



## Church Connection October 2015

*Strengthening,  
Preserving  
& Promoting  
Marriage,  
Family, Life &  
Liberty*

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*And he called his ten servants....and said unto them, Occupy till I come.*

Luke 19:13

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### *Mark Your Calendar*

**WFC Presents:**  
*"2016: It's All About You"*  
*(Your impact in 2016)*  
Thurs., Oct. 8, 6-8 p.m.,  
Eau Claire Pizza Ranch  
Thurs., Nov. 5, 6-8 p.m.,  
Waupun Pizza Ranch

### **WFC/American Majority Pastors' and Leaders' Event**

*Learn why and how to  
run for elected office.*  
Thursday, Oct. 15,  
5:30-8:30 p.m.,  
Appleton Machine Shed

To register for  
an event, call  
888-378-7395.

**The Last Days of the U.S. Constitution?**  
“We’re living in the last days of the U.S. Constitution.” A Wisconsin constitutional attorney very recently made that statement in front of a number of his peers. Though not surprising, the statement is still shocking and sobering.

The US Supreme Court’s decision on marriage last June was the basis for his statement, but that decision isn’t the only example of the Court overstepping its boundaries. Repeated judicial activism by the Court results in a Constitution that means only what the courts say it means, in particular the US Supreme Court.

John Adams said, “[O]ur constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.” It’s important to note that by “religious people,” Adams was referring to those with a Christian worldview. He wasn’t talking about Islam or Buddhism or Hinduism or any other ism. Within the historical context, he was referring to orthodox Christianity. Adams knew that Christian morality is the only reliable moral framework for the conduct of men and women everywhere.



The Constitution rests on the assumption that moral people—that is people who understand and live by the teachings of Christianity—will be able to appropriately govern themselves and thereby allow for limited government. This would in turn keep government in check by holding it accountable for the same standard of morality. This is where the opening three words of the US Constitution come into play—“We the people.”

When people forsake morality based on a clear understanding of and commitment to the teachings of Christianity, they think differently, act differently, and vote differently—at a minimum. Why does this matter?

Unfortunately, American Christians have been inclined to live more like the world and less like Christ, and therefore

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### Consider this...

God sovereignly blessed America with a representative participatory form of government and with religious liberty. Religious liberty—the freedom to live our faith privately and publicly—is under attack like never before. To preserve it requires active participation in the government God gave us. In other words, we must be good stewards of what God has given us. We are called to be difference-makers, “to ever follow that which is good...to all men,” (1 Thess. 5:15), and to love our neighbors, (Matt. 22:39). Strengthening and preserving religious freedom is good for everyone. Let’s recommit ourselves to participating in the government God gave us as distinct difference-makers for God’s glory and the good of our neighbors.

the influence of Christianity has waned. That results in fewer people with true integrity—with Christian values and a Christian worldview—running for office. In addition, too many Christians are still voting what they think are their own financial interests and are casting ballots for people who do not share their values or worldview.

When this happens, it’s pretty easy for the US Constitution to be “remade” into something we don’t recognize. Remember that all federal judges are appointed, whether at the district, appellate or Supreme Court level. They are nominated by the President and approved by a majority of the US Senate. If the President, whom we the people have elected, isn’t what John Adams would call a “moral and religious” person, then the judicial nominees he or she puts forward will most likely not be either.

If the Senators that “we the people” have elected are not “moral and religious people,” they will easily approve judicial nominees who reflect their values and beliefs. When this happens and federal judges assume lifetime positions on federal courts, the destruction and remaking of the US Constitution is pretty simple. All it takes is for five US Supreme Court justices to agree and presto! Our foundational governing document is rewritten, remade, and reinterpreted. And that is exactly what has happened. That’s why an attorney can justifiably declare, “We are living in the last days of the US Constitution.” Tragically, “we the people” are the problem.

But there is hope. Most importantly, America needs another Great Awakening—a sweeping, Holy Spirit-inspired revival from coast to coast, border to border. Let’s pray to that end. We also need Christians who will not bend on core principles for political advantage to run for political office at all levels of government. And we need Christians to vote for candidates, from President down to school board, who most closely reflect their own values and worldview. Then “we the people” need to hold those elected officials accountable for acting consistently with what they say they believe. If we do these things, then perhaps, God-willing, we can extend the life of the US Constitution. For the sake of our children and our grand-children, let us work and pray to that end.

## About Wisconsin Family Council

*Wisconsin Family Council is a 501 (c)(3) organization that since 1986 has been advancing Judeo-Christian principles and values in Wisconsin. We have largely done this by informing Wisconsin citizens, policymakers and churches about the important legislative and cultural issues so that they can be involved in strengthening and preserving marriage, family, life and liberty in our state.*

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