

## **Election 2018**

Wentzville First Assembly of God strives to keep politics in the background of ministry so that any political persuasion can potentially find a church home among us. Abortion is NOT a political issue, though many labels it as such. It is a moral, ethical, and biblical issue. Since the landmark case, Roe vs Wade in 1973 that legalized abortion as a constitutional guarantee, over 60 million babies have been aborted. Our nation's two largest metropolitan areas are New York and



Los Angeles. Twice as many babies have been killed the last 45 years than inhabit both metro areas. It is interesting to look at the history of the justices who decided in favor of abortion. There were nine justices on the bench during the case, even voted in favor, and two were opposed. The seven who approved were Andrew Blackman, a Republican nominated by President Nixon in 1970; Warren Burger, Republican, also nominated by Nixon in 1969; William Douglas, a Roosevelt nominee from 1940, a Democrat; William Brennen, a Democrat nominated by Eisenhower in 1956; Potter Stewart, another Eisenhower nominee in 1954, a Republican; Thurgood Marshall nominated by Johnson in 1967, a Democrat; Lewis Powell, a Democrat, nominated by Nixon in 1971. The two dissenting votes were Byron White, a Democrat nominated by Kennedy in 1962, and William Rehnquist, a Republican, nominated by Nixon in 1969. Politically it came down to four Democrats and three Republicans to pass the misguided law. The dissenting votes were evenly split. The point is simply to get out and vote! It does matter who we put in office. Perhaps these Presidents had no idea this conflict would arise, and abortion would become law. Now we know. The people we elect on Nov 6 may be lower on the scale of political influence now, but eventually they could rise to the level of the Supreme Court or the Presidency. Sometimes we must "hold our nose" when we vote. If Christians follow the moral guidelines of the Bible, we hope God will honor that and perhaps spare the lives of a future generation of children. Sixty million babies have been killed by a parent! Sixty million! Your vote may not seem like much, but it obviously can make a difference. If casting your vote is discouraging in our present political climate, at least do it for a future generation. We must do all we can to spare life. Vote with them in mind.

## **CHURCH EVENTS**

- Nov 4 Missions Sunday
- Nov 6 Election Day
- Nov 11 Men vs. Women BGMC, Parklane Ministry
- Nov 12 Veteran's Day
- Nov 14 School Picture Day
- Nov 20 Tree of Thanks
- Nov 25 Children's Church
- Nov 30 Six Flags Christmas
  Youth Trip
- Dec 2 Christmas Parade
- Dec 13 School Christmas
  Musical
- Dec 23 Church Christmas
  Sunday and Sunday School











Sunday Night Dec 2 at 6 pm

Christmas

Parade

No evening services Food & Fellowship

We should always give honor to our Sunday school teachers. They are doing a fine and faithful job ministering to our church family. Thank you, Victoria Rodriguez, Carol Rodriguez, Tresa Agee, and Joshua Rodriguez. Not pictured are Karen Rodriguez, Josephine

Warner, and Lorene McNees.











Thursday, Nov 18 was the birthday of Angela McNees. The birthday club got together at Olive Garden for some great fellowship and gift giving in honor of her birthday. There was a good crowd. The students and staff honored her at school that day. You can see her agonizing over the cupcakes placed in front of her. Sister Angela didn't have to eat them all! Just one. Happy birthday.



## Friends from the Past

A few Sunday's ago, we were surprised by a visit from an old friend. Nelson Johnson from Plano, Texas stopped in to say hi. Nelson attended the Christian school and church in California when Pastor and Lorene McNees ministered there. In fact, he lived with them for a time, and roomed with Matthew. In time he graduated and ended up in Texas. He has achieved several higher degrees of education and is currently seeking his doctorate. Nelson brought his children for the visit and what a time we had. We even heard him testify Sunday night with tears. Keep him and his family in your prayers.

