EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

July 24, 2022



Minister: Bryant Evans

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Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!

Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!

Elders

Sid Chupek Scott Kelly John Langham Jonathan Ling

Deacons

Chad Chupek Scott Lloyd Peter Verrett Jesse Olive

Sunday

Worship 10 AM Bible Study 5 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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Today's Sermon

Six Facts About the Ethiopian Acts 8:26-40

³⁸ And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. ³⁹ And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰ But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Acts 8:38-40 ESV



We have a wide variety of events, such as game nights, trips to various local events, singings, and devotionals for all ages.

See more details inside the bulletin!

Today's Events:

Lads to Leaders Second Language (Spanish) following our evening Bible classes.

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Events for this week:

Tuesday:

Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

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Next Sunday:



Birthdays & Anniversaries

07/26 Jim & Mary Riley 07/28 Kent Purser 07/29 Jonathan & Susan Ling Mary Riley 07/30 Amanda Lloyd 08/01 Tim & Angel Ashley Linda Farris 08/02 Gail Bush 08/04 MaeBelle Perry 08/06 Peter Verrett 08/11 Tim Ashley **Brenda Davis** 08/13 Holland Chupek TR & Marvetta Clevenger 08/14 Vivian Davis Nelda Sanford 08/16 Ann Christopher 08/19 Cindy Hatcher 08/23 Ricky Hovater Jeffery King 08/24 Jim Riley 08/30 Jesse Olive 08/31 Bob & Linda Ledford

Cindy Hatcher is in need of several Queen or King, white or neutral colored, flat sheets for a project she is working on in the church storage shed. If you have any, it doesn't matter the condition, just bring them to her.



07/31	5th Sunday Fellowship Meal following our morning services.
08/02	Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
08/09	Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
08/16	Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
08/19	Primetimer's Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
08/20	Ladies Monthly Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item.
08/21	Youth Area Wide at Creekwood church.
08/23	Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall
08/28	Youth Devo at the Lings following evening Bible Classes.
08/30	Men's Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall

Part 2 of 2: Abortions Bottom Line

By: Bryant Evans

The unborn is a living human being

Certain facts are not in dispute. When two gametes meet (egg and sperm) something marvelous happens. A new life is created. At this moment of conception, a unique human comes into being. What did not exist a moment before, now does. This infinitesimally small being does not at this moment look like a human but it will. Already it possesses its own unique DNA profile. During his time *in utero*, the unborn will develop her own heart, her own lungs, her own brain, and her own nervous system. At the moment of conception, the unborn's gender is fixed (that's another article) and even the color of its eyes is fixed. The only thing that remains before this unborn child can walk, talk, drive a car, and graduate from college, is time.

During the roughly nine months after conception, the child will continue to grow and develop before being thrust into the world through the process of birth. This period of specialized care, which we typically refer to as gestation, is essential to the well-being of the child. If gestation is compromised, either through natural or unnatural meetings, the child will suffer and may die. These facts are not in dispute.

The argument from pro-choice advocates is that the unborn is not a human being. They assert that the fetus *becomes* a human being at some point in time. They struggle to determine the point at which the unborn becomes a human.

Viability

Some have suggested that a fetus becomes a human at the moment of viability that is, at the moment when the fetus can exist on its own separate and apart from the mother. This is a very unsatisfactory argument. First, a newborn cannot exist apart from his mother outside the will for a very long period of time. The newly born child requires care, feeding, medical care, and many other things in order to be able to grow and develop. Second, viability is a constantly changing number. Once, a premature child, delivered 10 weeks early, would likely die. Then, due to advances in medical care, children born at 20 weeks are now able to survive. Today, medical advances have pushed that number back and more.

Viability is unsatisfactory because it is an arbitrary number. Some unborn children may be able to survive as early as 18 weeks while others might struggle at 35 weeks. The science of developmental anatomy cannot observe any sudden change in the fetus at week 20 as compared to week 21. The fetus knows no viability number. The moving target of viability does not determine when the unborn becomes human.

Organ function

The detection of heartbeats or the detection of brain waves is sometimes suggested as a means of determining life. This may sound reasonable because the absence of a heartbeat or the absence of brain waves in an adult typically suggests death. There is a fundamental difference between organ function in a fetus and organ function in an adult. In a fetus, functioning organs only await developmental progress. The natural, uninterrupted, development of the fetus will produce functioning organs. In an adult, cessation of functioning organs may be permanent, especially with the loss of brainwave activity. If left alone organs will begin to function in the fields. Likewise, left alone, adult organs which have stopped functioning will not restart.

Conclusions

The most logical, cogent, analysis of the facts demonstrates that life begins at conception. There is no other moment in the development of the unborn when life can logically be said to begin. That being the case, we returned to our two fundamental arguments. Pro-choice is left with the defunct argument that a woman has an absolute right to her body. Pro-life is left with the argument that the unborn is a living human being. "My rights," or "your life." Tell me, shall we elevate individual rights over an individual life? I think not.

The unborn child is the most vulnerable human being. How we, as a society, treat the unborn, says much about our character as a people. If there is any error to be made here, let it be on the side of the unborn child.

Please keep in your prayers:

Julie Doughty is having ongoing health problems (daughter of Jerry Doughty).

Richard Davis has to have dialysis three times a week.

Garlin Farris is recovering from surgery.

Sharon Hovater has tested positive for COVID.

Pat Locke is recovering from a sinus infection, upper

respiratory infection and a UTI.

Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:

Mike Sanford, Jamie Langham, Gus Stranch (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine), Jeff Stewart (friend of Jerry Doughty), Sarah Kennedy, Jim Bose and Betty Carter (friends of Patti Van Iderstine), Darnell Jackson (mother of Jaqueline King), James Doughty (brother of Jerry Doughty), Angela Flit (cousin of Dwight Isenhower), Will Scott and Paul Thorkelson (friends of Dwight & Julia Isenhower), Aaron Bell (Youth Minister of Valley View church & a friend of the Sanford's), Wanda Bobinger (cousin of Patti Van Iderstine), Joe Smith (brother of Sherran Brown), Margaret Tucker (Sister-In-Law of Linda Farris), Donna Ellison (mother of Amanda Olive), Shea Hovater (Sister-In-Law of Rickie & Sharon Hovater).

Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

MaeBelle Perry, Lum Morrison, James & Ann Christopher, Don & Phyllis Gill, and Jane Betts.

Privileged to Serve

Greeters: Peter & Glenda Verrett

Usher: Peter Verrett
Building Lockup: John Langham

Treasurer Assistants: Jerry Brown and Nathan Evans

Sunday Morning

Lord's Table (presiding): John Langham

Leading Prayer: Sid Chupek

Jeffery King

Leading Singing: Jesse Olive

Scripture Reading: Andrew Ashley

Wednesday Evening

Leading Prayer: James Day

Robert Cagle

Leading Singing: Nathan Evans

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