

MOTHER'S DAY

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Did you know that Mother's Day is the third biggest Sunday of the year? We know that you are are planning and working to make Mother's Day a special day not only for mothers but for all women in your church.

There will certainly be families in your church who will joyfully celebrate their mothers, as they should! But, Mother's Day can bring up a lot of pain for people, too. There are women who want children but are unable to have them, women who have lost children, women who choose not to have children, people who have difficult relationships with their mothers, and people who have lost their mothers.

You have the chance to be sensitive to this, and to bless all the women in your church by acknowledging and celebrating them. That's not to say that you shouldn't have elements tailored to the moms in your church — you definitely can! But a kind word that recognizes that Mother's Day isn't necessarily joyful for everyone will go a long way toward making your congregation feel seen and loved, no matter their stories. - outreach.com



What Do Moms Really Want For Mother's Day?

1. Freedom - Moms want a day of freedom. A chance to be spontaneous or do whatever they want.
2. Time With Family - So many moms want to have a fun day with their kids, but they don't want to plan or execute it.
3. A Day Free Of Duty - Try to think about the top five things that give her stress and do them.
4. To Be Pampered - Make an appointment for her to get a massage, have a spa day or have her nails done.
5. To Do Something New - Moms say they want to do something fun in their city or town they had never done before.
6. Acknowledgment - All moms simply want to be acknowledge for all they do.

[More details](#)

Supporting Women Without Children On Mother's Day

1. Consider Changing Your Mother's Day Definition - A mother selflessly gives and helps those around them. She nurtures children. She helps those around her deal with difficult things. A mother can be a teacher, aunt, or friend. Mothering has less to do with having children and more to do with how you treat the children in your life.
2. Give Them Permission To Stay Home - Don't push her to attend an event where she'll be uncomfortable whether she stands to be recognized or not.
3. Ask Her What She Wants - The best way to know what your childless friend will want for Mother's Day is to ask her. Let her be selfish for one day, just like you would with any mother on Mother's Day
4. Reconsider Your Greetings - Opt for a simple, "have a good day" or "it's so good to see you." [more](#)

5 Ways Your Church Can Celebrate Mother's Day

1. A thoughtful gift - Fresh flowers, chocolate, or a gift book are popular options.
2. Film a fun video - What is the favorite things about your mom? What is the funniest thing you mom does? Why do you love your mom? What do you like to do with your mom?
3. Have a special offering for a non profit who supports single moms.
4. Host a meal especially for them.
5. Set up a photo booth. Moms love to get pictures with their families.

4 Ways Your Church Can Celebrate Mother's Day Through The COVID Pandemic

1. Our children and youth pastors are doing a one on one Zoom meeting with a few kids and recording it. They are asking what makes their mom special. We will put together a short video to show on Mother's Day, honoring moms. (LIFE Church, Utah)
2. Do a drawing or nominate moms for a cleaning service. (Church at Briargate, CS)
3. Nominate moms to win a DoorDash dinner delivery. (Highpoint Church)
4. Choose a family and do a surprise grocery drop off ahead and record their response. Show it on Mother's Day service. (LIFE Church, Utah)