



Arlington Church of Christ

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

How Can I Be Sure?

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People talk about how they 'know' that God wants this or that for them. A person may move to a new location and attend a church denomination for the first time, and then say 'I know this is where God wants me to be'. A person changes from one religious affiliation to another, but feels uneasy about the action. When asked about it, they say 'I think I am doing what God wants me to do'. A man runs off with another woman, leaving his wife and family. When questioned, he said 'I know this is what God wants for me so I can be happy'. We are faced with a decision, and after weighing the options in our minds, we choose saying 'I feel that this is what God wants me to do'.

But the question is – How do you know for sure? How can you be sure that you are where God wants you to be? How can you be sure that you are doing what God wants you to be doing? People have a habit of translating their own personal wants and desires into assumptions of God's will. (See Acts 26:9) We want to make God into our image. We want Him to think like us, act like us, and desire what we want. But God has said: Isa 55:8 "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,"

We assume that if it makes us feel good, that it must be what God wants for us. And if our conscience bothers us, we try to silence it by saying that 'this is what God wants for me'. But the only way that we can really know what God wants for us is to read and study the Bible, His revealed will. If we cannot find the command or principle in the Bible then we cannot say 'it is God's will for me'.

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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Duty or Love

Duty can build a charming house, but only love can make it a home.

Duty can pack an adequate sack lunch, but love controls what goes into it.

Duty puts the children to bed, but love tucks them in and passes out hugs and kisses.

Duty cooks a meal, but love sets an appealing table.

Duty writes a letter, but love tucks in a picture, or joke, or a piece of gum.

Duty keeps a clean house, but love produces a happy family.

Duty gets offended if not quickly appreciated, but love works for the sheer joy of it.

Duty pours a glass of milk, but love will sometimes add a little chocolate syrup.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

We are to count trials as Joy
because they bring what?

Consider: A farmer asked a miserly banker for a loan. The banker was hesitant and said "I have a glass eye. If you can tell me which one it is, you will get the money". The farmer immediately said "the right eye". "That's right!", said the banker, "You're the first one who ever got it right. How did you know?" The farmer said "It's the most sympathetic."

PRAYER LIST

BIRTHDAYS

*See the caring cards list in the lobby

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Christmas cards for the congregation will be collected for distribution. Please place them in the box in the foyer no later than Dec 11.

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



- 12/7 Forsythia Montesclaros
- 12/9 Madelyn Williams
- 12/10 Landon McCollum
- 12/19 David Bauer
- 12/24 Herminia Montesclaros

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/9 Ladies' Class on 2nd Fridays (see Cathy for location)
- 12/11 Christmas cards due & fellowship Dinner after morning worship

12/6 Scott & Meagan Bauer

MEN TO SERVE

12/4

12/11

SCRIPTURE READING

	12/4	12/11		AM	PM
Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum			
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	Dec. 4	Dan. 3, 4	1John 3
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum	Dec. 5	Dan. 5, 6	1John 4
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer	Dec. 6	Dan. 7, 8	1John 5
Opening Prayer AM	Jeff McCollum	John Bauer	Dec. 7	Dan. 9, 10	2John 1
Opening Prayer PM	John Bauer	Ron Hartman	Dec. 8	Dan. 11, 12	3John 1
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman	Dec. 9	Hosea 1-4	Jude 1
Assistant #1	Del Pickett	Jeff Nauman	Dec. 10	Hosea 5-8	Rev. 1
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman			
Closing Prayer PM	John Bauer	John Bauer			
Greeters	Joe & Doris McCollum	John & Terri Bauer			
(Wed.) Devotional	(12/7) On Zoom	(12/14) On Zoom			
(Wed.) Song Leader	(12/7) On Zoom	(12/14) On Zoom			

*"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"
Luke 11:28*

PANTRY NEEDS

TRIVIA ANSWER

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

A: patience
James 1:2-3