



Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."
Romans 16:16*

What Should the Church Do ?

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What should we as the church do in the face of the evil in our society today. How are we to respond to the moral decay, the unequal justice dependent on one's political and social class, the promotion of the killing of innocent babies in the name of 'choice'? Just as the early Christians proclaimed the gospel to a world that hated God and refused to recognize the sanctity of life, so we also must teach and demonstrate the gospel by being salt and light. We must tell of God's forgiveness and the price paid for that forgiveness. And like those early Christians who rescued children from abandonment in the marketplace, so we are to provide care for those unwanted children.

It was said "A church that does not exist to save souls from heathenism, to fight evil, to destroy error, to put down falsehood, to take the side of the poor and to denounce injustice, to hold up truth and righteousness, is a church that has no right to exist." The family unit is to represent the relationship between Christ and His church. Throughout history, the church has taught God's standard of the family to the ungodly cultures of the world where men were allowed to leave their wife and children for any reason. The gospel gave women equal value in God's sight (although different roles in the family). This equality of value was unheard of those cultures and yet that is what feminists today are calling for and failing to achieve due to their lack of application of God's principles.

It was in the 1960's that the church let the world to change the Biblical definition of the family so that it became what popular opinion dictated rather than following the truth of the Bible. Sexual immorality was called 'normal' and was even promoted by some. Children became the victims in this new way of 'sexual freedom' and were viewed as a 'parasite' on the woman's body that they should have the right to remove and destroy at any time for any reason. We as the church must return to the truth and speak that truth to the culture of death and devaluation of human life in which we live. We cannot be afraid of offending those who have participated in the sin or skirt around the issue by using secular language like 'terminating the pregnancy' rather than killing the baby.

We need to point to God's message of forgiveness for those who repent and respond to the gospel, speak the truth in love, and remember that our purpose is to please God, not people. Only God can transform a person's mind and heart from believing the lies of Satan to holding to the truth of the Bible. The Bible is not just God's suggestions, but His LAW, His commands. We are commanded to turn from sin (no matter what it may be), and be baptized to have our sins forgiven and be made new and right with our creator again. (Acts 2:38) Sharing that message will save lives and is most loving thing we can do. Rom 12:1-2

Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Zoom.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What was the name of Judah's daughter-in-law, as well as David's daughter and Absalom's daughter?

PRAYER LIST

*See the caring cards list in the lobby



*"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."
James 5:16*

BIRTHDAYS

- 12/19 David Bauer
- 12/24 Herminia Montesclaros
- 12/25 Renee Slater
- 12/29 Anita Pickett
- 12/30 Annabelle McCollum
- 12/30 Matt Williams
- 12/31 Clark Alexander Bauer

*"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."
Matt 18:20*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 12/11 Christmas cards due & Fellowship Dinner after services
- 1/1 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1/1962 Congregation's 60th Anniversary

MEN TO SERVE

12/11

12/18

Sermon AM/PM	Mike Menard	Joe McCollum
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer
Opening Prayer AM	Jeff McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer PM	Ron Hartman	John Bauer
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Assistant #1	Jeff Nauman	Matt Williams
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Closing Prayer PM	John Bauer	John Bauer
Greeters	John & Terri Bauer	Joe & Doris McCollum
(Wed.) Devotional	(12/14) On Zoom	(12/21) On Zoom
(Wed.) Song Leader	(12/14) On Zoom	(12/21) On Zoom

SCRIPTURE READING

AM

PM

Dec. 11	Hosea 9-11	Rev. 2
Dec. 12	Hosea 12-14	Rev. 3
Dec. 13	Joel 1-3	Rev. 4
Dec. 14	Amos 1-3	Rev. 5
Dec. 15	Amos 4-6	Rev. 6
Dec. 16	Amos 7-9	Rev. 7
Dec. 17	Obad. 1	Rev. 8

"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Luke 11:28

PANTRY NEEDS

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| Over the counter medicines/aspirin | Canned meats– fish, chicken & SPAM |
| Laundry detergent | Canned Veggies– greens, potatoes, etc. |
| Face soap & Shampoo | (not corn, green beans, or peas) |
| Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels | Fruit Juice– apple, grape, pineapple, etc. |
| Boxed Potatoes | Peanut butter and Jelly |
| Small- Flour and Sugar | Breakfast Cereal |

TRIVIA ANSWER

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