

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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FOLLOWING THE PLUMB LINE

Imagine a contractor being given the responsibility to build a large church building. He began the building process and was progressing well when three inspectors showed up. One was a modernist, the second a fundamentalist, and the third a postmodernist. They each walked around the building and looked at all that had been done. Then the modernist went to the contractor and said - "That wall seems to me to be leaning outward. I don't feel right about it. It doesn't look right to me and I always trust my feelings." The fundamentalist then approached the contractor with the words "We need an true way to tell if the wall is vertical or not. If we use a plumb line, we can determine the truth of whether the wall is vertical or not, and what corrections need to be made." The postmodernist then said "You're both wrong. There's no such thing as 'vertical' or a 'plumb line' - those are just words to describe what is an impossibility to know." To which of the three should the contractor listen?

There are many who try similar approaches to the doctrines of the church. The modernist uses his own feelings or his own ideas about what should be taught and followed. The postmodernist insists that there is really no way to know what is acceptable to God now, because the Bible was given for a different time and place. But the fundamentalist holds to the Bible as the guide for church doctrine, holding to passages like **2 Timothy 3:16-17** 'All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.' The Bible is the standard, the plumb line by which God's people are to be measured:

Isa 28:17 'I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line'

Amos 7:7-8 This is what he showed me: The Lord was standing by a wall that had been built true to plumb, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord asked me, "What do you see, Amos?" "A plumb line," I replied. Then the Lord said, "Look, I am setting a plumb line among my people Israel; I will spare them no longer.

Are we building our lives based on the plumb line of the Word of God? Are we teaching and following what it says or are we instead following our own feelings, ideas, and standards of the world rather than the unchanging standards of God? May we put our lives and teaching to the test to make sure that we are following and pleasing the Lord - **2 Corinthians 13:5** 'Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test?'

SCRIPTURE READING

Sept. 20	Eccles. 10-12	2Cor. 11:16-33
Sept. 21	S. of Sol. 1-3	2Cor. 12
Sept. 22	S. of Sol. 4, 5	2Cor. 13
Sept. 23	S. of Sol. 6-8	Gal. 1
Sept. 24	Isa. 1-3	Gal. 2
Sept. 25	Isa. 4-6	Gal. 3
Sept. 26	Isa. 7-9	Gal. 4

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

9/30	Kyra Manske
10/3	Ila Slater
10/20	Toni Maddox
10/25	Tyler Williams
11/4	Janette Wendt
11/20	Nikkie McCollum
12/7	Forsythia Montesclaros
12/9	Madalyn Williams
12/10	Landon McCollum

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/25	MWCH Golf Tournament 9:00 am start at Majestic Springs
9/27	Friend Day/Fellowship Meal following morning service
10/4	Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)

ANNIVERSARIES

10/9	Ron & Johan Hartman
10/23	Matt & Kristi Williams
11/8	Cliff & Gayla Jacobs

MEN TO SERVE**9/20****9/27**

	AM	PM (Zoom Only)	AM	PM (Zoom Only)
Announcements	John Bauer		Jeff McCollum	
Song Leader	John Bauer		Jeff McCollum	
Lesson	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer	Jeff Nauman		Walker Slater	
Lord's Table	Jeff McCollum		John Bauer	
Lord's Table Assistant	Landon McCollum		Matt Williams	
Closing Prayer	John Bauer	Joe McCollum	Jeff Nauman	Joe McCollum
Greeters	Joe & Doris McCollum		John & Terri Baier	
Wed. Announcements	(9/23) John Bauer	ZOOM	(9/30) Jeff McCollum	ZOOM
Wed. Devotional	(9/23) Jeff McCollum	ONLY	(9/30) John Bauer	ONLY

OUTREACH

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**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