



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

Pro-Life ...Not A Choice, But A Fundamental Principle of Christianity

God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female created he them.

Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place. I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life so that you and your children may live.

Genesis 1:27; Jeremiah 22:3; Deuteronomy 30:19

Welcome to all who have come to worship together today. Let us praise the God who created and maintains all human life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- This is the last day of the **Midwinter Youth Convention**.
- **Tonight!** 7:00 PM - PVBI Praise Singers quartet will be ministering to us.

Information available: You may want to pick up the fact sheet on the “Freedom of Choice Act” (promised during the recent presidential campaign) on the table in the foyer.

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 AM, Morning Worship 11:00 AM, Cobleskill 4:00 PM, Evening 7:00 PM — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 PM — FRIDAY: Women’s Meeting 10:00 AM

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray especially for those who may be making decisions affecting the lives of the pre-born, the elderly, and those who may be disabled in some manner, that they may choose life. Also pray for our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices, especially in legislation regarding human life.
- Our sister church to pray for this week is **Muir, Pennsylvania**. The pastor is Daniel Heckman.
- Recent requests for physical needs -
 - **Paul Leacham, the Bigger family, Roger Ellers, Albert Barr, Marie Rooney, Nora Johnson, Alberta Heckman, Lillian Heckman Jamison (broken hip), Hazel (Mrs. Meredith) Foster, Keith Posson, Mark Vosburgh, Rosemary Snyder**
- Recent requests from our Cobleskill church: **Laverne, Helen, Ralph, Kathleen, Genevieve, and Sharon**.
- Continue to pray for:
 - Our **young people** in college:
 - Lyndsay France
 - Seth and Isaac Owens
 - Keith Posson
 - The village of **Middleburgh**, that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
 - Our service personnel, especially **Wesley Lum, Jacob Eggleston, Donnie Gray, Anthony & Joyce Willey, Ryan Mills, and Charles Laraway**.
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	Genesis 37:1-38:30	Genesis 39:1-41:16	Genesis 41:17-42:17	Genesis 42:18-43:34
NT	Matthew 12:22-45	Matthew 12:46-13:23	Matthew 13:24-46	Matthew 13:47-14:12
PSA	Psalms 16:1-11	Psalms 17:1-15	Psalms 18:1-15	Psalms 18:16-36
PROV	Proverbs 18	Proverbs 19	Proverbs 20	Proverbs 21

Thursday
 Genesis 44:1-45:28
 Matthew 14:13-36
 Psalm 18:37-50
 Proverbs 22

Friday
 Genesis 46:1-47:31
 Matthew 15:1-28
 Psalm 19:1-14
 Proverbs 23

Saturday
 Genesis 48:1-49:33
 Matthew 15:29-16:12
 Psalm 20:1-9
 Proverbs 24

National Sanctity of Human Life Day, 2009

A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America

All human life is a gift from our Creator that is sacred, unique, and worthy of protection. On National Sanctity of Human Life Day, our country recognizes that each person, including every person waiting to be born, has a special place and purpose in this world. We also underscore our dedication to heeding this message of conscience by speaking up for the weak and voiceless among us.

The most basic duty of government is to protect the life of the innocent. My Administration has been committed to building a culture of life by vigorously promoting adoption and parental notification laws, opposing Federal funding for abortions overseas, encouraging teen abstinence, and funding crisis pregnancy programs. In 2002, I was honored to sign into law the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, which extends legal protection to children who survive an abortion attempt. I signed legislation in 2003 to ban the cruel practice of partial-birth abortion, and that law represents our commitment to building a culture of life in America. Also, I was proud to sign the Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2004, which allows authorities to charge a person who causes death or injury to a child in the womb with a separate offense in addition to any charges relating to the mother.

America is a caring Nation, and our values should guide us as we harness the gifts of science. In our zeal for new treatments and cures, we must never abandon our fundamental morals. We can achieve the great breakthroughs we all seek with reverence for the gift of life.

The sanctity of life is written in the hearts of all men and women. On this day and throughout the year, we aspire to build a society in which every child is welcome in life and protected in law. We also encourage more of our fellow Americans to join our just and noble cause. History tells us that with a cause rooted in our deepest principles and appealing to the best instincts of our citizens, we will prevail.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim January 18, 2009, as National Sanctity of Human Life Day. I call upon all Americans to recognize this day with appropriate ceremonies and to underscore our commitment to respecting and protecting the life and dignity of every human being.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.

GEORGE W. BUSH