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5/3/26 Church Built on a Solid Rock-Lafayette, MO

In the Gospel of Matthew 7:24–27, Jesus reminds us that the strength of any life, or church, is determined by its foundation. Using the imagery of two builders, He teaches that hearing the Word is not enough; true stability comes from *living* it. Just like the lesson found in *The Three Little Pigs*, what we build may look secure at first, but only what is built with care and intention will endure when storms arise.

This message calls the church to move beyond surface-level faith and commit to a life rooted in Christ. When believers choose obedience over convenience and truth over trends, they become part of something unshakable. A church built on Jesus Christ can withstand pressure, remain steady in uncertain times, and continue to stand as a witness of God's faithfulness; because anything built on the solid rock will not fall.

5/10/26 Mother's Day Sermon Summary

This powerful Mother's Day sermon, inspired by the classic song *Sadie* by The Spinners, celebrates the strength, sacrifice, faith, and love of mothers. Using Isaiah 66:13 as the scriptural foundation, the message compares a mother's comforting spirit to the comforting nature of God Himself. The sermon highlights how mothers quietly carry families through difficult seasons while shaping generations through prayer, wisdom, and unconditional love.

Intertwining lyrics from "Sadie" throughout the message, the sermon explores four key themes: a mother's comforting love, sacrificial spirit, generational faith, and lasting legacy. Biblical examples including Jochebed, Lois and Eunice, and Mary, the mother of Jesus, reinforce the importance of honoring mothers both privately and publicly. The message also acknowledges the emotional realities many mothers face while encouraging them that God sees every sacrifice and every prayer.

This is a joyful celebration of all mothers, grandmothers, spiritual mothers, and women who nurture others, reminding them that their labor, love, and legacy will never be forgotten.

5/17/26 Taking Responsibility for your actions

Reverend Bridget Mitchell had a family emergency and Monique Brown did the service. I do not have the full service from her. I did post a short video in past sermons of her.

5/24/26 changed to Monique Brown service

5/31/26 Power From Above

Scripture Anchor: Acts 1:8

Before believers can walk in purpose, they must first understand the source of their strength. Jesus told His disciples that they would receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them. This power was not meant for status, control, or personal gain, but to help them live boldly, love deeply, and witness faithfully in a difficult world. God never intended for His people to live spiritually exhausted or defeated. He equipped every believer with supernatural help through the Holy Spirit.

This message focuses on learning to depend on God's strength instead of human ability. Many people try to handle life through willpower alone, but spiritual power comes through surrender, prayer, and intimacy with God. The Holy Spirit empowers believers to overcome fear, walk in wisdom, and fulfill their calling. When we recognize that God's power is already available to us, we stop living powerless lives and begin walking confidently in faith.