

“...strengthen thy brethren”



Luke 22:32

CHURCH OF CHRIST

of Genesee County

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Welcome All:

We are thankful to have you with us today. The Lord's church here is dedicated to the restoration of New Testament Christianity, respecting both the authority and the silence of the Scriptures.

Again, thank you for worshipping God today.

Schedule of Services

Worship...	Sunday	11:00 a.m.
	Sunday	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study...	Sunday	10:00 a.m.
	Wednesday	6:00 p.m.

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Prayer List

Barbara Johnson - had surgery. She faces many challenges as she recovers.

Elsie Jaques - in need of prayers.

Scott Bateman - in need of prayers.

Lauren Weidner - in need of prayers.

Stan Bozich - had a stroke, a friend of Chuck.

Edith Taylor - Bill's mother—health problems.

Judy Wilkes - diagnosed with cancer.

Scott Stevens

Helen Summers

Bernadine and Dave Roat - requested prayers due to serious health problems.

Harrison Morgan—Memphis School of Preaching

Leonard Carter—hospital-uncle to Cindy.

The congregation—that we may prosper in faithfulness to Jesus Christ.

Sermons

AM – In What Will We Trust?

PM – Come out from among them.

MANY DEPARTURES TODAY

Direct Commands (Acts 12:48), Approved Bible Example (Acts 20:7), and Necessary Inference (Matt 3:16), are the only three ways the Word of God authorizes. 2 John 9-11 directs us to not go beyond or less than what God has authorized. Therefore, instrumental music in worship is a sin, and women leaders (Preachers, ministers, praise teams, etc.) in worship is a sin. Many have changed the teaching of the Bible to fit their own ideas or opinions and this also is a sin (2 Pet. 3:16). We will be judged by the word (John 12:48). Many in Michigan promote these departures from God. The basic claim is that "help meet" (Gen 2:18) is unlimited and liberating in all areas of work and usually say "except elders." Evidence of these departures:

Ann Arbor Church of Christ Neighborhood Church, Ann Arbor, MI Darryl Canty, minister From email from Darryl Canty: *"At our church we believe that women can do anything except be an elder."*

Trenton Church of Christ, Trenton, MI. Charlton Taylor, Senior Minister From an email from Charlton Taylor: *"women serve communion, give announcements, sing on a standing praise team, read scripture, participate in drama, teach, serve as ministry leader and we also have women serving on our Vision Team, one of our primary leadership teams."*

Troy Church of Christ, Troy, MI. *"After many years of studying and prayerfully reflecting on women's roles in our public gatherings, our church family concluded that part of being true to Scripture was to include women in various capacities while embracing unity and peace. The result is that both men and women share in the responsibilities of serving during our assembly through Communion, Bible Reading, Prayer and Testimony."*

Bristol Road Church of Christ, Flint, MI. *"Our class on "Slaves, Women, and Homosexuals" continues tonight. Join us at 7:00 on site or online at <http://t.co/3ccGFtCZ8I> about 1 month ago* (Author's Note (not a part of quote) is that this is a

video of Brad Palmore teaching that women can serve in all areas of the work of the church). A woman (Lisa) in the class claims she, *"spoke from the pulpit."* and said: *"women preached in south Africa."* Brad Palmore said: *"I agree"* to the women's comments and position. It is also listed on the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/BRCOC>.

Rochester College is a big promoter of these departures. The Banner of Truth talks about a woman minister at the Stanford Church of Christ who was educated at Rochester College. (The influence is in our area for we have the following people currently an alumnus of Rochester College with a student in school: Jim Bodine (77), Katy Bodine, Flint, MI (Student), Lory Palmer (77), Pete Brazle (11), Chase Brazle, Clawson, MI (Student), Janine Content (77), Danielle Diehl, Lapeer, MI (Student), Jenny Habermel (84), Ryan Green, Flint, MI (Student), Lisa Brown (86), Jackson Lund, Grand Blanc, MI (Student), Lisa McKee (82), David McClure (84), Cole McClure, Grand Blanc, MI (Student), Susan Loutner (83), David McClure (84), Kayce McClure, Grand Blanc, MI (Student), Susan Loutner (83).)

1 Pet. 3:15 requires us to give an answer. It has nothing to do with tradition, culture, popularity, ability, chauvinist, or opinion. It has to do with what God has authorized. Col. 3:17, 1 Pet. 4:11. God has spoken: 1 Tim. 2:11 "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection." 1 Cor. 14:34 "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded] to be under obedience, as also saith the law." In verse 37 he claims this is from the Lord; 1 Cor. 14:37 "If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord." 1 Tim 2:12-13 "But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. For Adam was first formed, then Eve." Was it humiliating for Christ to be under the authority of the Father? Absolutely not. Nor is it humiliating for man to be under Christ, and the same concerning women. Let us be a congregation that will not abandon the principles of the New Testament. Those in our area that love not the truth and have great pleasure in lies (2 Thes. 2:10-12) will reap the whirlwind. (Prov. 10:25, Prov. 1:27) .

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