

TIME OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10:00 A.M.
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.
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Bible Classes 7:00 P.M.

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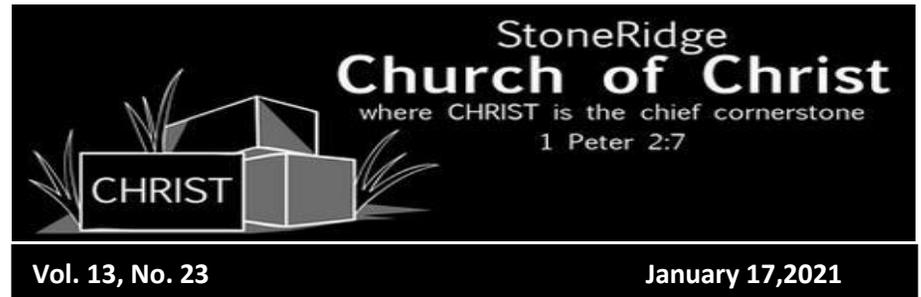
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THE BIBLE AND THE BIBLE ONLY, MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS ONLY. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.



Life

Human life is basic. It is sacred. It is the fundamental basis upon which every other human right is grounded. To be pro-life is not just to be anti-abortion. It is to be for life through and through. It goes beyond simply thinking that people ought to be able to breath. It means standing up for people to thrive. It means standing for the imago dei that is part of what it means to be human—and every human being bears this image of God.

Being pro-life means a recognition that there is only One Author of life. Only One who owns life and death. One who has the authority to determine all life. God is the foundation for all life and existence, and it is not within our authority to try to take over His place or sit on His throne “since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything” (Acts 17:25). There is no human right to trod upon the humanity and dignity of others, so “Honor everyone” (1 Pet 2:17).

Being pro-life necessarily includes standing for justice, and no one should be excluded from this. Justice should be a concern for the Christian. That ought not have to be said, for any cursory reading of Scripture shows that God is the God of justice (Deut 32:4; Isa 5:16), Christ’s throne is founded upon justice and righteousness (Psa 89:14), and God tells His people to do justice (Mic 6:8). That will include treating people with love and respect (Matt 7:12; Rom 13:8), refusing to show partiality (Jas 2:9), refusing to curse others (Jas 3:9-10), and seeking to help the oppressed and poor (Isa 1:16-17; Prov 31:8-9; Jas 1:26-27). These ideas are all over Scripture. To deny the search for justice is to deny the dignity of life.



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Pro-life starts in the womb and continues throughout all of one's natural life. It encompasses the weak and the sick. It stands for the oppressed and downtrodden. It sees the imago dei in every person of every nation and seeks to aid in the healing of the nations through the gospel. It means entering the ditch to pull out the one who would consider himself your enemy. It means loving neighbor, loving enemies, and loving those who try to be unlovable. It is the natural outflow from loving God.

Being pro-life also means seeking eternal life. Because our Lord gave His life so that all may live, then life will be seen as a most precious gift for which we all responsible both to God and one another.

When I say I am pro-life, I mean much, much more than saying I am against abortion. I want to support life from its conception on into eternity. And I want everyone within my ability and influence to share in this, too. Life is God's gift. It is as much of God's gift to you as it is to me. How can we be anything but for it? How can we do anything but strive to live it well and according to His will?



No matter how much good he has done, a fellow has sort of wasted his day if he isn't vbetter at the end of it.

News/Notes/Quotes

THE SICK. **Debbie Spencer** continues to improve, but is still on oxygen.... Steve Land's dad, **Marshall Lands**, hopes to go home from Encompass this week...Remember **Alice Stevens** as she continues to deal with cancer **Beverly Allen** is confined at home...**Charles Bradsher** is at St. Elizabeth's Place...**Gail Brooks** has been unable to be out...**Shirley Coots** is confined at Walnut Ridge Nursing Home...**Elizabeth Keller** is at The Springs Nursing Home.

BEREAVED. We extend our deepest sympathy to **Stephanie Camp** on the death of her grandfather, **Garnet McDaniel**. Keep her and her family in your prayers.

GOSPEL MEETING

April 4-9, 2021 – STONERIDGE! – Mickey Galloway

October 3-8 – STONERIDGE! – Wayne Fa

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A good man doesn't always know what's best – but he always does the best he knows.

Love, like paint, can make things beautiful when you spread it – and simply dries up when it isn't used.

Folks who think they'd be happy if they lived someplace else probably wouldn't – but their neighbors might.

In their mad scramble for wealth, some men lose their friends – the most valuable possession they could have.

