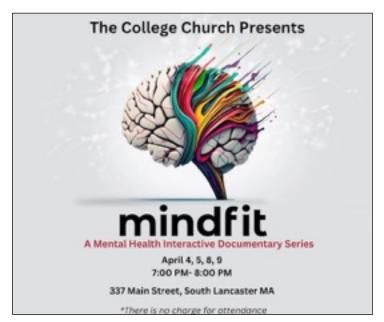
Responsive Reading, March 9, 2024

The Christian Family

- Leader: "Honor your father and mother"—which is the first commandment with a promise— "so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth." (Ephesians 6:2-3)
- Response: We hear the call to honor our parents, recognizing the importance of family bonds in our Christian walk.
- Leader: "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not selfseeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)
- **Response**: We strive to embody the qualities of love within our families, fostering an environment of kindness, patience, and mutual respect.
- Leader: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 'Honor your father and mother'—which is the first commandment with a promise— 'so that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on the earth.'" (Ephesians 6:1-3)
- **Response**: We heed the instruction to obey our parents, recognizing the wisdom and guidance they provide in nurturing us in faith and virtue.
- **Leader**: "However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband." (Ephesians 5:33)
- **Response**: We acknowledge the importance of mutual love and respect within the marital relationship, reflecting the selfless love of Christ in our interactions with one another.
- **Together**: As members of the Christian family, may we uphold the principles of love, honor, and obedience, seeking to glorify God in our relationships and reflecting His grace and mercy to the world. Amen.



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