

ARLINGTON CHURCH OF CHRIST

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.

*Sermon posted on our website

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THE FOUNDERS AND SLAVERY

While the founders stressed that Christianity must be the basis of our nation, it is claimed by many that the founders were just a bunch of Deists and slave owners. What did the founders actually say about the subject of slavery - what are the actual historical facts from the founder's own writings and from the information found at www.loc.gov (Library of Congress website) - as recorded in the annals of Congress?

Facts:

- On Thursday, Oct 20, 1774, the continental Congress agreed to discontinue any slave importation or to have anything to do with promoting slavery. They spoke about previous requests that they had made to the King of England to stop sending slaves to the colonies, but that they were ignored.
- Many of the founding Fathers advocated against slavery, stating in their writings that it was against God's law and their belief. Some of them were Ben Franklin, John Adams, Charles Carroll, John Witherspoon, Richard Lee, Benjamin Rush, Thomas Jefferson, Henry Laurens, John Jay, William Livingston, James Wilson, John Dickinson, Luther Martin, George Mason, Joseph Reed, and Noah Webster.
- The first draft of the Declaration of Independence banned slavery, but the states of Georgia, North and South Carolina opposed this and it was dropped from the Declaration, with provisions added instead intending to end slavery in 20 years.
- America's first anti-slavery society was established by Benjamin Franklin and Benjamin Rush.
- By 1789, 9 of the original 13 states had abolished the practice of slavery and by 1789 slavery was also banned in the 'Northwest Territories' (new states) entering the union.
- In 1808, Congress officially banned the importation of slaves. However, some states refused to follow the national law on slavery which led to the Civil War in 1861.
- There are also those who claim that the Constitution states that slaves were 'subhuman' - that they were only considered 3/5 of a person. But what they were referring to was a provision for determining how many representatives each state was to have. The states who still had slaves wanted the slaves counted along with the freemen which would give them a larger say in the country's laws (and help keep slavery in effect). The states without slaves opposed this because they did not want slavery promoted by the Congress. Thus this compromise was reached for the Constitution - but it had nothing to do with the promotion of a race or group as not fully human - rather it was an attempt to limit the influence and eventually end slavery.
 - This fact was recognized by such great African-American leaders as Frederick Douglass (1852) who said that 'the Constitution does not warrant, license, nor sanction the hateful thing (slavery), but when interpreted as it ought to be - is a glorious liberty document - and hostile to slavery'.
 - His words are agreed to by other top African-American men like Thomas Sowell, Justice Clarence Thomas, and Walter Williams (Professor of Economics at George Mason University) who said that those using this part of Constitution to say the founders were racists or promoting slavery were "either ignorant or part of a leftist agenda to demean the founding principles of our nation."

The founders were not racists, very few even had slaves, and were in fact opposed to and actively attempting to remove it from the new nation they were founding.

SCRIPTURE READING

Aug. 30	Ps. 142-144	1Cor. 10:14-33
Aug. 31	Ps. 145-147	1Cor. 11:1-15
Sept. 1	Ps. 148-150	1Cor. 11:16-34
Sept. 2	Prov. 1, 2	1Cor. 12
Sept. 3	Prov. 3, 4	1Cor. 13
Sept. 4	Prov. 5, 6	1Cor. 14:1-20
Sept. 5	Prov. 7, 8	1Cor. 14:21-40

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the prayer and caring card lists on our website: www.arlingtoncoc.com "Members" password is on bulletin board in the foyer.

This Members page contains a link to the Directory. Please double check your information and let us know if a correction or addition is needed.

BIRTHDAYS

9/5	Heather Weaver
9/10	Cathy Gordon
9/18	AB Campbell
9/19	Jeff Nauman
9/5	Heather Weaver
9/30	Kyra Manske
10/3	Ila Slater
10/20	Toni Maddox
10/25	Tyler Williams

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 9/5 MWCH Community Work Day- Registration Open
- 9/11 Ladies' Class noon at the building
- 9/27 Friend Day/Fellowship Meal following morning service

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/2 Walker & Renee Slater
- 9/3 John & Terri Bauer

MEN TO SERVE**8/30****9/6**

	AM	PM (Zoom Only)	AM	PM (Zoom Only)
Announcements	John Bauer		John Bauer	
Song Leader	John Bauer		John Bauer	
Lesson	Jeff McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer	Walker Slater		Jeff Nauman	
Lord's Table	Jeff Nauman		Walker Slater	
Lord's Table Assistant	Del Pickett		Del Pickett	
Closing Prayer	Jeff Nauman	Joe McCollum	Ron Hartman	Joe McCollum
Greeters	John & Terri Bauer		Joe & Doris McCollum	
Wed. Announcements	(9/2) Jeff McCollum	ZOOM	(9/9) John Bauer	ZOOM
Wed. Devotional	(9/2) John Bauer	ONLY	(9/9) Jeff McCollum	ONLY

OUTREACH

PreBorn is a pro-life, Christian non-profit organization. Its mission is to reduce abortions by funding ultrasound machines in clinics, providing free ultrasounds to women, and to evangelize and counsel women in need.

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HE WILL BE CALLED
Wonderful Counselor
Mighty God
Everlasting Father
Prince of Peace

ISAIAH 9:6

PANTRY NEEDS

Over the counter medicines/aspirin
Canned meats and canned veggies
Boxed Potatoes
Peanut butter and Jelly
Breakfast Cereal
Fruit Juice— apple, grape, pineapple, etc.
Small- Flour and Sugar
Laundry detergent, soap, & shampoo
Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels