

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**  
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Where has the month of May gone? It seems that just a few days ago I was thinking about May Baskets and now we are in the month of June. Time is such an interesting thing. If we look at the Greek, we find the description of two kinds of time, *chronos* and *kairos*. Hippocrates said, "Every *kairos* is a *chronos*, but not every *chronos* is a *kairos*."

*Chronos* is the kind of time with which we are most familiar. It is the basis of our calendars and our clocks. It measures the hour in time, the day of the week, and the year in which we live. It tells us how young or old we are.

*Kairos* is used in a number of disciplines, but for us as worshipers of Yahweh and followers of Jesus Christ, it takes on a particularly important meaning and use. The time described as a *kairos* moment refers to an opportune time, a moment, or a season when the presence or the intervention or the blessing of God is made manifest to us. Some events come together that no human could have planned; some "aha!" experience happens in one's life that could have only been arranged by God; these are examples of *kairos* time.

In some of the Eastern churches, before the worship service begins, a Deacon proclaims to the Priest, "It is time (*kairos*) for the Lord to act" indicating that the worship is an interaction with Eternity. So, although we are worshiping by the clock and calendar (*chronos time*), we are also worshiping in God's time (*kairos time*).

Watch out in your life for those *kairos* moments, those "God" moments that happen in your life. No happenstances. No luck. No chance or fate. And when they happen, give thanks to God for watching out for you and thanks for the Holy Spirit who is always with us.

Nelson Mandela wrote that there can be no greater gift than that of giving one's time (*chronos*) and energy to helping others without expecting anything in return (a *kairos* moment for the one who receives the gift of time).

*We are blessed when we are allowed to be the agents of the Holy Spirit to bring blessing to others. Lord, use us to your good purpose. Amen.* Pastor Louise