart Christian Church, Elkhart, IA, Joel Aurand

Sylvia Larssen, David Cobb

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