



Arlington Church of Christ

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

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

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

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

Wednesday Class.....7:00 p.m.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How long did Jacob end up working for Laban in order to marry Rachel?

Sin and Grace?

One of the problems we face in attempting to spread the gospel is the use of 'religious' words that the average person in our society does not understand. Two of these are the words 'sin' and 'grace'. The average person may accept the idea that 'sin' or someone being a 'sinner' as a bad thing, but they do not apply it to their themselves, even though the Bible says that we all are sinners. Romans 3:23, 1John 1:10

They do not think of themselves as 'bad' people, so the idea of being a 'sinner' is a foreign concept to them. Perhaps this comes at least partially as a result of the lack of respect for authority we find in our society. We continually hear our leaders demeaned in the media, policemen called pigs, and anyone who tries to stand for Biblical principles called 'racist' or 'homophobic'. While some of the criticism may be deserved (we see those with money or power seeming to avoid any penalty for breaking the law), the idea has expanded to 'no one has the right to tell me what to do' and has lead to an outright rejection of any authority, even that of God and the Bible. So anything or anyone who even implies that what they are doing is wrong or against the law is dismissed. Even clear Biblical teaching like the sanctity of life is rejected with the words 'It's my body and I can do what I want'. Prov 6:17, Psalms 106:38

When this attitude is coupled with the idea that the individual is the ultimate authority of right and wrong (because that depends on the circumstances and what I want) –the result is a person who feels that their every desire must be catered to and that they 'deserve' to be treated this way because they are a 'victim' of some imagined injustice in society's scheme. They scream that everyone must be treated equally and pay their 'fair share'– except them of course - because they are the 'victim' and deserve to be treated differently. This in their minds means that they are not responsible for their actions – that it is someone else's fault. That is the same thing that Adam and Eve tried in the garden. Genesis 3:11-13 They cannot conceive of deserving any punishment for whatever they do, because whatever they did was caused by someone or something else. This means that the idea of them being 'sinful' cannot be, so they should not be held responsible for their actions by men or by God. Thus the concept of 'grace', being forgiven for sins even when we were guilty, (Romans 5:8) has no meaning to them since they do not consider themselves guilty of any wrongdoing. The death of Christ on the cross has no significance since they do not recognize their need for forgiveness.

Until our nation understands that each one of us is responsible to God for our actions, that we are indeed 'sinners' – there will be no repentance and no seeking of forgiveness. As the Lord said through Hosea 4:6 – "my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge. "Because you have rejected knowledge, I also reject you as my priests; because you have ignored the law of your God, I also will ignore your children." Without God's help, our nation will continue its downward spiral and will reap the whirlwind. Hosea 8:7 May we as the Lord's people stand for His Word, and continue to demonstrate the truth in our lives and our words.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Starting Wednesday, Oct 22, 2025,
our mid-week Bible Study will be
zoom only/no in person service. This
will continue through the end of the
year.

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



BIRTHDAYS

10/20 Toni Maddox
10/25 Tyler Williams
11/4 Janette Wendt
11/20 Nikkie McCollum

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/5 Sack Sunday (Bring donations for pantry)
10/10 Ladies' Class noon at the building
10/11-12 Songfest with Keith Lancaster @ Withamsville CofC
10/26 Fellowship Dinner after morning worship
11/1 Midwestern Children's Home – Brunch for donors 11:00 am

ANNIVERSARIES

10/23 Matt & Kristi Williams
11/8 Cliff & Gayla Jacobs
11/24 Jeff & Nikkie McCollum

MEN TO SERVE	10/12		10/19	
	AM	PM	AM	PM
Announcements	John Bauer	John Bauer	Michael Menard	Michael Menard
Song Leader	John Bauer	John Bauer	Michael Menard	Michael Menard
Lesson	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer	Walker Slater	John Bauer	John Bauer	John Bauer
Lord's Table	Jeff McCollum	Michael Menard	Jeff Nauman	Jeff Nauman
Lord's Table Assistant	Bruce Maddox		Matt Williams	
Closing Prayer	Ron Hartman	Joe McCollum	Walker Slater	Joe McCollum
Greeters	Joe & Doris McCollum		John & Terri Bauer	
Wednesday Song Leader	(10/15) Jeff McCollum		(10/22) Michael Menard	
Wednesday Devotional	(10/15) John Bauer		(10/22) Jeff McCollum	

SCRIPTURE READING

Oct. 12	Isa. 48, 49	Col. 4
Oct. 13	Isa. 50-52	1Thess. 1
Oct. 14	Isa. 53-55	1Thess. 2
Oct. 15	Isa. 56-58	1Thess. 3
Oct. 16	Isa. 59-61	1Thess. 4
Oct. 17	Isa. 62-64	1Thess. 5
Oct. 18	Isa. 65, 66	2Thess. 1

TRIVIA ANSWER

14 Years

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Providing necessities for recovery from
natural disasters. All gifts are tax deductible.
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PANTRY NEEDS

Over the counter medicines/aspirin
Canned meats– fish, chicken & SPAM
Canned Veggies– all kinds
Boxed Potatoes
Peanut butter and Jelly
Breakfast Cereal
Fruit Juice– apple, grape, pineapple, etc.
Small- Flour and Sugar
Laundry detergent
Face soap & Shampoo
Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels