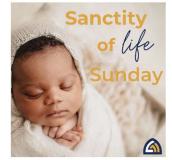


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What Can Churches Do for Sanctity of Life Sunday

January 21 is Sanctity of Life Sunday. This is a great opportunity to share with your church the significance of protecting children in the womb. Even though *Roe v. Wade* has been overturned, the fight has gotten even stronger to protect precious babies. The church needs strong leaders to stand in the gap for those who are powerless to save themselves. This is what Christ did on the cross for us (Romans 5:6-10). Below are some ways your church can participate in Sanctity of Life Sunday.



- 1. Pastoral prayer for the sanctity of life.
- 2. Invite a local crisis pregnancy center leader to share a quick update. Have them bring resources from their organization to share distribute in the lobby.
- 3. Organize a fundraiser for a local pregnancy care center. (Ex,. Provide baby bottles and have members round up loose change to donate.)
- 4. Contact your local pregnancy care center and see if they have any needs that your church or individuals could help with.
- 5. Not sure where to find the nearest pregnancy help center? Find your <u>local pregnancy center here.</u>
- 6. Have a baby and/or parent dedication for all the babies born in 2023.
- 7. Show powerful videos during the service.
 - For a strong defense of babies in the womb, the S.L.E.D. test from Focus on the Family.
 - For a video on a baby's week-to-week development, here's one from Live Action.

8. Teach on the value of human life. Not everyone in your church understands why this issue is important. Teach them from God's Word that we are made in the image of God, that born and unborn children are a blessing, and that God has a plan for them. Communicate that this is a gospel issue the Bible speaks to. Share with parents who have walked through abortions that forgiveness is available through Christ and point them to trusted resources that can do post-abortion counseling from a biblical perspective.

Whatever you choose to do this coming Sunday, ask the Lord for wisdom on how you and your church can honor the Lord by standing for life.

In Christ,



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P.S. Please pray this week for State Senator Jeff Smith (Brunswick) and State Representative Melissa Ratcliff (Cottage Grove).

P.P.S: Help us celebrate God's plan for marriage. Nominations for WFC's Marriage Hall of Fame are now being accepted. Nominees must have been married for at least 60 years. Nominations may be submitted <u>HERE</u>.